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# Speaker: As Baby Boomers Reach Retirement Age They Need to Plan For Exiting Business

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor Baby Boomers, the generation born from 1946 to 1964, currently own 63% of private businesses in the United States of America.

But the average age of Baby Boomers is now 60, and 76% of them will transition these businesses within 10 years, 48% in five years. This equates to \$10 trillion wealth to transitioned/exited in the next 10 years.

So what does that mean for small town America such as those towns served by The Paper?

"Too many unplanned businesses closing or selling can really kill a community,' said Jeff Vekony of Focal Point Coaching and Training Excellence who spoke April 11 to a group of more than 100 business and community leaders for greater Livingston County at the American Legion Hall in downtown Chatsworth.

Among those attending were representatives from the villages of Dwight, Reddick, Cullom Cabery.

He added that 76% of those retiring Baby Boomer business owners are not aware or don't understand transition options; 88% do not have a formal transition



WILL DEPARTING business owners be leaving a lasting legacy in their community, helping maintain a thriving town when they exit their business, or leave their community in a shambles with lots of closed businesses and no new firms to replace them? This graphic representation shows why it is important for a business to plan for an exit strategy, especially since 63% of small businesses are owned by Baby Boomers now averaging age 60. Submitted photos

team in place; 86% have no formal education or training related to business transition; and 50% have no plans regarding what they'll do post business transition/exit.

"This is a clear message," Vekony said. "There is a huge need for business exit planning and education with Baby Boomer (and all) business owners."

He added that a "majority of businesses don't sell, yet most of their owner's personal wealth is in the busi-

In addition to these startling statistics, he said that 20 to 30% of businesses listed for sale are sold for lower than what the owners believe their businesses are worth.

In the case of familyowned businesses, just 30% succeed to the second generation, 12% to the third, and 3% to the fourth.

He said there needs to be a written exit plan to smoothly transition the business to a new owner or gen-

He said the plan should

be written with the assistance of experts such as attorneys, accountants, insurance advisers, and a business broker.

"A business has to have positive cash flow," to be attractive to buyers. Also, the business owner must show that existing staff has the expertise to continue to run the business without the current owner in control.

He said it could take as long as three to four years for a transition, or less if well-planned.



JEFF VEKONY, certified business coach for Focal Point Business Coaching, spoke to a group of more than 100 Livingston County business owners and community leaders April 11 about why it is important for retiring Baby Boomers to plan a business exit strategy. The Paper photo

The nation has so many Boomer-run businesses because the generation was so large in numbers, that there were not enough jobs to go around.

So the Boomers started their own small businesses.

From 1965 to 1986, small business startups went from 300,000 to 700,000 annual-

In the 1990s business starts averaged 600,000 a year, and that number has been flat since then.

Generation X, the next

generation, and the tenth generation born in America, represents a much smaller portion (10 million less than Baby Boomers) of the population and are the most likely the ones who will buy the Boomer businesses.

"From 2018 to 2022, there will be three buyers for every four sellers of businesses," Vekony said.

For further information or to contact Vekony, email him jvekony@focalpointcoaching.com or call him at (630) 208-7270.

# Gardner Switches to 2nd Lowest Bidder After Contractor Pulls Bid

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

Due to a math error, Double G Excavating of Manteno pulled its bid for sewer project work in Gardner.

voted to hold a special meeting April 13 to accept the second lowest bid from Stott Contracting of Morris.

The project involves

sewer line work on Elm, Washington, Gardner and Jackson Streets. The low bidder, Double G, came in at \$169,676.80, substantially lower than estimates.

Mayor Mike Serena told For that reason, the board regular meeting Monday, April 10, that Double G wrote a letter explaining they made an error in calculations and had to pull their

Under those circumstances, the village could technically call in the contractor's bond, and make the company pay the village several thousand dollars.

"I think we should call in the Village Council at its the bond," Commissioner Terry Jensen told the coun-

However, Commissioner Dick Hileman and Mayor Serena suggested that this would not be a good practice accept Stott's bid at its spe-

should the village want to do cial meeting Thursday, April meeting where he was. work with Double G in the future.

"I would not like to see us gain by their mistake," Serena said.

Village Engineer Guy Christensen explained there were 10 bidders on the job, and Stott's bid came in at \$194,199, still under estimates for the work.

business. other Commissioner Terry Jensen publicly blasted *The Paper's* coverage, specifically this reporter, concerning the March 27 meeting that was published April 5.

He used terms like 'garbage" to describe the story and said he questioned The council voted to that it did not seem like the reporter was at the same

He said The Paper incorrectly indicated the dollar amount concerning \$15,000 budget item for a chief's car, and that Jensen was referring to intercept calls costing the Gardner Fire Department more money when they do mutual aid to other fire and ambulances districts like South

Wilmington and Braceville. (continued on page 8)

# Former Campus Woman Named Police Officer Of The Year

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

Kiedra Cuddy Meece, who has been a police officer in Minooka for 17 years and formerly resided in rural Campus, has been named Minooka's Police Officer of the Year for 2016.

Meece, a 1993 graduate of Herscher High School, worked as a police officer in Dwight from June 1997 to December 1999.

After her stint on the Dwight Police force, she secured employment as a patrol officer for the Village of Minooka, where she has held a position as police officer for 17 years.

Shortly before taking the Minooka position, she married Craig Meece of Coal City in 1999, and they have one son, Colin, who is now

Meece was presented with her award by the Minooka Village Board at its meeting in March.

When Meece moved to the Minooka police department in early 2000, at the time she was swapping one town of roughly 5,000 population (Dwight) for another.

Today, Minooka has grown to 12,000 people, she said. The village is off Interstate 80, east of Morris.

To be named Officer of the Year, you have to be nominated by your fellow police officers. Then the Officer of the Year is voted on by the segregants and chiefs.

"It's a great honor, especially since you are nominated by your co-workers," she told The Paper last week.

The job as a patrol officer keeps her "fairly busy" especially with traffic accidents along Interstate 80, she said.

"But there are no major crimes," she said.

For eight of the 17 years with Minooka Police, she was in investigations.

During that time, roughly five years ago, there was a shooting at the Pilot Truck Stop/Gas Station Interstate 80, a crime which

she investigated, she said. But that type of crime is rare in Minooka, she said.

"The big cities can keep that in the big cities," she added, referring to major

She described Minooka as a town with an average crime rate.

When asked about the recent epidemic of drug overdoses, she said that officers now carry Narcan. Narcan is a drug that can reverse the effects of a fatal heroin overdose.

She said that as part of the ceremony at the Minooka Village board meeting, other officers were given the "Life Saving" award, some for administering Narcan to people who had overdosed.

She said she is very fortunate to have grown up in the Campus area, worked in Dwight and now Minooka.

"I loved where I grew up," she said. "I grew up in the country.'

When not fighting crime on the streets of Minooka, Kiedra and her husband Craig transport their son Colin to various Coal City High School sporting events, so her son keeps her busy on her time off.

She is the daughter of Denny Cuddy of Cabery and Brenda Chellson of rural Campus.



KIEDRA MEECE, formerly Kiedra Cuddy of rural Campus, was named Police Officer of the Year for the Village of Minooka. She is pictured after she was presented the award by the Minooka Village Board last month. Submitted photo

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**Dwight Village Board School Board** 

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# FOR THE RECORD

#### **Tickets Issued** by Dwight Police

April 12: Cedric A. Qualls, 39, Kankakee, registration light/1st, 2nd, driving during suspension; Peggy Patchett, 62, Reddick, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

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

#### No Warnings Issued by Dwight Police

#### **Accident Report**

Thursday, April 6, 1:06 p.m., an accident was reported at Old Rt. 66 at Mazon Ave. involving a 2015 Ford driven by Ludivina Aguirre, of Chatsworth, who failed to yield when turning left onto Old Rt. 66, striking an eastbound 2003 Toyota driven by Chanell Wordlaw, of Chicago.



#### **Ambulance Runs** by Dwight EMS

April 6: 4:30 p.m., Morris Rd., trauma, Riverside; 4:30 p.m., Morris Rd., trauma,

Dale Coughlin

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Here are a few ideas to consider:

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April 7: 6:36 a.m., Scully

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investor, you can learn some valuable lessons from the environ-

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• "Recycle" proven strategies. Over the past few decades, we

have discovered ways of bringing new life to objects we would

have previously thrown away. When you invest, you also don't

need to discard things you've used before - such as proven

investment strategies. For example, one tried-and-true technique

is to simply purchase investments appropriate for your needs and

risk tolerance, and then hold these investments until either your

situation changes or the investments themselves are no longer

the same as when you bought them. (To illustrate: You might

have bought stock in a company whose products or services are

ing toxins in our air and water. You can also find - and avoid -"toxic" investment moves. One such move is chasing a "hot" stock. By the time you hear about this stock – from a friend, rel-

ative or even a television or internet commentator - it may

already be cooling off. Even more importantly, it might not be

suitable for your needs, either because it's too risky or because you already own several similar stocks. "Hot" stocks aren't so

• Reduce "excess" investments in your portfolio. Environmentalists stress the need for all of us to reduce our

"footprint" on earth – that is, we can help improve the environment by owning less "stuff." The same idea can also apply to

investing. If you took a close look at your portfolio, you might find investments that you've held for years but whose purpose is

no longer clear to you. Some may even be duplicates, or nearduplicates, of other investments. You might be able to improve your financial picture by getting rid of this "clutter." By selling

investments you no longer need, you could use the proceeds to purchase new investments that may be far more effective in

for students emphasize the value of planting gardens and trees. As an investor, you, too, need to look for ways to plant "seeds"

of opportunity so that you can eventually harvest the results. Specifically, look for those investments that, like trees, can grow

and prosper over years and decades. Of course, growth-oriented

investments carry investment risk, including the possible loss of principal. Yet, to achieve your long-term goals, such as a com-

fortable retirement, you will need some growth potential in your

portfolio. You can reduce the level of risk by owning a mix of investments – including less aggressive vehicles, such as bonds

Each year, Earth Day comes and goes. But its messages have

had a profound impact on generations of people interested in preserving our environment. And translating some of these les-

sons to the investment arena can have a powerful effect on your

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• Plant "seeds" of opportunity. Many Earth Day lesson plans

• Avoid "toxic" investment moves. Since the first Earth Day in 1970, we have had some success in identifying and eliminat-

RAFFLE to Benefit the American Brain Tumor Association

Rd., trauma, refusal; 10:26 a.m., 2700 E., trauma, Morris; 2:05 p.m., Bannon, medical, refusal; 2:55 p.m.,

Mazon, medical, Morris. April 8: 4:12 p.m., Waupansie, CO alarm.

April 9: 10:37 a.m., Watters Dr., medical, Morris; 12:43 p.m., Scully Rd., trauma, refusal.

April 10: 6:33 p.m., William, trauma, refusal; 8:41 p.m., Mazon, trauma, refusal; 8:58 p.m., Bannon, medical, refusal; 9:45 p.m., Main, medical, Morris.

April 11: 11:08 a.m., S. Main - Mazon, medical, Morris, mutual aid to MVK; 6:34 p.m., Bannon, medical, St. James; 9:19 p.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Riverside.

April 12: 3:08 a.m., Franklin, trauma, Morris; 7:53 a.m., Franklin, trauma, refusal; 9:44 a.m., Old Rt. 66, fire; 11:13 a.m., Mazon Ave., fire; 1:56 p.m., South St., trauma, St. James; 2:01 p.m., Scott Dr., trauma, lift assist, mutual aid from Dwight Fire; 5:38 p.m., 2650 E. Rd., fire; 10:43 p.m., John St., medical,

April 13: 5:18 a.m., Bannon, medical, refusal; 5:43 a.m., Franklin, trauma, Morris; 10:36 a.m., Scott, medical, Morris; 12:55 p.m., Mazon, medical, St. James.

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# Free Food to **Be Distributed** April 26

Free food will be distributed to qualifying households in Dwight Township Wednesday, April 26, at 1:00 p.m. at the Pioneer Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin, Dwight.

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



# **Temps - 2017**

Apr. 6 - high 50°, low 32° Apr. 7 - high 55°, low 33° Apr. 8 – high 69°, low 35° Apr. 9 – high 75°, low 52° Apr. 10 – high 71°, low 44° .12" precip.

Apr. 11 - high 55°, low 33° Apr. 12 – high 65°, low 35° One Year Ago – April 19, 2016 high 82°, low 44°

# **Gardner to Host Collection For Funds Against Diabetes**

GARDNER MAYOR MIKE SERENA (third from left) was among those collecting

Dollars Against Diabetes last year in Gardner. The local labor unions will be collecting

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

again for the charity June 17 in Gardner.

The Gardner Village Board gave Mayor Mike Serena its blessing April 10 for area building trades to stand on the street corners in town June 17 to collect "Dollars Against Diabetes."

The event is hosted by the Will-Grundy Counties Building & Construction Trades Council and Kankakee/Iroquois Counties Building Trades of the AFL-

Serena is a field representative for Laborers' Local 75 covering Will and Grundy counties.

The collectors, wearing bright orange shirts, will be collecting June 17 from 8 a.m. to noon.

Serena said his council collected more than \$44,000 last year and hopes to exceed last year's collection.

# **Dwight EMS Hosting CPR/ AED Classes**

Dwight EMS will be hosting two American Heart Association Heartsaver CPR/AED classes in May.

The class is a basic CPR class for the public and will take two to three hours to complete.

The courses are May 9 at 8:30 a.m. and May 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Dwight Village

The cost is payable in advance at the Village Hall.

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive in Dwight, Monday, May 1, from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the St. Patrick's Parish Hall,

Eligible blood donors of aged to give blood.

Donated blood is perishable and must constantly be replenished to keep up with

For further information,

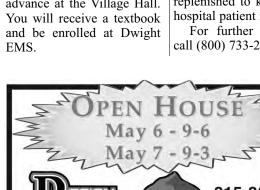
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> Daniel T. Delaney Mayor of Emington

# Dwight Village Board April 10 Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met on April 10. Mayor Jared Anderson and Trustees Randy Irvin, Jerry Curtis, Marla Kinkade, Jennifer Johnson and Justin Eggenberger were present with Trustee Jim Mixen

Village residents are reminded that an all town cleanup will take place on April 29 from 9 a.m. to Noon. Everyone is asked to come out and participate in this community improvement event. Participants should gather in the downtown park area and are asked to bring rakes, gloves and wheelbarrows if possible. After the cleanup, a picnic lunch will be served at the Country Mansion. This community cleanup event is sponsored by the Dwight Economic Alliance.

Mark your calendars for Springfest on May 5 & 6. BBO contests, music and loads of activities are planned for the family friendly festival taking place at GABR Park in Dwight. This is also the all town garage sale weekend in Dwight. The events are in conjunction with the Route 66 Red Carpet Corridor Weekend.

In public forum, some residents of Wilmac Street were again in attendance requesting a status update of repairs slated for this street on Dwight's south side. Mayor Jared Anderson explained that the project is still in the engineering planning stages and will be put out for bid as part of a package with other streets. Anderson explained the bidding process and also noted that last year's street repaving list included streets requiring less involved work. Streets slated for work as part of this new bid package are expected to require more extensive reconstruction.

- The Board also approved: payment of March 31 year end bills totaling \$2,372.01.
- payment of April 10, 2017 bills totaling \$101,971.01.
- an Ordinance addressing Mediacom Service Provider fees at five percent (replacement of Franchise fees).
- an Azavar Revenue Audit to review and ensure sales tax revenues from various agencies are being properly collected.
- a Lions Club request for use of Renfrew Park on April 15 for the annual Easter Egg Hunt.
- the DEA Red Carpet Springfest Sound Amplification Permit May 5 and 6, from 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. Trustee Eggenberger abstained.
- a DEA Special Event Liquor License for May 5 & 6 from 10 a.m - 10 p.m. Eggenberger Trustee abstained.
- sending a Variance Request from Henderson for a garage to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board will be at 6:30 p.m., Monday, April 24, in the Public Services Complex.

Meetings are open to the

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# Dwight Grade School Approves Building Administrator Contracts

# **April Board Actions**

by Madelyn Fogarty madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

Building Administrator contracts were approved when the Dwight Grade School Board of Education met on April 12.

A three- year contract for DGS Building Principal Ben Bailey was approved. Mr. Bailey will not receive a salary increase over the next three years with his annual salary remaining static at \$88,477. However, Bailey will receive a monthly insurance allowance increase from \$605.00 currently to \$1,222.00 per month.

Principal Assistant Brandon Owens will receive a 2.5 percent annual salary increase with no insurance allowance increase. Mr. Owens' salary for the three years will be \$68,675.00 for 2017/18: \$70.392.00 for 2018/2019; and \$72,152.00 for 2019/20. Owen's insurance allowance will remain static at \$605.00 per month.

In his report, Dr Jancek gave an update on the three recent water main breaks at the school. Final repair costs are estimated to be at \$23,000 - \$25,000 with insurance paying for all of the approximate \$14,000 in excavation expenses leaving the district responsible for the \$10,000 - \$11,000 balance. In a second maintenance matter, Dr. Jancek reported that an issue with the water pump on Boiler 2 will require replacement. This repair item will take place at no cost to the dis-

Dr. Jancek also reported findings from a State audit. Preliminary results indicate that the District may receive \$5,000 back from the State of Illinois in Transportation monies. However, an error in the General State Aid calculation for the 2014/15 school year shows that the District was overpaid by \$57,681 from the State of Illinois. The District is required to repay the over-payment and is requesting that the State reduce the District's State

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aid by \$19,000 over the next three years to soften the

"It is tough news," said Dr. Jancek. "But, it is an adjustment – a correction. We just have to move for-

ward with it.' In other financial reports, it was noted that the State of Illinois has now made all of its mandated categorical payment for the 2015-16 school year. However, the State currently owes the Dwight Grade School District \$258,726.10 for the

2016-17 school year. With the white activity bus contract expiring June 30, Dr. Jancek recommended that the Board consider having the DTHS District take over the full contract then charging back to the DGS district its portion. The white bus lease is \$8,056 per year/per bus. The activity buses are shared by the two Dwight school districts. No action was taken. The matter will be discussed at an upcoming joint session with the DTHS board.

More discussion took place on ways to alleviate traffic and student pickup and dropoff issues at the grade school with Dr. Jancek presenting a quote of \$6,000 to install a chain-link fence around the inside of the circle drive. Board member Bo Partney pointed out that, while student population has decreased over the years with the circle drive size and layout unchanged, problems have increased.

"It might not be a student problem and it may not be an problem," infrastructure suggested Partney. "It might be a manners problem."

No action was taken as the BOE continues to monitor the problem and look at solutions.

Principal Bailey discussed registration and fees recommended increase 5th - 8th grade student registration fees by \$25 to cover the insurance cost the student's Chromebooks. The suggested increase would make reg-

More details to come.

istration fees \$125 for students in Grades 5 - 8. The board offered consensus for the increase which will be voted on for approval at an upcoming meeting. Mr. Bailey also recommended not offering early bird registration again as participation was low and did not benefit the District.

The Board also:

• heard a report on Family Reading Night from teachers Barb Svornik, Patty Aldrich and Stephanie Flott.

- · learned that an extra \$20,000 in Pre-K grant money was awarded to the District.
- learned that a financial audit of the food service program found compliance in all areas audited.
- · approved a three-year contract renewal Skyward school management integrated software system at a per student rate of \$18.25.
- approved a 48-month contract with energy supplier ENGIE Energy beginning January 1, 2018.
- · affirmed a three-year contract renewal with Bushue Human Resources at a cost of \$10,781.96.
- discussed support staff wage increases for 2017-18 with action to come following an upcoming joint ses-

· employed support staff for 2017/18 as presented.

 employed tenured teachers for 2017/18 as presented.

The next meeting of the DGS Board of Education will be Wednesday, May 10 at 6 p.m. in the DGS Library. All meetings are open to the public.

# Mautino Hearing Still Set for April 20

Illinois Auditor General and former State Representative Frank Mautino is scheduled to answer questions surrounding his campaign spending as a state representative in a Chicago hearing April 20.

Previous hearings on the matter have all been postponed.

David Cooke, formerly of Dwight, now of Streator, filed a complaint more than a year ago about Mautino's campaign spending.

The Illinois Board of Elections found Cooke's complaint justifiable, setting the stage for numerous hearing attempts.

The April 20 hearing will be at 10 a.m. at 110 W. Randolph Street, Suite 14-100, Chicago.

# **Community** Clean Up in Dwight April 29

Join the town-wide volunteer Community Clean Up Saturday, April 29, in Dwight from 8:00 a.m. to noon.

All families of all ages are invited to assist fellow residents in cleaning up yards, parks, and village streets. It is asked that volunteers take rakes, gloves, and wheelbar-

After the clean up, they will celebrate with lunch at the Country Mansion.

The event is sponsored by Dwight Economic Alliance.

The Paper deadline is noon on Friday.

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#### March of 2017 was the most gambler - friendly month in Dwight since the advent of video gaming here - with a payout of some 76% of the funds invested in 50 video gaming terminals.

by Tom Tock

Perhaps the machines were a little giddy because March also set a new record in Dwight of \$700,188 being gambled in its vgts.

March of 2016 held the previous record for most money gambled, \$678,851,

but with only a 71.4% payout. That means the Village of Dwight received more a year ago in March, \$9,640, compared to the \$8,285 as its share in March of 2017.

The \$9,640 retains the record for being the most received in any month by the village.

Below are the March funds gambled in Dwight's 11 gaming establishments, the funds paid out, and the net terminal income at each establishment.

MAR.	Funds In	<b>Funds Out</b>	NTI*	State D	<u>wight</u>
Red's Gara	ge 34,012	24,674	9,337	2,334	466
JT's	45,083	38,553	6,529	1,632	326
Lila Mae's	114,711	77,669	37,041	9,260	1,852
Love's	155,640	122,030	33,609	8,402	1,680
Mac's	60,653	47,558	13,094	3,273	654
Pete's	66,480	53,426	13,053	3,263	652
RonDeVoo	66,177	46,476	19,700	4,925	985
VFW	35,592	27,042	8,549	2,137	427
Vic. Lanes	17,729	16,259	1,469	367	73
Virbapa	32,560	25,095	7,464	1,866	373
Willy's	<u>71,551</u>	<u>55,695</u>	15,855	<u>3,963</u>	<u>792</u>
TOTAL:	\$700,188	534,483	165,704	41,426	8,285
			*Net Te	rminal In	come

**Biggest VGT Month Ever** 

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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. Gambling problem? Call 1-800 GAMBLER.

# Gardner March VGTs Action

In the Village of Gardner, \$112,161 was invested in the community's 13 video gaming terminals during March.

The dollars invested in the Gardner machines produced \$2,009 for the village; \$10,045 for the State of Illinois.

Below are the Gardner establishments with gaming terminals (number in parenthesis), the amount of funds

invested, funds paid out, the net terminal income, and the amount received by the state and by Gardner.

Statewide, Illinois had 548 more video gaming terminals in March than in February (now 25,911). The state's March share

of the overall video gaming was \$29,820,091.

MAR. Funds In Funds Out NTI State Gardner 15,890 3,972 794 Marks (4) \$42,007 26,116 TA Op. (5) 57,395 35,615 21,779 5,444 1,088 <u>Vino's (4)</u> 12,759 10,247 2,511 <u>627</u> 125 40,181 10,045 2,009 **TOTALS** \$112,161 71,979

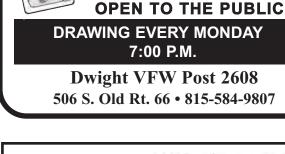




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# ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT MONA TOWNSHIP and ROAD DISTRICT

YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2017 Township Revenue Summary	
Property Tax	
Replacement Tax	
Interest Income	
Miscellaneous Income	
TOIRMA Dividend	
Total Revenue\$74,971	
<b>Township Compensation Summary</b>	
Over \$25,000, Gary Hamilton;	
Under \$25,000, Howard E. Haley, Wm. Malone,	
Ed Moritz, Gary Loschen, Stan Dietz, Tom Saathoff	
Total Compensation\$36,936	
Township Expenditure Summary	
TOIRMA \$ 6,449	
U.S. Treasury	
FICA 6,587	
Cemetery Care	
IL Dept. of Rev	
Audit	
Fund Transfer	
All other disbursements under \$1,000	
Total Vendors \$ 27,285	
Mona Road District Revenue Summary	
Property Tax \$ 79,762	
Replacement Tax	
Interest Income	

Miscellaneous Income .....

**Road District Compensation Summary** 

Under \$3,000 – Craig Scott, Devin Winterroth,

**Mona Road District Expenditure Summary** 

Jared Haberkorn, Richard Symons, Larry Blatzer

General Materials Corp. .....

Prairie Materials .....

All Other Disbursements Under \$1,500 .....

Chris Small, Inc.

Wissmiller & Evans .....

Illiana Construction .....

Quality Spot Repair.....

Gray's Garage.....

Ford Co. Highway Dept. .....

ConTech Engineers....

April 1, 2016

Expenditures

March 31, 2017

Receipts

Totals

Conrad Trucking .....

Total Revenue ...... \$ 90,558

Total Compensation .......\$ 2,319

Total Vendors ...... \$ 97,208

\$55,628

112,744

49,651

63,093

Road & Bridge

57,116

**Town Fund** 



#### Shopko Donates \$500 to Grapevine

CONNIE BUBERLE, manager of the Dwight Shopko, hands a check April 13 for \$500 to Judy Pershey, of the Grapevine Mission charity of Dwight. Pershey said the money will fund a summer gardening program for children and adults. The Paper photo

# **Tri-Point Makes Employment Decisions**

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

The Tri-Point School board hired and reassigned several teachers at its Monday, April 10 meeting.

In employment decisions, the board: accepted the resignation

14,708

10,385

7,239

5,738

4,671

4,600

4,198

3,375

2,497

2,185

1,885

Gen. Asst.

\$16,613

1,693

18,306

19,731

MONA TWP. SUMMARY of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES - 2016-2017

MONA ROAD DISTRICT SUMMARY of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES - 2016-2017

Joint Bridge

of Emily Campbell as junior high volleyball coach. reassigned Angela

Taylor as special education ior high math teacher.

Tort Ins.

\$12,950

6,973

6,449

13,474

19,923

aide at Piper City.

- · reassigned Brittany Watson as full-time high school math teacher.
- · reassigned Eric Grider to Kempton as part-time physical education and parttime special education teacher.
- · hired Nikki Behrends as part-time cook.
- · hired Todd Fatka as jun-

"Life can only be understood backwards; but it must be lived forwards"

Perm. Road

**FICA** 

7,471

18,211

6,587

11,624

\$10,739

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\$1,126

2,466

3,592

1,300

2,292

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# **Dwight Fire Lieutenant Accomplishes Milestone Achievement**



**DFPD** Lieutenant **Steve Bradley** 

Lieutenant Steve Bradley the Dwight Fire Protection District has accomplished a milestone that no other member has ever achieved.

Lieutenant Bradley has dedicated most of his adult life to responding to emergency calls, training, and assisting other firefighters in advancing their careers. He recently completed the State Fire Marshal certification process and has been recognized as a Basic Fire Prevention Officer.

To obtain this certification, he had to successfully pass four separate 40-hour courses consisting of fire prevention courses, public fire and life safety education courses, as well as providing evidence of years of documented experience in those areas.

"Steve has a true passion to serve the public," Deputy Fire Chief Justin Dyer stated, "and has brought the Dwight Fire Protection District's public education programs to a new level."

During his time with the department, he has coordinated the fire departmentrelated activities at numerous events throughout the year, including: Dwight Harvest Days, Taste of Dwight, Dwight Springfest, Dwight Grade School Camp 911, Fire Prevention Week activities at Dwight Grade School, Fire Prevention Week Open House, Buzz the Gut vehicle extraction demonstration, and Toddler time at the Prairie Creek

In addition to the Basic Fire Prevention Officer certification, Lt. Bradley also completed the certification process to become a certified OSFM School Inspector this

Library in Dwight.

The Board of Trustees and all of the members of the Dwight Fire Department expressed pride in their increased level of communiinvolvement expressed their thanks to Lt. Bradley for his dedication and ongoing efforts to ensure department involved in the community.



# 28th Annual DTHS

Dwight Township High and Art Department will perform their annual Arts Concert – marking the event's 28th anniversary of bringing together the interdepartmental showcase.

Student artwork will be on display in the main hallway, highlighting works from all levels. The art show is open to the public free of charge.

The DTHS band will be performing works from the

This year will also feature School Music Department two student artists who will be creating an improvisational abstract painting that will be inspired by the sounds and themes of the music as performed by the band. They will be creating live and display their creation at the conclusion of the concert.

> The artwork will be displayed from 1:00-4:00 p.m. and the concert will begin at



# **Arts Concert April 30** On Sunday, April 30, the concert band genre.

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# Dwight Woman's Club to Host Church Walk

The Dwight Woman's Club will be hosting a Church Walk from 12:30-3:30 p.m. on Saturday, April 22. For a small fee, participants will be able to tour and learn a little about the history of each Dwight building. All proceeds from the event will be used for scholarships for local students.

Churches on the tour include: St. Patrick Catholic Church, United Methodist Church, St. Peter's Lutheran Church, First Baptist Church, First Congregational United Church of Christ, and New Life Assembly of God.

Free refreshments will be served at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, and organist Marilyn Hensel will perform at First Congregational at 1 p.m.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church was known for years as the "Danish Lutheran Church," after its founding by Danish settlers in 1876. Its original church building was constructed of wood on West Chippewa St. The current brick structure was built in 1917 for \$13,000. Additions were made to the building as needs arose. Originally, services were held only in Danish.

tower, new construction will begin soon for a multi-purpose building. First Congregational Church was organized in

First Baptist Church is

celebrating its Diamond

Jubilee Year, marking 60

years of ministry in Dwight.

This congregation reaches

outside of its building with

its bus ministry and WGVD

97.3 FM radio station. Dan

Woodward, their current

pastor, has held his position

with the church for 33 years.

In addition to the current

church building, gymnasi-

um, radio building and

was constructed three years later for a total cost of \$5,425, including the lot. This church is known for its carillon which chimes songs that can be heard from blocks away.

New Life Assembly of God started in 1985 by six families. Their current building was constructed in 1986. Victor "Randy" Randle serves as pastor currently.

The original pastor, Bob Malone, arrived after the founding families contacted the district to create a new Assembly of God Church in Dwight.

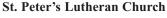


First Congregational United Church of Christ

# 1865. The present building

New Life Assembly of God







First Baptist Church

# Teacher Gets Recalled By Herscher Unit 2 Because More Pupils Than Expected

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

One teacher for the Herscher Unit 2 school district who lost her job due to decreased projected enrollments has been called back to teach again for the 2017-18 school year.

Two teaching positions were cut as reductions in force last month due to projected declining enrollment.

However, at the Monday, April 10 school board meeting, Unit 2 hired back Jamie Savarino, a kindergarten teacher, as a K-4 instructor for the 2017-18 school year.

Superintendent Rich Decman said the kindergarten enrollment for the 2017-18 school year is now expected to be 105 students.

Earlier projections put the fy recalling the second in the 80s.

105 pupils is enough for five teachers, similar to enrollment this school year. Five years ago, however, enrollment was enough for seven kindergarten sections, Decman said, adding the trend had been declining student populations for 20 years.

He believes the drops in enrollment have hit a plateau.

Total enrollment is now projected to be 1,750 K-12 for Unit 2. The original estimate was 1,700, thus the reduction by two teaching positions.

Decman said the projections are not enough to justi-

total pupils for kindergarten teacher, who taught at the high school.

> Enrollments are projected to decline at the high school going forward, with this year's graduating class between 160 and 170. The next classes are averaging closer to 120 pupils.

"The high school enrollment is down," Decman told The Paper last week.

"We are now at 580. continued. "In five years it

will be closer to 500." He said he is starting to see signs of housing starts coming back with a handful of homes built in the Limestone area over the past 18 months. But as of now, the student population is stagnating, not growing.

"It's starting to stabilize," Decman said. "I hope the (downward) trend starts to reverse."

In other business, the board:

• hired Sidney Kopple as the new agriculture teacher for the 2017-18 school year.

• will hold a special meeting May 1 to canvass the votes from the April 4 Consolidated Election and seat new board member Laura Rewerts to replacing retiring board member Dale Huizenga.

· learned that the high school newly-constructed greenhouse was scheduled to open for students as of April

· hired new math teacher Andrea Omorrow.

Did you know?

The Wall Street Journal recently broke down where each \$100 paid in income tax is spent by the federal gov-

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nment:	
Social Security 5	323.61
Medicaid	9.55
Medicare	15.26
National Defense	15.24
Interest	6.25
Veterans	4.58
Civilian Federal	
Retirement	2.57
Transportation	2.39
Refundable Credit	2.21
SSI	1.53
Justice	1.48
Housing Assistance	1.27
Foreign Aid and	
International	
Affairs	1.14
Education	2.08
Food Stamps	1.89
Other	7.85
Affordable Care	
Act Subsidy	1.09
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# Gas Up 1.5 Cents Gal.

The average regular unleaded gallon of gasoline in the United States edged up 1.5 cents in a week, at \$2.407 per gallon as of Monday, April 17, according to GasBuddy.com.

"U.S. Energy Information Administration's Short-Term Energy Outlook suggested U.S motorists should expect to see an average 23 cents a gallon increase at the pumps this summer compared to the summer of 2016," said Dan McTeague, GasBuddy Analyst. He added the wild card is "demand for transportation fuels this summer."



City/Village	April 17	April 10
Dwight	\$2.446	\$2.44
Seneca	\$2.353	\$2.286
S. Wilmington	\$2.45	\$2.35
Streator	\$2.268	\$2.166
Odell	\$2.415	\$2.39
Saunemin	\$2.39	\$2.34
Cullom	\$2.35	\$2.23
Pontiac	\$2.35	\$2.35
Gardner	\$2.45	\$2.35
Braceville	\$2.41	\$2.31
Mazon	\$2.45	\$2.35
Morris	\$2.374	\$2.342
Herscher	\$2.35	\$2.35
Kankakee	\$2.28	\$2.344
Chicago	\$2.63	\$2.65
Illinois	\$2.49	\$2.52
U.S.	\$2.407	\$2.392
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 $Sources:\ Gas Buddy.com\ and\ U.S.\ Energy\ Information\ Administration.$ 



# Older Americans Month to be Celebrated May 5 at GCHD

Each May, the Administration for Community Living (ACL) leads the nation's celebration of Older Americans Month (OAM). ACL designed the 2017 OAM theme, Age Out Loud, to give aging a new voice - one that reflects what today's older adults have to say.

This theme shines a light

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on many important trends. More than ever before, older Americans are working longer, trying new things, and engaging in their communities. They're taking charge, striving for wellness, focusing on independence, and advocating for themselves and others. What it means to age has changed, and OAM 2017 is an oppor-

tunity to recognize and celebrate what getting older looks like today.

The Grundy County Health Department will be hosting a Casino-themed celebration in honor of OAM on May 5 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There will be food, music, Bingo, and fun. All are welcome and the

event is free of cost.







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# **Area Residents Inducted** into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi

dents were recently initiated into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi – the nation's oldest and most selective alldiscipline collegiate honor society:

• Brandon Chopp of Gardner was initiated at Illinois Wesleyan University. • Maureen Doran of Odell was initiated at Western Illinois University.

These individuals are among approximately

The following local resi- 30,000 students, faculty, professional staff, and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter. Only the top ten percent of seniors and 7.5 percent of juniors are eligible for membership. Graduate students in the top ten percent of the number of candidates for graduate degrees may also qualify, as do faculty, professional staff, and alumni.

# Trinity Lutheran Church Whole Hog Sausage Dinner, Raffle April 30

from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church, 515 E. Stonewall Rd. in rural Dwight, will host its Whole Hog Sausage Dinner and Raffle.

The includes menu mashed sausage potatoes

On Sunday, April 30, (gravy), vegetables, sauerkraut, apple sauce, bread, and dessert.

> Dinner and raffle tickets will be available for purchase. Kids ages five to 12 receive a discount, while children under five eat free.



Dwight will hold its town-wide garage sales during Red Carpet Corridor weekend, May 5, 6, and 7.

The sales are scheduled to run Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (or whenever your "garage sale" sign is posted).

Forms are available at the Village Hall and are now being accepted for this event. Payment and forms are required to be in by Friday, April 28, to make the deadline for The Paper ad.

A Route 66 Red Carpet Corridor Garage Sale sign will be provided when the form and fee are received. These signs can be displayed in your yard during the hours your sale is in progress.

A list of addresses and short list of items for the sales will be available starting Thursday, May 4, at the Village Hall.

For more information, you may call the Village Hall at 815-584-3077.



Corev Harris and Elizabeth Harfst

#### Harfst, Harris Announce Engagement, **Wedding Date**

Elizabeth Harfst and Corey Harris of Pontiac have announced their engagement and upcoming marriage.

The couple will exchange wedding vows July 15, 2017, in Champaign.

Parents of the future bride are Tom and Diane Harfst of Saunemin. Kathy Harris, and Steve and Vickie Harris, all of Pontiac, are parents of the prospective groom.

Miss Harfst has a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Illinois and is an Ag teacher at Normal Community in Bloomington. Mr. Harris has a Bachelor's Degree from Illinois State University and is employed by Evergreen FS in Pontiac.

# St. Patrick Church Spring Salad Luncheon, Bake Sale April 25

St. Patrick Church will host its Spring Salad Luncheon and Bake Sale Tuesday, April 25, at the Parish Hall, 114 W. Mazon in Dwight, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Kids under 12 receive a discounted price. Children in preschool eat for free. Carryouts will be available.

Bridge and Euchre will

# **OBITUARY**

# Gerald 'Jerry' Lasher

IN -NEWBURGH, Gerald "Jerry" Lasher of Newburgh, Indiana was called to eternal life on April 9, 2017 while at home surrounded by family and loved

He was born to Ann Titzer and James Lasher March 28, 1936. He was the eldest of four, including David, Becky and Steve.

Jerry wholeheartedly embraced his role as big brother. Among other things, he insured all his siblings developed a sense of humor, whether they liked it or not.

After graduating from Memorial High School, Jerry enlisted in the U.S. Army as an infantryman and was stationed in both Germany and Italy in support of the European occupation. After two years of service, he returned home in

At a Catholic youth volleyball game, he met the love of his life, Mary Anne Petrig (d. 2015). He was immediately smitten with her, and convinced her to marry him in 1958. Married for 57 years, they were lifetime members of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and raised five children: Beth (Frank) Bender, Richard (Dona) Lasher, Jill (Roger) Murphy, Mary Jane (Charlie, Jr.) Will, and Fred (Amy) Lasher.

After his time in uniform, Jerry joined the Carpenters Union Local 90. Over the years, he worked his way up to serving as job superintendent for Deig Brothers Construction, where he oversaw and directed the construction of local schools, banks, churches and other community landmarks.

Just over five years into their marriage and confident with his abilities as a young tradesman, Jerry set about building a home for their family. He finished the basement first. They would live there while finishing the secof the house brick by brick as h money came in.

Though frugal and pragmatic as a young father, Jerry bucked reason and bought a boat with the clear intention of carving out time to make memories on the Ohio River with his family and close friends.

If Jerry had a motto in life, it would be, "Your family is your greatest gift...take care of them."

In addition to boating and camping along the banks of the river, Jerry spent summers cultivating a garden full of vegetables, teaching those he loved the value of hard work and the joy of sharing a bountiful harvest.

His passion of growing eventually brought on exciting ventures in retirement when he and Mary Anne dedicated themselves to bringing Grandview Orchard to life in Spencer County. The orchard became another catalyst for strengthening family bonds as their children and grandchildren joined in on the harvests and helped make wine from the abundant grapes, cherries, apples and peaches.

Jerry loved family and friends in his own special way. Some may have called him ornery, but it was clear those he loved most he gave the hardest time. Among other traditions, he specialized in organizing memorable initiations for those seeking to marry into his family. He was the ultimate test of whether or not a significant other was worth walking down the aisle (that

is: he had a sense of humor). Jerry also loved to fish. Aside from filling his freezer in preparation for his seasonal and festive fish fries,

time out on the water and away from the world was designed to bond with those he loved. He spent time fishing with each of his grandkids, teaching them the ins and outs of how to tie the best knot, hook a worm, cast a line, and often times inadvertently, the art of how to craft a big fish story.

The life he lived, the laughter he shared, and the love he gave, lives on in the family he was so proud of.

He is survived by his children and their spouses along with his sister, Rebecca Rygh Nichols) of San Francisco, CA; sister-in-law, Barbara Lasher of Tell City, IN; and brother, Steven (Barbara) Lasher of Greenwood, IN.

Also surviving are his brothers-in-law, Joe (Esther) Petrig, John (Maggie) Petrig, Robert (Ethelene) Petrig, Mike (Nancy) Petrig, all of Evansville; and Paul Petrig of Zelienople, PA.

He is also survived by his grandchildren: Holly O'Neill, Jan Michael Bender, Katie Bender, Dale Bender, Drew Lasher, Whitney Richard, Clinton Will, Zachary Will, Charley Anne Will, Aaron Murphy, Kacy Murphy, Isaac Lasher and Avery Lasher; and 11 great-grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was held at 10 a.m., Tuesday, April 18, in St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Newburgh, Indiana.

Burial followed in St. John's Cemetery with full military rites.

Visitation was from 2 until 8 p.m., Monday, April 17, with a prayer service at 7 p.m. in Titzer Family Funeral Homes, Simpson Chapel, Newburgh, IN. An additional visitation was from 9 a.m. Tuesday until the time of the Mass.

Sympathy wishes to the family may be shared at: www.titzerfuneralhomes.com

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in *The Paper* should be limited to 250 words.

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## **OBITUARIES**

# William Morse

Morse, 90, of Pontiac died at 10:35 p.m., Sunday, April 9, 2017 at Tjardes Health Care Center, Pontiac.

Bill was born December 28, 1926 in Kempton, son of James and Marie Stadel Morse. He married Arla Stroebel September 1, 1948 in St. Mary's Church, Loretto.

Survivors include his wife of 68 years, Arla Morse of Pontiac; two sons: Jim Morse of Pontiac and Tom (Marianne) Morse of Bloomington; two daughters: Sue (Mike) Wolf of El Paso and Teri (Don) Shane of Homer; and 13 grandchildren.

Bill was educated in Emington Grade School and was a graduate of Saunemin High School. He graduated from Garrett Evangelical Seminary. He was a printer, then owned and operated Vermillion Studio in Pontiac for several years. He was

PONTIAC - William also a frame salesman, and later served as a minister to S. Johnson, 78, of Methodist churches in Biggsville and Gladstone, and was a volunteer minister at Evenglow Lodge.

After his retirement he worked at McDonald's in Hospital and Health-Bloomington.

He served our country in the U.S. Navy from 1944-46. The most important thing to Bill was his Lord and his family.

His funeral was at 10 a.m., Thursday, April 13, in the First United Methodist Church, Pontiac, with the Rev. Tom Goodell and the Rev. Don Shane officiating.

Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery, Loretto, with full military rites.

Visitation was Wednesday from 4 until 7 p.m. at Calvert & Martin Funeral Home, Pontiac, and for one hour preceding the service.

His guestbook may be signed at: www.calvertmem orial.com

# Carl S. Johnson

DWIGHT - Carl Dwight passed away peacefully surrounded by his family Thursday, April 13, 2017 at Morris care Center in Mor-

According to Carl's wish-

es, there will be no services,

and cremation rites were

accorded. There will be a

celebration of life at a later

Carl was born March 19,

He is survived by his son,

1939 in Kokomo, Indiana,

son of Roy and Henrietta

Brad (Christina) Johnson of

Bloomington; daughters:

Dawn Schroeder of Dwight;

Brenda Riss of Blooming-

(Diane) Johnson of NC; sis-

ter, Dianna (Larry) Weaver

of NC; grandchildren: Devin

Riss, Bryon Riss, Collin

brother,

Pambert Johnson.

ton;



Schroeder Caden Schroeder; and seven nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Roy Johnson Jr.

Carl spent six years in the Army Reserves and enjoyed fishing and golfing. He was a barber in Dwight, Herscher and Florida. He owned the Ron-De-Voo for several years, and also owned a restaurant in Herscher for a period. He worked at William Fox Center as a barber and painter. He also ran the Dwight Country Club for several years, where he met numerous lifelong friends.

Memorials in honor of Carl may be made to the charity of the donor's choice and online condolences may be made at www.hagermem orial.com

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# Robert 'Tom' Poole, Sr.

GARDNER "Tom" Robert Poole, 72, longtime resident of Gardner, passed away peacefully Friday, April 14, 2017 at Morris Hospital with his loving family by his

His Funeral Mass will be today, Wednesday, April 19, at 10 a.m. in St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington. Father Stanley Drewniak will officiate.

Burial will follow in Braceville-Gardner Ceme-

Visitation was from 4 until 8 p.m., Tuesday, at R.W. Patterson Funeral Home in Braidwood.

Tom was born July 16, 1944 in Paducah, Kentucky, son of Robert and Nelle Poole. He married Jerry Elder September 4, 1965 in Paducah, Kentucky.

Surviving are his wife, Jerry Poole of Gardner; one Robby (Monica Katcher) Poole of Blackstone; one daughter, Tracy (Kurt) Kociss of Gardner; two grandsons, Kal and Kade Kociss; one sister, Teresa Poole of Roanoke, Virginia; and two granddogs, Koachie and Maizey.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Katy Poole.

Tom was an avid sports fan, especially the Kentucky Wildcats. He enjoyed watching NASCAR in the garage

on Sunday afternoon with friends and family. He also enjoyed attending grandsons' his sporting events. His grandsons were his pride and joy.

Tom was a member of St. Lawrence

Catholic Church; a former member of the Gardner Volunteer Fire Department; captain of the Emergency Squad; and an EMT.

He held many community positions such as former president of the Gardner Grade School Board; Village commissioner; Garfield Township Trustee; Grundy County Board member; and a Dwight VFW Auxiliary member.

He was a member of the Lions Club; sat on the Grundy County Board of Health; and was most known working at RR Donnelley of Dwight for 35 years, before retiring in 2004.

After retirement, Tom was an employee at the South Wilmington Sportsman's Club. He was an Eagle Scout in his early

Memorials may be made to Gardner Fire Department and St. Lawrence Catholic

You may sign his guestbook at: www.rwpattersonfu neralhomes.com

BWe would like to offer our thanks to family, friends and neighbors for all of the acts of kindness and sympathy during this difficult time. The cards, flowers, food, as well as the monetary donations to Heritage Health are deeply appreciated.

Special Thanks to Heritage Health of Dwight for the years of care given to Kay. Another special thanks to Father Haake and the choir at St. Patrick's of Dwight as well as the women that served the funeral luncheon. Your sympathy and kindness will forever be remembered.

The Family of Kay Parker

# **Support Group Meeting for Children** w/Type I Diabetes April 26

On Wednesday, April 26, are welcome to attend. a support group meeting for surrounding area children and students with Type I Diabetes will be held at 5:30 in the Dwight Elementary School Library. Parents and their families

The support group meetings usually occur on the last Wednesday of each month.

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First Financial Bank, N.A. **PLAINTIFF** Jason Carl Reese; Unknown Owner

and Nonrecord Claimants DEFENDANTS

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# **NOTICE BY PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:**

Jason Carl Reese

Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 209 N. Wolf Street, Odell, IL 60460

and which said Mortgage was made by: the Mortgagor(s), to Freestar Bank, N.A., as Mortgagee, and record-

ed in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Livingston County, Illinois, as Document No. 00595108; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court.

Judith K. Cremer Clerk of the Circuit Court

110 N. Main Pontiac, IL 61764

on or before May 5, 2017, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

CODILIS & ASSOCIATES, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiff 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100 Burr Ridge, IL 60527 (630) 794-5300 DuPage # 15170 Winnebago # 531 Our File No. 14-17-00691 NOTE: This law firm is a debt collector. I718548





5 Minutes with Boma by Aaron Boma will appear in next week's edition

# **Odell Approves Employee Salary Hikes**

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

The Odell Village Board approved increases in employees' salaries at its regular meeting April 10. Tim Armour's salary rate

went up \$1 an hour to \$18.50. Iris Thorne's salary was increased \$1 per hour to \$17.50. Mike Nabors was given a \$2 raise per hour to Tourism employees at the

Odell Standard Station went from \$8.65 to \$9, up 35 cents per hour. These are part-time employees.

All raises go into effect as of May 1, 2017.

The board also agreed to hire Rich Ribordy at \$250 per month to take care of the village water, \$150 per month to take care of the sewer, and \$40 per hour if he is hired for any other work. His hours are capped at 599 per year and he receives no other benefits.

In other business, the • heard a request from a few concerned residents about the build-up of water on their street in town. The village will work to resolve the issue.

• heard a report from Adam Dontz of the Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council on various grants available to the village and updated the board on the 2016 accomplishments.

• heard from Joyner that village employees will be canvassing the village for abandoned vehicles and vehicles with expired registration stickers this month.

• approved the treasurer's report which showed the following bank balances as of March 31: Odell checking, \$46,981.53; general fund money market, \$97,086.73; MFT funds \$83,826.48; Odell MFT checking, \$500.55; Odell tourism checking, \$38,121.49; Odell water savings, \$98,370.30; and Odell general certificates deposit, \$229,156.44.

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

The Bank Of New York Mellon, F/K/A The Bank Of New York, As Trustee For The Certificate Holders Of The Cwabs, Inc.

Asset-Backed Certificates Series 2006-3, Plaintiff Unknown Heirs At Law And Legatees Of Donald K. Anderson; Yvonne C. Anderson, Individually And As Heir Of Donald K. Anderson; Denyce Weersing, As Heir Of Donald K. Anderson; Ronald

Anderson, As Heir Of Donald K. Anderson; Tammy Schwender, As Heir Of Donald K. Anderson; Scott Anderson, As Heir Of Donald K. Anderson; Alan Howarter, As Special Representative Of The Estate Of Donald K. Anderson; Unknown Owners And Non-Record Claimants, Defendants

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Address: 315 W. Oak Street Chatsworth, Illinois 60921

NOTICE OF SHERIFF, SALE OF REAL ESTATE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a

Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on January 27, 2017, I, Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois, will on May 5, 2017 at the hour of 10:00 AM at the Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL, 61764, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Livingston, State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate: TRACT I

Beginning At The Northwest Corner Of The Southeast Quarter Of The Southeast Quarter Of Section 4, Township 26 North, Range 8 East Of The Third Principal Meridian; Thence East 100 Feet; Thence South 150 Feet; Thence West 100 Feet; Thence North 150 Feet; To The Place Of Beginning. Except The Northwest Corner, Which Is Used As A Public Highway, In Livingston County, Illinois.

TRACT II

Beginning At The Northwest Corner Of The Southeast Quarter Of The Southeast Quarter Of Section 4, Township 26 North, Range 8 East Of The Third Principal Meridian; Thence East 100 Feet To The Point Of Beginning; Thence South 150 Feet; Thence West 100 Feet; Thence South 20 Feet; Thence East 120 Feet; Thence North 170 Feet; Thence West 20 Feet; To The Place Of Beginning, Livingston County, Illinois.

COMMON ADDRESS: 315 W. Oak Street, Chatsworth, Illinois

P.I.N.: 27-27-04-477-001; 27-27-04-477-007 The real estate is improved with a single family residence. THE JUDGMENT AMOUNT WAS: \$98,009.50

funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to real estate taxes, special assessments or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in, as is, condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall

Sale terms: 25% down by certified funds; the balance, by certified

receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representations as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information. Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/15-1512, the amounts of any surplus bid will be held by the sheriff until a party obtains a Court Order for its distribution, or for 60 days following the date of the entry of the order confirming sale, at which time, in the absence of an order directing payment of the surplus, it may be automatically forfeited to the State without further notice.

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

If You Are The Mortgagor (Homeowner), You Have The Right To Remain In Possession For 30 Days After Entry Of An Order Of Possession, In Accordance With Section 15-1701(C) Of The Illinois Mortgage Foreclosure Law.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff, Äôs attorney: Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC, Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC, 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite 1125, Chicago, Illinois 60606, telephone 312-541-9710. Please refer to file number IL 15-1649.

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PRIOR TO DISMISSING FOR THE HOLIDAY BREAK, St. Paul Civics Club members put on an Easter egg hunt for the younger students in pre-k through second grade. The older students prepared and hid all the eggs and then the younger children went outside, with baskets in hand, to hunt down the eggs. Civics club members are pictured in the back row behind all the egg hunters.

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# (Support Our Soldiers)

Wyatt Aldrich was a recent recipient of an Easter Box - made possible by Operation S.O.S. – and sent out his thanks with a note:

Thank you for all of the goodies and support! It is beyond kind what you do. Wyatt Aldrich

#### **Dwight Senior Citizens Duplicate Bridge Results**

Duplicate Bridge was played April 13 at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center.

#### North/South:

- 1. Darlene Drechsel/Mary Anne McNamara
- 2. Nancy Evers/Janyce Gross
- 3. Janet Kresl/Evelyn Neuhalfen
- East/West: 1. Mary
- Goley/Docia Hancock
- Barb Christensen/Evelyn Lydigsen
- 3. Joan Francis/Pat

The next duplicate bridge play will be April 27.

# Scrambling for Eggs



THE EGGS MAY HAVE BEEN hard-boiled, but the kids were scrambling for them during the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Heritage Health in Dwight on April 14.

The Paper photo

# **Conversation** With The Bunny



FLORENTINE CHALLY, a resident at Heritage Health in Dwight, has a private conversation with the Easter Bunny during festivities at the facility Friday, April 14. The Paper photo



SINCE IT'S THE EASTER BUNNY, he wanted to say "carrots" instead of "cheese" when getting his photo taken with Cloe Gall of Dwight on April 14 at Heritage Health. The Paper photo

# Gardner Switches to 2nd Lowest Bidder After Contractor Pulls Bid

(continued from page 1)

The Fire Department was represented at the March 27 meeting because it was seeking an advance on tax increment finance funds.

Jensen was the sole commissioner to vote against the advance, and Jensen said he "did not vote against it because" he was a former member of the fire depart-

Jensen said he knew that The Paper questioned the official from the Fire Department, Trustee Mike Pasternak, outside of the meeting. Jensen said The Paper should have come to

him if the reporter had ques-

He also said he was peppered with phone calls after the meeting, with Gardner residents complaining Jensen was critical of the budget item for a squad car.

Meantime, due to the coverage in The Paper, resident Ed Scrogham asked if the village would donate funds for the water at Christmas to the fire department. Gardner normally allows residents to have "free" water at Christmas time.

Mayor Serena was enthusiastic about the idea, and agreed to donate his own water bill rebate at Christmas to the Fire Department. Serena asked Scrogham if Scrogham would be willing to head up a program to ask other residents to do the same, to which Scrogham agreed.

Editor's Note: The March 27 story stated: "Terry Jensen, formerly with the fire department, voted no." It did not state that this was the reason for Jensen's vote. Jensen did not ask The Paper for a correction after the story appeared on errors he cited at last week's meet-

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#### TROJAN BASKETBALL **AWARDS**

THE DWIGHT TROJANS HELD THEIR END OF THE SEASON Award ceremony, with (at left) Blake Graham and Justin Fox being distinguished for making the SVC First Team All-Conference, with Fox earning First Team **IBCA All-State honors and** Graham receiving Special Mention All-State. Team Voted awards, (below 1 to r) Collin Schroeder Trojan Leadership Award; Fox - Most Valuable Player; and Austin Nelson -**Most Improved Player.** 





DWIGHT TROJAN STANDOUT JUSTIN FOX signed a letter of intent and will continue his education and basketball career at Elmhurst College next year. Justin was an IBCA 1st Team All-State selection, averaging 26 points and 12 rebounds a game for Dwight Township High School. Pictured, front row, are his father, Aaron Fox, Justin, his mother, Susie Fox; back row, Asst. Coach Ryan Kemp, and Head Coach Eric Long.



# **GSW Panthers Baseball**

Tuesday, April 11 GSW vs. Beecher Varsity -

In yet another doubleheader, the Panthers found themselves on the losing end of both match-ups with Beecher, falling 1-0 in game one and 5-0 in game two.

Joey Morales pitched an outstanding game, allowing just one unearned run on four hits and a walk, striking out three. But an error proved to be costly for GSW, in addition to their woes at the plate.

Braden Marks and Matthew Wepprecht had the only hits for the Panthers – a

single each. The offensive struggles continued for GSW in the second game, as they were only able to muster one hit –

a single from Kade Kociss.

Austin Kavanaugh took the loss for the Panthers, giving up three earned runs on seven hits, two walks, and two HBP. He struck out

GSW committed two errors in the game.

#### Wednesday, April 12 GSW vs. St. Anne Varsity -

GSW and St. Anne squared off April 12, but not before they finished their previous game that was suspended earlier in the week.

After being delayed two days, the Panthers found a way to come back from a 3-1 deficit in the fifth inning and squeak out a 4-3 "W."

Braden Marks threw the final three innings to get the win. He also hit a home run to tie it in the seventh.

Matthew Wepprecht had two singles and two RBI, with Mike Wise contributing a single and an RBI. Also adding hits for GSW were Connor Hays, Nathan Wozniak, Joey Morales, and Kade Kociss.

Though they did not hit well in game two – coming up with just two hits – the Panthers improved their record to 7-6 overall and 4-2 in the conference with a 2-1

win over St. Anne.

Chris Ruiz was superb, hurling six shutout innings and allowing no earned runs and just two hits, hitting two batters and walking none. He struck out seven.

Kociss came on in the seventh for the save.

Providing the two hits for GSW were Marks and Wozniak, each singling.

#### Thursday, April 13 **GSW** vs. Grace Christian Varsity -

The Panthers put down Grace Christian in five innings on April 13 by a score of 19-0, with everyone on the team contributing.

"After many close games this week, I'm glad the guys were ready," stated Coach Wills after the game.

Connor Hays got the win for GSW, hurling three innings of hitless baseball, striking out two en route to the win.

Cam McCurrie pitched two innings in relief, striking out one while giving up just one single.

At the plate, Joey Morales batted in four, tallying two singles, followed by another four RBI from Braden Marks who singled (continued on page 10)





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**Dwight vs. Clifton Central** 

Pulver pitched a no-no

through five and two-thirds

innings against Clifton

Central April 13, but lost it on

the only hit for the opposition

Trojans got the win, 5-0.

The bright side: the

Pulver's numbers for the

DJ Branz saw relief

Logan Graham singled

three separate times, batting

in a run, with Colton Holm

adding two singles and an

RBI. Branz would single,

double, and score a run in the

Saturday, April 15

Dwight vs. Ridgeview

0 victory over Ridgeview.

Graham started on the

eventually got the win,

two innings of work, striking

in three runs at the plate,

tripling once and scoring

twice. Wesley Pulver singled,

doubled twice, batted in one,

adding two singles, an RBI,

and a run scored. Blake

Graham singled and scored

The Trojans are now 4-8

three times.

ence.

out three Ridgeview batters.

improving to 2-2 this season.

day were nine strikeouts,

three walks, and that lone hit. He moves to 2-2 on the year.

action, fanning four in an

inning and some change.

on the day.

win.

Varsity - Dwight's Wesley

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#### NOTICE OF HEARING ON BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE ALLEN TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LASALLE, GRUNDY AND LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

TAKE NOTICE that on June 21, 2017 a public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Fire Station in Ransom, Illinois on a Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Allen Township Fire Protection District of LaSalle, Grundy and Livingston County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018. A draft copy of such ordinance is available at the law office of Hupp, Lanuti, Irion & Burton, P.C., 227 W. Madison St., Ottawa, IL telephone (815) 433-3111.

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held before the Dwight Zoning Board of Appeals on Tuesday, May 16th, 2017 at the hour of 6:30 p.m. at the Public Services Complex Bldg., 209 South Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois. The Public Hearing is with respect to an Application for Variances being made by Sally L. Henderson and Burton D. Henderson for premises commonly known as 309 S. Washington Street, Dwight, Illinois, which is more particularly described as follows:

The North Half of Lots 27 and 28 in Block 21 of the Village of Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois. Permanent Real Estate Index No.: 05-09-130-024

The Variances being requested, for which the Public Hearing is set, are as follows:

- 1. To decrease the rear yard requirement for the construction of a garage, which is an accessory building, from the required five (5) feet to one (1) foot. This would be a variance of Section 4.06(5)(c) and 4.06(5)-(e)(2) of the Comprehensive Amendment to the Dwight Zoning Ordinance. Provided, however, that any overhanging eave or gutter shall not extend past the adjacent rear lot line.
- 2. To decrease the requirement that no accessory building shall be located within five (5) feet of any part of a rear lot line which coincides with a side vard lot line or portion thereof of property in an R-2 residential district from the required five (5) feet to one (1) foot. This would be a variance of Section 4.12 (1) and 4.12 (5) of the Comprehensive Amendment to the Dwight Zoning Ordinance.
- 3. To decrease the requirement that an accessory building cannot be nearer than ten (10) feet to any principal building, with the requested variance being from ten (10) feet to 0 feet. This would be a variance of Section 4.06(5)(e) of the Comprehensive Amendment to the Dwight Zoning Ordinance. Under Section 3.02 **Definitions: Building, Principal,** an attached deck is defined as being part of the principal building (residence regarding this Application).

At the time and place of the Public Hearing, all interested parties are invited to attend and make their views known, either orally, in writing, or by a representative. Thereafter, the Zoning Board of Appeals will make a recommendation to the Village Board of Trustees as to whether or not the requested Variances should be granted, and/or under what circumstances or restrictions.

Inquiries with respect to the requested Variances should be directed to the following:

Kevin J. McNamara Village Administrator Public Services Complex Building 209 S. Prairie Avenue Dwight, IL 60420 PH#: 815/584-3077

> JILL V. HAACKE Village Clerk **Dwight Public Services** Complex Building 209 South Prairie Avenue Dwight, Illinois 60420 815/584-3077

# **DTHS Trojans Baseball**

Tuesday, April 11 **Dwight vs. Clifton Central** Varsity -

The Dwight Trojans took on Clifton Central April 11, falling by a score of 11-6.

Michael Johnson started on the mound for Dwight, taking the loss after giving up four earned runs on eight hits and two walks, fanning four in 4½ innings of work.

Daniel Gutierrez came on in relief, allowing three earned runs on three hits and a walk, while Colton Holm pitched a portion of an inning, striking out one and giving up a hit.

Bubba Schultz singled and knocked in two runs for the Trojans, with Logan Graham adding a solo homer, in addition to a double - scoring twice. Holm singled, doubled, scored twice, and batted in a run, while Wes Pulver had an RBI on two singles.

Dwight is 2-8 overall with a 1-2 record in the SVC.

#### Wednesday, April 12 Dwight vs. GSW JV -

The Trojans' JV squad defeated the GSW Panthers 11-1 in five innings of play April 12, moving to 3-4 on the season.

Cade Enerson got the win with a quality performance on the mound. He struck out ten, walked one, and allowed just four hits.

On offense, Jimmy Harkenrider was 2-3 with a double and three RBI. Bobby Ruder and Enerson were each 2-3, with Ruder batting in a run and Enerson doubling. Ryan Hogan went 1-1 with two RBI, followed by Hayden Tjelle and Peyton Byerley who each added a hit and an RBI. Andrew Myzia singled.

Thursday, April 13

# **GSW Panthers Baseball**

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once. Mike Wise went 2-5. with two RBI, with Matthew Wepprecht singling and knocking in two runs. Nathan Wozniak, Junior Schultz, and Kade Kociss each hit two singles and bat-

ted in a run. Also picking up an RBI each in the contest were Austin Kavanaugh. Lucas Residori, and McCurrie. Nolan Perkins totaled three walks and a single in the game.

GSW is now 8-6 overall with a 4-2 RVC record.



# **GSW Lady Panthers Softball**

#### Tuesday, April 11 GSW vs. Beecher Varsity -

The Lady Panthers were shut out in back-to-back games against Beecher April 11, 2-0 in game one, then 5-0 in game two.

Tori King was on the mound in the first game, Varsity - In varsity action pitching well and holding Beecher to just two runs over the weekend, the while getting some help Dwight Trojans picked up catcher another "W" piggy-backing a from Carson combined no-hitter thrown Halpin - who threw out a by Logan Graham and DJ runner trying to steal second, Branz – and cruising to an 11and Jenni Price – who turned a triple play.

The offense, however, mound for Dwight, tossing couldn't get in the groove. King ended up with a triple four hitless innings, striking out seven in the process. He and Shelby Serena drew a walk at the plate.

GSW dropped a 5-0 deci-Branz was lights out in sion in the second game, with King, Price, and Emily Beck each singling, and L. Graham would knock Madelyn Storm being commended for her strong showing in left field.

#### Wednesday, April 12 and scored twice, with Branz GSW vs. St. Anne Varsity -

In their second doubleheader in as many days, GSW split two with St. Anne, sneaking by with an overall and 2-2 in the confer- 8-7 win in game one, then falling 13-1 in game two.

Shelby Serena got the win for the Lady Panthers in the first contest, taking a walk and being hit by a pitch to help her cause on offense.

Kira Gleason was 2-4 with a single and a triple, with Tori King singling and doubling. Sydney Perkins walked and hit a triple, while Delaney Miner singled and walked once. Madelyn Storm drew two walks in the game, with Jenni Price and Carson Halpin taking a walk

GSW got whooped in the second game of the day, having trouble putting runs on the board.

At the plate, Miner was 2-2 with two singles and a walk, followed by Price with a single and a double. Storm and Emily Beck each singled, while Halpin and Perkins drew two and one walk(s), respectively. Serena contributed a sacrifice bunt and a walk.

Coach Miller also expressed how impressed she was with Nicolette Shelton coming in to play great defense in right field – a positive note, despite the loss.

The Lady Panthers are now 3-10 overall and 2-2 in the conference.



#### Thursday, April 6 Dwight vs. GSW Varsity -

The Lady Trojans defeated Gardner 13-0, behind a two-hitter by Sydney Christensen - who struck out 11.

Kaitlyn Masching had four hits, including two doubles, with Becky Ruder adding three. Christensen, LynnDee Hale, and Morgan Zabel each had two hits, followed by Taylor Anderson, Abby Edwards (2B), Macey Rodosky (2B), and Leah Flynn (2B) with a hit each.

"The girls were aggres-

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sive at the plate," Coach Black commented afterwards, "and Sydney did a great job on the mound."

#### Saturday, April 8 **Dwight vs. South Newton**

Varsity -Dwight opened up SVC play by sweeping South Newton in a double-header April 18, 16-0 in game one and 15-2 in game two.

Abby Edwards got the win the first game, throwing a one-hitter and striking out 11.

The Lady Trojans tallied 13 hits, with Sydney Christensen, Edwards (HR), Becky Ruder, and LynnDee Hale all collecting two hits. Kaitlyn Masching doubled, while Taylor Anderson, Macey Rodosky, Hayley Schlabowske, and Morgan Zabel each added hits.

"The girls came out swinging," Coach Black stated, "and Abby did a great job on the mound. It was a good way to start out conference play."

In game two, Christensen recorded the win, throwing a three-hitter, striking out ten batters while doing so. She would also scatter four hits

at the plate, including a double, to help her cause. Becky Ruder

**DTHS Lady Trojans Softball** 

LynnDee Hale each had three hits in the game, with Taylor Anderson, Edwards (HR), Hayley Schlabowske (2B), and Abby Houch adding two hits each. Macey Rodosky and Leah Flynn both had a hit.

# Tuesday, April 11 Varsity -

A 4-1 win over Clifton Central on April 11 kept the Lady Trojans undefeated in the SVC, as Abby Edwards sailed to victory as she allowed just three hits while striking out eight.

Edwards would also get three hits on offense to lead Dwight. Macey Rodosky, Becky Ruder, Kaitlyn Masching, and LynnDee Hale each collected two hits. Abby Houch had one on the day.

#### Wednesday, April 12 Dwight vs. Herscher Varsity -

In non-conference play against Herscher April 12, Dwight would fall 12-4.

"Herscher was a very

good team," admitted Coach Black. "We struggled in the field, but our girls played hard to the finish."

Becky Ruder had three hits in the contest, including two doubles. Kaitlyn Masching added two hits, with Macey Rodosky connecting on one.

## Thursday, April 13 **Dwight vs. Clifton Central**

The Lady Trojans picked up their fourth SVC win in as many tries, beating Clifton Central 9-2.

Abby Edwards struck out 14 batters on her way to the

"Abby was sharp on the mound and the girls showed patience at the plate and hit the ball hard," said Coach Black in the post game. "It was a good win for the

team." LynnDee Hale had two doubles in the game, followed Sydney by Christensen with two hits, including a double. Edwards would knock a home run, while Taylor Anderson, Macey Rodosky, and Leah Flynn all added hits on the day.

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# **DGS Redbirds Track**

# Monday, April 10

**Dwight at Wilmington** The Redbird track stars took on Wilmington and Elwood in Wilmington April 10, with the eighth grade girls placing second with a 34 and the eighth grade boys taking third with a 17. Individual results are as follows:

#### Girls

#### 7th Grade -

100: Mikalah Bregin, 3rd, 15.38.

1600: Alayna Airgood,

3rd, 6:51. 400: Alexis Thetard, 1st, 1:18.74; Airgood, 2nd,

1:21.18. 800: Bregin, 1st, 3:01.02. High jump: Airgood, 1st,

#### 8th Grade -

Hurdles: Meghan Scott, 1st, 18.03.

100: Eden Beier, 3rd, 4x200: Scott, Madisyn

Hatfield, Bregin, Thetard, 1st. 2:16.

400: Scott, 3rd, 1:21.53. 800: Hatfield, 2nd, 3:41. Shot put: Nellie Rieke, 1st, 30'11".

Discus: Rieke, 62'10"; Emily Weissmann, 2nd, 53'8"; Hatfield, 51'8". Long jump: Scott, 3rd,

The Redbird boys had a strong showing, with the following results being posted:

7th Grade -High jump: Edwards, 1st, 4'1½".

Hurdles: Handzus, 1st,

1600: Greer, 2nd, 6:32;

Legner, 3rd, 6'3/4". 4x100: Abe Rieke, Luis

Hides, Harley Leonard, Joseph Shadwick, 1:06.97. 400: Edwards, 1:08.13.

200: Emmons, 1st, 31.01. 8th Grade -

Long jump: Hoegger, 2nd,

High jump: Bergstrom, 1st, 5'½".

Shot put: Rieke, 2nd, 30'5"; Leonard, 3rd, 30'. Discus: Rieke,

101'11". 100: Bergstrom, 1st, 2:16. 4x200: 1st, 2:06.75. 400: Shadwick,

1:13.32 4x400: 1st, 4:59.

"It's hard to beat a person who never gives up." – Babe Ruth



STUDENTS AT SOUTH WILMINGTON GRADE SCHOOL worked across grade levels recently to plant marigolds in the school's greenhouse. Materials for this planting were provided courtesy of Sunshine Gardens. Students will monitor the growth of the plants, as well as tend to the plants, making predictions along the way as to the best conditions for growing plants.



**DWIGHT CUB SCOUT PACK 4877 RECENTLY PAR-**TICIPATED in the Colfax Boxcar Derby. Over 100 area scouts participated in the event, hosted by Cub Scout Pack 4166. There were two tracks set up for racers. Lions, Tigers, and Wolves participated on one track, while Bears and Webelos raced on another. Each group was set up in a double elimination bracket with head-tohead competition. Following the races, some of the scouts participated in a campout, enjoying a camp dinner, night hike, camp fire, and skits. Pictured is Luke Josefik looking determined in his first boxcar derby race, while Clayton Thorson, right, gets ready to race.

SOUTH WILMINGTON STUDENTS ATTENDED Grundy County's Government Day on April 11. Students in grades five through eight submitted essays on why the student is interested in a certain position of county government and what he or she would like to learn about that position. This opportunity is sponsored by the University of Illinois Extension - Grundy County Office. The objective of this day is to give students first hand knowledge and experience working in various county government positions. Essay winners experienced how elected officials formulate policy in committee. Students were also able to conduct their own county board meeting. Those attending from South Wilmington Grade School were Eva Henderson, Hayden Partilla, Ava Schultz, Dane Halpin, Ryan Cacello, Easton Ashley, Ashley Frideres, Kylie Hawks, and Grace Halpin.

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# **DTHS Trojans Track**

#### Monday, April 3

**Prairie Central Quad** The Dwight Track teams competed around an hour long lightning delay to enjoy a competitive meet in good

conditions at the Prairie Central Quad. In their second outdoor meet of the season, head coach Larry Lane said his athletes continue to show great improvement in their

"Awesome performances and keep up the great work,"

Lane stated afterwards. Dwight would post a 37 in girls action, while the

boys put up a score of 23. First place finishers were:

Lucy Rieke (shot, discus); Daly Galloway (800); Tori Hayner (1600); and Koby Smith (1600).

#### Tuesday, April 11 **Dwight Quad Meet**

Dwight was in track and field action April 11, with the girls topping all scorers with 62 points and the boys placing third with a score of 40. Individual results are as follows:

#### Girls -

First Place

Alison Kirk: 100, 200, 4x100; Daly Galloway: 1600; Tori Hayner: 800; Kathlene Huffaker: 4x100, Julie Ramsey: 4x200: 4x200; 4x100, Chloe

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Butterbrodt: 4x100, 4x200; Marlana Ferrari, high jump. **Second Place** 

Alexis Brooke: 1600; Huffaker: 200; Lucy Rieke:

#### discus. **Third Place**

Huffaker: 100; Rieke: shot put.

#### **Other Placers**

Butterbrodt: 100, 7th;

200, 6th. Hannah Van Der Karr: 800, 4th.

**First Place** 

Donovan Garcia: 800 **Second Place** 

Dylan Hill, Jack James, Bryson Connor, Kerrick Dyer: 3200; Koby Smith: 800; 4x200; Connor, Blake Hill, Christian Williams, Calvin Croy, 4x400.

#### **Third Place**

Ben Myzia: discus; Garett Severson: shot put; (B), 4x400.

#### **Other Placers**

Andrew Brown: discus, 4th; shot put, 10th.

Severson: discus, 6th. Myzia: shot put, 4th. B. Hill: 100, 4th; 200,

Connor: 100, 6th; 400,

J.C. Santos: 800, 10th. Jack James: 1600, 5th. Dylan Hill: 1600, 6th. Jaxson Tarnowski: 1600,

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

# **Bart Simpson** was born April 19, 1987

April 19, 1987 is the day animated television will live in infamy: It marks the date the Simpsons first appeared as a series of animated shorts on "The Tracey Ullman Show." That was 30 years

The Simpson family was created by Matt Groening, naming the family members after his own family, substituting his own name for

After three years, the show was developed as a half-hour prime time show, "The Simpsons," which debuted Dec. 17, 1989.

Wikipedia said that "The Simpsons" became the longest-running American sitcom, the longest running American animated program, and in 2009 surpassed "Gunsmoke" as the longestrunning American prime time, scripted television

The 28th season of the show began airing Sept. 26,

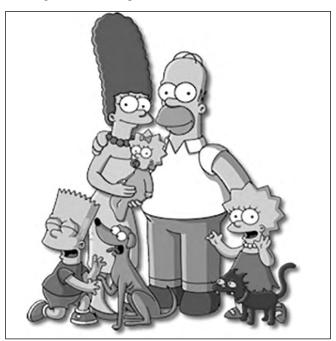
A lot has happened to the hapless Simpson family since its early days on "The Tracey Ullman Show."

At the time The Simpsons were starting to air regularly, my family did not own a television (yeah, I know, stoneage Feinmans. "Don't have a cow, man!" as Bart would

So we had never seen the show until long after it was airing as a regular weekly half-hour prime time show.

"The show was controversial from its beginning and has made the news several times," said Wikipedia.

"In the early seasons, some parents and conservatives characterized Bart as a



THE SIMPSON family, from left are Bart, Santa's Little Helper (dog), Marge, Maggie, Homer, Lisa and Snowball II (cat). The cartoon family began broadcasting as a short animated series April 19, 1987. Courtesy graphic

poor role model for children and several United States public schools even banned 'The Simpsons' merchandise and t-shirts."

Since I had not seen the show. I wondered what the fuss was all about.

Then, one night when my wife Cathy and my son Anthony and I were having dinner at Bobbie's Place in Herscher, we watched an episode of the show on the television at the restaurant.

We all laughed our heads off and I recall telling my

"Don't let anyone ever tell you not to watch this show. It is great satire!"

Again quoting Wikipedia: "In January 1992, then-President George H. W. Bush made a speech during his re-election campaign in which he said: 'We are going to keep on trying to strengthen the American family, to make American families a lot more like the Waltons and a lot less like the Simpsons."

I recall during the first Gulf War, Saddam Hussein broadcasting an insult against "The Simpsons" not realizing at the time it was an animated television show. Or maybe he did know.

Wikipedia also said in 2002, the show was nearly "sued by the Rio de Janeiro tourist board for creating an unreal image of the city on the show."

Bad Bart! Picking on Rio De Janeiro. Shame on you! Yeah, right. Bart would not care, as fans of the show

Congratulations Bart. You are now 30 years old. Thanks for reading.

# **Southeastern Grundy County Senior** Citizens of Gardner Meet

April On Southeastern Grundy County Senior Citizens of Gardner met at the Gardner Restaurant. There were ten ladies in attendance.

charge of the meeting, led by Vice Pres. Shirly Clapp, Treasurer Sandy Sowers and incumbent secretary Ida

Before the meeting was called to order, Sowers asked if she could decline her position of treasurer due to the fact she will be moving to Texas to be near family. Sandy nominated Donna Lewis, which she accepted and by a consensus vote was named the treasurer. The books were handed over and business at the bank, including signature cards, will be changed.

Wavel turned in the books and records that were chosen to be put in the Archives for posterity.

There was a poem written a long-remembered Senior, Elsie Barr. The secretary read the poem before it was put in the Archives.

Lunch was served by Gatisha, with ladies ordering from the menu. Table grace Jackie is back and feeling

the was The Lord's Prayer, said better. with folding of hands. The table was festive with chocolate Easter bunnies on an Easter napkin. Dessert was compliments of Lorraine The new officers were in Hansen – cheese cake and a caramel pie. Happy Birthday was sung to her.

The business meeting was called to order by the rap of the passed gavel by V. Pres. Clapp.

The pledge to the flag was given by all. Those who were able stood.

Birthdays for April were: April Hansen Rosemary Hillman - April

The secretary's report was read and accepted with no response.

The treasurer's report was given, including the end of the year report. The report was accepted and the papers were handed to the new secretary. The vote had been consensus for Donna papers at the bank will be changed.

Shut-ins were Rosemary, Laverne, Mary Ann, Linn, June, Evelyn, and Florence.

The card committee will become active again. Chrm.

Community Events:

Petunias to be available for April 29 delivery, with proceeds to be given to the Rock-a-Thon for the Area Bible School at the Church of Hope. Call Ida at 237-2287 to order.

New business was a motion by Jackie to donate \$50.00 to the Rock-a-Thon; Sowers seconded; all agreed. The check will be given at the next meeting.

Chit Chat time finished the meeting. V.P. Clapp adjourned the meeting, stating the next meeting will be May 6. Sharon Pickles, the new President, will be pre-

All over 55 years of age are welcome.

# A Tribute to the King in Pontiac May 1

Elvis is coming to town...

No, not the "real" Elvis, but Travis LeDoyt, who was featured in the NY Times as the "World's Best Young Elvis."

Travis and his band will appear Monday, May 1, at the Pontiac Township High School Auditorium beginning at 7:00 p.m. This show showcasing Elvis in his prime - is presented courtesy of the Livingston County Concert Association as part of its current series of concerts.

Travis looks like Elvis, wears appropriate outfits, and is backed by a band of bass, guitar, and drums.

Tickets are available for purchase at the auditorium the night of the concert or by calling Ruth Schlosser at 815-844-6394.

For more information, contact Rod Patterson at 815-844-7833 or rod.hjemme @gmail.com.

# **Spring Fling in Morris** April 22 On Saturday, April 22, the display include Agnes &

Spring Fling, an event featuring over 30 crafters and vendors, will be held from LulaRoe, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Norwex, Pampered Chef, First Baptist Church, 1650 W. Rt. 6 in Morris.

hand-crafted items, clothing, jewelry, soaps, lavender products, greeting cards, pens, home decor, woodworking, jams, jellies, dips, cake pops and baked goods.

Brands that will be on

Dora, doTerra, Initial LipSense, Outfitters, Mary Paparazzi, Perfectly Posh, Pink Zebra, Real Time Pain The event will feature Relief, Scentsy, Stampin' Thirty-One, Tupperware, Usborne, and Young Living.

A raffle will also be held, which will benefit the American Brain Tumor Association.

# Spring Car Care

# Huffman Tire: Check Your Tire Inflation and Tread For Wet Weather

Managing Editor

As we transition from winter to the rainy season this spring, it is especially important to maintain a vehicle's tire air pressure and tread, according to Pat Huffman, owner operator of Huffman Tire & Auto of Dwight.

"Always check your tire tire

inflation," Huffman said.

"If a tire is not properly inflated, the vehicle won't handle properly."

Low tire inflation can also lead to lower gas mileage, he said.

In addition, driving on low-inflated tires can cause

the tire to blow out. "Most vehicles now have pressure sensors,"

He said back in 2008, car manufacturers were required to put in the tire pressure sensors to warn drivers of

low inflation. "All vehicles have some sort of low-pressure warning system," built after 2008, he

"If you drive a tire halfinflated, it wears the side

walls and blows up." Checking tread depth is

also important. He said some tire manu-

facturers put in a special notch indicating the maximum wear level for the tire. Most tires can be driven an average of 50,000 miles and all modern tires are steelbelted radials. A danger level for tires is 4/32 of an inch of tread remaining.

After 2012, vehicles were also equipped with steering sensors and body swaying

In addition, cars had antilock brakes.

"If it sees you are oversteering, it compensates by kicking one of the brakes on to help," Huffman said.

Tire tread can help channel rainwater safely between your tires and the road, if the tire has enough tread.

But bad weather is still a danger for drivers, even with good tires.

According to the U.S. Department of Transportation, one quarter of all accidents are weather-related. Of those, three-quarters are attributed to wet pavement.

When roadways are slick, dangers such as skidding and hydroplaning can be issues for all types of vehicles, despite the age and wear, or

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TWO CRITICAL THINGS a driver can do is to check the tire pressure and tread on tires, especially in rainy, wet spring weather, according to Pat Huffman, of Dwight's Huffman Tire & Auto. The Paper photo



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DTHS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH FOR MARCH, from left, were senior Kyle Henson, junior Morgan Zabel, freshman Tory Betsworth, and sophomore Xaivier Slaughter.

# Public Viewing of 'Audrie and Daisy' April 25

Grundy County State's Attorney Jason Helland's Office is holding a public viewing of the Netflix documentary "Audrie and Daisy" Tuesday, April 25, from 6-8 p.m. at the Grundy County Admin. Center. Residents of all ages are encouraged to attend.

This is part of the State's Attorney's Office's annual campaign during April's Sexual Assault Awareness month to educate communities and individuals on how to prevent sexual violence.

"Audrie and Daisy" is a documentary that examines the ripple effects on families, friends, schools, and communities when two underage young women find that sexual assault crimes against them have been caught on camera. This documentary takes a look at America's teenagers who are coming of age in this new world of social media, bullying, and how quickly situations can spin out of control.

A discussion with panelists will follow the documentary.

# **Mazon United Methodist Men Meet**

Men was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Pres. Dick Ely. An opening prayer was given by Pastor Karen Fabian. Members in attendance were Pres. Ely, Pastor Fabian, and Treas. Forrest McCormack.

Reports:

Secretary's Report – Due to the absence of Sec. Randy Lowery, Pastor Fabian read the minutes from the last meeting. Treas. McCormack moved to accept the minutes as read and was seconded by Pres. Ely. All approved and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report Treas. McCormack presented the monthly treasurer's report. Pastor Fabian moved to accept the report as recorded and was seconded by Pres. Ely. All approved and the motion carried.

> Old Business: McCormack Treas.

The April 10 meeting of reported that \$128.00 was the Mazon United Methodist collected this past month from the ongoing recycling fund-rasier. The MUMM extended their thanks to all who have supported the ongoing project.

New Business:

Treas. McCormack moved that \$400.00 be given to Pastor Fabian to cover delegate fees at this year's annual conference and was seconded by Pres. Ely. All approved and the motion carried.

For a devotional, Pastor Fabian shared a reading entitled, Unnatural Response, based on Ezekiel 24: 15-27.

The next meeting of the MUMM will be held at 6:00 p.m. Monday, May 8, at the MUMC.

At 6:16 p.m., Treas. McCormack moved to adjourn and was seconded by Pastor Fabian. All approved and the motion carried.

Grundy County Historical Society to Host Guest Speaker Āpril 25

Paul Mayer, of The Field Museum of Chicago, will speak at the Grundy County Historical Society monthly meeting Tuesday, April 25, at 7:00 p.m. at the Morris Library, 606 N. Liberty in Morris.

Mayer will talk about the Tully Monster, our state fossil, as well as the specimens being loaned to the GCHS and Museum. Paul is Collection Manager III, Gantz Family Collection Center. Collection Management, Paleontology, and is responsible for two million fossil specimens.

The Field Museum is loaning GCHS a number of the Mazon fossils donated to it by Grundy Co. residents, specifically Mr. Frank Green and Judge George Bedford. It has been decided that the specimens the museum will loan are to be fauna, as GCHS has many flora specimens already on view.

The fossils are expected in the Museum shortly after April 25, and will be there for a one year loan.

Reservations are not necessary and the event is free. For questions, call 815-942-4880.

I've always been asked, 'What is my favorite car?' and I've always said 'The next one.'

Carroll Shelby



BRACEVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S fifth and sixth grade classes went on a field trip to Springfield April 5, with students visiting the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum, walking to the Old State Capitol, then the New State Capitol. They finished out the day with a trip to Lincoln's Tomb at Oak Ridge Cemetery. Pictured, front row, are A. Dennett, H. Purdy, B. Nelson, S. Henson, V. Casas, R. Shutes, K. Neu, A. Wines, N. States, Mrs. Purdy; middle row, Mrs. Platt, N. Mounts, J. Ozee, A. Brock, M. McDaniel, A. Brassard, M. Ledlow, R. Platt, J. Dominguez, A. Latimer, S. Jacobs; back row, Mrs. Brassard, Mrs. Mrowicki, Mrs. Willis - fifth grade teacher, B. Hirsch, B. Fatlan, Grundy County States Attorney Jason Helland and daughter, 79th District Representative Lindsay Parkhurst, D. Platt, A. Latimer, A. Williams, A. Krob, R. Megyeri, Mrs. Lardi – sixth grade/junior high science teacher, Mrs. Granger – classroom aide, Mrs. Shutes, and Mr. Ledlow. This trip was made possible by a donation from State's Attorney Helland, who paid for the bus that took them to Springfield and then played tour guide for the day.





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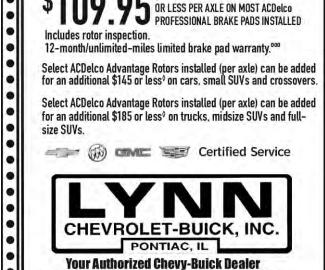
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Notice Of Sheriff, Sale Of Real Estate Public Notice Is Hereby Given That Pursuant To A Judgment Of Foreclosure And Sale Entered In The Above Cause On January 27, 2017, I, Sheriff Of Livingston County, Illinois, Will On May 5, 2017 At The Hour Of 10:00 Am At The Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, Il, 61764, Or In A Place Otherwise Designated At The Time Of Sale, County Of Livingston, State Of Illinois, Sell At Public Auction To The Highest Bidder For Cash, As Set Forth Below, The Following Described Real Estate:

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P.I.N.: 27-27-04-477-001; 27-27-04-477-007 The Real Estate Is Improved With A Single Family

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## First Ever Illinois Distracted **Driving Awareness Week** April 24-28

support of National Distracted Driving Awareness Month, the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police (ILACP) asked the Governor of Illinois to declare April 24-28 as Illinois Distracted Driving Awareness Week in an

issued the proclamation and both houses passed resolutions identifying Distracted

State National week to

According to the National Traffic

3,477 people were killed and an estimated 391,000 injured in motor vehicle crashes involving distracted drivers in 2015. That is a nine percent increase in fatalities as compared • 10 percent of fatal injury crashes, and 14 percent of all police reported motor vehicle crashes in 2015 were reported as distraction

affected crashes. • Texting while driving has become an especially problematic trend among millennials. Young drivers, 16 to 24 years old, have been observed using handheld electronic devices while driving at higher

more than eight in ten drivers believed it completely unacceptable for a motorist to text or email behind the wheel, more than a third of those same respondents admitted to reading text messages while driving. · Just as disturbing, even as fatalities go up, fewer drivers seem concerned about texting while driving. According to Foundation's 2015 Traffic Safety Culture Index, significantly fewer motorists (77%) believed texting while driving is a problem, down from 96 percent in 2013, a 19-point drop in just two years. · Texting while driving is more than just personally risky. When you text and drive, you become a danger to

These partnerships have been formed to help further a traffic safety culture in Illinois and to reduce traffic fatalities and injuries resulting from distracted driving.

## **DWIGHT Dwight United**

701 S. Columbia 584-3420 church

- Ignite. • APR. 20: 7:30 p.m., Praise Team rehearsal.
- 7 a.m. APR. 22 Men's Bible Study at in Odell; 12:30 - 3:30 p.m., Woman's Club Church Walk; YAGOs,
- Streator. • APR. 23: 8 a.m., Traditional Service; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School; 9:30 a.m., Praise Team rehearsal;

10:30 a.m.,

- Contemporary Service; 11:30 a.m., The Great In-Gathering; 12 p.m., Confirmation Class; 2 p.m., Heritage Health. • APR. 24: 7 p.m., United Methodist Men; Vacation Bible School planning meeting. · APR. 25: 8:30 a.m.,
- 7 p.m., Ignite.

Hens Bible Study;

Choir rehearsal;

9 a.m., Bible Seekers.

Klub/Real; 6:30 p.m.,

• APR. 26: 2 p.m., Kids

Church 325 E. Mazon Ave. 584-3433 church 584-1291 fax 584-1023 parsonage

Handbells; 4 p.m. -School. • APR. 23: 9 a.m.,

**Emmanuel Lutheran** 

Rev. Harvey Nicholson Vacancy Pastor • APR. 19: 3:30 p.m.,

5:30 p.m., Weekday

Sunday School/Bible

# School.

Woodward • APR. 19: Wednesday **Evening Service and** King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.

• APR. 26: Wednesday Evening Service and King's Kids Children's

## First Congregational **United Church of** Christ

- 584-1260 church Dorothy Dawson, Lay Minister · APR. 19: Trustees'
- Service, 10:30 a.m. Sermon title:
- 200 W. Delaware St.
- "Doubting Thomas" • APR. 25: Deacons

meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Month" – One Great Hour of Sharing/ **OGHS** 

"April Mission of the

#### St. Patrick Catholic Church Mazon Ave. at Prairie 815-584-3522 Office Father Chris Haake,

• APR. 22: 4 - 4:45 p.m., Reconciliation; 5 p.m., Mass • APR. 23: 8 a.m., Mass.

### St. Peter's **Lutheran Church** 326 W. Chippewa St. stpetersdwight@sbcgloba

• APR. 19: 4 p.m., Handbell rehearsal;

- rehearsal; 7:15 p.m., Youth Group. • APR. 20: 12 noon,
- Country Mansion. • APR. 21: 8 p.m., AA meeting. • APR. 22: Dwight
- 3:30 p.m. Fellowship time; 9 a.m., Faith

provided. Preteen after School Programs: E.D.G.E. Exploring & Discovering God Everywhere; snacks are provided. 6 - 8 p.m., S.T.A.T.I.C. Youth Group – Standing

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Christ – 7th - 12th

• APR. 21: 8 p.m.,

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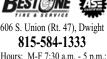
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Police, SafetyServe.com, the Safety Council, the Illinois Insurance Association, almost 300 law enforcement/fire agencies and supporters from the private sector throughout Illinois, will work together during this educate motorists on all aspects of distracted driving. This campaign will also include the enforcement of applicable State distracted driving laws.

Highway Safety Administration (NHTSA):

to the previous year. crashes, 15 percent of

• APR. 24: Church

4:30 - 6:00 p.m.,

office closed; no quilting.

• APR. 25: No quilting;

Salvation Army, Food

Pantry & Clothing.

• APR. 26: "Epistle"

deadline; 2:45 p.m.,

Worship Team meet-

ing; 4 p.m., Handbell

rehearsal; 4:45 p.m.,

rehearsal; 7:15 p.m.,

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data, that even while

# At the Churches

# Methodist Church

- Dwightumc.org Pastor: Lance Leeds • APR. 19: 2 p.m., Kids Klub/Real; 6:30 p.m., Choir rehearsal; 7 p.m.,
- APR. 21: Office closed; MWDC bus, Route 66 and Cafe 110
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First Baptist Church 401 N. Clinton St. 815-584-3182 Pastor Daniel L.

 APR. 23: Sunda School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.

Program, 7 p.m.

meeting, 7 p.m. • APR. 23: Worship

4:45 p.m., Intergenerational Music Sarah Circle at the

Woman's Club Church Walk, 12:30 p.m. until • APR. 23: 8:45 a.m.,

Development for all

ages; 10 a.m., Worship

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a.m. Dayspring Native

American Service,

including drumline. All invited. • TUESDAYS: Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m. · APR. 26: After School Programs:

#### S.T.A.T.I.C. (same as April 19.) **CAMPUS** Sacred Heart **Catholic Church** Father Chris Haake.

J.A.M. Junction,

E.D.G.E. and

• APR. 23: 10 a.m., Mass. **EMINGTON Emington** Congregational **United Church** of Christ

#### 103 Division Street Dorothy Dawson, Lay Minister • APR. 23: Worship, 8:45 a.m. Sermon title: "Doubting Thomas." April Food Pantry

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