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Salaries For School Area Superintendents

Unit districts with combined grade schools and high school in one district:

Herscher Unit 2 School District

Richard S. Decman\$181,023
Tri-Point Unit School District
Jeff Bryan\$135,000
Reed-Custer Unit School District
Mark Mitchell\$176,600

Dual Districts with superintendents serving high school and elementary schools:

Dwight Public Schools

Richard Jancek Combined from HS
and Grade School\$146,372
Gardner South-Wilmington H.S. District
Michael J. Perrott\$132,123
Also, \$17,341 from Braceville School District 75
Grade School

K-8 or High School Only Districts Serving in the Area:

Ransom Grade School			
Mary Baima	\$114,466		
Mazon-Verona-Kinsman K-8			
Nancy Dillow	\$125,617		
Gardner Grade School			
Tony Whiston (no longer superintendent)	\$106,611		
South Wilmington Grade School			
Cindy Christensen	\$107,781		
Odell Grade School	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		
Mark Hettmansberger	\$120,435		
Saunemin Grade School	, i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i		
Julie Schmitt	\$123,411		
Seneca High School			
Jim Carlson	\$171,634		
Pontiac Township High School			
Jon Kilgore	\$137,679		

Source: This data was obtained for The Paper by "OpenTheBooks.com" for school districts serving students living in The Paper's circulation area. They are from Fiscal Year 2015. The Fiscal Year 2016 numbers will not be available until September. They were obtained through Freedom of Information Act requests. OpenTheBooks.com is run by Adam Andrzejewski, a 1987 Herscher High School graduate. See related story on OpenTheBooks.com this issue.

Herscher Unit 2 Superintendent's Salary **Tops Others in Area**

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

Herscher Unit 2 Superintendent Rich Decman makes more money in annual salary than any other area superintendent of unit or dual districts.

Decman makes \$181,023 according to Fiscal Year 2015 figures.

By comparison, other area Unit superintendents miles, the second largest make as follows:

Tri-Point's Jeff Bryan, \$135,000 and Reed-Custer's Mark Mitchell, \$176,600.

In other area districts, Rich Jancek, who is superintendent for both Dwight high school and grade school, earned \$146,372.

Dual District superintendents are in some cases the lowest in the area (South Wilmington Grade School's Christensen at Cindv \$107,781) and some of the highest Seneca High School's Jim Carlson at

\$171,634. In Illinois, a unit district

contains a high school and one or more K-8 schools. In Herscher Unit 2, all

students attend Bonfield Elementary for grades K-1. Herscher Intermediate is grades 2-4. Limestone is grade 5-8. High School is only at Herscher.

Unit 2 is 250 square school district in Illinois in terms of area. It includes most of the territory that was once served by the Reddick, Union Hill, Campus, Essex unit district.

The village of Essex has since merged with Reed-Custer while the rest of RUCE is part of Herscher now, including most of Essex Township.

The superintendent data is from Fiscal Year 2015, with the 2016 data not available until September, according to Adam

Andrzejewski, a 1987 HHS will have annual pensions graduate.

He is founder and CEO of OpenTheBooks.com, a non-profit, non-partisan transparency organization.

In FY 2015, there were 18,900 Illinois teachers and school administrators whose pay exceeded \$100,000, (which includes Chicago Schools).

1,170 educators with \$100,000-plus salaries are in just two of 900 Illinois school districts: Arlington Heights Township High School and Palatine Township High school.

The top salary went to Joyce M. Carmine, who earned \$375,688, superintendent of Park Forest School District 163.

Open the Books.com found 7,500 six-figure educator retirement pensions.

"We forecast that number to be over 20,000 highly compensated educators who

2022 exceeding by \$100.000."

In the interest of full disclosure, his father, John Andrzejewski, who taught history and civics at HHS, is now retired but will not make that much in annual retirement income.

"He wishes he made that much," Adam joked.

John is on a monthly pension right now of \$60,000 a year, Adam said.

In terms of the state of Illinois and the budget, "the system is unsustainable," he continued.

"Property taxes are so high, many people feel it's equivalent to a rental payment. Illinois needs to slap a hard cap on property taxes, and government at all levels needs to stop spiking salaries which pad lifetime public employee pensions,"

Planting Begins For Dwight Farm to School

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

Crops are being planted for the next school year.

The Farm to School project, which plants crops to be used in the Dwight Grade School cafeteria and in classrooms, will also be planting extra crops this year for area food pantries, said Jane Lembke, coordinator. On Friday, June 16, Lembke and student volunteers were in the midst of putting marigolds under the crops to prevent rabbits from devouring them. Crops planted include cucumbers, tomatoes, peppers, pumpkins, potatoes, strawberries, and sweet corn planted by Mathew Boucher of Boucher Farms, rural Dwight.



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VOLUNTEERS (FROM LEFT) Lucas Kisner, Mikayla Gamble, Leanne Ruth, and Jane Lembke work to place marigolds under vegetables so the rabbits will not eat the food crops. The crops are for the Dwight Grade School's Farm to School program. The Paper photo

Some inserts are not available in total market area.

K Treasures of Dwight Has 'Something For Everyone'

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

K Treasures, a new antiques store operating in the front half of McArdle Insurance and Real Estate in downtown Dwight, has "something for everyone."

The store, which opened for business in May, was the brainchild of Karen McArdle and her daughter, Kim Robertson, who recently relocated to Dwight.

The name stands for the two "Ks" running the show, Karen and Kim.

The store takes up roughly 750 square feet, the front

office of the insurance and real estate at 106 E. Main Street. It is packed with antiques, furnishings, new and used items, high-end market used woman's purses, home decor, home-crafted items and jewelry, and more.

Normal hours for the store are Wednesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, 9 a.m. to noon. However, on June 24, the story will be open all day for Buzz the Gut festivities that start at 4 p.m. in downtown Dwight.

K Treasures also has a

special contest with winners announced at the car show.

All items in the store are consignment-only.

"We have something for everyone," said Robertson. "We also have a selection of vintage shutters, and jewelry, antique to new."

Most of the items came from auctions and some are from area artists.

The ladies will come out to a person's home to look at their items for potential consignment in the store.

For further information, call (815) 236-5784.



K TREASURES, a newly opened store in downtown Dwight, offers antiques and new items for shoppers. Items are sold at the store on consignment. The store is run by the two "Ks," Karen McArdle and her daughter, Kim Robertson. The Paper photo



FOR THE RECORD

No Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

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Accident Report

Wednesday, June 14, 5:42 p.m., an accident was reported at 12 W. Northbrook Dr. involving 2016 а Freightliner, driven by David White of East Lansing, MI, who backed a parked 2007 into International, being driven James Tadlock of by Rantoul.

No Written Warnings **Issued by Dwight Police**

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

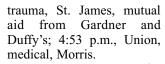


Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

June 8: 3:37 p.m., 3200 N. Rd., fire, disregard; 4:48 p.m., Mazon Ave., medical, refusal; 5:55 p.m., James, medical, refusal.

June 9: 1:30 a.m., Old Mazon Rd., medical, Morris, mutual aid to MVK; 10:56 a.m., Watters, fire; 11:49 a.m., Prairie, medical, Morris; 2:06 p.m., Mazon, medical, St. James; 11:12 p.m., Spencer, medical, St. James.

June 10: 9:13 a.m., Watters, medical, refusal; 12:25 p.m., Main St., medical, Morris; 3:20 p.m., I-55,



June 11: 3:09 a.m., John St., medical, Morris; 8:23 a.m., Mazon, trauma, Morris; 11:26 a.m., Julie, medical, St. James; 1:00 p.m., Susan, medical, St. James; 2:19 p.m., DeWitt, CoQ, mutual aid to Coal City; 2:35 p.m., DeWitt, CoQ, mutual aid to Coal City; 3:02 p.m., DeWitt, CoQ, mutual aid to Coal City; 5:11 p.m., Seminole, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Peru.

June 12: 3:12 a.m., Mazon, fire; 7:30 a.m., Bannon, trauma, St. James; 12:57 p.m., Julie, medical, St. James; 3:14 p.m., Northbrook, fire, cancelled. June 13: 12:54 a.m., 300 East, medical, Morris; 2:28 p.m., 300 Spencer, trauma, Morris; 3:03 p.m., E. Mazon, medical, mutual aid from Gardner/Dwight; 4:48 p.m., Waupansie, medical, Morris.

June 14: 1:49 a.m., Old Mazon, medical, Morris, mutual aid to Mazon; 5:38 a.m., 3300 N. Rd., refusal; 7:35 a.m., I-55, refusal, mutual aid to Gardner; 8:04 a.m., Main St., refusal, mutual aid to Gardner; 4:57 p.m., St. Louis, fire; 5:07 p.m., Mazon, assist, refusal; 5:30 p.m., Spencer, medical, Morris.

June 15: 1:59 p.m., Mazon, medical, Morris. June 16: 2:11 a.m., Delaware, medical, refusal.









Temps - 2017 June 8 – high 75° , low 50°

June 9 – high 82°, low 57° trace precip. June 10 – high 88°, low 67°

June 11 – high 91°, low 70° June 12 – high 93°, low 73°

June 13 – high 94°, low 69° .32" precip.

June 14 – high 89°, low 67° 1.20" precip.

One Year Ago-June 21, 2016 high 89°, low 72°

Free Food To Be **Distributed** June 28

Free food will be distributed to qualifying households in Dwight Township Wednesday, June 28, at 1 p.m. at the Pioneer Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin, Dwight.

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

Video Games Keep **Attracting Players**

by Tom Tock

The 50 video gaming terminals in Dwight may have cooled down a little in April, but they were very much back in play in May, attracting \$630,846 from investors and paying out \$475,580, leaving a relatively low Net Terminal Income of

\$155,265.			2		
MAY	<u>Funds In</u>	Funds Out	<u>NTI*</u>	<u>State</u> I	<u>)wight</u>
Red's Gara	ge 25,917	20,923	4,993	1,248	249
JT's	37,992	30,874	7,117	1,779	355
Lila Mae's	95,780	71,981	23,798	5,949	1,189
Love's	139,200	95,143	44,056	11,014	2,202
Mac's	74,122	57,928	16,193	4,048	809
Pete's	77,381	59,999	17,381	4,345	869
RonDeVoo	51,058	37,779	13,278	3,319	663
VFW	32,660	26,151	6,508	1,627	325
Vic. Lanes	5,800	2,939	2,860	715	143
Virbapa	19,897	13,745	6,151	1,537	307
Willy's	<u>71,039</u>	<u>58,114</u>	12,924	<u>3,231</u>	<u>646</u>
TOTAL:	\$630,846	475,580	155,265	38,816	7,763
			*Net Te	erminal Ir	come

North Street New Water Lines



NEW WATER LINES are being installed on North Street in Dwight last week as work to replace water lines and roads continues throughout the village. The Paper photo

First Quarter 2017 Sales Tax Maintains Mixed Pace For Dwight

only the municipal tax col-

lected at the old rate of

Since July of 2016, the

Village of Dwight has col-

lected an additional 1¢ in

sales tax revenue which is

designed to pay off principal

and interest on a 12-year \$5-

viding funds for townwide

infrastructure improvement.

That additional 1¢, levied on

selected categories, produced

enue for the village during

of 2016; \$111,498, fourth

6.25%.

by Tom Tock

The first quarter 2017 municipal sales tax receipts for Dwight totaled \$145,259 (Grundy and Livingston Counties).

The comparable municipal sales tax collected in the first quarter of 2016 was \$131,283.

There were 135 taxpayers million bond which is proin the first quarter for Dwight this year compared to 127 in the first quarter of 2016.

Sales tax in Dwight has an additional \$97,749 in revbecome more complex, however, as you probably know.

the first quarter of 2017. The revenue from the infrastructure sales tax, collected in both Grundy and Livingston, amounted to \$107,421 in the third quarter

The Village of Dwight received \$7,763 as its share. The State of Illinois col-

March of this year was the Dwight terminals, with

Below is a detailed report

lected \$38,816. the biggest month ever for

\$700,188 invested.

Since January of 2014

the village has also been collecting another 1¢ sales tax-the County School Facility Sales Tax, solely in the

quarter 2016.

Livingston County part of the village.

of the May action.

That county-wide tax, again levied on selected cate-<u>ght</u>

\$119,228 was invested in the community's 13 video gaming terminals during May.

the Gardner machines produced \$1,535 for the village; \$7,678 for the State of Illinois, almost identical to the April amounts even

TOTALS \$119,228

The above numbers reflect gories in Dwight, produced \$65,613 in the first quarter. The proceeds are to be used only for maintaining, renovating and upgrading existing school facilities, for new construction, and for paying off building bonds that can help reduce property taxes."

The money collected county-wide from the school facility tax is redistributed to school districts throughout the county based on a school district's enrollment.

The below table shows the total sales tax collected in the first quarter for the Village of Dwight at the 6.25% rate. It does not reflect the Dwight infrastructure tax or the school facility tax.

1st Quarter

Municipal Sales Tax <u>2016</u> <u>2017</u> Dwight 131,283 145,259 Fairbury 124,307 139,175 Odell 7,798 8,278 Pontiac 587.970 577,036 Saunemin 3,549 Gardner 60,770

3,816 68,889 31,475 12,800 Mazon Morris 1,063,625 1,205,829

Gardner's May VGTs

In the Village of Gardner,

The dollars invested in though May Funds In was

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 340 more video gaming terminals in May than in April (now 26,589). The

7,678 1,535

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Don't Let Your Investments Take a "Vacation"

It's summer again - time for many of us to take a break and possibly hit the open road. But even if you go on vacation, you won't want your investments to do the same - in summertime or any other season. How can you help make sure your portfolio continues to work hard for you all year long?

Here are a few suggestions:

• Avoid owning too many "low growth" investments. As you know, different investments have different characteristics and can help you in different ways. For example, you typically own stocks because you want them to grow in value so that you can eventually sell them for a profit. Other investments, such as certificates of deposit (CDs), provide you with a regular source of income and stability of principal - two valuable contributions to your portfolio. However, investments like CDs don't offer much in the way of growth. So if you own too many of them, you might be slowing your progress toward your important financial goals, such as a comfortable retirement.

You can maximize the productivity of your portfolio by owning a variety of investments - domestic stocks, international stocks, corporate bonds, U.S. Treasury securities, CDs and more. How much of each investment should you own? The answer depends on a variety of factors, including your age, income, risk tolerance, family situation and specific objectives. Over time, your ideal investment mix may change, but you'll likely need at least some growth potential at every stage of your life.

• Don't let your portfolio go "unsupervised." Your investment portfolio can be subject to "drift" if left alone for extended time periods. In fact, without your making any moves at all, your portfolio can move in directions that may not be favorable to you. Suppose you think your holdings should be made up of 70% stocks, but due to strong gains, your stocks now make up 80% of your portfolio. This development could lead to a risk level that feels uncomfortably high to you. That's why you should review your portfolio at least once a year, possibly with the help of a financial professional, to check your progress and make adjustments as needed.

• Don't stop at the nearest "resting place." Some people hope that if they can get that one "winner," they will triumph in the investment arena. But the ability to "get rich quick" is much more of a myth than a reality. True investment success typically requires patience, persistence and the resilience to continue investing even during market downturns.

In other words, investing is a long-term endeavor, and you need a portfolio that reflects this reality. The investment moves you make today may pay off for you decades from now. You need to establish your goals and keep them constantly in mind as you invest. And you will never really reach the end of your investment journey, because you'll need to make choices and manage your portfolio throughout your retirement years.

Hopefully, you will enjoy a pleasant vacation sometime this summer. But your investment portfolio shouldn't take time off.

This article was written by Edward Jones for use by your local Edward Jones Financial Advisor.

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. Vino's (4) Gambling problem? Call 1-800 GAMBLER.

greater. Below a	are the G	sta	ite's May ming was	share o	of video
MAY	<u>Funds In</u>	<u>Funds Out</u>	<u>NTI</u>	State 0	<u>Gardner</u>
Marks (4)	42,222	30,675	11,546	2,886	577
TA Op. (5)	56,884	43,526	13,357	3,339	667
<u>Vino's (4)</u>	<u>20,122</u>	<u>14,310</u>	<u>5,811</u>	<u>1,453</u>	<u>290</u>

88,512

30,715



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Dwight Grade School Looks to Enhance Security June Board Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

Exploring enhanced safety measures by the means of additional security cameras at Dwight Grade School was given the nod by the Board of Education when it met on June 14

Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek made a recommendation for the installation of 14 to 20 additional security cameras to the buildings' hallways along with some exterior building cameras. Currently, Dwight Grade School has cameras at the entry doors only.

Dr. Jancek called the additional cameras a proactive move that could also have reactive benefits since, during an emergency or intruder situation, the Livingston County Sheriff's Department has the ability to access the cameras.

"People behave differently if they know they are being watched," said Jancek, referring to not only students, but visitors as well.

The estimated cost is \$600 for each camera plus installation and will be paid for out of Capital Project Fund 60 (sales tax) monies.

"It's all for the safety of our children," said BOE member Joel Funk. "I don't see any reason not to put them in.'

The board gave consensus for Dr. Jancek to seek formal quotes and develop a plan for the installation of additional cameras to bring back to the board for approval.

The Board discussed staffing needs for the upcoming school year. Currently, the District has a need for a .4 Music Teacher and a Tri-mester 2 & 3 Health position. A possible need for classroom aide(s) is also on the list. Other needs may arise. The BOE authorized the employment of any new faculty and staff members as needed for the '17-'18 school year. In August, the Board will affirm any hiring actions taken.

In his report to the Board, Dr. Jancek gave an update on several maintenance issues including a bad compressor causing failure of the school's office and library air conditioning system. Still under warranty coverage, the cost to the District to fix will be just \$950.

In Financial news, Dr. Jancek reported that ISBE has discovered a surplus in Pre-K grant monies which will allow for a reimbursement to the District for up to \$25,000 for out of pocket expenses incurred. Also, Dwight Grade School has been put on a Rural School Federal grant list which, if received, could bring \$27,000 to the District to be used for new computers.

Following a closed session discussion, the BOE approved a five-year conextension tract for Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek.

The board also:

• accepted the resignation of Sarah Jones as 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach.

 approved employment of Matt Norton as Baseball (level A) Head Coach.

• approved Chuck Butterbrodt, Grades 6-8 Science & Technology sponsor.

· authorized payment of Fiscal 2017 bills.

· authorized payment of July 2017 bills.

• authorized inter-fund transfers.

Dwight Economic Alliance

Receives 2017 National Main Street

· affirmed hiring of summer maintenance employees as presented.

• approved 2017-18 IASB membership and dues at a cost of \$2,554.

approved Results Physical Therapy Services for 2017-18.

• affirmed a three-year natural gas contract extension with CenterPoint Energy effective 7/1/17.

• approved Prairie State Insurance Cooperative renewal coverage and premiums.

• affirmed IESA annual membership and dues at a cost of \$855.

approved 2017-18 Activity Student & Handbooks.

• approved Title I plan and edits as required by ISBE.

• approved cancelling the July BOE meeting.

After open session actions, Joel Funk asked volleyball and basketball activity-related questions that had been brought to his attention. Mr. Owens responded that cheerleaders' ability to play volleyball and basketball will be the same as in the past and, in most cases, should be able to participate. However, whatever is started first takes top priority regarding practice and participation. Also, volleyball and basketball may be open to fifth graders based on participation numbers – it is an option if there is a need for additional players.

The next meeting of the DGS Board of Education will be Wednesday, August 9 at 6 p.m. in the DGS Library. There will not be a regular DGS BOE meeting in July. All meetings are open to the public.

Dwight, Gardner Village **Boards** Fail to Secure Quorum by Myke Feinman

Managing Editor

Both the Village of Dwight's and Gardner's village boards failed to secure enough members to have a quorum for their respective regular meetings, Monday, June 12.

In both cases, just two members were present, failing to achieve the required number for making decisions at a public meeting.

Both boards will resume regular business at their regularly-scheduled meetings, Monday, June 26. The Dwight board meets

6:30 p.m. while the at Gardner Council meets at 7 p.m.

DTHS to **Destroy** 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 **Student Files**

The temporary records of the members of the DTHS classes of 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 will be destroyed on August 18.

Members of these classes must sign an official Release of Records form to obtain their files. This may be printed and completed from the DTHS website, www.dwight .k12.il.us, under "District Office," "Forms," "Release of Records."

Temporary records do not include transcripts or health records, which are retained permanently.

If you have any questions, contact Cathy Ferguson in the Guidance Offfice at 815-584-6204.



ILLINOIS MAIN STREET The new logo for the Illinois Main Street program was inspired by an 1897 design by Frank Lloyd Wright for Chicago's Luxfer Prism Glass Company. The design was pressed into a four-inchsquare tile of glass. Grids of these tiles, held together with lead strips like a stained glass window, were installed above display windows of downtown storefronts in order to refract sunlight far back into the shop. This pattern was designed by an Illinois company by a famous Illinois architect for a product used on Main Streets throughout the state and beyond. Its symmetrical, foursided shape perfectly repesents the four committees of Main Street's 4-Point Approach (Design, Organization, Promotion, and Economic Restructuring). The burnt orange color suggests the 19th-century, locally made, orange brick that so many of our communities feature throughout their downtowns.



DWIGHT ACE HARDWARE manager, Brad Gillette (right), is presented "The Moment of Truth" award (for service above and beyond customer's needs) June 5 by District Manager Mike Metzger, Jr. Also a letter from President and CEO of the ACE Corporation, John Venhuizen, was presented. sub

Dwight Ace Hardware Manager Honored

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

Brad Gillette, store manager of the Ace Hardware on Watters Drive in Dwight, was given "The Moment of Truth" award June 5 from Ace Corporate.

In a news release from Ace, Gillette received a "very high compliment for his outstanding customer service above and beyond any customer's expectations."

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Accreditation Dwight Economic Alliance has been designated as an accredited Main Street America program for meet-



Dwight Economic Alliance was designated a Main Street Community in 1999 as Dwight Main Street.

ing rigorous performance standards set by the National Main Street Center. Each year, the National Main Street Center and its coordinating program partners announce the list of accredited Main Street America programs, in recognition of their revitalizing through the Main Street Approach.

"It is a great honor to recognize this year's 828 nationally Accredited Main Street America programs for their outstanding work to transform downtown and neighborhood commercial

districts," says Patrice Frey, President and CEO of the National Main Street Center. "Main Streets are the heart of our communities."

Established by the National Trust for Historic Preservation in 1980, the National Main Street Center helps communities of all sizes revitalize their older and historic commercial districts.

Dwight Main Street, Dwight Area Chamber of Commerce, Impact Dwight, Economic Development Committee, and Tourism formed the Dwight Economic Alliance January 1, 2014. The organization focuses their efforts in the areas of Business and Community Development, Tourism, Promotions/events and membership.

Main Street America is a program of the nonprofit National Main Street Center, a subsidiary of the National Trust for Historic Preservation.



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Cabery Food Truck Fills Need and Stomachs



CHERYL WEAVER'S FOOD TRUCK in downtown Cabery serves a need for people grabbing a quick bite to eat while in town. The business, Grand Prairie station, serves the southwest section of Kankakee County weekdays from 5:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is the sole restaurant in the area on weekdays, and is obviously very popular with customers.



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Nancy Kreith, Join Horticulture Educator, will lead you through the history, production and safety of using essential oils.

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for more details.



DOWNTOWN HERSCHER played host to 31 vintage cars from the Veterans Motor Club Cars of America on June 9. The tour, organized by George and Nancy Haley of Clifton, featured cars from Illinois, Indiana, New Jersey, Arizona, Florida, and Michigan. All models were from 1914 or older, and had one or two cylinders. The tour ended in Herscher June 9. The Paper photo by J. Ridings

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Prairie Creek Library Hosting Art Show June 25

Dwight will hold an art show featuring several local artists on Sunday, June 25. The art show will feature a variety of media, such as painting, woodworking, quilting, and basket-making, and will be held from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

The exhibit is free and open to the public.

pate include Barbara Picco,

Prairie Creek Library in Razunas, Joy Ahearn, Tom Heinrich, Mackenna Wulf, Sage Ozment-Herr, Cat Clausen, Marylin Thorsen, and Andrea Scheuer.

This exhibit will give talented local people a chance to highlight their artistic abilities. More entries will be accepted. Contact the library at 815-584-3061 or Artists slated to partici- stop by the main desk if you are interested in having an

Veterans Motor Club Cars of America



1914 Renault From Florida

A 1914 RENAULT driven by Russ and Donna Boyle of Hudson, Florida, was in Herscher on June 9, as part of an antique car show. The Paper photo by J. Ridings.

Barbara Wilkinson, Linda entry in the show.

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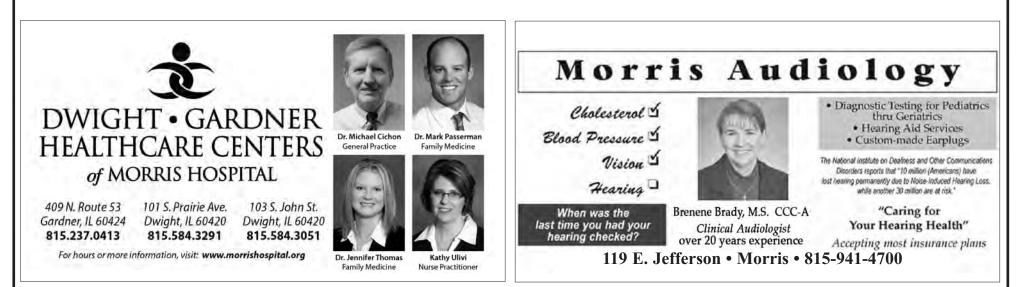
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Retired Teachers from Around The Paper Territory



Debbie Granger

After 34 years at Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Elementary School, Debbie Granger has decided to retire and is anxious to begin new adventures.

"I believe I have had the best job in the world," says Granger. "I love the students I have now and the ones who have come back over the years to visit with me. Mazon has been a wonderful place to work. I have met many special people. Life is precious and my heart is full."

During her time at MVK Elementary, Debbie has been the fourth grade teacher, as well as the gifted education teacher, AG Jeopardy coach, and has been the cooperating teacher for several student teaching candidates.

Granger has been included in the Who's Who in Education, in addition to earning the Friend of the Farm Bureau Award from the Grundy County Farm Bureau.

When asked what she will miss most about teaching, Debbie says it will be the daily friendships she has made at her school, the students, and parents she has come to know.

"Over the past 34 years, there have been so many memories," wonderful Granger expressed. "I will cherish them all. I will always remember reading to my classes. I loved opening new doors for them through good books."

Upon her retirement, Debbie - a resident of Morris – plans to spend time with family, travel, and do some volunteering.

Granger and her husband, Mark, have one daughter, Alex, who is following in her mother's footsteps as a teacher at White Oak School in Morris.

teaching career was spent teaching language arts at the sixth, seventh, and eighth grade levels, Nancy also taught one year at fourth grade and one at fifth grade. She also acted as the junior high cheerleading coach in her early years.

After earning her Masters Degree in Education in 1986, Knilands proceeded to teach at Ford Central in Roberts/Piper City, then continued on in Piper City when it became part of Tri-Point.

"I taught long enough to see big changes in educational expectations and priorities," Nancy says of her teaching experience. "Today's school emphasizes a student-involved style of teaching and requires extensive accountability from the instructors. In my opinion, many of the changes are favorable – but not all of them."

The daughter of a oneroom schoolhouse teacher, Opal King, Knilands reflects fondly on her time teaching, saying she will miss the actual interaction with the kids the most.

"One of my favorite memories from teaching is associated with the eighth grade Me Book Project," she says, "where they wrote and illustrated books for the district's kindergarten children. The friendships and comradery that formed between my coworkers and me also hold an important place in my heart.'

Presently, Nancy has two specific plans after retirement: 1) spend more time with her granddaughter, and 2) enjoy stress-free Sundays that don't involve class preparation and paper grading.

Knilands' family members include her son, Tim Knilands, daughter Megan Heyman, son-in-law Flavel, and granddaughter, Opal. Additionally, her cats, Russell and Jett, are special family members.



life more doing home improvement projects, crafts, reading, gardening, and traveling in the U.S., Mexico, and Europe.

"I look forward to spending more time in Los Mochis, Mexico with my host brothers and sisters," Julia says. She lived there as a Rotary Exchange Student during the 1973-74 school year. "I also plan to look for further opportunities to use my knowledge of languages and cultures.'

During her travels and career as an educator. Mullikin has served as the Host Captain and Translator for the Mexican Special Olympic Team at the International Games in Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN in 1991. She also made numerous presentations at Illinois Council of Foreign Langauge Conferences, as well as leading ten student travel groups to Europe.

Julia served on the Illinois GlobalFest Committee from 1996-2017 (chaired 16 years), served six years as the Rotary Youth Exchange Chair for Rotary District 6450, served as translator for Rotary International Convention in Chicago in 2005, and served on the ICTFL board. Mullikin presented book reviews to local organizations, in addition to orchestrating three International Rotary Grants for Los Mochis, which bettered the community through health equipment, clean water, hygiene equipment, and education ('05, '10, and '17). Julia also mentored three local students who participated in the Rotary International Youth Exchange.

Awards she compiled throughout the years include: Rotary Youth Exchange Student, '73-'74; Award from the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (Illinois downstate), '95; French Embassy Award (Summer Study in Vichy, France), '98; Lieutenant Governor's Award (ICTFL), '98; Paul Harris Fellow Award – honored by Kankakee Rotary, '02; and Rotary Super Zones 27 & 28 "Centennial Salute Award" for "Continued Long-term Service to Youth In Rotary District 6450."

the hallways with "Miss Mulli," and "helping them develop into incredible young adults." She says she will also miss teaching the students an appreciation of learning a foreign language and culture. However, she will not miss 6:00 a.m. alarms and piles of papers to grade.

Miss Mulli will reside in Kankakee with her three cats: Beau, Belle, and Lily.



Alicia O'Keefe

"The time is right," for Alicia O'Keefe, as her thirty-year tenure as a teacher in the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman School District comes to an end.

"As part of the sandwich generation," O'Keefe says, 'my family commitments have increased and I want to be able to be an active part in caring for my parents and enjoying the life of being a grandparent!"

After spending her first three years teaching first grade, Alicia went on to spend the next 27 years teaching kindergarten at MVK.

Of her 30 years of teaching, she says her career has been very rewarding, and says working 30 years in a single community "as wonderful as MVK" has been fulfilling.

"It was great meeting, teaching, and working with so many students and staff," expressed O'Keefe. "Teaching children of past students has been unique. Working with teachers who were my students is a testament to how special the MVK community is. I'm not sure what my car will do come August when I am no longer driving to Mazon, but I am looking forward to the freedom of every day being a new adventure, just like the classroom."

mer students who have recommended teachers as making a difference in their lives – as well as having the pleasure of being a cooperating teacher for student teachers from St. Francis and Eastern University. She is also a member of the Illinois Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development.

O'Keefe says that she has many wonderful memories and it is difficult to pick a few of her favorites, but spoke highly of the excitement of a kindergartner's first day of school; "Mystery Readers" who come and share their love of reading; end of the year picnics out on the school's front lawn; field trips; teaching theme units where the children learned about selling lemonade; pretend travel trips to Hawaii; science units on animals (Bats and Butterflies); and children's literature.

"I will cherish the memories of Mother's Day Pampering for kindergarten moms," Alicia states, "all of the Thanksgiving Feasts where my restless Natives met the Pilgrims for an afternoon of celebration and feasting, and riding off into the sunset with the Wild West Unit the most."

O'Keefe added, "I will miss the children and their individualities. I will miss their excitement for learning and watching their tremendous growth during the year. It will be hard to give up the singing, dancing, playing, reading, and working with the children who have kept me young! A great loss will be not seeing my friends and colleagues each day. Missing out on special days and events with the children and staff will be an absence I am not looking forward to. However, what I will miss most is developing and creating a challenging curriculum for the students. I love preparing and teaching lessons that integrate many subject areas and watching



the children's interests develop.'

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Her plans after retirement now take top priority, though, as O'Keefe plans to spend time with her family.

"My first grandchild, Ian, was born this past winter,' she says, "and I plan to spend time with him. Our son lives out of state, and being able to take trips out to see him at any time will be nice. Taking care of my parents will be cherished and loved. Plus, being able to vacation all through the year with my husband will be fun! I am looking forward to spending time with friends and enjoying fun activities."

Alicia and her husband, Paul, live in rural Morris. Their children are: Lauren (Josh) Kaluzny of Warrenville, Michael O'Keefe of Kansas City, MO, and their afforementioned first grandson, Ian Kaluzny.



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Nancy Knilands

Nancy Knilands of Roberts is retiring after 38 years of teaching, spending the last 25 of those years with Tri-Point.

"It seems to be a logical point in my life to retire now," stated Knilands, "and I'm ready to move forward with other activities."

While the majority of her



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Julia Mullikin

With 39 years of teaching under her belt, including 21 at Herscher High School, and French Spanish Instructor Julia Mullikin has retired in order to "take time to smell the roses."

That, Mullikin says, will include taking care of her parents, dedicating more time to Rotary, and enjoying

No time to make

dinner after

Another accomplishment Mullikin is proud of during her stay at HHS was Interact designing, building, and maintaining the Memorial Garden, while also landscaping the front of the new entrance when it was built. Since its construction, they have landscaped the western side of the building with trees, bushes, and benches as well.

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Julia says she will miss hearing the kids greet her in

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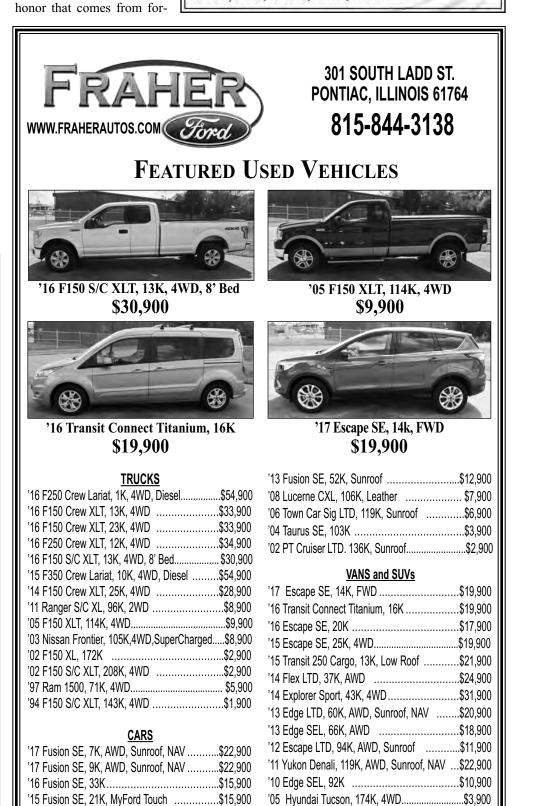
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While an educator, Alicia has been selected in the Who Who's Among America's Teachers - an



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Andrzejewski, a 1987



ADAM ANDRZEJEWSKI, a 1987 graduate of Herscher High School, is the founder and CEO of OpenTheBooks.com, a non-profit, non-partisan organization devoted to rooting out corruption in government spending across the nation. He can be seen with his chair against the wall in shirt and tie conducting a meeting last week. Submitted photo

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

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the Republican primary 2009-10. Prior to his bid for governor, Andrzejewski graduated from Northern Illinois University in 1992 as a busi-

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ruption."

He now runs "OpenThe Books.com" a non-profit, non-partisan organization that opens government books to the public.

The slogan is "Every Dime. Online. In Real time."

The group's mission is to "Capture and post online all disclosed spending at every level of government: federal, state and local government across America," the web site says.

"We've successfully captured nearly \$4 billion public expenditures. We are rapidly expanding data in all 50 states down to the municipal level. Our goal is to map an additional \$1 billion in government spending transactions during 2017. It's your money and you deserve to see where every dime is spent by your government."

Andrzejewski is the founder and CEO of OpenTheBooks.com, which was instrumental in helping reporters for national newspapers report on corruption in the Veterans Administration, including millions of dollars spent on artwork to decorate office walls while U.S. veterans waited for months for medical treatment

The VA had closed their books to the press, but Andrzejewski's group already had data that was mined by U.S.A. Today reporters during the scandal, he said. The story was picked up by other national media such as ABC News, indicating the VA spent \$20 million between 2004 and 2014 on costly artwork.

"Open The Books, a nonprofit that claims to be the

Free Church of Hope Community Vacation Bible School June 26-30

grade are invited to join in Community Vacation Bible School the week of June 26-30 from 5:30-8:00 p.m. at the Church of Hope - located on the corners of Monroe and Jefferson in Gardner.

There will be a light meal provided at 5:30 p.m. before the program begins. There will also be story time,

world's largest private database of government spending, in conjunction with Cox Media used government data to examine the Veterans Affairs Department's (VA) spending on art for their facilities in the decade ending in 2014," according to ABC NEWs in a story a year ago.

"Much of the spending occurred at a time when veterans were experiencing lengthy waits for treatment at VA facilities. After as many as 40 veterans died while seeking care at the VA's Phoenix Healthcare System, the federal agency's inspector general found in 2014 that lengthy waits for treatment might have contributed to the deaths but did not definitively cause them."

Andrzejewski said his organization has captured \$3.5 billion in individual government expenditures, from federal, state and local levels in all 50 states.

"We have 30 people working for us," he added.

Illinois was the first state under OpenTheBooks.com scrutiny and remains a corrupt state, Andrzejewski said. "The people of Illinois are saddled with such a corrupt political class," he told The Paper last week. "The leaders of both parties are utterly incompetent in providing solutions to our financial problems."

In the meantime, living in Chicago suburbs, the Andrzejewski is married to Kerry, his bride of 17 years. They have three children, all girls: Ellie, 13; Molly 11; and Emma Kate, 9. He joked at home he is surrounded by "pink."

Children ages four (must South Wilmington Post be potty trained) to fourth Office, Gardner Post Office, Casey's in Gardner, and the Gardner Laundromat. You may also call the church at 815-237-8312 for one. A drop-off box for registration forms is located on the alley side of the church by the red door.

They urge pre-registration by June 21. This helps

For more information,



Logan Brian Mills

A boy!

Tyler and Jessica Mills of Pontiac are happy to announce the birth of their second son, Logan Brian Mills.

Logan was born Wednesday, June 7, weighing eight pounds.

He was welcomed home by big brother, Nolan Michael Mills, who is almost four years old.

Maternal grandparents are Dawn and Joe Boitnott of Pontiac, and Michael E. Legner of Pontiac.

Paternal grandparents are Tracie Jackson of Bloomington, and Brian and Sue Mills of Odell.

Great-grandparents are Nola and Ivan Hartsey of Dwight; Bill Legner of Odell; Jan Sullivan of Cornell; and Dewey and Norma Sullivan of Schererville, IN.

Area Students Graduate, Earn EIU Dean's List Honors

Eastern Illinois University in Charleston recently held its commencement ceremony, and the following area students earned degrees: • Brooke N. McInerney – Dwight: Master of Science. • Samuel J. Sievert – Kempton: Bachelor of Science in Business.

EIU students from the area gracing the spring semester Dean's List are: • Daniel D. Becker - Essex:

Arts and Humanities, Theatre Arts. Claire J. Fink - Cullom:

Sciences, Biological Sciences.

• Samuel J. Sievert -Kempton: Lumpkin Bus. and Applied Science, School of Business.

DTHS ensure there are enough sup-Class of 1977 Reunion July 1

crafts, music, and more. plies purchased.

Vacation Bible School is free every year. Registration forms have been placed at questions, or to volunteer, call the church. the following locations:

Gas Down 4.3 Cents

United States average gallon of gasoline prices dropped 4.3 cents to \$2.309, June 19 compared to the previ-

Prices are basically flat to lower in The Paper's circulation area. Dwight prices remained at an average of \$2.18 a gallon, while Herscher was down 9.5 cents. Odell gained 4.5 cents to \$2.25 while Gardner was flat at \$2.25. Mazon remained at \$2.19 gallon.

Average U.S. gallon regular price is made up of 19% state & local taxes; 13% distribution and marketing; 19% refining and 49% crude as of April 2017.

June 19	June 12
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Sources: GasBuddy.com and U.S. Energy Information Administration.

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Dwight Township High School Class of 1977 will hold its 40-year Class Reunion on Saturday, July 1 at Dwight Country Club.

Cost for dinner is \$25 per person which includes choice of entree and a drink chip. The evening will begin at 6:30 with dinner at 7 p.m. Reservations for dinner are necessary. Please contact Laura Vigna at 815.735.3872 if you plan to attend and to make reservations.

All Class of '77 graduatmembers ing and spouse/guest are invited, along with all former classmates. The class would love to see everyone and share memories.



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OBITUARIES

Martha Pinnow

KEMPTON – Martha Diane Pinnow, 70, of Kempton passed away Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at River North Health & Rehabilitation Center in in Bourbonnais was in Bradley.

Per Diane's wishes, there will be no services. Cremation rites were accorded. Jensen Memorial Chapel

Kim B. Harms

CULLOM Kim B. Harms, 51, of Cullom passed away at 10:04 a.m., Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at OSF St. 🚩 Medical Francis Center in Peoria.

Kim was born in Canton, Illinois February 14, 1966, a of daughter Judy McWhorter, and was later adopted by her grandparents, Irrie and Ruby McWhorter.

She married John Harms May 8, 1993. He survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Shane (Carrie Greenly) McWhorter of Bourbonnais and Devin McWhorter of Cullom; one daughter, Nikki (Kevin) Briggs of Mahomet; three grandchildren: Kayden Elaine McWhorter, Logan Wesley Briggs and Adelynn Greenly; several step-brothers and step-sisters.

Kim was preceded in death by her mother, Judy McWhorter; her grandpar-Irrie and Ruby ents,



grandmother, Peggy McWhorter; stepfather, John Jacobs; and her uncle, Paul McWhorter.

Kim loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She enjoyed camping and was a member of Skinner Trost American Legion Post 122 Auxiliary.

Her funeral was held at 12 noon Saturday, June 17, in St. John's Lutheran Church in Cullom. Pastor Mauricio Vieira officiated.

Burial followed in West Lawn Cemetery, Cullom.

Visitation was from 10 a.m. until the noon service Saturday at the church.

Memorials in her name may be left to the Ronald McDonald House or Skinner Trost American Legion Post 122.

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

Dethada Usry

DWIGHT Dethada "Taddy' Quayle Usry passed away Sunday, June 18, 2017 in Dwight after a short illness. She was 90 years old.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated today. Wednesday, June 21, at 10 a.m. in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Campus.

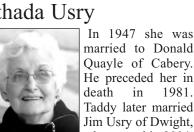
Interment will follow in Mount Hope Cemetery, Cabery.

Visitation was Tuesday from 5 until 7 p.m. at Hager Memorial Home, Dwight.

Taddy is survived by five children: Donna (Jim) Anderson of Dwight; Drexa (Neil) Unverzagt of Cary; Dara Caricofe of Apex, North Carolina; Dinah (Dave) Davidson of Bethel, Connecticut; and Dale (Peggy) of Santa Ana. California; two step-daughters: Jeannie Abels of Virginia and Dianne Usry of Texas; two sisters, Bethel Coplea of Rantoul and Gladys Peters of Clifton.

She was a much beloved grandmother and very proud of her 13 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

> Letters to the Editor in The Paper should be limited to 250 words. We welcome your thoughts.



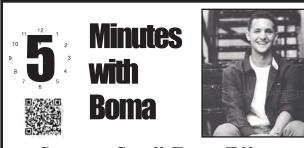
married to Donald Quayle of Cabery. He preceded her in death in 1981. Taddy later married Jim Usry of Dwight, who passed in 2004. The United States Postal

System employed Taddy for over 30 years. She worked as a clerk in St. Anne and Cabery, and finished her career as the Post Mistress of the Cabery Post Office, a job that she loved interacting with the public.

Taddy was an avid reader, devouring books as quickly as she got them. She enjoyed embroidery and crocheting as hobbies, and made many cherished items for her family. Taddy was a vocal booster for the Dwight Middle and High School sports teams, and loudly rooted for her grandchildren.

She was an active member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dwight, and enjoyed Senior Citizens.

Memorial donations may be made in the name of Taddy Usry to St. Patrick Catholic Church, 126 West Mazon Avenue, Dwight, IL 60420.



Support Small Town Efforts

In just a few days it will be what is officially the first day of summer. It's always struck me as a little strange that the first day of summer is roughly 20 days into what many consider to be the first summer month. It's been very hot the last few weeks, and for all intents and purposes the first day of summer, or first weekend of summer is Memorial Day weekend. Unfortunately, considering that I don't have much pull with the committee who creates the calendar I don't think that's going to be changed any time soon.

With that being said, the summer usually kicks off the season of festivals, events, and anything else that doesn't fall into one of those two categories specifically. I know for me, growing up in a small town, the big ones to look forward to were any of the 4th of July events, almost every town has one, with some falling on the 2nd instead of the 4th.

I lost every year in the tractor pull, but it didn't stop me from trying. The other big events, that usually occur later in the year are any of the "days" events. Harvest Days being the one for Dwight, but almost all the surrounding towns have one that can provide some entertainment for the weekend.

Aside from those, there are various cookouts, and other events that are sprinkled in between, and anything with food usually catches my attention. The reason I bring all this up is, if you have the chance to attend the event, or better yet, volunteer and help with an event, I encourage you to try and do so.

Most of the events help the community or town that is hosting it.

Take some time, enjoy summer.

Aaron J. Boma 2016 ISU Graduate

Prairie Creek Library Adds New Titles

Prairie Creek Public Library in Dwight recently added many titles to its collection, both fiction and non-fiction. New books include:

Young Adult/Teen

Rebel Wing by Tracy Banghart; The Running Man by Michael Gerard Bauer; Lois Lane: Triple Threat by Gwenda Bond; Integrated Robotics by Ian Chow-Miller; My First Ladies by Nancy Clarke; Worthy – An App that Asks: Are You Good Enough? by Donna Cooner; Frank Lloyd Wright by Jennifer Fandel; The Gender Secret, The Gender Lie, The Gender War, The Gender Fall, and The Gender Plan, all by Bella Forrest; Careers for Tech Girls in Technology by Carol Hand; Understanding Your Parents' Divorce by Becky Lenarki and Florence Calhoun; Locomotion and Mechanics by Kevin McCombs; The Lost Girl of Astor Street by Stephanie Morrill; Confessions: The Paris Mysteries by James Patterson; The Life and Art of Paul Gauguin by George Roddam; Star Wars: Before the Awakening by Greg Rucka; The Tinkerer's Daughter by Jamie Sedgwick; By Your Side by Kasie West; Horizon by Scott Westerfeld; Goodbye Days by Jeff Zentner; and The Maddie Diaries by Maddie Ziegler.

Bruel; Where Are You Going, Baby Lincoln? by Kate DiCamillo; Rain Forest Relay by Kristin Earhart; Owl Diaries: Eva's Treetop Festival, Eva Sees a Ghost, and A Woodland Wedding, all by Rebecca Elliott; Dory Fantasmagory: Dory Dory Black Sheep by Abby Hanlon; Mae & June and the Wonder Wheel by Charise Mericle Harper; March of the Mini Beasts by Ada Hopper; The Infamous Ratsos by Kara LaReau; Rescue on the Oregon Trail by Kate Messner; The Friendship Garden by Jenny Meyerhoff; Spirit Animals: Blood Ties by Garth Nix and Sean Williams; Nancy Clancy: Soccer Mania by Jane O'Connor; Night of the Ninth Dragon by Mary Pope Osborne; The Mystery of the Mosaic and The Mystery of the Gold Coin, both by Harper Paris; Junie B. Jones and a Little Monkey Business and Junie B. Jones: Jingle Bells, Batman Smells! (P.S. So Does May.), both by Barbara Park; Battle Bugs: The Spider Siege and Battle Bugs: The Lizard War, both by Jack Patton; Pax by Sara Pennypacker; Little Legends: The Spell Thief and Little Legends: The Great Troll Rescue, both by Tom Percival; Captain Underpants and the Sensational Saga of Sir Stinks-a-lot by Dav Pilkey; Who Could That Be at This Hour?, When Did You Last See Her?, and Shouldn't You Be in School, all by Lemony Snicket; Spirit Animals: Hunted Maggie by Goosebumps Stiefvater; Most Wanted: Trick or Trap, Goosebumps Most Wanted: of Slappy, and Son Goosebumps Most Wanted: Planet of the Lawn Gnomes, all by R.L. Stine; Hamster Princess: Harriet the Invincible and Hamster Princess: Giant Trouble, both by Ursula Vernon; Supercat vs. the Fry Thief,

Supercat vs. the Pesky Pirate, and Supercat vs. the Party Pooper, all by Jeanne Willis; and Gone Camping by Tamera Will Wissinger.

Non-fiction titles include: Time for Kids Best Almanac; and 2017 Buzzworthy by Cynthia O'Brien; Brick Animals, and Brick Cars and Trucks: Clever and Creative Ideas to Make from Classic Legos, both by Warren Elsmore; Lego Star Wars: Chronicles of the Force by Adam Bray; Factastic: A Lego Adventure in the Real World; I Survived: Tornado Terror by Lauren Tarshis; Ghosts in Palaces, Ghosts in Prisons, Ghosts in Hotels, and Ghosts in Mansions, all by Lisa Owings; Kids Get Coding series, including Online Safety for Coders, A World of Programming, Coding, Bugs, and Fixes, and Learn to Program, all by Heather Lyons; Cacti Barely Need Water, and Corpse Flowers Smell Nasty, both by Tayler Cole; Venus Flytraps Eat Bugs, and Pitcher Plants Eat Meat, both by Barbara M. Linde; Bristlecone Pines are Ancient and Kelp: The Underwater Forest, both by Patricia Fletcher; Animal BFFs: Five-Minute True Stories by Aubre Andrus; Ripley's Believe It or Not! Wild and Wacky Edition 2017; A Poem for Peter: The Story of Ezra Jack Keats and the Creation of the Snowy Day by Andrea Davis Pinkney; The Princess and the Warrior by Duncan Tonatiuh; Fun & Easy Fashion Projects series, including Odds & Ends, Scarves & Ties, and T-Outdoor Shirts, Cool Activities, Cool Outdoor Arts and Crafts, and Cool Backyard Camping, all by Alex Kuskowski; Cool Metal Projects, and Cool Glass and Ceramic Projects, both by Pam Scheunemann; Super Simple Seashell Projects, Super Simple Projects series by Kelly Doudna; Amazing Feats of Electrical Engineering by Jennifer Swanson; Amazing Feats of Environmental Engineering by Carol Hand, Amazing Feats of Civil Engineering by L.E. Carmichael; Would you Dare series by Siobhan Sisk Robert Kennedy; or Doodling series by Gemma Correll; Aquarium by Lance Jepson; Dog Training by Julia Barnes; The International Space Station by Arnold Ringstad; The Hutchison; Stories of Titanic's Crew and Stories of Titanic's First Class, both by Brandon Terrell; Stories summer months. of Titanic's Second Class by Titanic's Children and Stories of Titanic's Third Class by Peggy Caravantes; The Story of Titanic's Chairman Ismay by Molly Jones; Pharrell Williams: Singer and Songwriter by Christopher Lee Flores; Serena Williams: Tennis Star by Kristen Rajczak Nelson; Organic Foods by David M. Barker; Plants that Poke by Celeste Bishop; Mars Probes by Kelly Spence; 3-D Printing by Hal Marcovitz; The Humane Society by Katie Marsico; Whirlpools by Sara Howell; Auroras: Behind the Northern and Southern Lights by Elisa Peters; Build a Compact Garden by Samantha Bell; Build a Birdhouse by Mirella S. Miller; X Why Z Animals and X Why Z Space, both by Mark Shulman.

Prairie Creek Library Receives Grant for Summer Programs

This year, the program's theme is "Reading by Design" and is open to all children entering first grade through high school. In addi-Mars Rover by Patricia tion to summer reading challenges, children may participate in various crafts and activities throughout the

The grant is funded Rachel A. Bailey; Stories of through the Illinois Prairie

Prairie Creek Public Prairie Community Foundation ensures that quality programs enrich the communities in which we live," said Greg Meyer, Executive Director of Illinois Prairie Community Foundation. "We are committed to helping build strong communities in central Illinois."

> During the current grant cvcle. Illinois Prairie Community Foundation awarded \$150,200 in three categories of grants to 54 programs in McLean, DeWitt, Livingston, and Logan Counties. Grants ranged from \$600 to \$8,200. Funding came from the Jerome Mirza Foundation, donors to the Foundation's annual campaign and endowments.

reading program.

Library District recently received a grant from the Illinois Prairie Community Foundation in the amount of \$2,000, which will be used for the library's summer

Teen and young adult books are located on the first floor of the library and may be checked out for four weeks at a time.

To meet the summer reading needs of children in the community, Prairie Creek recently added several chapter books to its junior fiction collection, as well as many non-fiction titles.

Fiction titles include: Ms. Bixby's Last Day by John David Anderson; Bad Kitty Takes the Test by Nick The Paper Deadline is Friday at noon.

Community Foundation's General grant category.

"By funding programs like Prairie Creek's summer reading program, Illinois

> Family members of the deceased: Please instruct the Funeral Home to send information to:

> > The Paper

fax: 815-584-2196 or email: thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net

Although Cal's passing has left a huge hole in our lives, we are all so blessed by all of the cards, kind words and gestures of love from everyone. Thank you from the bottom of our heart.

> Cal Grieff's family Connie, Catee, Julie, Kaleb, Tim, Dean, Kvler and Kaden



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who sent cards, floral tributes, plants, phone calls and monetary donations in Ray's name since his passing. The outpouring of family and friends at the visitation

and funeral service was truly heartwarming.

The family of Raymond Friant would like to thank all

A big thank you to all the ladies (and men) of the Congregational Church for bringing in food and serving the funeral dinner. You all are truly special people.

Last, but not least a big thank you to Steven Snyder at Hager Funeral Home for arranging the visitation and funeral.

> God's blessings to all of you. Marcia Friant David (Colleen) Friant Anne (Richard) McWhorter Laura Havnes



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Farm Tractor Ride Includes 95 tractors in Grundy, La Salle Counties



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MAX ARMSTRONG, farm broadcaster, held a morning greeting before the Farm Tractor Ride took place. Below, the ride stopped at the Coal City home of Megan Bugg, a CCHS student currently battling cancer. Max presented the Bugg family with an autographed hat and shirt.



Dwight Country Club • 815-584-9825

joined farm broadcaster Max Armstrong for the 2017 Morris Tractor Ride, a 3-day vintage ride through Grundy and LaSalle Counties June 9-11.

The ride was based at the Bill Burnham Farm near Nettle Creek School northwest of Morris, and the City of Morris was the title sponsor of the event.

Towns on the route



A total of 95 Tractors included Morris, Gardner, South Wilmington, East Brooklyn, Braceville, and Marseilles along with a stop and tour of D Construction in Coal City.

stopped in Coal City at the home of Megan Bugg, a Lestina's Catering of Coal City High School student diagnosed with cancer the day after Christmas, 2014, and is currently fight-

ing a relapse of the disease.

Megan and her parents with an autographed hat and a shirt from the ride before all 95 tractors passed by.

The drivers dined on all Along the way, the ride local food, catered by Cherry Red Roasters of Dwight, Braidwood, and Vino's in while he cannot say for cer-Gardner.

> The ride was organized by Mary Beth DeGrush, who

Max Armstrong presented led the organization of the former Heritage Tractor Adventure, along with Ron Hibler and a large group of volunteers, and mapped out by Gardner resident Don Phillips.

> Phillips commented that tain if a ride will be held in 2018, he has been asked by DeGrush to begin work on a map for a possible event.



TRACTORS stopped in Gardner and lined the main street as part of a 3-day vintage ride through Grundy and LaSalle Counties June 9 through 11. Gardner Mayor Mike Serena, wife Jackie and Max stopped for an official photograph in Downtown Gardner.



Two Fires Strike Rural Dwight and Emington Structures During Storm

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

Two fires remain under investigation by the state fire marshal after a violet storm struck the area with winds, rain and lightning overnight between Saturday and Sunday, June 17, 18.

rural Dwight.

when they were awakened

door shortly after midnight.

by pounding at their front

The garage contained a One fire hit the garage of Kevin and Kathy Earing, pickup truck, astrovan, ridlocated one mile North and ing lawn mower, four-wheel

one mile west of Campus in vehicles and tools. She said the garage was a total loss, but added she has According to Kathy, the garage was totally engulfed homeowners insurance.

that garage, fire burned a barn on 3200 E. Road investigation.

between 2500 and 2400 North.

According to Campus-Emington Fire Chief Steve Vertin, the barn was also a total loss.

He said although light-Just three miles south of ning may have been the culprit, both fires remain under

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The Paper

Wednesday, June 21, 2017

Brandon Viken Big Blue Letter Winner

baseball team, which finished 22-18 for the season, recently announced its letter winners for 2017, and it Page 9 included sophomore pitcher

The Millikin University Brandon Viken from Mazon.

A graduate of Seneca High School, this is Viken's second letter as a member of the Big Blue.

National Anthem For Joliet Slammers



THE GARDNER AREA BAND performed the National Anthem June 3 before the Joliet Slammers baseball game. This is the second consecutive year the band performed for the team. submitted photo

Golf "Fore" St. Paul School, Odell Mike Moyemont-Juli Sullivan Memorial Gorgeous Day – Amazing Success

great turnout were had for the Annual 2017 Golf "Fore" St. Paul School -Mike Moyemont - Juli Sullivan Memorial Outing, held Sunday, June 11, at Wolf Creek Golf Course, Cayuga.

The team of Joan Bullard Realty - Joan Bullard, Susan LaBorence, Jeff LaBorence, & Andrew LaBorence led the A Flight with a 60.

The Moyemont team of John & Mary Moyemont, and Pete & Julie Movemont won the B Flight with a 67.

The Stadel team of Becky Stadel, Mark & Dianne Stadel, and Ellaina Stadel took the C Flight with a 75.

Each team received prize

Beautiful weather and a bags including gift certificates from area donating businesses, for their accomplishments.

> Brian Sullivan won the putting contest. He received a putter from the Pro Shop, courtesy of Campus State Bank.

Other special contest winners were: Hole #1: Closest 2nd shot, Kyle Masching, Hole #2: Longest Putt, Ashley Timmerman, Hole #3: Longest Drive, Dewey Sullivan, Hole #4 -Closest to the Pin, John Moyemont, Hole #5: Closest to the Pin in 2, Joan Bullard Realty, Hole #6: Longest Putt, Dillon Law, Hole #7: Closest to the Pin, Kyle Tague, Hole #8: Closest 2nd Shot, Joe Burton, Hole #9: Longest Putt, Travis Sullivan, Hole #10: Closest to the Green in 2 Without Being On, Matt Johnson, Hole #11: Closest 2nd Shot, Alec Garwood, Hole #12: Closest to 150 Marker from Tee, Kelli Trainor, Hole #13: Closest to the Pin, Joan Bullard Realty, Hole #14: Longest Drive, Fr. David Sabel, Hole #15: Closest to the Pin, Julie Moyemont, Hole #16: Closest to the Pin in 3, Joe Burton, Hole #17: Longest Putt, Tyler Frauli, and Hole #18: Closest 2nd Shot, Larry Masching.

Each of the contest winners received gift certificates from area donating businesses for their achievements.

Other numerous Raffle prize winners, including a 50/50 Raffle, were announced that afternoon for a multitude of prizes that were donated by local supporting people & businesses. Half of has been enough to push the 50/50 was \$200 and was won by Mark Stadel, who donated half back to St. Paul School.

will go to Morgyn Moyemont's Education Fund, and to the Juli Sullivan Scholarship Fund. The rest of the proceeds are to directly benefit the students of St. Paul School.

Tennis, Anyone?

Without a doubt, the condition of the tennis courts in Renfrew Park has been declining dramatically over the years. This is evidenced by the peeling and cracked surface of both courts as well as the broken glass

strewn about them. Nevertheless, interest in playing the game in Dwight has risen greatly since summer began; not even the worsening state of the courts townsfolk away from an unofficial tournament that has started amongst young adults in town.

Thirty-two college-age A portion of the proceeds kids have started a tournament for fun and have been scheduling around their jobs and personal lives in order to play games at the park. The tournament has been underway for weeks, and all participants are eager for the

doubles tournament which will begin afterwards.

It's even more promising to know that there are more people who heard about the singles tournament and are planning on joining for doubles. Once players realize how many people were willing to set aside time to play, the word was spread and games began.

The courts may not be in top form, but participants are working with it and hoping that recent interest in the game can spark thoughts of renovations being made.

Anyone who enjoys tennis is encouraged to join for doubles.

If interested in details pertaining to the doubles tournament, be sure to contact Ryan Beier (815-830-4605) or Devin Connolly (815-584-6013) for any information.





WINNERS OF THE EMINGTON-CAMPUS Fire Department Golf Outing, with a score of 65, pictured, from left, were Troy Quinley, Tammy Quinley, Chris Forbes, and Jason Anglin.



Learning About **Circuits**



THE ILLINOIS EXTENSION SERV-ICES brought a "makey makey" workshop to the Dwight Prairie Creek Library's reading program last week. The children learned about circuits. They made their own bongos on the computer. They also made a Whack-a-Mole game and learned some basics of SCRATCH. There are 113 children signed up for summer reading this year. Submitted photos

Dwight Fireworks July 2

Fireworks will light up the sky near the Dwight Grade School on July 2 this vear.

Mad Bomber of La Porte, Indiana will take over the fireworks duties.

The fun will begin at 6:30 with Kiddie games for children 8 years and younger. The Dwight Fire Department will host "Touch A Truck" and their Smoke House. The Dwight EMS Department will have an ambulance on display. There will be lightup items for sale as well as popcorn, soda and water.

Everyone is invited to bring chairs and blankets and even a picnic supper to the school grounds to enjoy the activities. It's the best place to view all the ground displays that accompany the aerial show. A special wave flag will be included as a gift to our community from Eunice Scott Boyer.

The finale is brought to you by SOCU Dwight.

OBITUARY

Dorothy Onsen

EAST BROOKLYN -Dorothy Irene Onsen, 86, of East Brooklyn passed away Monday, June 19, 2017 at Heritage Health in Dwight.

Funeral services will be today, Wednesday, May 21, at 11 a.m. at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory, Braidwood Chapel, with visitation two hours preceding services. Rev. Jan Chandler will officiate.

Interment will be private. Dorothy was born February 5, 1931 in Vandalia, daughter of David and Hazel Mae Craig Low. She loved flowers and working outdoors.

Surviving are two sons and daughters-in-law, Jim and Joylene Fair of East Brooklyn and Ronnie and Joyce Fair of Shorewood; grandchildren: Dana (Jodie)

Fair, Devin (Kristie) Fair, Stephanie (Ken) Escobedo, Chris (Jenni) Fair, Eric Fair, and Allison (Dan) Drapak.

Also surviving are her great-grandchildren: Kennedy and Addison Fair, Aubrey and Kendall Fair, Escobedo. Anthony Dominic and Meridith Fair, and Samantha Bailey; and step-children: Roxanne Fattori, John Onsen and George Onsen.

Preceding her in death were her two husbands, Warren Fair and Wayne Onsen; and brothers, Dale Hunter and Donnie Dean Hunter, in infancy.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in her name may be directed to Heritage Health in Dwight.

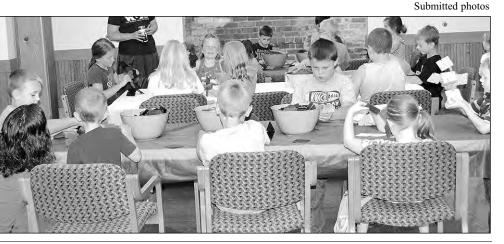
To visit her online guestbook, log on to: www.rwpat tersonfuneralhomes.com



CHILDREN USED THEIR CREATIVITY with a buildings squares craft at the Prairie Creek Library in Dwight last week as part of the summer reading program.



Building Square Designs



Farm Fields Flood



Dwight Common School 2017-18 Registration

Registration is still open accounts. New students can for the 2017-18 school year at Dwight Common School.

Returning students can register online through their Skyward Family Access

find registration forms on the school website at www. dwight.k12.il.us or stop by the Main Office through the month of June.

ST. JUDE NOVENA

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever.

More Obituaries appear on page 7.

Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us. St. Jude, worker of mir acles, pray for us. St. Jude, help of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day, by the 8th day your prayers will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you, St. Jude. Anonymous



A VIOLENT STORM struck the Herscher area late Saturday, June 17, resulting in Horse Creek overflowing Sunday. Some fields were flooded as far as the eve could see. Shown is flooding on the Herscher Road north of town. Some rain gauges in the area showed five inches of rain overnight. The Paper photo by J. Ridings





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PUBLIC NOTICE
ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
For NORTON TOWNSHIP
For FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2017
Town Fund

Town I und	u			
Beginning Balance	\$72,955.21			
Total Revenues	68,754.25			
Total Expenditures	48,835.93			
Ending Balance	\$92,873.53			
General Assistance	ce Fund			
Beginning Balance	\$34,700.11			
Total Revenues	7,813.43			
Total Expenditures	970.00			
Ending Balance	\$41,543.54			
Joint Bridge F	Fund			
Beginning Balance	\$79,539.78			
Total Revenues	11,467.79			
Expenditures	1,832.50			
Ending Balance	\$89,175.07			
Building and Equip	ment Fund			
Beginning Balance	\$31,756.96			
Total Revenues	9,414.94			
Total Expenditures	3,932.17			
Ending Balance	\$37,239.73			
Road and Bridge Fund				
Beginning Balance	\$81,212.06			
Total Revenues	194,751.82			
Total Expenditures	96,978.93			
Ending Balance	\$178,984.95			

I, Jacqueline Bisaillon, Norton Township Supervisor, Kankakee County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Treasurer's Annual Report of Norton Township Funds for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017. Entire report available for review, by request, at Norton Township Building.

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

U.S. Bank, N.A., as trustee for Green Tree 2008-HE1 PLAINTIFF

TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE NO. 2013-0029

TO: Jennifer L. Waldron, Jennifer Waldron, Collection Professionals Inc., Village of Dwight, Livingston Co. Trustee, and unknown owners or parties interested.

A Petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois, as case 13-TX-71.

The real estate is described as: Parcel #: 05-05-04-376-031

Said property was sold on NOVEMBER 21, 2014 for the General Taxes for the year 2013. The period of redemption will expire on NOVEMBER 16, 2017. On DECEM-BER 7, 2017, the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.

Dome Tax Service Co., Inc. Petitioner

ROUND GROVE - BROUGHTON - SULLIVAN MULTI-TOWNSHIP ASSESSMENT DISTRICT April 2016 through March 2017 **Ordinary Income/Expense** Income 13,424.28 Tax Payment Total Income 13,424.28 Expense **Business Expenses** Business Registration Fees 275.00 275.00 **Total Business Expenses** Contract Services Accounting Fees 440.00 **Total Contract Services** 440.00 348.00 Mileage Operations Postage, Mailing Service 51.94 Software Update 275.00 **Total Operations** 326.94 Payroll Expenses 161.63 Risk Management 500.00 6,649.28 Salary Tax, Fed. 849.15 Total Expense 9,550.00 Net Ordinary Income 3,874.28 Other Income/Expense Other Income 37.49 Int. Income Total Other Income 37.49 Net Other Income 37.49 Net Income 3,911.77 38,055.00 Checking

ROUND GROVE TOWNSHIP

ROUND GROVE ROAD DISTRICT

April 2016 through March 2017

NOTICE

The Dwight Township has passed an Ordinance establishing prevailing wage rates for construction to be the same as those in Livingston County, as determined by the Illinois Department of Labor. Anyone wishing to inspect the ordinance may do so at the Dwight Township Hall, 201 North Franklin Street, Dwight, Illinois, upon request.

> JANICE MASCHING DWIGHT TOWNSHIP CLERK DWIGHT TOWNSHIP ROAD & BRIDGE DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PREVAILING WAGE ORDINANCE

TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Library Trustees of the Prairie Creek Public Library District, pursuant to "An Act regulating wages of laborers, mechanics and other workers employed in any public works by the state, county, city or any public body or any political subdivision or by anyone under contract for public works," approved June 26, 1941, as amended, has determined on, and as effective from, June 13, 2017 that the general prevailing rate of wages in this locality for laborers, mechanics and other workers engaged in the construction of public works coming under the jurisdiction of the Library District, is the same as determined by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois for Livingston County as of June 13, 2017. A copy of the full resolution and the Department of Labor Determination is available for inspection by any interested party in the main office of the Library District at 501 Carriage House Lane, Dwight, Illinois, and to any employer or association of employers and any person or association of employees who have filed, or file their name and addresses, requesting copies of the same.

Prairie Creek Public Library District By: Janet Neville Secretary of the Board of Trustees

ORDINANCE 2017-01

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has enacted "An Act regulating wages of laborers, mechanics, and other workers employed in any public works by the State, county, city or any public body or any political subdivision or by anyone under contract for public works," approved June 26, 1941, as amended, being 820 ILCS 130/0 01 et seq; and,

WHEREAS, the aforesaid Act requires that the Prairie Creek Public Library District of the counties of Livingston, Grundy, and La Salle, State of Illinois, investigate and ascertain the prevailing rate of wages as defined in said Act for laborers, mechanics and other workers in the locality of said Prairie Creek Public Library District employed in performing construction of public works, for said Board of Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PRAIRIE CREEK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT, DWIGHT, IL:

SECTION 1: To the extent and as required by "An Act regulating wages of laborers, mechanics and other workers employed in any public works by State, county, city or any public body or any political subdivision or by anyone under contract for public works," approved June 26, 1941, as amended, the general prevailing rate of wages in this locality for laborers, mechanics and other workers engaged in construction of public works coming under the jurisdiction of the Board of Trustees is hereby ascertained to be the same as the prevailing rate of wages for construction work in Livingston County as determined by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois as of June of the current year, a copy of that determination being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. As required by said Act, any and all revisions of the prevailing rate of wages by the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois shall supersede the Department's June determination and apply to any and all public works construction undertaken by the Prairie Creek Public Library District. The definition of any terms appearing in this Ordinance which are also used in aforesaid Act shall be the same as in said Act.

Vs. Larry Bowden; et. al. DEFENDANTS 16CH 00068

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 3/17/2017, the Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois will on 7/26/17 at the hour of 10:00AM at New Law & Justice Center 110 N. Main Street Pontiac, IL 61764, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Livingston and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOTS 13 AND 14 IN BLOCK 7 OF MARSH'S ADDITION TO FAIRBURY. SITUATED IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN 25-25-03-330-012 Improved with Single Family Home COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 402 W. Ash Street Fairbury, IL 61739

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general 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.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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 ACCOR-DANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORT-GAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-16-12842. I723328

April 2016 throug	h March 201	7
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Tax Payment		49,138.43
Tax Payment R		42,691.63
Tax Replacement		2,536.42
Tax Replacement R		12,173.41
Total Income		106,539.89
		100,339.89
Expense		95.00
Accounting		85.00
Aid to Client		2,980.00
Culverts		4,532.68
Diesel Fuel		1,956.25
Dues and Subscriptions		165.72
Gravel Hauled		3,575.96
Insurance		6,609.00
IRA Contribution		720.00
IRA Contribution/Employ	ee	720.00
Miscellaneous		169.90
Payroll Expenses		26,404.97
Publishing		34.00
Rent of Equipment		1,820.00
Repairs		,
Equipment Repairs	1,223.57	
Total Repairs	1,220107	1,223.57
Road Chips		3,548.51
Road Patching		4,707.00
Road Repairs		231,900.00
Service		,
		300.00
Shop Expense		177.16
Signs		10.12
Tax, Fed.		6,301.98
Tax, State		1,067.00
Tax, Property		243.55
Tax, State		97.00
Telephone		66.29
Tires		1,820.00
Transfer Out		11,000.00
Utilities		
Gas and Electric	2,490.81	
Utilities - Other	114.59	
Total Utilities		<u>2,605.40</u>
Total Expense		<u>314,841.06</u>
Net Ordinary Income		-208,301.17
Other Income/Expenses		, ,
Other Income		
C.O.D. Interest		200.43
Dividend Income		1,764.00
Fines		873.96
Interest Income		133.37
Interest Income R		298.32
Rent of Hall		150.00
Transfer		<u>11,000.00</u>
Total Other Income		
		$\frac{14,420.08}{14,420.08}$
Net Other Income		14,420.08
Net Income		<u>-193,881.09</u>
C.O.D.		120,000.00
Checkin	σ	224,368.00
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SECTION 2: Nothing herein contained shall be construed to apply said general prevailing rate of wages as herein ascertained to any work or employment except public works construction of the Board of Trustees to the extent required by the aforesaid Act.

SECTION 3: The Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall publicly post or keep available for inspection by any interested party in the main office of the Prairie Creek Public Library District this determination or any revisions of such prevailing rate of wage. A copy of this determination or of the current revised determination of prevailing rate of wages then in effect shall be attached to all contract specifications.

SECTION 4: The Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall mail a copy of this determination to any employer, and to any association of employers and to any person or association of employees who have filed their names and addresses, requesting copies of any determination stating the particular rates and the particular class of workers whose wages will be affected by such rates.

SECTION 5: The Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall promptly file a certified copy of this Ordinance with the Department of Labor of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 6: The Secretary of the Board of Trustees shall cause to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the area a copy of this Ordinance such publication shall constitute notice that the determination is effective and that this is the determination of this public body.

PASSED THIS 13th DAY OF JUNE, 2017

ATTEST: The undersigned, Janet Neville, does certify that she is the Secretary of the Library Board and as such is the keeper of the books and records of the district. The undersigned further certifies that Ordinance 2017-01 is a true and correct copy of the Ordinance passed by said district at its meeting June 13, 2017.

Janet Neville, Secretary

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LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Annual Budget & Appropriation Ordinance of the Gardner Fire Protection District

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a **Public Hearing** shall be held on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at the hour of 6:45 p.m. at the Gardner Fire Protection District, 206 Depot St., Gardner, Illinois with respect to the proposed Annual Budget and Appropriations for the Gardner Fire Protection District for the Fiscal Year commencing May 1, 2017 and ending April 30, 2018. At that 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. After the Public Hearing, the Board of Trustees of the Gardner Fire Protection District shall hold a **Special Meeting** at 7:00 p.m. and take final action.

The tentative budget will be on file with the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, of the Gardner Fire Protection District and available for public inspection commencing June 22, 2017 at Gardner Fire Protection District, 206 Depot St., Gardner, Illinois.

> Todd Perkins Trustee / Secretary Gardner Fire Protection District P.O. Box 181 Gardner, IL 60424

ODELL COMMUNITY BUILDING BOARD OF MANAGERS TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

I, Amiel Gernentz, Treasurer of the Odell Community Building Board of Managers, Livingston County, Illinois, being duly sworn, depose and say that the following statement is a correct report for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2016 and ending March 31, 2017.

BEGINNING BALANCE April 1, 2016 Property Tax Rentals Interest Income TOTAL INCOME	\$13,390.27 \$ 2,275.00 \$ 143.36	\$32,528.21 \$15,808.63
EXPENDITURES Insurance Maintenance & Repairs Utilities Salaries William DeMarse \$300.00 Ryan Grundler \$250.00 Harold Schook \$ 50.00 Amiel Gernentz \$420.00 All less than \$1,000.00 per voucher TOTAL EXPENDITURES ENDING BALANCE March 31, 2017	\$ 1,447.00 \$ 4,580.00 \$ 3,840.35 \$ 1,020.00 \$ 455.63	\$11,342.98 \$36,993.86
Amiel Gernentz Treasurer Odell Community Hall Subscribed and sworn before me, this 15th day of June Sharon Wall, Notary Public, State of Illinois	e 2017	



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IL0630500	The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water			
Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2016	travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can			
This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made	pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.			
by the water system to provide safe drinking water.	Contaminants that may be present in source water include: - Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and	In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.		
The source of drinking water used by	bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment			
MAZON is Ground Water	plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.			
For more information regarding this report contact:	 Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or 	Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminant in drinking water than the general population.		
Name Jeff Marques	domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.	Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have		
Phone 815-448-2206	 Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses. 			
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		is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in		

plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead.

Source Water Information Type of Water Report Status Location Source Water Name NORTHWEST CORNER OF WELL FIELD WELL 11 (22032) GW WELL 12 (00232) SOUTHEAST CORNER OF WELL FIELD GW WELL 13 (00233) GW NORTH OF WELL 12 NORTHEAST CORNER OF WELL FIELD WELL 14 (01600) GW BETWEEN WELL 11 & WELL 14 WELL 15 (01358) GW WELL 16 (01581) NORTH OF WELL 15 GW WELL 17 (01831) WELL # 17 1.5 MILES E OF MAZON ON HWY 9 SW1/4 OF SW1/4 OF SEC. 14, T32N, R17E GW West within the well field 1.5 MILES E OF MAZON ON HWY WELL 18 (01832) WELL # 18 GW SW1/4 OF SW1/4 OF SEC. 14, T32N, R17E NE corner of well field 1.5 MILES E OF MAZON ON HWY 9 WELL 19 (01833) WELL # 19 GW SW1/4 OF SW1/4 OF SEC. 14, T32N, R17E South of well field WELL 20 (01834) WELL #20 GW East of well field WELL 21 (02071) - DEEP WELL GW WELL 5 (22026) SW OF PUMPHOUSE S SIDE OF GW WELL 6 (22027) S OF PUMPHOUSE S SIDE OF GW

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Source Water Assessment

WELL 7 (22028)

WELL 8 (22029)

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stor by City Hall or call our water operator at 815-448-2206. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl.

Source of Water: MAZONTO determine Mazon's susceptibility to groundwater contamination, the following documents were reviewed: a Well Site Survey, published in 1990 by the Illinois EPA and the Source Water Assessment written in 2008. Based on the information obtained in this document, there are 7 potential sources of groundwater contamination that could pose a hazard to groundwater utilized by Mazon's community water supply. They are all abandoned or improperly plugged wells. In addition, information provided by the Leaking Underground Storage Tank and Remedial Project Management Sections of the Illinois EPA indicated sites with on-going remediation that might be of concern. Based upon this information, the Illinois EPA has determined that the Mazon Community Water Supply's source water is susceptible to contamination. As such, the Illinois EPA has provided 5-year recharge area calculations for the wells. The land use within the recharge areas of the wells was analyzed as part of this susceptibility determination. This land use includes predominantly agricultural properties. In 2008 and 2009 Mazon received Non-Compliance Advisories (NCAs) for bacteriological detections in wells #7, 8, 11, and 16 and subsequently a violation notice (VN) for well \$7. Resolution of these NCAs and the VN resulted in the properabandonment of several nearby wells that may have provided a

All regular scheduled Village Board meetings are on the first and third Monday's. Meetings begin at 7:00 PM at the Mazon Village Hall, 520 Depot Street.

2016 Regulated Contaminants Detected

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Lead and Copper

Definitions

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.	Action Level:	The concentration of	a contaminant which,	if exceeded,	triggers	treatment or	other requirements	which a wate	r system must follow.
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Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2016	-1,3	1,3	0.407	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.

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The following is a statement by Jeanne N. Gernentz, Secretary of the Odell Park District, in the County and State aforesaid, of the amount of public funds received and disbursed by her during the fiscal year ending on the 31st day of December A.D. 2016, showing the amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of said fiscal year: the amount of public funds received, and from what sources received: the amount of public funds expended, and for what purposes expended, during said fiscal year ending as aforesaid.

Subscribed is a correct statement of the amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of the fiscal year above stated, the amount of public funds received, and the sources from which received, and the amount expended and purposes for which expended, as set forth in said statement.

Jeanne Gernentz

Subscribed and sworn by before me, this 15th day of June 2017. Sharon Wall

Amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of the Fiscal year, commencing the 1st day of January, 2016	\$280,273.61
Received From:	
Livingston County Treasurer-Property Tax	\$ 74,823.02
Replacement Tax	\$ 3,816.52
Bank of Pontiac, Interest	\$ 1,957.13
Pool Receipts	\$ 12,463.63
Other	<u>\$ 2,468.02</u>
	\$ 95,528.32

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Odell Park District Legal Continued from previous column Expenditures: Illinois Ass'n of Park Districts, dues \$ 797.66 Donations \$ 725.00 State Unemployment Tax \$ 176.98 Munuer Dark Manager

3,426.57 Maureen Doran, Manager \$ Michael Doran, Co-Manager 3,044.76 \$ Haley Rice, Co-Manager \$ 1,294.38 Samantha Battle, Lifeguard 2,895.01 \$ 1,013.63 Madelyn Doran, Lifeguard \$ Emma Jacobs, Lifeguard \$ 1,204.88 Jacob Matern, Lifeguard 1,691.50 \$ 1,417.38 Hayden Tjelle, Lifeguard \$ Seth Foster, Lifeguard \$ 1,846.63 Ashlynn Becker, Lifeguard 1,483.26 \$ Mason Imhoff, Lifeguard \$ 1,381.26 Keith Mills, Lifeguard 978.75 \$ Jim Rebholz, Maintenance & Mowing 4,000.00 \$ Connie Rebholz, Mowing 3,750.00 \$ 2,750.00 Jeanne Gernentz, Secretary/Treasurer \$ Payroll Taxes \$ 3,610.37 Commonwealth Edison 2,089.54 \$ Nicor 314.78 \$ Frontier 729.73 \$ 4,813.21 Village of Odell, water & sewer \$ Jensen's, gas for mowing 438.69 \$ Hogan Walker, lawn mower & services 850.00 \$ Weller Hooker Agency 9,310.95 \$ 2,272.00 Technology Ins. Co., workman's comp. ins. \$ Pool Supplies/Park Main. & Repairs Equip. 26,126.38 \$ 976.73 Office Supplies, Postage & Delivery \$ Pepsi Cola, concessions \$ 575.17 Frito-Lay, concessions 345.28 \$ Jensen's, concessions \$ 306.82 Aldi's/WalMart, concessions \$ 569.59 Publishing & Advertising 389.58 \$ 947.05 Education/Training \$ Miscellaneous Expenses 220.00 \$ \$ 87,940.52 Total Receipts & Beginning Balance \$375,801.93 Total Expenditures \$87,940.52

<u>SUNBURY - ESMEN - NEVADA</u> <u>MULTI-TOWNSHIPS</u> FY 2016-2017

Beginning Balance		\$36,688.02
	Expenditures	Revenues
Vanguard Appraisals, Inc	275.00	
United States Treasury	57.66	
Myron McCaskey	2,266.19	
United States Treasury	559.62	
Interest	557.02	1.81
Susan Curtiss	550.00	1101
Michael Sullivan	170.00	
Patricia Ribordy	170.00	
Sue Andree	50.00	
Leslie Dehm	50.00	
Myron McCaskey, postage		
Interest	29.40	1.82
Interest	20.00	1.68
The Paper	39.00	
Myron McCaskey	2,266.19	
United States Treasury	559.62	
TOIRMA	500.00	
Interest		1.65
Livingston Co. Collector		12,274.00
Interest		2.08
Interest		2.04
Livingston Co. Collector		10,114.57
Myron McCaskey	2,266.19	
United States Treasury	559.62	
Interest		2.53
Susan Curtiss - Office supplies	23.97	
Susan Curtiss	550.00	
Michael Sullivan	170.00	
Patricia Ribordy	170.00	
Leslie Dehm	50.00	
Sue Andree	50.00	
Doug Abry	50.00	
Rentz's - Holiday Dinner	178.81	
Interest	170.01	2.45
Michael Sullivan	25.00	2.45
Doug Abry	25.00	
Patricia Ribordy	25.00	
Susan Curtiss	25.00	
Interest	25.00	2.42
The Paper	144.00	2.72
Myron McCaskey	144.00	
United States Treesury	2,266.19	
United States Treasury	559.62	745.00
Livingston Co. Collector		745.09
Livingston Co. Collector		3.47
Interest	075.00	2.41
Vanguard Appraisals, Inc	275.00	2 10
Interest		2.10
Livingston Co. Collector		.92
Interest		2.29
Leslie Dehm	25.00	00.160.00
Total Revenues	14 001 00	23,163.33
Total Expenditures	14,981.08	

Ending Balance\$44,870.27

(Continued in next column)

(Mazon CCR Legal continued from page 12)

Water Quality Test Results

Definitions:	The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.
Avg:	Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.
Level 1 Assessment:	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.
Level 2 Assessment:	A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.
Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL:	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG:	The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL:	The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG:	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
na:	not applicable.
mrem:	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
ppb:	micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.
ppm:	milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.
Treatment Technique or TT:	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By- Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Lev <u>els</u> Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	12/31/2016	0.5	0.27 - 0.48	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	bbw	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2016	9	8.5 - 8.5	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2016	9	9.3 - 9.3	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Antimony	2016	1.2	1.2 - 1.2	6	6	ppb	N	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder; test addition.
Arsenic	2016	2.9	2.9 - 2.9	O	10	ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass and electronics production wastes.
Barium	2016	0.0555	0.0555 - 0.0555	2 _	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	06/02/2015	1.02	1.02 - 1.02	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Iron	2016	0.624	0.624 - 0.624		1.0	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Manganese	2016	399	267 - 583	150	150	ppb	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2016	5	4.52 - 4.52	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Selenium	2016	1.3	1.3 - 1.3	50	50	ddd	N	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.
Sodium	2016	22.4	22.4 - 22.4			ppm	N	Erosion from naturally occuring deposits: Used in water softener regeneration.
Thallium	2016	0.4	0.4 - 0.4	0.5	2	ppb	N	Discharge from electronics, glass, and Leaching from ore-processing sites; drug factories.
Zinc	2016	0.0459	0.0459 - 0.0459	5	5	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Naturally occurring, discharge from metal
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Combined Radium 226/228	08/04/2015	0.41	0.41 - 0.41	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium	08/04/2015	3.3	3.3 - 3.3	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

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Wednesday, June 21, 2017



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takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act,

to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the

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<u>More to it than just the Milkweed</u>

Most Illinois gardeners believe that monarch butterfly populations are declining due to the lack of milkweed in the summer breeding areas of our state. However, researchers Greg Spyreas and David Zaya with the Illinois Natural History Survey are proving there may be more to the monarch story than milkweed.

Illinois is home to 19 native milkweeds. In the last 20 years, milkweed has decreased by 95 percent in agricultural fields, Zaya says. "However, natural areas are buffering that loss, enabling the monarchs to build up their normal population numbers throughout the summer."

Plant ecologists like Spyreas and Zaya now believe the decline in the monarch population may also be due to a lack of floral resources during the butterflies' journey back to Mexico. То provide resources to monarchs on their long voyage, scientists are urging gardeners to create a monarch corridor, also known as a floral highway.

Creating floral highways requires planting fallblooming perennials in gardens in addition to milkweed. "Keep planting milkweed, of course. It's a larval food source for caterpillars and a highly sought-after nectar resource for adult monarchs," Zaya says..

If you plan to add new plants to your garden or to begin building a new landscape, Spyreas has several recommendations. plant "Fall-blooming perennials like liatris, joe pye weed, blackeyed Susan, bee balm, aster, coneflower, and helianthus would be excellent additions to your gardens for the late feeding of monarch butterflies," he says

pycnostachya Liatris (prairie blazingstar) blooms in mid to late summer on large upright spikes in pink or purple. This plant requires full sun, and is not drought tolerant when young.

Eutrochium purpureum (joe pye weed) blooms in mid-summer to early fall with a pink or purplish-pink panicle of compound flowers. It requires light shade to partial sun.

Rudbeckia hirta (blackeyed Susan) blooms in early to mid-summer with a dark brown central cone and yellow petal-like rays. It requires full sun and is an easy-to-grow but short-lived biennial.

Monarda spp. (bee balm) blooms in summer for up to two months with a 3 to 4 inch ring of tubular flowers ranging from pink to red. This plant requires partial sun and moist conditions.

Symphyotrichum shortii (smooth blue aster) blooms in late summer to fall with flowers featuring blue-violet petal-like rays and a yellow center which last one to two months. It requires partial to full sun and regular pinching to keep compact.

Echinacea purpurea (purple coneflower) blooms mid to late summer with a central brown cone with purple or pink petal-like ray flowers. The plant requires full to partial sun and prefers welldrained soil and is drought tolerant once established.



Helianthus mollis (downy sunflower) blooms in late summer to early fall with a large bright yellow composite flower. It requires full sun, tolerates drought, and forms dense colonies.

practices like adding a water

source, planting multiples of

one plant type in groups,

avoiding pesticide use,

gardening

Additional

Mexican sunflower, zinnias, and cosmos can be of great benefit to the traveling monarchs.

allowing herbs to flower,

and planting annuals like

University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator Kelly Allsup says, "By creating a floral highway to help the monarchs, you will also help a host of other pollinators and wildlife by creating habitat they need to survive."

University of Illinois Extension offers practical, research-based programs that help people improve their lives and address critical community issues involving youth, families, economics, health and natural resources.

Upcoming Events at Limestone Township Library

Limestone Library District, 2701 W. Tower Rd. in Kankakee, is hosting the following upcoming events:

Summer Reading Program – Reading By **Design:** This year's theme encompasses programs that allow the reader to be the creator. Ages of the participants are children from prek through adults. Registration required.

• Semi-Annual Book Sale: Stop in at the Library for their Semi-Annual Book Sale, sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Hardbacks, paperbacks, and children's books will be available. The sale runs through **Thursday**, June 29.

Township • Chicago Fire Soccer Clinic: Wednesday, June 21, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Held at Limestone Hawkins Field, learn skills and tips from members of the professional Soccer staff to make your soccer playing ability that much better. Kindergarten fifth through grade. Advanced registration is required.

Monagram Pizazz: Thursday, June 22, 1:00 p.m. Work on a design featuring your initial. All supplies are provided and there is no fee for this program. Sixth grade and up.

Visit Author Christopher Pender – The Phoenix #1: Thursday, June 22, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Science fiction and horror short story writer and novelist Christopher Pender will visit to read from his new novel, The Phoenix. There will be a question-andanswer session.

• Movie Day – Lego Batman: Friday, June 23, 1:00 p.m. School is out. Visit the Library and watch a movie with friends. Popcorn and lemonade will be served. All ages. This event will also occur June 30 (A Dog's Purpose), July 14 (Max 2 Whitehouse Hero), and July 21 (Monster Trucks).

Ready, Set, Draw: Monday, June 26, 1:00 **p.m.** Children in grades k-2 will learn elementary steps of drawing while creating their own designs. All supplies are provided and there is no fee for this program. Caudill Book Club:

Monday, June 26, 6:30-7:00 p.m. Kids in fourth through eighth grades get to meet each month to discuss a Caudill Award winning book from the past year. Books are available for pick-up ahead of time at the front desk. The selection for June is The Paper Cowboy. This event will also take place on July 24.

Teen Book Club: Monday, June 26, 11:00 a.m. to noon. Read and discuss Y.A. novels for young adults in ninth through 12th grades. Books are available at the front desk. June's selection is Goodbye Days. This event will also take place on July 24.

of Ill. University Office Extension Engineer for a Day: Tuesday, June 27, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Presented by the University of Illinois Extension office, kids in third through fifth grades will take on the challenges an engineer faces. The kids will brainstorm how to solve it, design, build it, and test out their idea. Kids will learn how to solve real world problems using supplies they can find at home. This week's challenge is Rockets and Space. • Author Visit - Drew

Carriker: Tuesday, June 6:30-7:30 27, p.m. Limestone resident Drew Carriker will read and discuss his new book, Randolph the Blue Nosed Reindeer.

Rubberband Art: Wednesday, June 28, 1:00 **p.m.** Discover what you can create with something as simple as a rubberband. Sixth grade and up.

For more information or to register for any programs, stop in at the Library, call them at 815-939-1696, or visit www.limestonelibrary.org to see a listing of all programming. Registration is required prior to day of event.

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Men's Bible Study at • JUNE 28: 10 - 12 Route 66 and Cafe 110 noon, Vacation Bible in Odell; 9 a.m. to 7 School decorating; p.m., Youth Water Park 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Youth Small Group. Trip. • JUNE 25: 8 a.m., Traditional Service; 9:15 a.m., Praise Team rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Contemporary Service. • JUNE 26: 7 p.m., United Methodist Men. • JUNE 27: 8:30 a.m., Hens Bible Study; 7 p.m., Evangelism Committee

First Baptist Church 401 N. Clinton St. 815-584-3182 Home of Dwight's New Christian Radio Station WGVD 97.3 FM Pastor Daniel L.

At the Churches • JUNE 28: Wednesday

Evening Service, 7 p.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ 200 W. Delaware St. 584-1260 church Paula Comper, Pulpit Supply Minister • JUNE 21: Trustees meeting, 7 p.m. • JUNE 25: Worship, 10:30 a.m. • JUNE 27: Deacon's meeting, 6:30 p.m.

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• JUNE 25: 9 a.m., "Bible Study;" 10 a.m., Main Service -Missionary Rod Kodavatikanti; Kids Church, ages 3 -11; 5 p.m., X-treme Youth. • JUNE 26: 6 p.m., Food distribution at Rantoul Mission Center • JUNE 28: 7 p.m., **Disciples Making** Disciples Study Group. • JUNE 29: 7 p.m., Worship Practice.

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• JUNE 24: 4 - 4:45

p.m., Reconciliation;

5 p.m., Mass

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member recognition. • JUNE 27: 4:30 - 6 p.m., Compassionate Care, Clothing, Food Pantry, Salvation Army Assistance.

• JUNE 21: 10 a.m. -12 noon: Vacation Bible School decorating; 5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Youth Small Group. • JUNE 22: 7:30 p.m.. Praise Team rehearsal. • JUNE 23: Office closed. • JUNE 24: 7 a.m.,

Emmanuel Lutheran Church 325 E. Mazon Ave. 584-3433 church 584-1291 fax 584-1023 parsonage Rev. Harvey Nicholson Vacancy Pastor • JUNE 25: 9 a.m., Worship with Holv Communion.

Woodward • JUNE 21: Wednesday Evening Service, 7 p.m. • JUNE 25: Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.

New Life Assembly of God 903 S. Old Route 66 Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor 815-584-3430 • JUNE 21: 7 p.m., **Disciples** Making Disciples Study Group. • JUNE 22: 7 p.m., Worship practice.

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Braceville United Methodist Church 106 W. Goold St. 815-237-8512 Church Pastor Bennett A Woods • JUNE 19-23: Vacation Bible School, Jungle Safari, 9 a.m. -12 noon. Closing Celebration Friday, June 23, 6 p.m. – Free for all! • JUNE 23: 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous meeting. • JUNE 25: Sunday Worship Service, 9:30 a.m. • TUESDAYS: Women's Bible Study, 10 a.m. CAMPUS **Sacred Heart**

Catholic Church Father Chris Haake, Pastor • JUNE 25: 10 a.m.,

Paula Comper, Pulpit • JUNE 25: Worship, "June Food Pantry DATE TO REMEMBER:







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RON SIMMONS OF DWIGHT moves along Gooseberry Creek directly behind his home on Seminole to check how much the banks of the creek have eroded. There is a railroad track directly west of the creek behind his home. The Paper photo

by Myke Feinman Managing Editor

A spokesperson for the Union Pacific Railroad told The Paper last week that there are no safety concerns with regards to the erosion occurring along the banks of Gooseberry Creek directly west of Seminole Street in Dwight.

"Union Pacific maintains its track near Gooseberry Creek in Dwight, Illinois, in accordance with internal and industry standards to ensure it is safe for train operations," said Callie B. Hite, director of corporate communications for the railroad based in Omaha, Nebraska. "This includes scheduled visual inspections by a track professional plus a mix of geometry and ultrasound track inspections, which simulate the weight of a train and identify any track conditions the human eye cannot detect."

She went on to say that the railroad had conversations with a local property owner two years ago, but the railroad has not received any complaints or claims related to this property and "continues to maintain it to the highest safety and occupational standards."

beg to differ. The tracks run directly behind their property, with the creek between their

Ron and Cheryl Simmons

home at 224 E. Seminole

The Simmons couple has been monitoring the banks of the creek and seeing the banks cave in ever since 2013, taking photographs to show the continued erosion

Ron Simmons reported to The Paper on Friday, June 16, that he talked to an Paper's inquiry was made.

"I said it started in 2013 the rail inspector.

"He (the rail inspector) said, 'I'll report it, sir,"

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Simmons explained.

Simmons is concerned the washout of the banks will result in the weakening of the base under the tracks. and could cause a derailment.

Such an accident could be potentially dangerous for Dwight residents.

Due to the safety issue, Simmons called the Village of Dwight in 2013 to see what could be done about the erosion.

The village public works director saw the erosion and was shocked, Simmons said.

The public works director told Simmons he was to call the railroad.

He said the bank fell in seven or eight feet in the spring of 2013, and he has counted groundhog holes in the banks, up to 21 in the area, which could also be undermining the stability of the tracks.

He had been told it was

scheduled to be repaired in 2015, but nothing ever happened. He said he called a line supervisor as well as the railroad corporate people.

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The last he heard, in 2015, the matter was going to be taken care of.

As of last week, however, the railroad is reporting no danger from the erosion.

"It's a public safety issue," Simmons said. "The village ought to do something about it."



IN MAY OF 2013, the banks of the Gooseberry Creek west of Seminole had eroded, causing Ron Simmons alarm as the banks were close to a railroad track. submitted photo



THIS PHOTO TAKEN IN May of this year clearly shows how the banks of Gooseberry Creek have eroded over the years, creeping dangerously closer to the Union Pacific Railroad tracks. submitted photo



and the railway.

over time.

inspector who just happened to be at the spot the same day an email response to The

sir. I've called numerous times and nothing is being done," Simmons said he told

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