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## Robisky’s Tree Service of Cullom Notches 50th Year in Business

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

For half a century, John Robisky of rural Cullom has made his mark in the tree service business, and plans to continue to provide his services, even though he himself just reached his 66th birthday.

Starting off at the tender age of 15, he had just three chain saws, ropes and a special saddle to pull himself up onto trees for cutting limbs.

He had a two-wheel trailer to haul logs and brush.

“I never had no end loader or nothing,” he said of his early days. “I put it on [the trailer] by hand.”

He said it was another five years before he was able to rent a bucket truck owned by a neighbor.

For 10 years, he said he worked with “another tree guy,” Rich Tree Services of the Pontiac area.

Meantime, he began looking for a used boom truck and eventually was able to buy one for a low price from a man having financial troubles in Milford.

Eventually he bought his own bucket and end loader, stump grinder and chipper, as well as a flatbed.

He now utilizes a 90-foot boom truck with a bucket for reaching higher trees.

“A lot of people are worried about trees hanging over the house,” he said. “The insurance requires them to get stuff off from over the house.”

He also removes trees that may have fallen on homes. He will sometimes bring in another crane, if needed.

The wood is split and sold.

“My business I will say has grown leaps and bounds in the last five years, especially in 2016,” Robisky explained.

He said this year’s business almost tripled due to tornadoes that hit the area.

Plus, ash trees are dying, making for more business.

Robisky’s Tree Service covers a 65-mile radius around Cullom. He has gone up as far north as Joliet, but only for large jobs that make

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John “J.R.” Robisky, owner of Robisky’s Tree Service in Cullom, marked his 50th year in business this year. Robisky, who turned 66 years old Dec. 19, began in the business at the tender age of 15.

The Paper photo

## GSW H.S. Levy Increases 3.74%

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

The Gardner-South Wilmington High School Board adopted its tax levy at the Dec. 21 meeting, increasing the request for property taxes by 3.74%.

The levy for property taxes this year was \$1,523,056. The estimated levy for taxes payable in 2017 is \$1,579,943. That is an increase of \$56,887.

School districts generally increase the levy to capture increases in property value within the school district.

Superintendent Michael Perrott told the school board that the Equalized Assessed Valuation used to set the actual tax extension next spring will “most likely be close to the EAV used in the levy” request.

In building and grounds projects, Perrott reported:

- the Library project will be finished by Walter

Debelak over Winter Break.

- Logan Murray, tech coordinatr, has received proposals for keyless entry to the building. The proposals range from \$4,200 to \$7,750. The building committee will review them.
- contractors came through the building to review the possibility of air conditioning. Craig Male gave a presentation to the other board members dis-

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## Grapevine Mission Helps People In Need For 10 Years



GRAPEVINE MISSION volunteers Judy Pershey and Megan Denman deliver a stuffed Christmas “stocking” filled with hats, gloves, scarves, and personal items to seniors, disabled, and veterans each Christmas. Here the volunteers knocked on doors at an apartment complex in Dwight. The organization, which has been serving the needy for 10 years, is based in Dwight but serves people in Livingston, Grundy, Kankakee, and La Salle counties.

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## Herscher Unit 2 Property Tax Rate Expected To Ease Slightly

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

Herscher Unit 2 approved its property tax levy at the Dec. 19 meeting, with a slight decrease expected for the 2017 tax rate.

This year’s tax levy request of \$13.8 million for property taxes payable in 2017, was approved by the school board, with an estimated tax rate of \$4.7614 per \$100 in equalized assessed valuation. The current year’s tax rate is \$4.7643.

That slight decrease comes despite the adoption of a one-year \$1 million working cash bond.

According to Superintendent Richard Decman, the reason for the lower tax rate is an increase in property tax values, particularly with the addition of a wind farm (roughly \$750,000 in new tax money) and the Kinder Morgan oil condensate tank farm near Herscher, valued at \$554,000 in EAV. Thus, out of 13.8 million, more than \$1 million is from these two new commercial developments within Unit 2, which is being used to offset expenses and keep the tax rate from spiking.

Decman told *The Paper* that the \$1 million working cash bond is to balance the books for the next school year, and another bond may be needed the following year.

In another financial matter, the teachers were given a 0.4 percent raise to offset

money taken away by the state of Illinois for health insurance.

The district technology expert is recommending that Unit 2 invest in a generator system to prevent computer outages and other electronic systems from losing data during a power failure.

Decman said this would cost roughly \$250,000, including labor for installation, software and hardware.

No action was taken on the generator.

The greenhouse for the FFA is nearly complete and should be up and running by the February board meeting, Decman estimated.

The district also hired Krista Meyer to replace paraprofessional Mary Peeken at Limestone Grade School.

**Note: This is the third in a series focusing on volunteers and the impact they have on their communities in The Paper’s readership area.**

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

This time of year, the Grapevine Mission of Dwight is very busy for its volunteer staff.

They are currently delivering “stuff a stocking” 2016 with “stockings” containing such needed items as hats, gloves, scarves, and personal products like nail clippers.

The program served 225 seniors, disabled and veterans in 2015.

“Most of them, it’s the only Christmas package they get,” said Megan Denman, a longtime volunteer with the Grapevine mission.

Grapevine mission, now in its 10th year, serves people living in Livingston, La Salle, Grundy and Kankakee counties, and has a core group of between 20 to 25 regular volunteers who provide all sorts of assistance to people in need.

One program, the Homeless Turnkey operation, provides furnishing apartments, dishes, clothing, whatever is needed for those who are just getting back on their feet.

Grapevine provides a food pantry, provides funds for medicine and prescriptions, and provides Christmas dinners at this time of year for families in need.

Judy Pershey said people

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**Accident Reports**  
December 17, 2016, 9:45 a.m. – 12 W. Northbrook Dr., Dwight: A 2017 Volvo driver was asleep in his semi bunk when struck by the trailer being pulled by a 2017 Dodge Ram owned by Michael W. May.  
December 19, 2016, 2:50 p.m. – Route 66 at Morris Road, Dwight: A 2005 Buick, northbound, pulled out into the intersection and was struck by a 2013 Ford F15 owned by James D. Roeder. Roeder had the right

of way.  
**0 Warnings Issued by Dwight Police**



**Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS**  
December 15: 4:01 p.m., 2900 E Rd, medical, St. James; 9:58 p.m., Main, medical, Refusal.  
December 16: 7:48 a.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 3:58 p.m., Main, medical, Riverside; 6:14 p.m., I-55, MVC, 4 Refusals; 7:24 p.m., I-55, MVC, 6 Refusals.  
December 17: 4:18 a.m., William, medical, St. James; 8:05 a.m., Pollard, medical, Morris; 9:37 a.m., Mazon, medical, Riverside; 11:49 a.m., I-55, MVC, St. James.  
December 18: 2:25 a.m., Main, medical, Morris; 10

a.m., Prairie, medical, St. James; 9:50 p.m., Mazon, medical, Riverside.  
December 19: 4:32 a.m., James, trauma, Morris; 2:43 p.m., Rt. 66, trauma, 1 refusal, 1 St. James; 3:37 p.m., Mazon, trauma, from Gardner/Dwight; 7:08 p.m., Mazon, medical, St. James; 8:26 p.m., Wabash (Emington), medical, St. James.  
December 20: 12:43 p.m., Union, fire; 3:14 p.m., 3000 N. MVC, Refusal, mutual from Gardner; 10:40 p.m., Main, trauma, St. James.  
December 21: 12:49 a.m., Rt. 53, fire, disregarded; 11:19 a.m., Main, medical, Pontiac; 1:47 p.m., Renfrew, medical, Morris.  
December 22: 9:47 a.m., Watters, medical, Riverside; 9:50 a.m., Watters, medical, Morris.



THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT of Transportation gave a Christmas present to motorists in Dwight and those traveling through town. On Dec. 23, Rt. 17’s railroad crossing (Mazon Avenue in Downtown Dwight) was opened to traffic for the first time since early fall. Drivers may enter Franklin Street again going south by turning off Rt. 17/Mazon Avenue. Semi trailer truck traffic has resumed using Route 17 going east and west on Mazon Avenue in Dwight.  
*The Paper photo*

Robisky’s Tree Service of Cullom Notches 50th Year in Business

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the commute worth his time and effort.  
The business employs five full-time people.  
One of two daughters, Maggie Martin, is his book-

keeper.  
With initials J.R., people started calling him J.R., the boss, which was in vogue a few years ago because of the “Dallas” television show featuring a character J.R. Ewing.

He wanted to remind people he is very grateful for the half-century of patronage to his business.  
“I wish them all a happy new year and hope to serve them for many years to come,” he added.



THIS 90-FOOT boom is utilized by Robisky’s Tree Service of Cullom. The business marked a half-century serving the area in 2016. The boom truck is just one of several pieces of equipment that the business owns including a stump grinder and wood chipper. When Robisky started in business, he just had a harness to lift himself up onto trees and three chain saws.  
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Illinois Lost 114,144 People Last Year — Tops All 50 States

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

The U.S. Census released new data Dec. 21 on national population trends and reported that over the last year, Illinois suffered the greatest population loss in the nation. From July 2015 to July of this year, Illinois lost 114,144 residents to other states.  
To put that number into perspective, Illinois recorded 155,238 births and added 30,934 international immigrants in 2015-16, while it had 109,040 deaths and 114,144 residents who migrated out of the state.  
“This massive exodus to other states caused Illinois’ overall population to decline by 37,508 people,” the U.S. Census reported.  
Dwight Village Administrator Kevin McNamara said

for the village of Dwight, he had no data for the last year regarding population.  
But in 2010, Dwight population was 4,260 according to the U.S. Census.  
The next census will be 2020.  
Livingston County, however, lost 1,100 people which were counted as residents of the county, held at the Dwight Correctional Center.  
McNamara said the prison closed in 2013. That loss of population will have a major impact on Livingston County’s population in the 2020 census, McNamara said.  
Meanwhile, people are leaving the state in general the Illinois Policy Institute of Chicago said.  
“Picture the entire city of Peoria packing up and moving across state lines – that’s how severe Illinois’ out-migration was over the last year,” said Michael Lucci, vice president of policy at the Illinois Policy Institute.  
“People are leaving Illinois at record rates. They’re tired of watching the state’s pension debt climb as lawmakers ignore the problem. They’re tired of an expensive workers’ com-

pensation system, and a dangerously ill economic climate. It’s time for lawmakers to make massive reforms and send a strong signal that the direction of Illinois is changing.”  
Illinois is the only Midwestern state that experienced population loss in 2016, for the third year in a row.  
Economic experts at the Illinois Policy Institute have studied the state’s migration and population trends intensely over the past five years.  
Countless reports find residents fleeing Illinois for states with lower taxes and better job opportunities.  
Heavy population losses on Census migration reports have always been followed by IRS migration reports showing the people who left took substantial earning power with them.  
The most recent IRS data show that Illinois loses \$32,000 of taxable income every five minutes.  
Lucci said the Census data should send a “strong signal” to state lawmakers before the start of the new legislative session in January.

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Dec. 19 – high 18°, low -6°  
Dec. 20 – high 28°, low 14°  
Dec. 21 – high 37°, low 20°  
**One Year Ago – Dec. 28, 2015**  
high 40°, low 31° 1.5” rain

**Dwight Township Meeting to be held**

The Dwight Township’s January meeting will be held at the Township Hall/Gothic Church on January 3, 2017 at 7 p.m.

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We’re just about ready to open the door to 2017, so you might be thinking about some New Year’s resolutions. What’s on your list this year? More visits to the gym? Learning a new language? Master- ing the perfect beef bourguignon? All worthy ambitions, of course, but why not also include some financial resolutions? money, increase your contributions to your retirement plan. By reviewing your needs and goals, you can identify some resolutions that are particularly relevant to your own situation. But here are a few suggestions:

- Review your portfolio. Is your investment portfolio still on track toward helping you meet your long-term goals? If not, you may need to make some changes. You’ll also want to study your investment mix to make sure it still accurately reflects your risk tolerance. Over time, and often without your taking any significant actions, your portfolio can “drift” to a place where you are taking on too much risk – or even too little risk – for your needs and long-term objectives. If this happens, you may need to “re- balance” your holdings.
- Build an emergency fund. If you needed a major car repair or a new furnace, or faced some other large, unanticipated expense, could you cope with it? If you didn’t have the money readily available, you might have to dip into those invest- ments intended for long-term goals, such as retirement. Instead, build an emergency fund containing three to six months’ worth of living expenses, kept in a liquid, low- risk account.
- Avoid mistakes. None of us can avoid all mistakes, in life and in our investment activities. But as an investor, you’ll clearly benefit from minimizing your errors. For example, it’s generally a mistake to jump out of the market in response to a period of volatility. If you wait for things to “calm down” before investing again, you might miss out on the opportunity to participate in the next market rally.
- Cut down on debts. It’s not easy to cut down on one’s debt load. But if you can find ways to reduce your debts, you’ll help improve your overall financial picture. Many debts are not “useful” – that is, they don’t carry any tax advantages – so every dollar you spend to pay down those debts is a dollar you could use to invest for your future.
- Think long term. Keep this in mind: You’re not investing for today or tomorrow, but for many years from now. Try to keep a long-term focus when making all your key investment decisions. By doing so, you can avoid overreacting to short- term developments, such as a sudden drop in the market or a “momentous” political event that actually decreases in importance as time goes by.
- Boost contributions to your re- tirement plan. If your employer offers a 401(k) or similar retirement plan, take full advantage of it. Your earnings have the potential to grow tax deferred and your contributions may lower your taxable income. Plus, most plans offer a selection of investment options, so you can choose the investment mix that fits your objec- tives and risk tolerance. Therefore, if your salary goes up this year, or if you think you can find other ways to free up some

Try to follow these financial resolutions as best as you can. You could make 2017 a year to remember.

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## Land Use Appreciates Toy Donations

Each year the Grundy County Land Use Department holds a gently used toy drive for children. The donations of games, baby toys, and girl and boy toys was overwhelming this year and they appreciate all of the residents who made this drive a great success. The South Wilmington Grade School through Ms. Cindy Christiansen and local Boy Scouts also helped to make toy-giving a special theme for the children of our County by donating toys this year.

With all the stuffed animals, boxes of games and toys they had approximately 130 items for the Rotary Club to pick up and distribute. They were lucky to have received some new toys, as well.

Thanks to the Morris Library, Fossil Ridge Library, Three Rivers Library in Minooka and Channahon, and the Coal City Library for generously giving space within their libraries as drop off locations for toys. Park Pointe nursing home was a partner in sanitizing and washing all of the stuffed animals that were received.

The used and new toys were distributed to four different locations. New toys were given to a needy local family, and to the Toys for Tots organization. All gently used toys were sorted into either girl, boy, or baby toys and all of the stuffed animals once cleaned and dried were bagged. The Mazon Toys for Joy program did receive some of the toys for families,

and the Chicago Rotary picked up everything that remained. Toys were given to families by displaying all of the toys on tables and allowing the parents to pick out toys that are appropriate for their children.

A special thanks to both Bob ‘Santa’ Pazely for picking up toys multiple times in the last month from local libraries and to Cheryl Wardell for sorting and boxing the toys.

All of these toys are now in the hands of children who would have not received many, if any, presents. These toys are given another opportunity to be played with, and that certainly shows reuse of our precious resources.



THE VILLAGE OF DWIGHT recently purchased and razed its fourth deteriorated home this year. The structure above, at 411 W. Delaware St., was taken down last week by workers from Strachan Farms. The property was bought for \$8,000. Another \$9,000 was spent for demolition.

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cussing the project and reviewed a floor plan for the first and second floor. The Building and Grounds Committee will discuss this at their January meeting and report to the board.

The board heard the following updates regarding the Gardner Area Band:

Board member Kati Wepprecht reported that community members Mary Kaye Gerrish, Jeff Smolik, and Chris Simms each made a \$200 donation through their place of employment, Aux Sable. The \$600 donation was made for the Spring band trip to the Memorial Day Parade in Washington D.C.

• Wepprecht also reported that the Area Band Boosters made another donation, forwarding \$10,180 for the purchase of more band uniforms. Currently the band

does not have enough uniforms for the growing Gardner Area Band.

• There will be a Sinatra Nite at Rury’s in South Wilmington on Feb. 25, 2017. All proceeds from the cover charge will go to the band’s Washington D.C. trip. There will be raffle baskets, socializing and classic Sinatra music performed by Bert Neitzer, accompanied by Mark Pickles.

In other business, the board:

- renewed its contract with Shayla Loring Photography as school photographer for this school year.
- learned that Illinois Central Bus Company was sold to GHJM, a private equity firm out of Minnesota. This should not mean any changes in services, according to Perrott.
- cancelled the Dec. 28 meeting.

## Illinois Consumers’ Credit Scores Up 5 Points

Overall, Illinois consumers earned a 681 credit score, a 5-point increase from last year and well above the national average of 673, according to Pitch Public Reations in Chandler, Arizona.

But, they took on more credit cards and 30% were delinquent on their bills last year.

Experian released its 7th annual State of Credit report Dec. 21 and Illinois cities ranked in the top half of the nation.

Some additional findings:

- Quad Cities dropped in U.S. rankings four points.
- Chicago jumped in U.S. rankings by 11 points.
- Peoria-Bloomington ranked highest in state.
- 35% of Rockford consumers were delinquent on bills.
- \$35,249 is the average debt in Champaign-Springfield-Decatur.

Since 2007, Experian followed more than 200 cities nationwide to track consumer credit scores, bankcard usage, mortgages and debt.

## Growing Year Round Class Jan. 18

Trying to grow anything in the ground in January in Illinois seems like mission impossible. There are many home gardeners that fall into a major slump over the winter months. While it may be a simple case of the winter blues, it is usually more along the lines of not working the green thumb out enough during these cold Illinois winters.

Does the idea of delayed cropping interest you? Have you thought about using a hoop house or cold frame to add a few more weeks of growing? Learn how to

grow your own vegetables in the dead of winter using season extension methods.

Plan to attend this workshop on January 18, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at University of Illinois Extension, Kankakee County, 1650 Commerce Drive, Bourbonnais.

For further information or to pre-register, please contact the Extension office at 815-933-8337. The fee for this workshop is \$3 per person and pre-registration is required by January 12, 2017. Space is limited to 15 people.

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## More VGTs, Fewer \$\$

by Tom Tock

Dwight added to its array of video gaming terminals last month — five at Cherry Red’s Garage and one more at Pete’s, for a total of 57 townwide.

The extra machines did not equate to more total

gambling action, however, as the Funds invested dropped to \$592,972 from \$621,330 in October.

Dwight’s share of the net terminal income dropped about \$1,000 from the previous month, to \$6,961 from \$7,933.

NOV.	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI*	State	Dwight
Red Rstrs.	\$1,490	657	832	208	41
Red’s Grge.	7,831	5,441	2,389	597	119
JT’s	32,022	27,100	4,921	1,230	246
Lili Mae’s	91,291	64,556	26,734	6,683	1,336
Love’s	127,163	95,604	31,558	7,889	1,577
Lu’s	7,138	5,931	1,206	301	60
Mac’s	66,083	52,071	14,011	3,502	700
Pete’s	69,896	52,348	17,547	4,386	877
RonDeVoo	61,957	49,652	12,304	3,076	615
VFW	24,346	19,566	4,779	1,194	238
Vic. Lanes	22,694	20,043	2,650	662	132
Virbapa	22,271	17,899	4,371	1,092	218
Willy’s	58,790	42,866	15,923	3,980	796
TOTAL:	\$592,972	453,740	139,231	34,808	6,961

\*Net Terminal Income

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

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## Gardner November VGTs

The 13 video gaming terminals in Gardner attracted enough gamblers during November to again break through the \$100,000 level.

A total of \$102,502 was invested in the machines, producing \$1,440 for the Village of Gardner.

Below are the Gardner establishments with gaming terminals (number in paren-

thesis), the amount of funds invested, funds paid out, the net terminal income, and the amounts received by the State and by Gardner.

**Statewide**, Illinois had 213 more video gaming terminals in November than in October (now 24,787). The State’s November share of video gaming was \$23,758,912.

NOV.	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI	State	Gardner
Marks (4)	\$47,707	33,912	13,794	3,448	689
TA Op. (5)	45,239	33,424	11,814	2,953	590
Vino's (4)	9,556	6,345	3,210	802	160
TOTAL	\$102,502	73,683	28,818	7,204	1,440

### Archived Yearbook Sales

The DTHS Yearbook Club has come across several extra yearbooks dating all the way back to 1958! They are now being sold through the school for a purchase price of \$15 each. If you are interested, you may email Mr. Erik Borne at borne@dwight.k12.il.us.

The following is a listing of available yearbooks:  
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### Alpha Mu Chapter Meets

Alpha Mu Chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an international honorary organization of women educators, held their December 15 meeting at McDonald's Restaurant in Fairbury. Kay Rich and Elaine Young were the hostesses.

A noted Fairbury historian, Dale Maley, gave a Power Point program telling about the coal mines and underground businesses in Fairbury during the late 1800's and early 1900's. Mr. Maley also has done much work with murals and signs around the Fairbury business district in recent years, as well as much research into historical events in Fairbury, available as e-books.

President Sandy Erickson opened the business meeting and welcomed everyone who braved the cold weather.

The Chaplain, Ruth Schlosser, shared several thoughts for the day from John Glenn and Dr. Seuss, and a prayer. The secretary's report was read and approved and a silent roll call was taken. The treasurer reported that dues have all been paid. One item of interest is the change in policy coming up that retired teachers can be recruited after January 1. This opens new avenues to increase membership. The state president, Peggy Brown, has chosen as her new state altruistic project, Missions of Charity. This is a congregation established in 1950 by Mother Teresa.

During Alpha Delta Kappa Month in October, several members took treats and information about ADK to area schools. The Mosaic

Homes project this month includes sending Christmas cards to all residents, and also this quarter's DQ cards and treats have been delivered. In January there will be a new list for birthdays. Altruistic hours and donations were recorded.

A donation of \$100 was given to the Alzheimer's Association and matching funds are available at this time. Also "Cops for Kids" received a \$50 donation from Alpha Mu.

The fraternal education chairman, Jean Keck, gave everyone an inspirational gift and told about the group, Whole Tones, and the difference in frequencies in music and the effect it has on listeners, especially children.

The next meeting of Alpha Mu is set for January 19 at 4:30 p.m.



ST. PETER'S TEENS ACCEPT A CHECK FROM Dwight Woman's Club president, Lisa Marsh. The teen group was designated to receive funds raised by a tree donated to the Festival of Trees.



Mrs. Claus visited Toddler Time at Prairie Creek Library for a time of stories and crafts. Pictured is Jackson with Mrs. Claus.



### Dwight Seniors Duplicate Bridge Results

Dwight senior citizens gathered to play duplicate bridge December 22. The results are as follows:

**North/South**

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2. Darlene Drechsel/Mary Anne McNamara

3. Glenda Kutos/Evelyn Neuhalfen tied with Janet

**Kresl/Judy Cashmer East/West**

1. Norma Rodosky/Mary Goley

2. Docia Hancock/Barb Christensen

3. Delores Slattery/Peg Watters

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# Master Naturalist Training in Kankakee Begins April 20

## What is the Master Naturalist Program?

The mission of the University of Illinois Extension Master Naturalist program is to provide science-based educational opportunities that connect people with nature and help them become engaged environmental stewards. The vision is to give individuals the opportunity to experience nature, develop knowledge of and respect for the environment, and practice natural resource stewardship.

The Master Naturalist Program provides opportunities for adult volunteers to learn about their state's environmental, natural history and conservation issues. The Master Naturalist is a volunteer-based program in which interested adults received a minimum of 40 hours of training and subsequently donate 30 hours of volunteer time back to their community.

## Why is there a Master Naturalist Program?

There has never been a greater need for a program that addresses the issues of environmental sustainability and stewardship in a state that is undergoing increasing urbanization, changing demographics, shifting land use, and decreasing resources for natural areas. There is also a decline in outdoor recreational and educational activity.

## Who can participate in the

## Master Naturalist Program?

The program is designed for adults, 18 years and older, who are interested in lifelong learning and stewardship of local natural resources. You do not have to have a degree or background in natural resources. You need to have an interest in learning about the natural world and an interest in sharing that knowledge with others. You also need to be willing to devote time to volunteering and continuing education.

## What does the Master Naturalist Training involve?

Classes are held one day a week over a six week period, plus two additional field trips. Participants receive a minimum of 40 hours of both classroom and hands on field training, so they experience and practice what they learn immediately. Classes are led by Extension staff, regional scientists, and educators from partnering agencies.

## What volunteer activities do Master Naturalists do?

There are many ways to fulfill your 30 hours of Master Naturalist volunteer commitment. Some examples include:

- Assisting with prairie restoration
- Controlling invasive species
- Maintaining natural trails in a county forest preserve

- Assisting at a nature center with a native plant garden
- Leading school/community groups on interpretive nature hikes
- Collecting data on wildlife populations or water quality
- Sharing information about natural resources at community events

Kankakee County's new Master Naturalist Training is scheduled to be held on consecutive Thursdays from April 20 through May 25. Applications are available. Contact Holly Froning, Kankakee Co. Extension Program Coordinator, at 815-933-8337 if you are interested in receiving an application.

# Area Students Named to KCC Honors, President's Lists

The following area students have been named to the President's List at Kankakee Community College for the fall 2016 semester:

- **Emington:** Afton Dearing.
- **Gardner:** Addison Wilson.
- **Herscher:** Michael Cooper, Holly Krone.
- **Kempton:** Taylor English, Kiersten Marrs, Abigail Sievert.
- **Odell:** Jorden Grieff.
- **Reddick:** Vera-Ellen Sena.

To be named to the President's List, a student must maintain a grade point average of 3.80 or higher and be enrolled in six or more semester hours.

Gracing the Honors List at KCC for the fall 2016 semester are:



Gannon Briner Strachan

## A boy!

Gannon Briner Strachan was born at 12:48 a.m. Saturday, October 22, 2016, to Kasey and Danny Strachan.

Gannon weighed eight pounds, 12 ounces, and was 20.5 inches long.

His grandparents are Jeff and Brenda Strachan, and Eugene Briner. John and Connie Carey are maternal great-grandparents. Ruby Strachan is paternal great-grandmother.



Myke and Cathy Feinman



# Feinmans to Mark 40th Wedding Anniversary

Catherine (Cruz) and Michael "Myke" Feinman will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary, Friday, Dec. 30.

The Streator couple was married Dec. 30, 1976 at the Pillars of Promise non-denominational church in San Jose, California.

The Rev. Louise Marshall officiated at the ceremony.

Both are native Californians, and moved to Illinois when Myke transferred in his employment as an Illinois insurance agent in 1984.

The Feinmans lived in Herscher for 10 years before moving to Streator in 1996, where they currently reside.

Myke has been working as a full-time journalist in Illinois since 1985, and is currently the Managing Editor of *The Paper* with its office in Dwight.

Catherine is now retired, but works at home as a part-time crafts artist creating one-of-a-kind jewelry.

Formerly she has been a calligrapher, an activity school bus driver for Herscher Unit 2, and a licensed hairdresser while residing in California.

The couple has one grown son, Anthony (Julie Simack), who graduated from Herscher High School in 1995 and currently resides in Bloomington with his girlfriend.

# Jordan Orr Earns SIU Med School Scholarship

Reddick native Jordan Orr was one of 12 fourth-year students at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine who has been awarded scholarships.

Nine students, including Orr, have received the SIU School of Medicine Scholarship, which is given annually to third- or fourth-year medical students who have shown academic success and/or performed service to the School of

Medicine. Jordan is the daughter of Bill and Sherri Orr.

Gifts received by the Southern Illinois University Foundation support the growth of the School of Medicine. Individuals interested in making a donation can contact the SIU Foundation office at 217-545-2955 weekdays or online at [www.siumed.edu/foundation](http://www.siumed.edu/foundation).

## Gas Prices Up 3.6 cents

The U.S. national average gasoline price per gallon jumped another 3.6 cents a gallon to \$2.28 Friday.

According to GasBuddy.com statistics, the highest National average price for regular unleaded gasoline on Dec. 23 was \$3.224 in 2012. The lowest price for this date \$1.6540 in 2008.

Prices in *The Paper's* circulation area jumped significantly higher just before Christmas, with most towns in the area average near \$2.30 gallon. **Average U.S. gallon regular price is made up of 20% state & local taxes; 14% distribution and marketing; 18% refining and 49% crude.**

City/Village	Dec. 23	Dec. 19
Dwight	\$2.37	\$2.172
Seneca	\$2.32	\$2.1866
S. Wilmington	\$2.25	\$2.15
Streator	\$2.39	\$2.19
Odell	\$2.29	\$2.17
Saunemin	\$2.19	\$2.17
Cullom	\$2.07	\$2.07
Pontiac	\$2.13	\$2.103
Gardner	\$2.34	\$2.15
Braceville	\$2.25	\$2.15
Mazon	\$2.29	\$2.15
Morris	\$2.29	\$2.142
Herscher	\$2.29	\$2.19
Kankakee	\$2.343	\$2.05
Chicago	\$2.56	\$2.44
Illinois	\$2.43	\$2.31
U.S.	\$2.28	\$2.244

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

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## Land Use Appreciates Toy Donations

Each year the Grundy County Land Use Department holds a gently used toy drive for children. The donations of games, baby toys, and girl and boy toys was overwhelming this year and they appreciate all of the residents who made this drive a great success. The South Wilmington Grade School through Ms. Cindy Christiansen and local Boy Scouts also helped to make toy-giving a special theme for the children of our County by donating toys this year.

With all the stuffed animals, boxes of games and toys they had approximately 130 items for the Rotary Club to pick up and distribute. They were lucky to have received some new toys, as well.

Thanks to the Morris Library, Fossil Ridge Library, Three Rivers Library in Minooka and Channahon, and the Coal City Library for generously giving space within their libraries as drop off locations for toys. Park Pointe nursing home was a partner in sanitizing and washing all of the stuffed animals that were received.

The used and new toys were distributed to four different locations. New toys were given to a needy local family, and to the Toys for Tots organization. All gently used toys were sorted into either girl, boy, or baby toys and all of the stuffed animals once cleaned and dried were bagged. The Mazon Toys for Joy program did receive some of the toys for families,

and the Chicago Rotary picked up everything that remained. Toys were given to families by displaying all of the toys on tables and allowing the parents to pick out toys that are appropriate for their children.

A special thanks to both Bob ‘Santa’ Pazely for picking up toys multiple times in the last month from local libraries and to Cheryl Wardell for sorting and boxing the toys.

All of these toys are now in the hands of children who would have not received many, if any, presents. These toys are given another opportunity to be played with, and that certainly shows reuse of our precious resources.



THE VILLAGE OF DWIGHT recently purchased and razed its fourth deteriorated home this year. The structure above, at 411 W. Delaware St., was taken down last week by workers from Strachan Farms. The property was bought for \$8,000. Another \$9,000 was spent for demolition.

## GSW H.S. Levy Increases 3.74%

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cussing the project and reviewed a floor plan for the first and second floor. The Building and Grounds Committee will discuss this at their January meeting and report to the board.

The board heard the following updates regarding the Gardner Area Band:

Board member Kati Wepprecht reported that community members Mary Kaye Gerrish, Jeff Smolik, and Chris Simms each made a \$200 donation through their place of employment, Aux Sable. The \$600 donation was made for the Spring band trip to the Memorial Day Parade in Washington D.C.

• Wepprecht also reported that the Area Band Boosters made another donation, forwarding \$10,180 for the purchase of more band uniforms. Currently the band

does not have enough uniforms for the growing Gardner Area Band.

• There will be a Sinatra Nite at Rury’s in South Wilmington on Feb. 25, 2017. All proceeds from the cover charge will go to the band’s Washington D.C. trip. There will be raffle baskets, socializing and classic Sinatra music performed by Bert Neitzer, accompanied by Mark Pickles.

In other business, the board:

- renewed its contract with Shayla Loring Photography as school photographer for this school year.
- learned that Illinois Central Bus Company was sold to GHJM, a private equity firm out of Minnesota. This should not mean any changes in services, according to Perrott.
- cancelled the Dec. 28 meeting.

## Illinois Consumers’ Credit Scores Up 5 Points

Overall, Illinois consumers earned a 681 credit score, a 5-point increase from last year and well above the national average of 673, according to Pitch Public Reations in Chandler, Arizona.

But, they took on more credit cards and 30% were delinquent on their bills last year.

Experian released its 7th annual State of Credit report Dec. 21 and Illinois cities ranked in the top half of the nation.

Some additional findings:

- Quad Cities dropped in U.S. rankings four points.
  - Chicago jumped in U.S. rankings by 11 points.
  - Peoria-Bloomington ranked highest in state.
  - 35% of Rockford consumers were delinquent on bills.
  - \$35,249 is the average debt in Champaign-Springfield-Decatur.
- Since 2007, Experian followed more than 200 cities nationwide to track consumer credit scores, bankcard usage, mortgages and debt.

## Growing Year Round Class Jan. 18

Trying to grow anything in the ground in January in Illinois seems like mission impossible. There are many home gardeners that fall into a major slump over the winter months. While it may be a simple case of the winter blues, it is usually more along the lines of not working the green thumb out enough during these cold Illinois winters.

Does the idea of delayed cropping interest you? Have you thought about using a hoop house or cold frame to add a few more weeks of growing? Learn how to

grow your own vegetables in the dead of winter using season extension methods.

Plan to attend this workshop on January 18, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. at University of Illinois Extension, Kankakee County, 1650 Commerce Drive, Bourbonnais.

For further information or to pre-register, please contact the Extension office at 815-933-8337. The fee for this workshop is \$3 per person and pre-registration is required by January 12, 2017. Space is limited to 15 people.

## More VGTs, Fewer \$\$

by Tom Tock

Dwight added to its array of video gaming terminals last month — five at Cherry Red’s Garage and one more at Pete’s, for a total of 57 townwide.

The extra machines did not equate to more total

gambling action, however, as the Funds invested dropped to \$592,972 from \$621,330 in October.

Dwight’s share of the net terminal income dropped about \$1,000 from the previous month, to \$6,961 from \$7,933.

NOV.	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI*	State	Dwight
Red Rstrs.	\$1,490	657	832	208	41
Red’s Grge.	7,831	5,441	2,389	597	119
JT’s	32,022	27,100	4,921	1,230	246
Lili Mae’s	91,291	64,556	26,734	6,683	1,336
Love’s	127,163	95,604	31,558	7,889	1,577
Lu’s	7,138	5,931	1,206	301	60
Mac’s	66,083	52,071	14,011	3,502	700
Pete’s	69,896	52,348	17,547	4,386	877
RonDeVoo	61,957	49,652	12,304	3,076	615
VFW	24,346	19,566	4,779	1,194	238
Vic. Lanes	22,694	20,043	2,650	662	132
Virbapa	22,271	17,899	4,371	1,092	218
Willy’s	58,790	42,866	15,923	3,980	796
TOTAL:	\$592,972	453,740	139,231	34,808	6,961

\*Net Terminal Income

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

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## Gardner November VGTs

The 13 video gaming terminals in Gardner attracted enough gamblers during November to again break through the \$100,000 level.

A total of \$102,502 was invested in the machines, producing \$1,440 for the Village of Gardner.

Below are the Gardner establishments with gaming terminals (number in paren-

thesis), the amount of funds invested, funds paid out, the net terminal income, and the amounts received by the State and by Gardner.

**Statewide**, Illinois had 213 more video gaming terminals in November than in October (now 24,787). The State’s November share of video gaming was \$23,758,912.

NOV.	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI	State	Gardner
Marks (4)	\$47,707	33,912	13,794	3,448	689
TA Op. (5)	45,239	33,424	11,814	2,953	590
Vino’s (4)	9,556	6,345	3,210	802	160
TOTAL	\$102,502	73,683	28,818	7,204	1,440

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**LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program)** - 1/27 at 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

**Movies & Popcorn** - Jack Reacher: Never Go Back - 1/25 at 5 p.m.

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**Movie and Popcorn** - 1/19 at 5 p.m. - Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows.

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OBITUARIES

Maxine E. Shirtino

COAL CITY – Maxine E. Shirtino, 88, of Coal City passed away peacefully Wednesday evening, December 21, 2016 at Heritage Health in Dwight.



She was born September 4, 1928 in Joliet, daughter of Peter and Nettie Serena Murphy.

She was a member of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Roman Catholic Church in Coal City.

Surviving are three children; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Maxine was preceded in death by her parents; a brother, Raymond; and her husband, Gerald R. Shirtino.

Per Maxine’s wishes, cre-

mation rites were accorded and memorial services are being planned for a later date. Following the services, she will be laid to rest in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery, Braceville.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Maxine’s memory to the Heritage Health of Dwight Activities Department or to Hospice of Kankakee Valley.

Family and friends may sign the guestbook, upload photographs or share Maxine’s memorial page by logging onto: [www.ReevesFuneral.com](http://www.ReevesFuneral.com)

Arrangements were made under the direction of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd. in Coal City.

Jennings L. Milbauer

DWIGHT – Jennings Lewis Milbauer, 83, of Dwight passed away Friday, December 16, 2016 in Sarasota, Florida.



Jennings was born December 3, 1933 in Dwight, a son of Jennings and Kathryn Lewis Milbauer. He married his wife of 59 years, Barbara Porter, June 21, 1957. She survives in Dwight.

Also surviving are sons: Jeffrey (Tammy) Milbauer of Dwight and Mark (Emily) Milbauer of Denver, Colorado; three granddaughters, Amber (Rob) Marx of Dwight; Jessica (Zack) DeLong of Belleville; and Melissa (Austin) Brown of California; two great-grandchildren, Makenzie and Jaxson DeLong; two sisters-in-law, Nancy of Philo, IL and Gail of Tempe, Arizona; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Norma Nagle; and brother, Peter Milbauer.

Jennings was a graduate of Dwight Grade School,

Western Military Academy, and attended Purdue School of Engineering and R.O.T.C. until the sudden death of his father. He then returned to Dwight to take over the family business, which he maintained for 55 years. He was a member of the Dwight Lions Club and also founded the Paul Goley cancer fund golf tournament.

Jennings enjoyed time with his family and friends at the Dwight Country Club, and enjoyed his winters as a snowbird in Sarasota, Florida.

Visitation was held from 2 until the time of a brief service at 5 p.m., Monday, December 26, at Hager Memorial Home in Dwight. Cremation rites have been accorded.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in his name may be left to the charity of the donor’s choice.

This obituary may be viewed and guestbook signed at [www.hagermemorial.com](http://www.hagermemorial.com)

Nancy Ellen Vial

PONTIAC – Nancy Ellen Cole Vial, 80, of Pontiac died at 3:55 a.m., Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at Evenglow Lodge, Pontiac.



She was born at home February 28, 1936 in Green County, Illinois, daughter of George Allen and Mabel Kinser Cole.

She resided in rural Blackstone most of her adult life. She married Richard E. Vial July 8, 1956. He died January 25, 2000. She later married Robert St. John March 3, 2001. He died September 10, 2010.

Surviving are two children: Daniel R. (Julie) Vial of Blackstone and Laurie B. (Michael Ball) Vial of Champaign; four grandchildren: Jacob D. (Kelly) Vial of Chicago; Molly D. (Brandon) Laue of Altamont; Neal R. Benjamin of Carthage; and Claire E. Benjamin of Champaign; and one great-grandson, Wyatt Laue.

Also surviving are three brothers: David (Shirley) Cole of Danville; Gale (Joy) Cole of Palmyra; and Kendall (Charlot) Cole of Virden; two stepdaughters: Joni (Tak Cheung) St. John of Manville; and Lori (Jay) Wittrig of Hopedale; step-grandchildren: Emily (Aaron) Petri of Bloomington; Edward (Haley) Wittrig of St. Louis, Missouri; Elizabeth Wittrig of Hopedale; and Ray St. John of Peoria; and one step-great-granddaughter, Olivia Petri.

Nancy was also preceded in death by her parents; and an infant son, Jonathan.

Nancy attended Illinois College and graduated from Passavant Memorial Hospital School of Nursing, both in Jacksonville, and was a registered nurse. She worked at St. James Hospital, Pontiac, and later worked for

the Livingston County Public Health Department from 1968-1990, when she worked at the Chest Clinic and made home visits. She was active in the Illinois Heart and Lung Association and the Illinois Conference on Tuberculosis and Lung Disease.

Nancy was a 4-H leader for many years and started the Sunbury Shamrocks 4-H Club. She was a member of the Blackstone United Methodist Church and served as organist for more than 40 years. She was active in United Methodist Women at the local and district levels. She was also active on the Livingston County Farm Bureau Women’s Committee and volunteered at Evenglow Lodge doing nail care for many years.

Nancy loved to sew in the winter and made hundreds of beautiful items, among them several wedding gowns, including for Laurie, Julie and Molly.

In the summer, Nancy spent her time outdoors in her vegetable garden, flower beds and caring for the lawn and acreage. She was passionate about picking black raspberries and froze them to make “Gramma Jamma” year-round. She loved identifying and feeding birds and participating in the Audubon Society’s bird counts.

A Memorial Service was held at 11 a.m., December 27, in First United Methodist Church, Pontiac.

Visitation was December 26 from 4 until 7 p.m. at Calvert & Martin Funeral Home, Pontiac.

Memorials are suggested to Evenglow Lodge or the First United Methodist Church, Pontiac, where she was a member.


Condolences may be sent to the family at: [calvertmemorial.com](http://calvertmemorial.com)

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Thank You

Thank you to all my readers who have continually reviewed and supported the work I have done over the course of this year. Remember to enjoy and appreciate time with your friends and family this holiday season. I know I will be looking forward to it. Merry Christmas and have a happy new year.

Aaron J. Boma  
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The next blood drive in *The Paper* territory is in:

Dwight, 1/4/2017: 1 p.m. - 6 p.m., Dwight Fire Dept., 111 South Prairie Ave.

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

In the Matter of the Estate )  
of ) No. 2016-P-129  
MELVIN R. BURGER, Deceased )

**CLAIM NOTICE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
**MELVIN R. BURGER, DECEASED**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the death of MELVIN R. BURGER, who died on November 26, 2016, and whose permanent place of residence at the time of his death was 23335 E. 3200 North Road, Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued to Lawrence M. Smith and Rick J. Andersen as Independent Co-Executors of the Last Will and Testament of MELVIN R. BURGER dated November 23, 2016, by Order of the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois dated December 12, 2016.

Claims against the estate may be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of a copy of this notice to a known and reasonably ascertainable creditor, whichever date is later. The first date of publication of this notice is December 21, 2016. Any claim not filed on or before the above determined dates is barred.

Claims may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk of Livingston County, Illinois or with the Representatives, or both. Copies of the claims filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representatives and the Representatives’ Attorney, within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed with the Circuit Clerk. The address of the Livingston County Circuit Clerk is as follows:

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Law & Justice Center  
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The estate will be administered without court supervision, under Independent Administration pursuant to 755 ILCS 5/28-1 et seq. Any interested party may obtain a copy of the form to Petition to Terminate Independent Administration from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois at the above address. The address of the Independent Co-Executors is as follows:

Lawrence M. Smith  
23204 E. 3200 North Road  
Dwight, IL 60420

Rick J. Andersen  
18176 E. 3100 North Road  
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Attorney for the Independent Executor:  
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LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF DWIGHT, )  
a National Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, )  
vs. ) NO.16-CH-72  
DAVID D. NORMAN, JILL A. NORMAN, )  
BENEFICIAL ILLINOIS, INC., a Delaware )  
Corporation, d/b/a Beneficial Mortgage Co. )  
of Illinois, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AT&T )  
ILLINOIS, an Illinois Corporation, and )  
unknown owners and non-record claimants, )  
Defendants. )

**NOTICE**

Notice is given you Defendants, JILL A. NORMAN and 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:

Lots 1 and 2 in Block 3, Mary Rutzer’s First Addition to the Village of Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois, EXCEPT that portion thereof lying within the channel of Gooseberry Creek AND EXCEPT that part conveyed to the State of Illinois by Warranty Deed recorded December 2, 2003 as Document Number 551333.

PIN: 05-09-226-031

Commonly known as: 221 E. Mazon Ave., Dwight, IL 60420.

The title holders of record to the above described real estate are DAVID D. NORMAN and JILL A. NORMAN. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on August 31, 2000 and recorded on September 6, 2000 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 519913. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF DWIGHT, a National Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 16-CH-72 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 and Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before February 15, 2017, 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 13 day of December, 2016.

LeAnn Dixon, Circuit Clerk  
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial  
Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking )  
Corporation, Plaintiff, )  
vs. ) NO.16-CH-69  
JOELLYN A. NABORS, 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 13 and the West 16 2/3 feet of Lot 14 in Block 23 in Fell’s Second Addition to the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 15-27-104-011

Commonly known as: 815 W. Lincoln St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is JOELLYN A. NABORS. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on Novembr 10, 2005 and recorded on November 14, 2005 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 567495, a modification of mortgage executed on November 20, 2014 and recorded on December 4, 2014 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 631910, and a modification of mortgage executed on July 31, 2015 and recorded on August 5, 2015 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 635626. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 16-CH-69 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 and Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before January 31, 2017, 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 8th day of December, 2016.

LeAnn Dixon, Circuit Clerk  
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# SPORTS

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BLAKE GRAHAM PUTS UP A TOUGH SHOT AGAINST GARDNER as fellow Senior teammate Justin Fox looks to approach the hoop for a rebound. Graham later hit a game-winning floater as time expired to beat the Panthers 54-52 in a heated matchup.

## Trojans and Panthers Put On a Show

In rivalry action in Gardner December 20, the Panthers and Trojans did not disappoint, as Dwight snuck by GSW with a buzzer-beater at the end of regulation to take a wild 54-52 win.

It was tight throughout much of the first half, with both defenses playing tough and neither squad shooting well from behind the three-point line. It would be 24-21, Trojans, at the midway point.

The Panthers came out hot in the third quarter, however, regaining the lead and taking a 39-37 lead into the fourth.

With both teams battling for the "W," it came down to the buzzer, as Blake Graham put up a tough shot in the lane as time expired, connecting to give Dwight the

victory.

"We had opportunities," GSW head coach Chris Gibson said, "but just couldn't make the big shot when we needed to."

With both teams struggling from behind the arc, Gibson believes it was the long offensive rebounds by Dwight that allowed them to capitalize and, ultimately, get the win.

Some key Panthers found themselves in foul trouble in the second half, which also put the Trojans' best player, Justin Fox, at the line – and he would go 11-12 from the charity stripe, en route to a 24-point showing.

B. Graham wound up with 19 points, including a three and 2-2 shooting from the line. Austin Nelson hit a (continued on page 10)

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## Trojans and Panthers Put On a Show

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three, with Wes Pulver also scoring three. Andrew German and Dakota Wahl both scored two points, while Logan Graham added a free throw.

For GSW, Junior Schultz and Austin Kavanaugh (two three-pointers) had 12 and 11 points, respectively, with Walker Eutsey scoring ten. Nathan Wozniak put in eight points, while Chris Bement scored six. Braden Marks hit

a three in the game, with Connor Hays adding a bucket.

Dwight is now 6-3 overall this season, with GSW dropping to 4-5 overall.

“This will be a tough pill to swallow,” Gibson stated, “because I think we were right where we needed to be but we weren’t able to finish the job. Dwight made more plays than we did and ultimately that led to the loss.”



SENIOR JUSTIN FOX DIVES FOR A STEAL as Gardner’s starting guard, Austin Kavanaugh, tries to keep the ball out of his reach.



**Tuesday, December 20**  
**GSWB vs. Coal City**  
**7th Grade -**

After a sluggish start, the seventh grade Tigers were looking at a 14-4 deficit at halftime against Coal City December 20.

GSWB would slim Coal City’s lead down to four late in the game, but could not catch up, losing 28-23.

Blake Huston led with seven points, with Anthony Fedele adding five off the bench.

The Tigers move to 8-8 overall.

**8th Grade -**

In the eighth grade game, Coal City was just too much for the Tigers.

Trailing by eight heading into the second half, GSWB would never get closer than that.

“The Warriors dominated in all aspects of the game,” admitted Coach McDowell in the postgame.

Chris Besson and Nate Wise each scored six points for the Tigers, who are now 10-6 overall.

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## SAUNEMIN EAGLES BASKETBALL

**Wednesday, December 21**  
**Saunemin vs. Pontiac**  
**4th/5th/6th Grade -**  
**Odell Holiday Tournament**

Saunemin’s fourth/fifth/sixth grade team got a 33-17 win over the Pontiac Comanches on opening night of the Odell Holiday Tournament December 21.

Conner Telford scored a game-high 19 points to lead

the Eagles. Preston Jama put in seven points, while Jimmie Riley and Tyson Cramer added three points each. Timmy Logan made a free throw.

**Saunemin vs. Odell**  
**4th/5th/6th Grade -**  
**Odell Holiday Tournament**

The Eagles took on the host, Rams, in the semi-finals of the tourney later in the day, rolling to a 20-7 victory.

Telford led with six points, followed by Jama, Logan, and Reed Frazier with two points each.

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## DTHS LADY TROJANS BASKETBALL

**Monday, December 19**  
**Dwight vs. Seneca**  
**JV -**

The JV Lady Trojans were defeated by Seneca 50-18 on December 19, dropping their record to 3-4 on the season.

Mel Stewart led Dwight with nine points, followed by six from Rishell Galbraith. Chloe Butterbrodt added three points.

**Varsity -**

With an 18-point effort in the fourth quarter against Seneca, Dwight came back to win 54-49 in a non-conference game at home December 19.

The Lady Trojans trailed 41-36 heading into the final frame, but Melissa Stewart and Daly Galloway scored eight and seven points, respectively, in the quarter to help secure the victory.

Galloway led all scorers with 15 points, including two three-pointers and six steals. Rachel Dawson added 14 points and eight rebounds, while Brooklyn Long (two three-pointers) and Stewart each added eight points. Lucy Rieke contributed seven points and seven boards, with Leah Flynn making a basket.

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# GSW Girls Defeat Dwight, Move to 11-4

Thursday, December 22  
GSW vs. Dwight  
Varsity -

The Lady Panthers and Lady Trojans squared off December 22 in non-conference action, with GSW improving to 11-4 after a 53-46 win.

It was Dwight that came hot out of the gate, taking advantage of a slow start and a lack of rebounding from the Lady Panthers. They would lead 16-5 going into the second quarter, led by Rachel Dawson who scored seven of her 21 points in the first frame.

The GSW defense locked things down in the second, however, holding the Lady Trojans to just three points and taking a 22-19 lead into halftime.

Once again, Dwight's Dawson would light it up in the third quarter, but the Lady Panthers would hold their composure, and the lead, heading into the fourth up 37-29.

Both offenses would awaken in the fourth quarter, with the Lady Trojans attempting to regain the lead – but they would fall short, dropping to 4-5 overall following the loss.

“Rachel Dawson played a heck of a game for Dwight,” commented Coach Leigh after the game. “We really could not stop her. I think for our girls, we really transitioned the ball well and were able to get some easy layups.”

Celia Barna led GSW with 14 points and eight rebounds, while Kaylee Steichen added 12 points. Jenni Price contributed 11 points, four steals, followed by Sydney Perkins and Kaitlynn Kavanaugh with

eight points each and 11 and ten rebounds, respectively. For the Lady Trojans, Dawson tallied eight rebounds in addition to her game-high 21 points. Mel Stewart chipped in eight points and four boards, with Lucy Rieke and Leah Flynn each adding seven points and five rebounds. Brooklyn Long put in a bucket, while Daly Galloway knocked down a free throw.

## 27th Annual Coca-Cola Classic

The 27th Annual Coca-Cola Classic 5/6 grade Tournament in Saunemin brings back 20 teams to this January's event, still making it the largest 5/6 grade basketball tournament in the area. The dates for the event are January 14, 16, 18, 20, & 21.

The pairings for the upcoming first round games on Saturday, January 14: **Game 1** - Corpus Christi 5th vs. Mazon at 10:00 a.m. **Game 2** - Iroquois West vs. Ransom at 11:15 a.m. **Game 3** - Ridgeview vs. Dwight 5th at 12:30 p.m.

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## DGS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, December 20  
Dwight vs. Ottawa  
Shepherd  
6th Grade -

Dwight's sixth grade Redbirds lost on the road to Ottawa Shepherd December 20, 37-30.

Brayden Long had 18 points and 12 rebounds to lead Dwight, with Clayton Peck scoring five points and grabbing five boards. Dawson Sulaica scored four points, while Reid Legner had two. Jace Gall made a free throw.

The Redbirds are now 8-2 overall.

In “B” game action, Dwight lost 28-9.

Michael Gamble led with four points, followed by Chris Galbraith and Clayton Peck with three and two, respectively. Galbraith and Gamble teamed up to snag seven rebounds each.

7th Grade -

Dwight cut Ottawa Shepherd's lead to just three late in the third quarter of their match-up December 20, but eventually took a turnover-ridden 43-25 loss, falling to 7-8 on the season.

Landon Brown led with ten points, six steals, and five rebounds. Bryce Handzus had seven points, one steal, and a rebound. Jack Denker (one steal), Harkenrider (one rebound), Kapper (four rebounds, one steal), and Galloway (one rebound) each scored two points. Edwards provided four rebounds and a steal, while Butterbrodt contributed two steals and a rebound.

8th Grade -

In eighth grade action in Ottawa, the Redbirds went to 5-10 on their season following a 47-21 loss to Ottawa Shepherd.

Caden Schroeder led Dwight with eight points, two rebounds, and a steal. Brandon Ceylor put up five points, three steals, and two boards, with Abe Rieke adding four points and two rebounds. Andrew Harsh (four rebounds, two steals) and Trent Tilley each scored two points.

**Game 4** - Woodland 6th vs. Crescent City at 1:45 p.m.  
**Game 5** - Odell vs. Flanagan at 3:00 p.m.  
**Game 6** - Dwight 6th vs. Tri-Point at 4:15 p.m.  
**Game 7** - Saunemin vs. Woodland 5th at 5:30 p.m.  
**Game 8** - St. Mary's 5th vs. Pontiac Comanches at 6:45 p.m.

The tournament's remaining four teams will play their first games on Monday, January 16:

**Game 9** - Prairie Central 5th vs. Winner Saunemin/Woodland 5th at 10:00 a.m.  
**Game 10** - Pontiac Apaches vs. Winner Ridgeview/Dwight 5th at 11:15 a.m.  
**Game 13** - Prairie Central 6th vs. Winner Corpus Christi 5th/Mazon at 3:00 p.m.  
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Week Fifteen Has Six With Eleven

As the regular season of Paper Bowl XVI winds down, week 15 had six contestants tie with 11 correct selections. The tie-breaker of total points was called into play and the winner this week was Ed Koselke of Bourbonnais. The award for winning week 15 is \$100!!

There was a season high number of entries of 97. The business drop-off locations were Dairy Queen, Jerry Danko State Farm, Jensen's BP Amoco and Berkot's Super Foods. This week also saw 12 entries with ten correct.

Remember you can put in one entry at each of the drop-off locations.

Have fun and keep playing. Congratulations, Ed.

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*SOCU (11-3) over DQ (6-8)*

**Editor's Corner**  
by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

**America Already Helps Syrian Refugees, And It Should**

"America has always been at its greatest when we have welcomed refugees to our shores, and at its weakest when we have shut our doors out of fear," said Mark Hetfield, president and CEO of HIAS, a non-profit Jewish organization originally formed to help Jewish immigrants come to America in the early 1900s.

Now it is helping Syrian Refugees fleeing that war-torn region.

In a news release issued by HIAS Nov. 9, the day after the presidential election, Hetfield urged the President-elect to change his stance on Islamic immigrants.

"We urge President-elect Trump to demonstrate that America is not afraid of refugees, and to show leadership for human rights and refugee protection during the global refugee crisis, the largest of its kind since World War II," Hetfield continued.

Syria is a world crisis, not a Middle-East problem.

"Given Turkey's recent history of human rights abuse and other factors, refugees forcibly returned to Turkey would face an uncertain and dangerous future," Hetfield wrote in a letter to contributors.

In the United States, HIAS is "resettling Syrians across the country and working tirelessly to ensure that our country continues to be a place of welcome for refugees, regardless of their religious, National or ethnic background."

The Syrian Refugee Crisis has reached more than 6 million people according to experts, up from the United Nations Refugee Agency's estimate of 4.3 million in 2015.

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Planning Associates	6-7	SOCU	11-2
DQ	5-8	FNB	10-3
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OBITUARIES

Emily Vontrice Lavicka

REDDICK – Emily Vontrice Lavicka, 90, of Reddick passed away Thursday, December 22, 2016 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee.

Visitation for two hours will precede the 11 a.m. funeral services at St. Peter’s Lutheran Church in Dwight Wednesday, December 28.

Interment will follow the service in Gardner Prairie Cemetery, Gardner.

Born March 30, 1926 in Eli, Kentucky, she was the daughter of Loren and Zella Smith McBeath. She was a member of St. Peter’s Lutheran Church in Dwight.

Emily loved reading, word puzzles, crocheting, and her weekly party to watch Dancing with the Stars with her family. She also enjoyed watching sports, especially the Kentucky Wildcats, Chicago Cubs, and the Chicago Bears.

Surviving are two daughters, Beverly (Rich) Forneris of Reddick and Diane (Rodney) Bryant of Essex; one son, Keith (Barb) Mathison of Campus; important family members, Steve and Rita Metz and family of Linn Creek, Missouri.

Six grandchildren: Lori (Mark) Schahrer, Brian (Lesley) Forneris, Shelley Fieldman, Kevin Bryant, Christi (Travis) Richards, and Craig (Cassie) Mathison; 11 great-grandchildren: Jack and Tony Schahrer; Alex, Dominic and Donovan Forneris; Colton and Paige Fieldman; Cameron, Carson and Caden Richards; and Charlie Mathison also survive.

Five brothers: Elmer McBeath of Tremont; L.O. McBeath of Garden Grove, California; Art McBeath of Mason, Ohio; Dean McBeath of Shirley; and Roy McBeath of Dwight; one sister, Roberta Schultz of Elmhurst, IL and Venice, FL; and several nieces and nephews also survive.

Preceding her in death were two husbands, Marion Laverne Mathison and Lawrence Edward Lavicka; and one granddaughter, Dana Forneris.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in her name may be directed to the Hospice of Kankakee Valley or St. Peter’s Lutheran Church in Dwight.

To visit her on-line guestbook, log on to [www.rwpatersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpatersonfuneralhomes.com)



Rudy Anderson

GARDNER – Rudy Anderson, 68, of Gardner and formerly of Coal City and Wilmington, passed away Wednesday, December 21, 2016 at his home.

Rudy was born October 26, 1948 in Joliet, son of Gerald and Genevieve Malnar Anderson. He attended Sacred Heart School in Joliet and graduated from Wilmington High School with the class of 1969.

He was employed with Caterpillar Tractor Company in Joliet, and retired after 32 years of service. He was a member of Lake Point Club in Wilmington; was a great fan of Elvis; and enjoyed golfing, photography and caring for his lawn.

Rudy was devoted to his family and cherished spending time with them.

Survivors include his wife, Jan Bowden Anderson, who he married July 29, 1983; children: Brandy (Pete) Fleming of Burlingame, California; Cathi (Carl) Matney of Seneca; Kimberly (Richard) Reeder of Coal City; and Jennifer (Paul) Thompson of Gardner; 11 grandchildren: Jessica, Jack, Cole Rudolph, Steven, Allison, Ricky, Ashley, Blake, Cecilee, Ethan and Jacob; one great-grandson, Clayton; one brother, Gerald (Jan) Anderson of Virginia; two sisters: Maureen Berdis of Joliet and Kathleen Kelly (Danny Lawless) of Wilmington; one sister-in-law, Peggy Bowden of Fond du Lac, Wisconsin; numerous nieces and nephews, as well as his faithful companion, Lilly.

Rudy was preceded in death by his parents.

Visitation and video tribute were held Tuesday, December 27, from 4 until 8 p.m. at Reeves Funeral Home, Gardner.

Cremation rites were accorded following the visitation.

Inurnment will be at a later date.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Rudy’s memory to The Morris Hospital Foundation for purposes of the patient transportation services, 150 W. High Street, Morris, IL 60450.

Family and friends may sign the guestbook, upload photographs or share Rudy’s memorial page on social media by logging onto: [www.ReevesFuneral.com](http://www.ReevesFuneral.com)



Sondra C. Hertz

REDDICK – Sondra C. Hertz, 77, of Reddick passed away Friday, December 16, 2016, surrounded by her family, at Presence Heritage Village in Kankakee.

She was born June 1, 1939 in Bradley, daughter of Vernon and Carolyn Tuttle Sullivan. She married Owen Hertz May 31, 1958 in St. James Catholic Church, Irwin.

Sondra enjoyed singing in the choir. She also loved watching her children and grandchildren participate in their various activities, including Christmas programs, musical performances, sporting events, and other important events in their lives. She loved to read, crochet, and sew. Sondra especially enjoyed being Owen’s partner in their family farming operation.

She is survived by her husband, Owen of Reddick; five children: Jackie (Rich) Staab of Metamora; Mike (Shelley) Hertz of Buckingham; Carrie (Michael) Beal of Warrenville; Roxanne (Joe) Turner of Bourbonnais; Steve (Amy) Hertz of



More obituaries appear on page 7.

Esther Marie Sorensen

SOUTH WILMINGTON – Esther Marie Sorensen, 90, of South Wilmington passed away Thursday, December 22, 2016 in her home.

Esther was born April 4, 1926 in South Wilmington, daughter of Attilio and Clordina Carnieli Residori. She previously worked at Grinchuck’s Pants Factory in Braidwood, the Egg Packaging Plant in Gardner, and was a school bus driver.

She was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington and its Regina Club. She enjoyed crocheting and spending time with her family.

Surviving are one son and daughter-in-law, Randy and Robin Sorensen of South Wilmington; daughter, Linda (late Billy) Carmack of Gardner; five grandchildren: Thomas Carmack, Kellie (John) Sippel, Attilio (Nina) Sorensen, Brandon (Melanie) Sorensen, and Harmony (Frank) Labanowski.

Fourteen great-grandchildren; five great-great-grandchildren; a sister, Delores Phillips of Morris; and nieces and nephews also survive.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Wayne Sorensen; three brothers: Zero Residori, Art Residori, and Louis Residori; and two sisters: Kay Procenti and Italia “Ethel” Residori.

A Mass of Christian Burial was at 10 a.m., Tuesday, December 27, in St. Lawrence Catholic Church, South Wilmington. Rev. Stanley Drewniak officiated.

Interment followed in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery, Braceville.

The visitation was Monday, December 26, from 4 until 8 p.m. in the R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd. South Wilmington Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in Esther’s name may be directed to the Joliet Area Community Hospice or the South Wilmington Fire Department.

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Morris Hospital Announces Upcoming Cancer Support Programs

The Radiation Therapy Center of Morris Hospital has announced its schedule of cancer support programs for January. Programs will be held at the Radiation Therapy Center of Morris Hospital, 1600 West U.S. Route 6 in Morris.

The “I Can Cope” cancer support group for individuals with any type of cancer will be held Thursday, January 12, from 1-3 p.m. This month’s topic will focus on Understanding Cancer Treatment.

The Support for People with Oral and Head and Neck Cancer (SPOHNC) support group will meet on Tuesday, January 17, from 2-3 p.m. SPOHNC is a patient-directed, self-help organization dedicated to meeting the emotional, physical and humanistic needs of people with oral and head and neck cancer and their caregivers. The SPOHNC Morris chapter meets monthly and is lead by Ali Bute, speech pathologist at Morris Hospital, and Sharon Bernico, a registered nurse from Morris Hospital’s Radiation Therapy Center.

To register for the I Can Cope Support Group, go [www.morrishospital.org/events](http://www.morrishospital.org/events) or call the Radiation Therapy Center of Morris Hospital at 815-364-8915. Registration is not needed for the SPOHNC support group.

For more information, call Sherri at 815-842-4970.

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OSF Saint James offers a mid-day support group specifically for those with **type I diabetes**, and the next meeting will be Monday, January 9, from noon to 1:00 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (ground level).

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BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, )  
vs. ) NO.16-CH-70  
VENTURA J. RIOS, RAUL RIOS GARZA, )  
STATE OF ILLINOIS, and unknown )  
owners and non-record claimants, )  
Defendants. )

NOTICE

Notice is given you Defendants, VENTURA J. RIOS and 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:

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PIN: 25-03-407-002

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The title holder of record to the above described real estate is VENTURA J. RIOS. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on March 19, 2012 and recorded on March 27, 2012 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 615267, and a modification of mortgage executed on January 27, 2014 and recorded on February 21, 2014 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 627724. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 16-CH-70 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.

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- Criminal justice reform to allow greater flexibility in granting probation for certain non-violent offenders with no prior conviction for a violent crime is set to take effect on Jan. 1. The commission was charged with identifying policy changes to reduce recidivism and make significant reductions to the state's prison population, which had increased by more than 500 percent in the last forty years. Senate Bill 3164 is one measure that seeks to reduce the number of non-violent offenders in Illinois' correctional facilities—which are operating at roughly 150 percent of recommended capacity.
- Senate Bill 3096 seeks to increase the reporting, investigation, and successful prosecution of sexual assault cases in Illinois. This new law gives victims a longer period of time to request a rape kit, speeds up forensic testing to address the backlog of testing rape kits in sexual assault cases, and requires more detailed reporting of sexual assault cases by police.
- Additionally, cosmetologists will receive special training to spot the signs of domestic violence and sexual violence as part of their license renewal process under House Bill 4264.
- Child victims of battery will be able to give testimony via a one-way closed circuit television thanks to Senate Bill 2880. This legislation allows children involved in battery or aggravated domestic battery cases to avoid the serious emotional trauma and distress of testifying in a courtroom.
- Senate Bill 2370, sponsored by Senate Republican Leader Christine Radogno (R-Lemont), requires legal counsel during the interrogation of minors under the age of 15 who have been charged with murder. This law addresses concerns that minors may not fully understand their legal rights, and as a result should have legal representation present when speaking with police.
- House Bill 4999 seeks to further protect employee's online privacy by strengthening and clarifying existing laws that make it unlawful for any employer or prospective employer to require an employee or prospective employee to provide user names and passwords to their personal online accounts, including social media accounts.
- Senate Bill 210 aims to curb the sale of all synthetic cathinones, drugs that are often sold under the guise of legitimate products such as "bath salts." "Bath salts" have made headlines in recent years for the bizarre, zombie-like behavior exhibited by those under its influence. Under this new law it will become a Class 3 felony with a maximum fine of \$150 to sell these drugs in a retail store.
- Don't forget to stop at a railroad crossing when the warning gates and lights are on. Under Senate Bill 2806 the fine for failure to stop at a railroad crossing will double. A first violation will now cost you \$500 and subsequent violations will cost \$1,000.
- Private transportation companies will be allowed to operate video recording devices under Senate Bill 629. The new law stipulates that vehicles using this type of technology must have a notice posted stating that a passenger's conversation may be recorded. Any data recorded becomes the sole property of the vehicle's owner.
- The Annie LeGere Law. Prompted by the tragic death of 13-year-old Annie LeGere, who suffered a fatal anaphylactic reaction while at a sleepover party, House Bill 4462, also known as the Annie LeGere Law, will take effect as 2017 begins. Annie's Law provides better access to life-saving treatment for allergic reactions by expanding training for law enforcement on how to recognize and respond to anaphylaxis, including the administration of an epinephrine auto-injector.
- Children under the care of the Department of Child and Family Services will now have access to a greater family support system. House Bill 5656 requires that DCFS provide visitation privileges and accommodations to the grandparents and great-grandparents of a child under the department's supervision—as long as it's in the best interest of the child.
- Amending Child-hood Hunger Relief Act, Senate Bill 2393 is a new law this year that requires all school districts in Illinois to implement and operate a "breakfast after the bell" program. The legislation asserts that schools must provide breakfast for their students.

Santa Claus Comes to The Paper Area Towns Dec. 16-18



Brooke Johnson seems to be thinking about what she would like to ask Santa Claus for this Christmas. Many area children and their parents braved chilly weather to visit him this past week-end ahead of Christmas Day, which fell on a Sunday this year.

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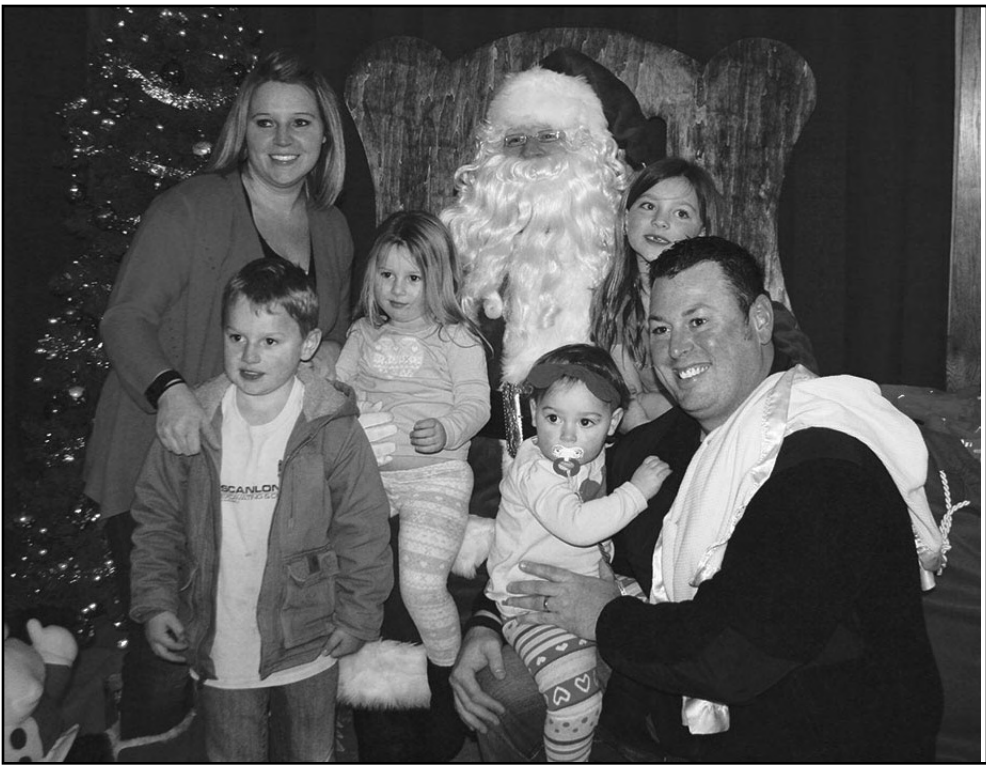
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ONE OF THE Scanlon families took a family portrait with Santa Claus when the big guy in the red suit visited Herscher, Dec. 17. The family includes (front row from left) Gabe, Nora, Chad, (back row) Tiffany, Gwen, and Audrey.



Avery Beyer enjoys some time with the big guy in the red suit in Dwight.

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JERSEY (LEFT) AND Journey Sloane of Limestone are all smiles when they visit Santa Claus in Herscher when he came to visit Dec. 17-18.



Jude Hurt gives a plate of cookies to Santa on his last visit to Dwight, Friday, Dec. 16.

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At the Churches

<p><b>DWIGHT</b> <b>Dwight United Methodist Church</b> 701 S. Columbia 584-3420 church <a href="http://Dwightumc.org">Dwightumc.org</a> Pastor: Lance Leeds • DEC. 30: Office closed. • DEC. 31: 7 a.m., Men's Bible Study at Route 66 and Pete's; 7 p.m., Teen lock-in. • JAN. 1: 7 a.m., Teen lock-in ends; 9 a.m., New Year's Day Service. • JAN. 2: Office closed; 7 p.m., Dartball at Essex; 7 p.m., Bible Warriors. • JAN. 3: 8:30 a.m., Hens Bible Study. • JAN. 4: 9 a.m.,</p>	<p>Prayer Shawl; 6:30 p.m., Choir rehearsal.</p> <p><b>Emmanuel Lutheran Church</b> 325 E. Mazon Ave. 584-3433 church 584-1291 fax 584-1023 parsonage Rev. Daniel Ognoskie, Pastor • DEC. 28: NO Weekday School. • DEC. 31: NO Worship Service.</p> <p><b>First Baptist Church</b> 401 N. Clinton St. 815-584-3182 Pastor Daniel L. Woodward • DEC. 28: Wednesday Evening Service &amp; King's Kids Children's Program,</p>	<p>7 p.m.</p> <p><b>First Congregational United Church of Christ</b> 200 W. Delaware St. 584-1260 church Pastor Connie Williams Moodie, Intentional Interim Minister • JAN. 1: Worship/Holy Communion, 10:30 a.m. Sermon title: "What Do We Know?" "January Mission of the Month" – Outdoor ministries/Pilgrim Hill Camp.</p> <p><b>New Life Assembly of God</b> 903 S. Old Route 66 Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor 815-584-3430</p>	<p>• DEC. 28: NO Disciples Making • DEC. 29: 7 p.m., Disciples Bible Study. • DEC. 31: 7 p.m., New Year's Eve Family Game Night; 11 p.m., New Year's Eve Worship Service; 12 midnight, X-treme Youth Group lock-in. • JAN. 1: NO Morning Service.</p> <p><b>St. Patrick Catholic Church</b> Mazon Ave. at Prairie 815-584-3522 Office Father Chris Haake, Pastor • DEC. 31: 3:00 - 3:45 p.m., Reconciliation; 4 p.m., Mass.</p>	<p>• JAN. 1: NO Mass.</p> <p><b>St. Peter's Lutheran Church</b> 326 W. Chippewa St. <a href="mailto:spetersdwright@sbcglobe1.net">spetersdwright@sbcglobe1.net</a> Office: Tu-Fri, 9 - noon Tu. and Wed., 2 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. • DEC. 28: Youth Christmas Party. • DEC. 30: Church office closed; 8 p.m., AA meeting. • JAN. 1: Sunday – New Year's Day: 8:45 a.m., Fellowship time; 10 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion; 2 p.m., Holy Communion Worship at Heritage Health. • JAN. 2: Church office closed; no quilting.</p>	<p>• JAN. 3: No quilting; 1 p.m., Staff meeting. • JAN. 4: Bingo at Heritage Health.</p> <p><b>BRACEVILLE</b> <b>Braceville United Methodist Church</b> 106 W. Gould St. 815-237-8512 Church Pastor: Bennett A. Woods Study. ••NO After School/Static Programs <b>Dec. 28.</b> • DEC. 30: 8 p.m., AA meeting. • DEC. 31: 8 - 10 p.m., New Year's Eve Family Game Night. Take your favorite game and a snack to share.</p>	<p>• JAN. 1: Sunday Worship, 9:30 a.m., Holy Communion. • TUES. Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m. • TUES./THURS.: Exercise with Patty, 9 a.m. • After School Programs and S.T.A.T.I.C. resume January 11.</p> <p><b>CAMPUS</b> <b>Sacred Heart Catholic Church</b> Father Chris Haake, Pastor • JAN. 1: 10 a.m., Mass.</p>	<p><b>EMINGTON</b> <b>Emington Congregational United Church of Christ</b> 103 Division Street Pastor Connie Williams Moodie, Intentional Interim Minister • JAN. 1: Worship/ Holy Communion, 8:45 a.m. Sermon title: "What Do We Know?" • JAN. 8: Annual Church Meeting, 8:45 a.m. <i>January Food Pantry Collection – Cereal</i></p>
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JERRY CURTIS OF LIVINGSTON MASONIC LODGE #371 presented a \$946.25 donation to the Dwight Grade School Gang Resistance Education and Training program December 21. Gary Beier, Dwight Schools Resources Officer, accepted the check. Pictured, front row, l to r, are Grace Wulf, Nate Granby, Jerry Curtis, Beier, Orren Webster, Shawn Romanetto; back row, Avery Kinnamon, Emily Scott, Kaleb Duden, Dillon Sarff, Landon Brown, Daniel Ford, Toni Treglio, and Rachel Heath. This is the 13th year that Livingston Masonic Lodge has sponsored this program.

## Gardner - South Wilmington High School Honor Roll Semester 1

Students from GSW who received Cum Laude Honors are:

**Freshmen:** Michael Ashley, Jr., Emily Beck, Emma Fisher, Jaelyn Jaltuch, Mary Lopez, Hannah Muzzarelli, Grant Olsen, Christian Ruiz, Cole Walsh. **Sophomores:** Benjamin Fatlan, Cora Fick, Summer Fitzgerald, Zachary Klingberg, Zoe Klingberg, Michelle Svoboda, Connor Vyce, Christian Williams. **Juniors:** Ethan Haywood, Steven Price. **Seniors:** Makayla Flickinger, Cassandra Hooks, Victoria James, Alek Murray, Michael Upchurch.

Students from GSW who received Magna Cum Laude are:

**Freshmen:** Lillian Bement, Jordan Buck-Noble, Emma

Hennessy. **Sophomores:** Karri Latimer, Andrew Schaus, Jaylon Sims. **Juniors:** Mariah Anderson, Luke Henderson, Kal Kociss, Matthew Rachke. **Seniors:** Kayleigh Anderson, Carly Bernardy, Michael Campbell, Bryant Galan, Maggie Harrod, Alison Manzello, Braden Marks, Zoe Pritchett, Alexa Robison, Michael Wise.

Students from GSW who received Summa Cum Laude honors are:

**Freshmen:** Taylor Bartels, Kennedy Fair, Donovan Garcia, Carson Halpin, Wilton Jackman, Jack James, Kaitlynn Kavanaugh, Jessica Kiefling, Israel Lopez, Paige Patterson, Nolan Perkins, Shelby Serena, Madison Sharp,

Dezarie Wampler. **Sophomores:** Madison Asbridge, Abigail Cash, Cadee Grieff, Nicholas Maurisak, Kimberly McDaniel, Payton Moeller, Emily Monbarren, Madyson Schuck, Ava Siano, Nikolas States, Joseph Svoboda, Michael Wilson. **Juniors:** Jordan Bartels, Haileigh Farrero, Sean Hansen, Madison Jackman, Spencer McDaniel, Troy Speed, Kaylee Steichen, Michael Traver. **Seniors:** Celia Barna, Ben Bexson, Marlana Ferrari, Dakota Flint, Kira Gleason, Alison Kirk, Maxwell Kranz, Sydney Perkins, Jennifer Price, Nathaniel Schultz, Koby Smith, Holly Swisher, Jazmin Williams, Madison Williams.

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Speakers will include University of Illinois educators and experienced grazers offering information through presentations and demonstrations. Topics will include alternative sources of feed, care and management of a

small flock, adding value, nutrition, breeding and preparing animals for breeding, multi-species grazing, and an open discussion forum for questions.

This workshop will be held January 28 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at University of Illinois Extension, Kankakee County, 1650 Commerce Drive, Bourbonnais. A pre-registration fee (includes lunch) for the workshop is required by January 25 to allow enough time for adequate preparation. Register online at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/gkw>.

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# SPORTS

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BLAKE GRAHAM PUTS UP A TOUGH SHOT AGAINST GARDNER as fellow Senior teammate Justin Fox looks to approach the hoop for a rebound. Graham later hit a game winning floater as time expired to beat the Panthers 54-52 in a heated matchup.

## Trojans and Panthers Put On a Show

In rivalry action in Gardner December 20, the Panthers and Trojans did not disappoint, as Dwight snuck by GSW with a buzzer-beater at the end of regulation to take a wild 54-52 win.

It was tight throughout much of the first half, with both defenses playing tough and neither squad shooting well from behind the three-point line. It would be 24-21, Trojans, at the midway point.

The Panthers came out hot in the third quarter, however, regaining the lead and taking a 39-37 lead into the fourth.

With both teams battling for the "W," it came down to the buzzer, as Blake Graham put up a tough shot in the lane as time expired, connecting to give Dwight the

victory.

"We had opportunities," GSW head coach Chris Gibson said, "but just couldn't make the big shot when we needed to."

With both teams struggling from behind the arc, Gibson believes it was the long offensive rebounds by Dwight that allowed them to capitalize and, ultimately, get the win.

Some key Panthers found themselves in foul trouble in the second half, which also put the Trojans' best player, Justin Fox, at the line – and he would go 11-12 from the charity stripe, en route to a 24-point showing.

B. Graham wound up with 19 points, including a three and 2-2 shooting from the line. Austin Nelson hit a (continued on page 10)

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