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‘Every Day Is Veterans Day’ According To Vet Day Speaker



DWIGHT ATTORNEY DON McCLAREY spoke about how every day should be Veterans Day to honor veterans, at this year’s ceremony in Dwight, Nov. 11.

The Paper photos



CAROL DIPPON of the Dwight Operation S.O.S. program said the project has been supporting Dwight area soldiers for nearly 15 years, sending care packages to more than 150 soldiers since 2003.

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Donald McClarey, who gave the keynote speech at this year’s Dwight Veterans Day ceremony at the Dwight VFW on a chilly Nov. 11 morning, said “every day is Veterans Day.”

The ceremony had to be taken inside the VFW hall due to the chilly 30 degree weather outside, with the Dwight Township High School band and Dwight Grade School chorus performing inside as well.

The traditional 21-gun salute was held with a sole bugler playing taps to close the ceremony.

“Every day is Veterans Day because every day we live in the world they made, under God, and for this our veterans deserve every honor we can bestow,” McClarey said.

“Everything we enjoy, our veterans gave to us, often at a high price for themselves,” McClarey continued.

“Our safety, our prosperity, and most importantly, our freedom, were all made possible by their blood and sacrifice.”

He painted a grim picture of what America would have been like had its freedoms not been won and fought for constantly throughout our nation’s history.

“Imagine the Declaration (of Independence) under glass in a British museum displaying documents from a failed American colonial revolt in the 1700s, that was just a minor disturbance on the road to breaking the Thirteen Colonies to the distant will of London,” McClary said.

“Or, in another world, the

Declaration being displayed in a different exhibit, one of the founding documents of a failed republic that tore itself apart over slavery in the 1860s — first in two, then into more fragments of a great nation — as secession became a valid option for any grievance, and states fled a failing Union.

“Or worst of all, the Declaration being burnt to ashes as Fascist or Communist armies paraded through our streets, ushering in a new era of hideous nightmares for all mankind.”

He went on to say the “last” imagined world is “unquestionably the most terrifying because in our world those ideologies murdered hundreds of millions of people and terrorized billions more during the past century.”

He said he had no doubt most of those at the ceremony know loved ones who died fighting in World War II, Korea, and Vietnam.

“But we, thankfully, do not live in any of those worlds. We do not live in those worlds because the generations here, and the generations before, did not let them come to pass.

“Veterans of the past and veterans of today, embodying that which is best in all of us, stood and fought on countless battlefields to preserve the ideals of the Declaration of Independence, bringing us the peace and freedom we enjoy in this country today.”

He added that when America’s veterans signed up, they knew what high price their duty might demand to protect the homes and lives of their loved ones.

“And on this day, and on all



THE HONOR GUARD went outside Saturday, Nov. 11, at the close of the Veterans Day ceremony to perform the 21-gun salute.



THE DWIGHT GRADE SCHOOL chorus performed “Colonel Bogey,” a song made famous by the 1957 World War II film, “The Bridge Over The River Kwai,” using in part, kazooos to entertain those who were at this year’s Veterans Day program in Dwight. The Dwight Township High School band also played a medley of themes from the Army, Marines, Air Force, Navy and Coast Guard.

days, we should thank our veterans, not only for their service, but for all we have,” he said.

McClarey, an attorney in Dwight, joked before he gave his speech that it was a

rare moment when an attorney would be “brief.”

He told *The Paper* that his speech was written for the most part by his son, Donald John McClarey, who was sworn in as an attorney Nov. 9. The younger

McClarey will be joining his father in his law practice.

Carol Dippon, representing the three gals who run Dwight’s Operation S.O.S. (including Annette Riegel and Marcia Drach), said that (continued on page 3)

Site of Former Riviera Roadhouse in Gardner Preserved As Rt. 66 Stop

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

The public is invited to the site of the former Riviera Roadhouse north of Gardner on Route 66 at a special ceremony 2 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 25.

“There will be an unveiling and dedication of the

newest preservation project,” said John Weiss, chairman of the Route 66 Association Preservation Committee.

A billboard will be unveiled, featuring art by artist Steve Connor of Dwight. It includes a platform and stairs for group

pictures with people standing behind.

A stool from the restaurant will be on hand for people to sit on and have their photographs taken, Weiss said.

Following the dedication, the public is invited to socialize and reminisce

about the times they had at the Riviera, planned to be at the Gardner Village Hall.

In a news release Weiss wrote about the 1928 Riviera Roadhouse, he explained that stories include visits by Al and Ralph Capone, the old-time cowboy heartthrob Tom Mix, and dancer Gene

Kelly. Weiss said that people may remember “Bow Tie Bob or Peggy’s wonderful food.”

He said the Ladies may remember the queen for a day throne experience.

On June 8, 2010, the historic restaurant burned to the ground.

It was a lounge and restaurant owned by Bob and Peggy Kraft until the two retired in 2008.

Bob Keller briefly reopened the restaurant in late 2009 but had difficulties at the time with the fire department and safety issues.

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THIS AERIAL view of the Riviera Roadhouse in Gardner shows the grounds of the historic business location on Route 66 north of Gardner.

Submitted photo



A FIRE DESTROYED the historic Riviera Roadhouse in Gardner in 2010, ending a long legacy.

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November 5: Levi Hill, 59, Aurora, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Samuel W. Suggs, 18, Sugar Grove, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.

November 8: Melinda S. Feisley, 39, Coal City, regis. expiration/1st and 2nd.

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

Police Blotter

The following are reports from the Dwight police incident book this week:

Oct. 30: **Accident Report** - At approximately 7:37 p.m., Dwight Police were called to the Dwight Amtrak Station regarding a pedestrian accident. The male complainant, 19, of St. Anne, stated that an unknown vehicle bumped into him while the vehicle was backing up. The complainant said he was not hurt, but wanted to file the report.

Nov. 2: **Warrant** - At approximately 6:50 p.m., Dwight Police performed a traffic stop in the 100 block of South Franklin Street. Arrested was Nathaniel Riegel, 23, of Joliet for a warrant for failure to appear in court. Riegel was taken to Livingston County Jail.

Nov. 2: **Stolen Bike** - At approximately 4:55 p.m., Dwight Police were called to the 200 block of W. Seminole Street regarding the theft of a bicycle. The male complainant, 25, of Dwight, stated someone had come to his apartment and stolen his bike. The com-

plainant stated the bike was given to him, so he did not know the make nor model. The bike is valued at \$25. There are no leads or suspects.

Nov. 2: **Accident** - Dwight Police responded to an accident on Washington Street at the railroad tracks. Upon arrival, Dwight Police identified the driver as Dakotah Colman, 18, of Odell. Colman sustained injuries and was treated by Dwight EMS. Colman stated she did not know what had happened. She said the vehicle was skidding at the time of the accident. Colman was later cited for possession of drug paraphernalia, failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and driving on roadways lined for traffic.

Nov. 3: **Theft** - Dwight police received a call to respond to the 400 block of West Mazon Ave. in reference to a stolen cell phone report from a business. Upon arrival Dwight police met with the male complainant, age 64 of Dwight. He stated a black male and white female entered the business and immediately started to case the business. The complainant stated shortly after the two left the business, he noticed his Samsung cell phone had been stolen. Upon reviewing the video surveillance, it shows the white female reaching over the counter and taking his cell phone. The phone is valued at \$650. The Dwight Police Department has two suspects. Dwight Police are working with the Morris Police and believe charges will be filed in the immediate future.

Nov. 3: **Theft Under**

\$500 - At 9:11 a.m., Dwight Police were called to a business in the 100 block of Watters Drive in reference to a theft of money. Upon arrival, police met with a 38-year-old male complainant from Pontiac. The complainant reported that he was having problems with money missing on several different occasions. The Dwight Police investigation led to the arrest Nov. 9 of Mark Pershey, 47, of Dwight for theft under \$500. Pershey was released on a recognizance bond.



Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

November 2: 5:08 p.m., Washington and James, MVC, refusal.

November 3: 7:19 p.m., 3200N Rd., fire, no patient; 7:25 p.m., Mazon Ave., medical, St. James.

November 4: 5:15 a.m., Main St., trauma, Morris, mutual aid to Gardner; 6:27 a.m., John St., medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner; 10:24 a.m., Main St., medical, refusal, mutual aid to Gardner; 11:51 a.m., John, trauma, Morris.

November 5: 4:02 a.m., Seminole, medical, Pontiac; 9:20 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Riverside; 11:45 a.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 7:11 p.m., John St., fire; 8:29 p.m., Main St., medical, Morris.

November 6: 12:52 a.m., Main St., medical, Morris; 7:13 a.m., Main St., medical, Morris; 6:03 p.m., Union, medical, St. James.

November 7: 11:11 a.m., Bannon, medical, St. James; 2:17 p.m., Main, medical, Morris.

November 8: 5:49 p.m., Mazon, medical, Morris.

November 9: 6:39 a.m., Watters, medical, refusal; 11:56 a.m., Scott, medical, cancelled.



Temps - 2017

Nov. 2 – high 53°, low 37° .02” precip.
Nov. 3 – high 51°, low 36°
Nov. 4 – high 51°, low 43° .16” precip.
Nov. 5 – high 52°, low 31° .14” precip.
Nov. 6 – high 44°, low 31°
Nov. 7 – high 46°, low 25°
Nov. 8 – high 46°, low 26°
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Gasoline prices across the nation increased another 4.7 cents from the prior week after spiking more than five cents the previous week, averaging \$2.575 as of Monday, Nov. 13.

“Demand for petroleum products in the U.S. continues to surge, while many refineries, who delayed scheduled fall time maintenance to fill the production gap created by hurricanes Harvey and Irma, have only just started to return to full production,” said Dan McTeague, GasBuddy analyst.

Average U.S. gallon regular price is made up of 18% state & local taxes; 16% distribution and marketing; 21% refining and 44% crude as of September 2017.

City/Village	Nov. 13	Nov. 6
Dwight	\$2.676	\$2.738
Seneca	\$2.686	\$2.686
S. Wilmington	\$2.71	\$2.71
Streator	\$2.64	\$2.632
Odell	\$2.68	\$2.69
Saunemin	\$2.69	\$2.69
Cullom	\$2.69	\$2.69
Pontiac	\$2.688	\$2.686
Gardner	\$2.70	\$2.71
Braceville	\$2.69	\$2.69
Mazon	\$2.65	\$2.71
Morris	\$2.574	\$2.65
Herschler	\$2.56	\$2.62
Kankakee	\$2.482	\$2.564
Chicago	\$2.95	\$2.97
Illinois	\$2.74	\$2.79
U.S.	\$2.575	\$2.528

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

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Cooke Appeals; Wants Merits of His Case Considered

by Tom Tock
Poor Frank Mautino, Auditor General of Illinois.

Streator resident David Cooke, formerly of Dwight, just won't go away.

Cooke, represented by attorneys from the Liberty Justice Center in Chicago, has appealed his case against Mautino to the Fourth District Court of Appeals in Springfield, charging that Mautino and his campaign committee misspent hundreds of thousands of dollars while Mautino was a 76th District Representative.

Mautino was a 76th District Representative before being appointed to a 10-year term as Auditor General of Illinois in January of 2016.

Mautino and his campaign committee were found in May of this year to have "willfully violated" an order from the Illinois Board of Elections requesting information about Mautino's campaign spending, and were fined \$5,000, but Cooke and his attorneys want the merits of Cooke's case against Mautino to be further investigated.

Originally, Cooke filed a complaint with the Illinois Board of Elections in February of 2016 challenging expenditures by Mautino and his committee. The expenditures in question were made mostly to Happy's Super Service

Station and the Spring Valley City Bank, both in Spring Valley.

The Board of Elections found Cooke's original complaint to be "justifiable", and ordered hearings, which were postponed, then reset several times, but without the Mautino committee filing reports requested by the Board of Elections.

This refusal to submit reports resulted in the \$5,000 fine (which remains unpaid).

In May of this year a motion by Cooke and his attorneys was made to reconsider the original merits of their case against Mautino and his committee.

The Board of Elections, however, after administering the \$5,000 fine, voted along party lines 4-4 to not pursue any further action, prompting Cooke and his lawyers to file a brief for appeal to the Fourth District court to reopen the case and to hear the merits of Cooke's original complaint — that Mautino and his committee made very questionable campaign expenditures to Happy's Super Service and the Spring Valley City Bank, in violation of the Illinois Election Code.

The Illinois Board of Elections has already asked for an extension until December 21 for filing their brief in response.

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How Can You Share Your Financial "Abundance" With Your Family?

Thanksgiving is almost here. Ideally, this day should be about more than football and the imminent arrival of Black Friday mega-sales. After all, the spirit of the holiday invites us to be grateful for what we have and for the presence of our loved ones.

But it's important to look beyond just one day in November if you want your family to take part in your "abundance." If you want to ensure your financial resources eventually are shared in the way you envision, you will need to follow a detailed action plan, including these steps:

• **Identify your assets.** If you haven't done so already, it's a good idea to take an inventory of all your financial assets — your retirement accounts (401(k) and IRA), other investments, life insurance, real estate, collectibles and other items. Once you know exactly what you have, you can determine how you would like these assets distributed among your loved ones.

• **Get professional help.** To ensure your assets go to the right people, you will need to create some legal documents, such as a will and a living trust. The depth and complexity of these instruments will depend a great deal on your individual circumstances, but in any case, you certainly will need to consult with a legal professional because estate planning is not a "do-it-yourself" endeavor. You may also need to work with a tax professional and your financial advisor, as taxes and investments are key components of the legacy you hope to leave.

• **Protect your financial independence.** If your own financial resources were to become endangered, you clearly would have less to share with your loved ones, and if your financial independence were jeopardized, the result might be even worse — your adult children might be forced to use their own resources to help support you. Consequently, you will need to protect yourself, and your financial assets, in several ways. For one thing, you may want to work with your legal professional to create a power of attorney, which would enable someone — possibly a grown child — to make financial decisions for you, should you become incapacitated. Also, you may want to guard yourself against the devastating costs of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay. Medicare typically pays very little of these expenses, but a financial advisor may be able to suggest techniques or products that can help.

• **Communicate your wishes.** Once you have all your plans in place, you'll want to communicate them to your loved ones. By doing so, you'll be sparing your loved ones from unpleasant surprises when it's time to settle your estate. And, second, by making your plans and wishes known to your family well in advance of when any action needs to be taken, you'll prepare your loved ones for the roles you wish them to assume, such as taking on power of attorney, serving as executor of your estate, and so on. And you'll also want to make sure your family is acquainted with the legal, tax and financial professionals you've chosen to help you with your estate plans.

Thanksgiving comes just once a year. Taking the steps described here can help ensure your family will share in your financial abundance as you intended.

‘Every Day Is Veterans Day’ – – –

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next April it will celebrate 15 years of service to Dwight area soldiers. The program has been sending care packages to area soldiers, more than 150 to date, since the start of the second Gulf War in Iraq, 2003.

“I’m simply amazed about all the people who (continue to) support our soldiers from the Dwight area,” she said.

Many of those supporters were in attendance Saturday morning.

Tickets Now Available for Breakfast with Santa in Dwight Dec. 2

Breakfast with Santa is December 2 at 9:00 a.m., at St. Patricks Parish Hall, and tickets are now available for sale at Dwight Bank, the Village Complex, SOCU, First National Bank of Dwight, and the Dwight Economic Alliance office.

Tickets must be purchased by November 27.

The event will include a performance by Finale Dance, a pancake and sausage breakfast cooked by the Knights of Columbus, Santa and Mrs. Claus along with other characters, face painting, games, and crafts.

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Site of Former Riviera Roadhouse - - -

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The 100-year-old horse-drawn street car survived the fire and is now adjacent to the two-cell jail in downtown Gardner.

Weiss said even though the restaurant is long gone, the older Route 66 historical books mention the stop, which is the reason for the sign placed at the site.

“Whole families are again coming to the Riviera site for one last visit, a photo, and to share fond memories of a time gone by,” Weiss said.

The attraction is sponsored by the Illinois Route 66 Association Preservation Committee, Fatlan Trucking, Ditch Witch and

John Ruh.

Work crew members include Weiss, Damon Sholtey, Steve Perkins, Tom Perkins, and Tom Perkins Sr.

Weiss said the ceremony will include refreshments, and there will be cookbooks and other items for sale.

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THIS SHOT OF THE RIVIERA in Gardner was taken a long time ago, a place where people had their photographs taken even back then.

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Dwight Fire May Raise Tax Levy 10%

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

The Dwight Fire Department is considering raising its tax levy request by 10% to offset continued rising expenses.

A public hearing will be held at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 21, at the Dwight Fire Protection District offices, 111 South Prairie Avenue, to discuss the proposed tax levy increase.

The levy request for taxes payable in 2018 is expected to increase by just over 10 percent. Last year's total budget was \$385,000. Out of that, \$274,411.94 came from property taxes extended in 2017.

The tax levy, which is a request for property taxes based on equalized assessed valuation (one-third market value), is expected to increase to \$301,876.47. That represents an increase in the tax levy of 10.008504 percent, according to the legal notice published in *The Paper* on Nov. 8.

The fiscal year for the department runs May 1 to April 30.

"Everything is increasing in expenses," said Eric Stewart, treasurer and trustee for the fire department.

He cited an example of the insurance for the department which was \$42,103, roughly a \$9,000 annual increase over the previous year.

The department is purchasing a new truck, at a cost

of \$285,000 and also needs to replace a water tanker at \$155,000.

Last year a command vehicle was purchased for \$52,000.

Every time the state or federal government mandates new equipment purchases, those requirements are made without any additional funding, increasing costs to departments like Dwight, Stewart explained. And he said those mandates are coming down to local departments with increasing frequency.

However, it is not just equipment and operating expenses. Staffing costs money, too. And it is becoming harder and harder to find volunteers who can work during the day for the department due to jobs and other commitments. This is true for Dwight and many other surrounding volunteer firefighting departments.

For that reason, the Dwight department pays a small stipend to firefighters that helps defray their time and expenses for training and fighting fires, going out on calls, etc.

For the 40 people volunteering for the department, the stipends cost a total of \$17,000 last year.

The department not only responds to fire calls in the Dwight area including the incorporated village and surrounding farmland, but it also provides mutual aid to other departments. Dwight

Fire also responds to medical calls (to back up Dwight EMS) and vehicle accidents on Interstate 55.

Calls have been increasing, another reason costs increase.

In 2007, the department went out on 179 calls.

That number was falling, and declined to a low of 139 calls in 2011. Since then, the trend is more and more calls.

In 2012, there were 164 calls made. The next year, it shot up to 215 calls. In 2014, it increased to 220 responses, and there were also 220 calls in 2015.

In 2016, the department went out on 286 calls.

So far in 2017, Dwight Fire has responded to 340 calls.

Stewart said he is not sure why the number of calls has been steadily increasing each year.

Stewart explained that the fire department has a cap of 3 percent on property taxes.

What that means is they cannot charge more than 3% of the value of EAV on each parcel of property.

For example, a \$100,000 home has an EAV of \$33,333. That EAV multiplied by the department's 3 percent rate comes to \$99 on that same \$100,000 home. This levy increase is NOT an increase in the tax rate, but is an increase in the levy request based on anticipated EAV for the year. The levy increases, not the maximum tax rate.



DWIGHT FIRE BATTALION CHIEF Craig Cousins checks a fire engine at the department Nov. 7 as part of a weekly inspection of the equipment. *The Paper* photo



COSTS ARE RISING for the Dwight Fire Department in part due to trying to find volunteers who can help during the day. Battalion Chief Craig Cousins is an example of a firefighter who is available during the day. *The Paper* photo

The fifth annual Handmade for the Holidays was held November 3 and 4 at the Pioneer Gothic Church, Dwight. The group of artists/craftsmen donated \$216 to Dwight Christmas for Kids and \$25 to the Dwight Township - Ministerial Association Food Pantry.

The Door Prizes were won by:

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Dwight Christmas Parade December 1

The Dwight Christmas Parade is set for Friday, December 1, at 6:00 p.m. – and will go back to the old route, down both East and West Main Streets.

If you would like to participate in the parade, contact Jane Anderson at 815-584-1830. Any organization, business, or individual can have something in the parade. You can decorate a golf cart or put lights on a vehicle or tractor.

Volunteers are also needed to help with the parade. Contact Jane if you would like to help.

Dwight Economic Alliance is now offering the 2017 Christmas Ornament for sale.

This year, the Christmas Ornament is Dwight's First Village Hall – originally located at 120 E. Chippewa Street. It was used as village offices from 1916-1984.

Since 1984, there have been several businesses in the building. Bill Sole purchased it this year and opened 1916 Village Hall Antiques.

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HERITAGE HEALTH HELD ITS ANNUAL HALLOWEEN COSTUME contest and the residents judged them at Resident Council. The winners were Dalton Delong (#21) – 1st place; Layla Jo Anglin (#1) – 2nd place; Parker Grace Anglin (#3) – 3rd place. The winners will be notified and prizes given to them.

The Prairie Singers Mark Their 30th Year of Music

The Prairie Singers mark their 30th year of music-making by opening this Christmas season with “The Wonders of Christmas”.

The Prairie Singers have selected holiday favorites from the past thirty years for these special performances. Come and enjoy “The Wonders of Christmas” as the Singers’ gift to you.

Concerts this year begin on November 28 at the Prairie Creek Public Library, Dwight at 6:30 p.m. The library concert is free and open to the public with refreshments following the concert.

First Presbyterian Church, Morris will host the singers Saturday, December 2 at 7 p.m. Epworth United Methodist Church, Ottawa welcomes the singers Sunday, December 3 at 2 p.m.

St Michael’s Catholic Church, Streator stage the Singers on a Thursday night concert December 7 at 7 p.m., in conjunction with the

Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Special Marian selections will be highlighted at this concert.

The final concert will be at St Patrick’s Catholic Church, Seneca, December 10 at 2 p.m. The gothic church is a perennial favorite of the singers as they close their Christmas season. A free will offering will be taken at all church concerts.

The Prairie Singers are a chamber ensemble comprised of singers from Grundy, LaSalle, and Livingston counties. The group performs literature from a broad range of historical periods, along with a wide variety of show tunes, popular, and classical favorites.

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Ag Breakfast in Morris November 29

Grundy County SWCD is hosting an Agriculture Breakfast Wednesday, November 29, from 7:00-8:30 a.m. in the Meeting Room at R-Place in Morris.

Everyone who is involved in agriculture personally or professionally is invited to a casual breakfast where individuals from different organizations, businesses, and companies can mingle and discuss their current events and issues.

There will be a morning presentation by Scott Novack of Cypress Creek Renewables about the Grand Solar, LLC farm proposed in Grundy County.

A buffet breakfast will kick off at 7:00 a.m., with participants giving updates on organizations and the speaker presentation. They will conclude the morning by 8:30 a.m.

There will be a table available for flyers, brochures, business cards, and more, so feel free to take items that you would like to share with everyone.

The next breakfast will be February 28, 2018.

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KEN OELSCHLAGER CELEBRATED HIS 90TH BIRTHDAY with his children and some of his grandchildren and great-grandchildren on November 5 at Dwight Country Club. Pictured front row from left are his children, Martha (Mert), Karen (Wom), Ken, and MaryJane (Bone). Back row: Dave (Slim), Mike (Butch), Dan (Babs), Steve (Clyde) and Dennis (Ty).



DAKOTA WILSON, GARDNER-SOUTH WILMINGTON High School student, was awarded the Grundy Area Vocational Center Director's Award for Building Trades for the month of October. GAVC teachers choose one exceptional student from each program to be honored with this award each month. Criteria for this selection include attendance, citizenship, leadership skills, professional attitude, ability in practicum activities and classroom assignments, safety, and teamwork. Dakota will be presented a certificate and prize package, along with having his photograph displayed at GAVC for the remainder of the year.

Anna Mae Humbert to Celebrate 90th Birthday



Anna Mae Humbert

Anna Mae Humbert is celebrating her 90th birthday with a card shower and a family gathering at her address, 213 W. Hamilton

St., Odell, IL 60460. She is the daughter of Elizabeth and Michael Hogan. She was born November 21, 1927, in Emington. Anna Mae married Robert J. Humbert September 11, 1948. He died in March of 2003. She had one son, Bob "Humbo," who is deceased; and one daughter, Rita (Tom) Harner. She has one grandson who is deceased, two grandsons, six great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson. Anna Mae retired after 20 years working for the postal service. She requests no gifts.

Free Community Bingo At Library

Free community bingo and donuts will be sponsored by Heritage Woods of Dwight at the Prairie Creek Public Library, Dwight. The first session will be held from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., Monday, Nov. 20. For further information, contact Heritage Woods at (815) 584-9280.



Dwight Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service Sunday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m.

The Dwight Ministerial Association's Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be at 7 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 19, at the First Congregational Church of Christ.

Speaker this year will be Pastor Mike Ebersohl of the Dwight United Methodist Church. The service is open to the public.

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Dwight Woman's Club ~ 2017 Festival of Trees



"Be A Blessing" Tree by New Beginnings of Morris

"Be a Blessing" is the theme chosen by Joanne Ribordy of Kinsman for the Christmas tree she has decorated for the 2017 Festival of Trees. New Beginnings in Morris, a not-for-profit agency that provides Mentoring and Wellness programs to women in need, in addition to essential items for daily living, will receive the proceeds from the raffle of this three-foot, pre-lit tree and the 45+ blessings she has placed under its branches. Joanne chose gifts for her tree that she knows would be blessings to the clients of New Beginnings.

She hopes to raise awareness for New Beginnings Thrift Store and Women's Help Center and to let others know how easy it can be to share blessings with each other at Christmas and throughout the year.

The 2017 Festival of Trees will be held on Saturday, December 2nd from 8 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Dwight, with proceeds from the raffles for all of

threes, wreaths and Christmas decorations going to charities. The Emmanuel Lutheran Church will be holding a Bazaar in the church hall during the hours of the Festival.

Visitors at the Festival of Trees will have an opportunity to support the Dwight Woman's Club Annual Scholarship Fund. Proceeds from the Annual Woman's Club Christmas Cookie Sale and the \$1.00 per chance 50-

50 Scholarship Raffle will fund the club's support of the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Scholarship for two DTHS Sophomores as well as Scholarships presented to 2018 Graduates next spring.

Anyone interested in decorating a tree or wreath for the Festival can still contact Lisa Marsh 4dwightwomanclub@gmail.com, Lynn Neville at 584-1161 or any Woman's Club member.

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Tickets are required for everyone attending.
Tickets must be purchased by Nov. 27.
Tickets available at: Dwight Bank,
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First National Bank of Dwight, Dwight Village Complex,
and Dwight Economic Alliance Office in the Depot.



DWIGHT WOMAN'S CLUB Annual Cookie Sale will again be a part of the Festival of Trees, December 2 at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Proceeds from cookie sales go toward Woman's Club Scholarship Fund.

Dwight Harvest Days, Dwight Rotary Present Checks



ROTARY CLUB'S FLEA MARKET CHAIR, DALE ADAMS, presents a check for \$3,757.50 to Doug Black (right), Harvest Days Treasurer. The check is the result of the Dwight Harvest Days Flea Market.



DOUG BLACK, HARVEST DAYS TREASURER, presents a check to Rotary Club President, Don McClarey (left), for manning the Harvest Days Carnival ticket booth on September 15.



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OBITUARIES

Richard K. Chandler

PIPER CITY – Richard Kenneth Chandler, 77, of Piper City died at 10:53 p.m., Monday, November 6, 2017 at his home in Piper City.

Richard was born in Pontiac October 21, 1940, son of Kenneth R. and Ethel E. Ommen Chandler. His childhood was spent in Cullom, and he graduated from Cullom High School in 1958. He married Sharon Boma November 28, 1970 in St. John’s Lutheran Church in Cullom. She survives.

Richard is also survived by a son, Craig (Amy) Chandler of England, Arkansas; two grandsons, Jake and Josh Chandler; a sister, Patricia La Reau of Mountain Home, Arkansas; a nephew, Thad (Carrie) La Reau of Fort Collins, Colorado; and a great-niece, Sydney.

Richard was preceded in death by his parents.

He was a member of St. John’s Lutheran Church in Cullom, and served on St. John’s Lutheran Church Council. He was a veteran of the United States Army, serving from 1963 to 1965. He was manager of the Ford Grain Company in Melvin. He retired in 2006.

He was the former Mayor and a Board Member of Piper City, and also clerk for Pella Township for many years.

He served on the Ford County Sheriff’s Merit Board. He was a member of the Piper City American Legion Gibb Post 588.

His funeral was at 11 a.m., Saturday, November 11, in St. John’s Lutheran Church, Cullom, with Pastor Mauricio Vieira officiating.

Burial: Brenton Cemetery, Piper City, with Military Rites by the Piper City American Legion Gibb Post 588.

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

Memorials may be made to St. John’s Lutheran Church, Cullom; Piper City American Legion Gibb Post 588; or to the Piper City Fire Department.

You may sign the guest-book at Redenius Funeral Homes, Gilman, IL

Arrangements were by the Reilly-Redenius Funeral Home in Piper City.

Christopher J. Skarstad

HERSCHER – Christopher J. “Chris” Skarstad, 46, of Richmond, Virginia and formerly of Herscher, passed away Sunday, October 29, 2017 in Chippenham Hospital, Richmond, Virginia.

Chris was born May 11, 1971 in Kankakee, son of Greg and Wendy Skarstad. He attended Herscher Schools and the Illinois School for the Visually Impaired. He received an Associate Degree from Kankakee Community College. Herscher High School Band was a highlight of his school years. He participated in both Marching Band and Orchestra.

In 2008, Chris moved to Richmond, where he lived with his girlfriend, Stephanie Hill. He was very happy and found independence, among many other things to do, while living there. He enjoyed computer work and did an online music show for the blind community. He also did Beta testing for computer games for the visually impaired.

Surviving are his parents, Wendy and Greg Skarstad of Herscher.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Stacy Rene, and his grandparents, Jim and Pat Underdahl of Lincoln City, Oregon, and Jim and Barb Skarstad of Kankakee.

Cremation rites were accorded.

A Memorial Service was held Monday, November 13, at 11 a.m., in Schreffler Funeral Home, Kankakee.

Inurnment will take place at a later date in Pilot Cemetery, Herscher.

Memorials may be made to Ronald McDonald House Charities; Comer Children’s Hospital; or a charity of the donor’s choice.

You may sign his guest-book at: www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com

Esther Shrewsbury

PONTIAC – Esther E. Shrewsbury, 86, of Pontiac died Wednesday, November 8, 2017 at Accolade Health Care, Pontiac.

Esther was born December 8, 1930, at Goodfarm, daughter of August and Lena Lambert Denker. She married John R. Shrewsbury December 7, 1947 in Pontiac. He preceded her in death on October 6, 1996.

Surviving are four sons: John (Linda) Shrewsbury, Michael Shrewsbury and Steven (Stacey) Shrewsbury, all of Pontiac; and Mark (Debbie) Shrewsbury of Shreve, Ohio; one daughter, Marcia Wilson, Chenoa; nine grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was also preceded in death by one sister and four brothers.

Esther was a nurses aide for more than 50 years, retiring from Humiston Haven. She was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Chenoa.

Her funeral service was Saturday at 11 a.m. at Calvert & Martin Funeral Home, Pontiac, with Pastor Jeremy Latzke officiating.

Burial: Memorial Park Cemetery, rural Pontiac.

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

Memorials in Esther’s name may be made to the Sunday School Program at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Chenoa.

The guestbook may be signed at www.calvertmemo-rial.com

OSF Shoe Drive Benefits Local Charities

A recent shoe drive at OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center gathered 450 pairs of shoes for several area organizations and the individuals who access their services.

In celebration of National Physical Therapy Month in October, the physical therapy team at OSF HealthCare Saint James held a shoe drive, choosing to honor their profession by giving back to the communities in which they live and work.

Donation bins in the medical center’s atrium lobby and south entrance were available throughout the month for OSF employees and visitors to drop off gently used or new shoes.

Shoes have been distributed to several local organizations, including Hope Pregnancy Center, Livingston County Health Department, the St. Vincent De Paul Pantry at St. Mary’s Church, and the Salvation Army.

Winning Poster Design For Tri-Point Art Contest

Tri-Point Drawing Competition

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See a Tri-Point Art Teacher For More Information



SENIOR TERESA LANGER won the digitally-designed poster for the Tri-Point Art contest (photo at right). The contest the poster advertises was developed by Cullom Beckman Memorial Librarian Nancy Sovinski and Cullom glass artist Corey Marek to allow junior high and high school students to create art. The winning art-



work in three categories will be etched on glass. Langer won a gift certificate for her efforts (poster at left). She is part of the digital imaging class taught by Charlene Bokesch-Parsons at Tri-Point High School. The second place design was created by Xochi Rosales.



GARDNER GRADE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL recently held “Socktober.” ECDK through eighth grade students were encouraged to take in socks for people in need in Grundy County. As a school, they took in 540 pairs of socks. Miss Countryman’s first grade was the winning class, taking in 115 pairs of socks. Mrs. Pierard’s third grade was in a close second with 103 pairs donated. Both classes will enjoy a Dance Party this week. Pictured is Miss Countryman’s first grade with

some of the socks that have been donated to We Care of Grundy County. They are, front row, from left, Abby Carreon, Autumn Manzello, Parker Jensen, Levi Countryman, Kaylee Tousignant, Ty Tjelle, Gracie Crutchfield, Reed Byers, Christopher Titus, Easton Jackman; back row, Fallon Stein, Makayla Winnie, Tyler Sippl-Fay, Ryan Male, Brynn Christensen, Noah Nelson, Chloe Biros, Ry Lynn Warren, Sam Minnick, Oliva Dube.

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My Brother is 21!

It finally happened, my little brother turned 21. I remember when I turned 21, and it’s definitely the most exciting birthday, it’s the first time you can go to a bar and buy yourself a drink, it opened a whole world of places to go and things to do. This time around it’s my little brother who’s taking on the role of experiencing all that and turning 21 and finally being able to venture into the bar scene.

I think it’s bigger than just bars though, I get that while you’re at school that is the fun thing to do, but I think it’s more important for going to just any sort of event, anywhere.

There was a show a few weeks ago that he was trying to go to here in the city, and you couldn’t even get into the venue unless you were 21. Which I get, the city has codes that the venue has to follow and those are all in place for a reason, but you can’t even walk into a place and listen to music just because of your age, and then you turn this number, and it magically unlocks the door to all these events.

There are a few restaurants up here that I’ve gone to for the food, not even to have a drink, and when you go into the place they card you. I’m not really sure what would happen if you told them that you were just wanting to eat. Maybe they would mark your hand or something. It’s just another road-block in the life of not being 21.

It’s an exciting time! It’s fun. You can’t really recreate that feeling of when you first turn 21. Not even the being able to buy alcohol, but the access it provides you, and how much easier it makes your life when trying to attend a lot of events, even if you don’t plan on partaking in a beverage.

Aaron J. Boma
2016 ISU Graduate

Letter to the Editor

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Hats off . . .

Hats off to *The Paper* for the awesome veterans section in last week’s paper.

Operation SOS (Support Our Soldiers) began on April 1, 2003. Since then we have supported over 150 brave men and women with ties to the Dwight area. For the past ten years or so, The Paper has included pictures of the troops that SOS is currently supporting (these are also displayed at Shopko). This year we thought it would be neat to try and get pictures of everyone that we had supported over the years. Mary Boma and Myke Feinman loved the idea and encouraged us to submit as many pictures as we could.

We mailed our Veterans Day packages on Nov 8th and included that edition of *The Paper* in each package. How impressive for our troops to see (in color) the love and support from their hometown. Over the years our troops have told us that their friends were amazed by the support shown to them by Operation SOS. We are still going strong because of the generosity of the people of Dwight. We will again be walking in the Christmas Parade on Dec 1st collecting items for our Christmas packages.

The Paper has supported Operation SOS every step of the way. We are so grateful for their help reminding our troops how much we appreciate their service. *The Paper* even designed the SOS logo! We are lucky to live in a small town that loves our veterans!

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DWIGHT GRADE SCHOOL fourth grade students under the direction of Samantha Bastian collected \$320 for Dwight’s Operation S.O.S. which supports Dwight area soldiers with care packages. The money was presented to Carol Dippon of Operation SOS on Friday, Nov. 10. At the presentation were (front row from left) Ryan Bean, Brooklynn Todd, Bryce Bailey, Joey Starks, Ethan Pakula, Christian Kennon, Maddox DeLong, Gabe Sanchez, Seth Suarez, Madison Carman. Back row, Bastian, Madison Ely, Aaliyah Hudson, Drayden Ramsey, Gavin Leach, Jack Statler, Jacob Wilkey, Sarah Parker, Madison Bailey, Katy Dolan, Austin Bess, Caiden Smith, Katy Ramos, Jameson Jury, Dippon, and Sophie Buck.

The Paper photo

Thank you to everyone who sent wishes for my 90th birthday! The cards, visits and time spent with family and friends made for a wonderful day. A special thank you to my family for making it a memorable birthday.

Betty Kelly

Smile
:)

DGS Students Show Their Support For Area Soldiers

After the flag display last year, Dwight Grade School students and staff again decided to plant flags in front of the school for Veterans Day.

Students and staff members submitted names of their friends and family, who have served, or are currently serving our country.

Each veteran name submitted has a flag in front of the grade school with their

name on it.

Last year, they had about 150 names, and this year that tripled with 450 names.

Students were also asked to donate a dollar, to help support our local S.O.S. Students in Samantha Bastian’s fourth grade class presented Carol Dippon with a check for \$320 on Friday, Nov. 10.

Bastian started this display last year, to not only

honor her brother, Lance Corporal Nicholas Morrison, who was killed in Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2004, but to honor all the brave men and women who serve our country.

With the help of Principal Ben Bailey, Bastian was able to add an additional 300 larger flags for the display.

Their goal for next year is to honor at least 500 names.



HUNDREDS OF U.S. flags adorned the front of Dwight Grade School on Friday, Nov. 10, in honor of area soldiers serving and who have served in the military, ahead of the 2017 Veterans Day celebration in Dwight on Saturday.

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Honoring Veterans

U.S. ARMY MAJOR LINDSAY LESKANICH addressed students and staff at Dwight Township High School at its Veterans Day assembly, Friday, Nov. 10. She is a 2001 graduate of DTHS, and talked to the students about her decision to enter the Army as a registered nurse. She has been deployed to Iraq. She said when deployed, a soldier realizes the importance of family and community and she appreciated the support of Dwight’s Operation S.O.S. program, giving care packages to soldiers from the Dwight area. Students gave Leskanich a standing ovation when she began to speak.

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DTHS SOFTBALL STANDOUT Abby Edwards, front center, has signed a letter of intent to play softball for the University of Pittsburgh. Joining her at the signing were her father Dan Edwards, Abby, and mother Rachel Edwards seated. Standing are Athletic Director Andy Pittenger, brother Samuel Edwards, sister Katy Edwards and Head Softball Coach Chuck Trainor.

Abby Edwards Signs Letter of Intent to University of Pittsburgh

On November 8, Dwight senior softball standout Abby Edwards signed a letter of intent to play softball for the University of Pittsburgh.

Entering her senior year, Edwards already has a much-decorated career — having earned three varsity letters and two team MVP awards to go along with two years as an All-Conference 1st Team selection.

Edwards has been selected to multiple All-Area

teams, including Kankakee Daily Journal All-Area, Joliet Herald-News All-Area, and The Pantagraph All-Area. Additionally, she earned 2nd Team All-State as a sophomore and 1st Team All-State as a junior.

The pitcher/utility player has a career .514 batting average with 26 home runs and a 1.59 on base plus slugging percentage.

As a pitcher, Edwards has recorded 229 strikeouts in 158 innings pitched, to go

along with a stingy 1.06 earned run average.

Her resume in the classroom and off the field is every bit as impressive as her on-field accomplishments. The two-year National Honor Society member has a 4.0 GPA and is a three-year Board Scholar who was selected as a 2017-18 Wendy's High School Heisman School winner.

She is the daughter of Dan and Rachel Edwards of Dwight.

Saunemin Hosts Veteran's Day Shootout

Saunemin's fifth/sixth grade boys' basketball team hosted their annual Veterans Day Shootout over the weekend, with the hosts splitting their two games on the day.

In the Shootout opener, Conner Telford hit for 21 first half points, ending with 25, as the Eagles raced past Prairie Central's fifth grade,

35-22.

Myles Gilliam and Timmy Logan each added four points, with James Durham scoring two.

The final game of the day saw Ridgeview knock off the Eagles, 36-22.

Logan led Saunemin with seven points. Other Eagles in the scoring column were Gilliam with six, Telford

with five, and Durham with four.

Other Shootout scores include:

38-10, Prairie Central 6th over Dwight 5th.

37-25, Prairie Central 5th over Danville Schlarman.

27-25, Ridgeview over Dwight 5th.

53-14, Prairie Central over Danville Schlarman.

GGs Dodgeball Tournament



GARDNER GRADE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL hosted a Dodgeball Tournament on November 7 in honor of Payton Leonard. Payton is a 7th grade boy from GGS who is battling B-Cell Lymphoblastic Leukemia. That day at GGS, everyone wore orange in honor of Leukemia awareness. That evening, staff and student workers wore orange to support Payton. Six teams participated. It was a fun evening supporting Payton and his family as he continues to fight Leukemia. "I'm very proud of my student council members for working so hard to put on such a successful event! We raised a lot of money for a great cause," said Cassie Bexson of GGS. Pictured above is the winning team, D-Style. From left to right: Garrett Grant, Blake Patterson, Zach Harvey, Blake Huston, Nick Seplak, Zach Finch, Cale Halpin.

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Paper Bowl XVII - Week 9

Paper Bowl XVII competition remained strong as once again we had a near perfect score and several close behind.

There was a total of 66 contestants this week. Five of them tied with 11 correct picks, but Tim Humbert of Braceville beat them all with a high score of 13 correct. Congratulations, Tim!

Drop off locations this week were Victory Lanes, Dwight Country Club and DeLong Ford.

Thanks to our newer players and our veterans as well. Have fun with Paper Bowl XVII.

Sponsor Results - Week 9

Planning Associates (12-2) over SOCU (10-4)
First National Bank (7-7) over DQ (7-7) tiebreaker
Country Mansion (default) over DeLong Ford (default)
Dwight Country Club (default) over Victory Lanes (default)
Bank of Pontiac (10-4) over LPL Steve Tock (9-5)
Danko's State Farm (12-2) over Jensen's BP (default)
Old World Liquor (default) over Berkot's (default)

Standings after Week 9

North		South	
Planning Associates	8-1	Bank of Pontiac	9-0
DQ	4-5	Danko State Farm	7-2
Jensens	3-6	FNB	7-2
Victory Lanes	3-6	LPL	6-3
Country Mansion	2-7	Dwight	
OWL	2-7	Country Club	5-4
Berkot's	0-9	SOCU	4-5
		Delong Ford	2-7

GSWB Lady Tigers BASKETBALL

GSWB vs. Elwood 8th Grade - IVC Tournament

The GSWB Lady Tigers faced Elwood in the first round of the Illinois Valley Conference Tournament, sneaking by with a 15-12 win.

Lexi Latimer was the leading scorer for GSWB with nine points, followed by Claire Hennessy and Riley Klingler with four and two, respectively.

GSWB vs. Saratoga 8th Grade - IVC Tournament

The Lady Tigers hit a road block in Saratoga, falling 32-5 to a tough defensive squad.

Leading GSWB was Olivia Cerutti and Riley Klingler with two points each. Claire Hennessy hit a free throw.

GSWB vs. MVK 8th Grade - IVC Tournament

In the final game of the tournament, the Lady Tigers would fall to MVK, 30-28 – taking fourth place overall.

Claire Hennessy led GSWB with 12 points, eighth of them coming on free throws in the fourth quarter. Riley Klingler, Lexi Latimer, and Katelyn Farris banked in four points each.

DGS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

Monday, November 6 Dwight vs. Manteno 6th Grade -

In sixth grade basketball action November 6, Dwight came up short against Manteno, 36-8.

The Redbirds were led by Terry Wilkey with four points and six rebounds, followed by Tyler Cox with two points and six steals. Andrew Gartke also added two points.

In the “B” game, the Redbirds lost 20-16.

William Trainor and Ishmael Kane led with six points each, while Seth Robertson and Evan Sandeno both scored two points. Ishmael Kane also led Dwight in rebounding with six, in addition to four steals.

SAUNEMIN EAGLES BASKETBALL

Monday, November 6 Saunemin vs. Lexington 4th/5th/6th Grade -

The Eagles hosted Lexington November 6, with Saunemin’s youngsters dropping a 26-15 decision to the Minutemen.

Conner Telford scored 11 to lead the team, while Myles Gilliam and Reed Frazier each pitched in two points.

7th Grade -

In the seventh grade game, Saunemin jumped out to a 21-14 lead at halftime. However, Lexington went on a 15-3 run to begin the second half – grabbing the lead after three quarters, en route to a 41-34 win.

Telford scored 21 points to lead all scorers. Tyson Cramer added nine, with Reed Frazier tossing in four.

8th Grade -

In the nightcap, the Eagles had a 9-7 lead after one, but the Minutemen regained the lead in the second and cruised to a 51-39 victory – despite a rally by Saunemin late.

Colten Ketcherside poured in a game-high 25 points, including 16 in the final frame. Camdyn Friedman added ten points, while Walker Gerdes and Colohun Hagen each added two.

Thursday, November 9 Saunemin vs. Crescent City 7th Grade -

The Eagles nabbed their first win of the year November 9, knocking off Crescent City 33-27.

Saunemin had a 23-10 lead going into the second half, but the visiting Hawks chipped away at the lead in the third – followed by a 7-2 run to open the final frame – but the Eagles put up six unanswered points to close out the game with the win.

Connor Telford and Tyson Cramer each hit double digits in the scoring column with 16 and 12, respectively. Preston Jama scored four points, while Myles Gilliam added a free throw.

8th Grade -

The eighth grade Eagles picked up a big 42-31 win over the Hawks.

Colten Ketcherside scored a team-high 18 points, with Camdyn Friedman adding 12. Colohun Hagen scored six points, followed by Telford with five points. Trey Duck hit a free throw.

Victory Lanes. Dwight Bowling League Results

Commercial League Bowlers		
HSG:	Michael King, 233 – Jamie Anderson, 210;	
HSS:	Chief Shull, 607 – Sarah Delong, 493; HHG:	
Josh Kingman, 265 – Jamie Anderson, 264; HHS:	Chief Shull, 706 – Sarah Delong, 646; HSG:	Victory Lanes, 904; HSS: Victory Lanes, 2639.
Sportsman League Bowlers		
HSG:	Brandon Petry, 279.	
HSS:	Brandon Petry, 703.	
HSG:	Victory Lanes, 1006.	
HSS:	Victory Lanes, 2805.	
League Standings		
	W	L
Victory Lanes	4	0
Coleman/Sons	4	0
LT5	4	0
Dwight Printing	3	1
Cherry Red Roast	3	1
Route 66	1	3
DQueens	1	3
Pro Shop	0	4
Hugh/Bunnies	0	4
Willy's Pub	0	4

GSWB TIGERS BASKETBALL

Wednesday, November 1 GSWB vs. Nettle Creek 7th Grade -

The Tigers traveled to Nettle Creek November 1, enduring a rough first half but eventually coming back to tie it up in the fourth. But GSWB would come up short, 36-32.

Cale Halpin led the Tigers with 18, while Ryan Caccello added six.

8th Grade -

The eighth grade Tigers moved to 2-0 with a big 54-34 victory.

Despite leading by just one after one frame, they would take a 29-13 lead into halftime – continuing to increase their margin throughout the second half.

Easton Ashley was hot from behind the arc with four threes – and scored 18 points. Blake Huston tossed in 14.

Monday, November 6 GSWB vs. Shabbona 7th Grade -

GSWB’s seventh graders picked up their first “W” of the season on the road against Shabbona, 31-17.

Taking a 17-11 lead into the break, the Tigers would outscore the Braves 14-6 in the second half to roll to victory.

Cale Halpin led with 14 points, while six other Tigers contributed to the balanced scoring. Chris Cvitanovich and Dylan Carpenter were big on the boards.

8th Grade -

The Tigers had their hands full against a very athletic Braces squad – a team which had a state tournament appearance last year.

It was close after one quarter, but Shabbona managed to bury four trifectas in the second quarter to run the score up. GSWB fought back but fell short, 39-28.

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3rd Grade
Pajama Day6th Grade
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Tacky Tourist Day

STUDENTS AT Gardner Grade School marked Red Ribbon Week, Oct. 23-31, by wearing their pajamas to school. The theme for the week was "It's our Dream to Be Drug Free!"

1st Grade
Pajama Day

PTHS INDIANS SWIM TEAM

The Lady Indians competed in the IHSA sectionals at Normal Community West High School November 11, placing ninth overall with a score of 38. Individual scoring efforts are as follows:

200 medley relay: Samantha Mehrkens, Megan Lauritsen, Elena Pina, Emma Jacobs, 9th, 2:09.03.
200 IM: Lauritsen, 12th, 2:39.70.

50 freestyle: Keely Pickett, 12th, 27.32.

100 freestyle: Pickett, 12th, 1:00.85.

500 freestyle: Hannah Grove, 12th, 6:21.34.

200 freestyle relay: Jacobs, Pickett, Pina, Mehrkens, 9th, 1:51.45.

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DTHS Students of the Month of October



DTHS STUDENTS OF THE MONTH IN OCTOBER, pictured, from left, were freshman Carson Crouch, junior Alexis Schauner, sophomore Addison Bean, and senior Faith Rowland.

Town and Country 4-H Club Continues Service to Those in Need



Town and Country 4-H Club, part of the University of Illinois Extension, kicked off the new 4-H year with its annual food drive in October. Members collect canned goods in Essex and South Wilmington and donate them to the Community Cares Food Pantry located in Braidwood.

Every year the number of donations increase and it really helps fill in the gaps for many local residents who may be struggling to buy groceries and other essential items.

“Many times, young people

are seen as being selfish or unconcerned with the plight of people around them, but this annual event shows what good kids we have in our area,” noted Janey Dvorak, who lives in Essex and is a long-time supporter of 4-H.

The canned food drive is just one of the many activities the 4-H club takes part in each year.

Next up for Town and Country is to once again join many other service organizations in placing wreaths at the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery this December. The Town and

Country 4-H Club will join forces with Wreaths Across America on December 16 and help that organization reach its goal of placing a wreath on the grave of every veteran in the cemetery.

“It is great to help out the Veterans groups and was a really nice day meeting other volunteers,” said member Mason Gereaux, who placed a wreath last year for his Uncle Jeff Gereaux – who is buried in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery.

Town and Country 4-H club is part of the University of Illinois Extension and the national 4-H organization. Membership is open to all young people ages eight to 18 and Cloverbuds can join as early as age five. New members can join anytime.

Dwight Grade School District Prepares 2017 Tax Levy

DGS Redbird Tradition to Continue



Top photo represents the Illinois State University Redbird logo. The lower photos, the current Dwight Grade School Redbird logo. The similarity has forced DGS to take action to change its logo. They will return to the Redbird logo below which has been used for many years prior.



by Madelyn Fogarty
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The Dwight Grade School District #232 Board of Education met on November 8 when District Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek gave the BOE a financial presentation which included the projected 2017 EAV and recommendations for the upcoming tax levy.

According to the Livingston and Grundy County Assessors, the projected 2017 EAV for the Dwight Grade School District is \$110,510,349; an increase of \$5,723,313 over last year’s EAV of \$104,787,036. Livingston County reflected the biggest increase with the EAV up 7.05% while Grundy County projects a .41% increase. Increased property values accounted for most of the

change in the Livingston County EAV.

Using the projected 2017 EAV, Dr. Jancek presented his recommendations for the tax levy rate and extension. The 2016 tax levy rate was \$3.4038 with an extension of \$3,566,720. The recommended 2017 tax rate is \$3.3883 and with an extension of \$3,744,397. Dr. Jancek explained that while the tax rate will go down, the extension is expected to increase by \$177,677 due to the increased EAV.

“I think this is fair to taxpayers and keeps our school funds healthy”, said Dr. Jancek. “Our fund balances are healthy based on our needs right now.”

No action was taken. The BOE will adopt the 2017 Tax Levy at its December meeting.

In another matter, Dwight Grade School will maintain its identity as the Dwight Redbirds but, will be returning to the use of its original logo.

Last month, Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek informed the DGS Board of Education that, due to trademark infringements with the Illinois State University Redbird, the Dwight Grade School was being forced to take some sort of action to address the issue and make changes to its Redbird mascot/logo. At that time, the board discussed various options such as abandoning the ISU looking Redbird and changing to a completely different looking cardinal. Another option discussed was “painting the town green” and going Trojan across the board. Community input was sought and survey results indicated a majority of 3rd – 8th grade students favored a “Junior Trojan” mascot, while the majority of staff and adult public voted for DGS to maintain its own identity and keep the Redbird tradition alive.

Over the course of decades, the DGS Redbird mascot/logo has undergone a variety of changes – many of which can be seen in various places throughout the building. However, the most recent version of the DGS Redbird is too closely similar to the trademarked ISU Redbird.

Dr. Jancek recommended a change back to the original DGS Redbird logo which is vastly different from the ISU Redbird. This original logo is still prominent in the DGS

gymnasium and other areas of the building. The Board showed consensus supporting Dr. Jancek’s recommendation.

An action plan will be submitted to ISU as required providing an approximate time frame for the logo changeover to occur. However, ISU will allow DGS to sell down its inventory of Redbird items containing the ISU similar logo. Also, ISU will allow certain things, such as the gym floor and players uniforms, to be used for a normal life span. The ISU similar Redbird will require removal when any physical change occurs that involves the logo.

In other news, it was noted that the State of Illinois still owes the Dwight Grade School District \$33,939.77 for the 2016-17 year. For the 2017-18 year to date, the State owes the District \$94,207.48.

In reports to the Board, Principal Ben Bailey informed the BOE of a soft lockdown that was held on October 31. K9 units of the Dwight Police Department and surrounding areas searched the building, specifically lockers and the locker room. The random drug search is conducted as a preventative measure on an annual or bi-annual basis at the school. No indications of illegal drugs were detected by the dogs during their search.

Mr. Bailey also reported that all of the building’s new security cameras are installed and operational.

Current enrollment numbers were also presented with a total of 547 students ECE through Grade 8.

Volleyball and Wrestling seasons for the DGS Redbirds will soon be underway reported Mr. Owens, Assistant Principal/AD. Both sports are allowed to begin practices on Monday, November 27. The wrestling team will open its season with the Redbird invitational, which will be held at DTHS on Saturday, December 9.

The BOE also:

- approved an FMLA request from Alexandria Severson.
- Approved payment of bills as presented.

The next meeting of the Dwight Grade School Board of Education will be 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 13, in the DGS Library. Meetings are open to the public.

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Dwight FCCLA Participates in IL FCCLA Fall Leadership Meeting

Dwight FCCLA participated in the Illinois FCCLA Fall Leadership Meeting held October 25 at the Chateau Hotel and Conference Center in Bloomington.

This year, the students who attended the annual Fall Leadership Meeting could attend an array of workshops on current issues including stress management, self-defense, career

preparation, college campus safety, safe relationships, culinary arts demonstrations and healthy lifestyles.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bjorling Poest, one of Illinois FCCLA's former state officers, shared her message of leadership and "how to pack your bag for the journey of life." Mrs. Poest's audience-engaged presentation was both entertaining and

enlightening.

Every day, the news is filled with negative stories of what young adults are engaging in. Yet, every day we also have thousands of young teens who are doing great and positive things. The Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) recognize that teens can play an essential role in improving

the lives of families, schools, and communities.

Given the vast network of established chapters in schools, FCCLA provides a vehicle for young people to take on projects and activities in all areas of life. From youth violence to financial fitness and healthy lifestyles, FCCLA members are tackling issues that not only affect the world today, but their future also.

Southeastern Grundy Co. Senior Citizens Meet

On November 3, the Southeastern Grundy County Senior Citizens met at the Gardner Restaurant in the club room for their regular monthly meeting with 14 members in attendance.

Lunch, a Thanksgiving turkey dinner, was served by Kim with all the trimmings.

Mary Lou, Deb, and Virginia were birthday celebrants, in lieu of cake, they gifted all members with a fall decoration. Happy Birthday was sung to the three.

Pres. Sharon Pickles offered the table grace.

The business meeting was called to order with the pledge to the flag recited.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

There was no correspondence.

The treasurer's account was given by Donna and was approved.

Reports of shut-ins were Laverne, Rosemary, and June.

Jackie had sent cards.

Community Events included Emling's Open House, Firemen's Chili Supper, Operation for Active Groups, Florence Kennedy's 100th birthday party, Lions Breakfast, Veterans Program at the Legion Hall, the

Archives opening, and the upcoming Festival of Trees November 26.

Several members reported receiving word from their secret pal.

Door prizes were won by Mary Lou, Barb, and Virginia.

Each member took one of their favorite Thanksgiving recipes and Pres. Pickles put them in a bag, then one was drawn by each member.

At the next meeting on December 1, the Township Board, headed by Jake Olson, will host the Christmas meal.

A reminder was to turn the clocks back one hour.

There are four members, including Pres. Pickles, who are snow birds and leave the area for the winter. Shirley Farland, Vice Pres., will preside for the interim. A safe travel and a happy winter was wished to all who are leaving.

Shirly made a motion, seconded by Pres. Pickles, to buy an item from Emling's for the Festival of Trees. Ida will purchase the item.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned and to be continued.

Anyone over the age of 55 is welcome. The next meeting is December 1.

Clarification on Drew Louis Feature

A story which appeared on page one of the Nov. 8 issue of *The Paper* did not include complete information about Drew Louis' par-

ents.

He is the son of Mick (Nancy) Louis and Cheryl (Ron) Simmons, all of Dwight.

Sacred Heart and St. Patrick Parishes to Present Program

Sacred Heart parish in Campus and St Patrick parish in Dwight will present a program of speaking, music and prayer to help us dive deeper into the mystery of Christ becoming a man.

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There will also be a Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation Service on Tuesday.

For more information contact Father Chris Haake at the Parish 815-584-5178.

Gardner Observes Veterans Day Nov. 11 at Legion Hall



Gerald Sandretto and Robert Hussey perform a ceremonial folding of the flag as Don Phillips reads an explanation of the process. Gardner resident Ida Schopp, below, was presented the folded flag for her efforts in organizing the Veterans Day Ceremony since 2005.

Photos by Sheri Lesak-Noyola

More than 80 area residents, including more than 20 Veterans, attended Gardner's annual Veterans Day observance Saturday, organized by the Gardner American Legion Auxiliary.

The event moved to the Danner-Madsen American Legion Post hall, after being hosted at the Gardner Veterans memorial and Gardner Fire Department since 2005.

The event opened at 11 a.m. with a bell ringing by Legion Auxiliary members, followed by the presentation of the colors and Pledge of Allegiance led by Auxiliary Secretary Gail Decker.

Coal City recording artist Katelyn Harrington led the singing of the National Anthem followed by an invocation from Pastor Jan Chandler of the Gardner Church of Hope.

Master of Ceremonies Don Phillips remembered local veterans who passed away in the last year, and Legion Post Adjutant and Viet Nam veteran Dan Anderson remembered local service members who gave the ultimate sacrifice in the Viet Nam and Second World Wars.

Phillips recognized the veterans in attendance, which numbered more than 20, and thanked them for their service.

Gardner Mayor Mike Serena presented a wreath to be placed at the Village Veterans' Memorial and shared comments on what it takes to be a member of the



American Legion.

Following comments from Gerald Sandretto regarding the Abraham Lincoln Memorial Cemetery, Honor Guard members Sandretto, from Elwood, and Robert Hussey of Custer Park performed a ceremonial folding of the American Flag as Phillips read an explanation of each fold.

When the folding was complete, the flag was presented to Gardner resident Ida Schopp in recognition of her organizing of the Village Veterans Day Ceremony beginning in 2005.

Entertainment was provided by "4 to Go," a ladies' quartet from the Vermillion Valley Singers of the Sweet Adelines, who performed several musical selections.

Following Rev. Chandler's benediction, the event closed with the retirement of the colors and a lunch prepared and donated by the Legion Auxiliary, Gardner Lions Club, and Casey's General Store in Gardner.

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Three Models For Shayla Loring Photography Secure Finalist Spots



by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Three models for Shayla Loring Photography of Dwight have made it to the finals for a national model competition.

Of the six models from Shayla Loring who entered the competition, three were selected as finalists out of a pool of 500 entrants across the nation. The models were photographed by professional high school seniors' photographers across America.

"That is incredible," said Shayla Samples, owner and operator of the business.

Selected from Shayla Loring Photography are Leah Flynn, a senior from Dwight Township High School; and two Coal City High School seniors, Maggie McCollough and Ariana' Pullara.

There is a total of 95 finalists and the winners will be announced Friday, Nov. 18.

Those models will travel to Palm Springs, California in January to be photographed for two days by some of the leading high school

senior photographers in the nation.

To enter the contest, each senior had to submit photos, write an essay about themselves and shoot a video about themselves.

The photos were taken by Samples, but the videos were shot by the models themselves.

Samples said the essays and video required the girls to reveal their true selves.

"I guided them on what to say, but they had to do the work," Samples explained. "They have to be willing to be real, putting themselves out there."

The winning models' stories will also be featured in *SEEN Magazine*.

Samples' models are going through what she termed an "elevated" high school senior photography experience, with opportunities to act as models for the firm's boutique photography and march in parades to publicize the company.

"*SEEN Magazine* is a style plus culture magazine for a new generation of the undiscovered," Samples explained.



Business After Hours



A BUSINESS AFTER HOURS gathering at Embling Florist in Dwight on Nov. 9, sponsored with Hager Funeral Home, included Christmas treats and decorations for those attending. Above, seated for some refreshments are (from left) Mary Flott, Bill Flott, Bill Hooker and Alex McWilliams. Having a quick chat in the photo at left are (from left) Barbara DeWaard and Sandy Schultz.

The Paper photos

Festival of Trees in Gardner Nov. 26



On Sunday, November 26, Gardner's 3rd Annual Festival of Trees will be held at First Midwest Bank, 128 Depot St. in Gardner.

Doors will open at 5:00 p.m. – prior to the tree lighting – for final bidding on silent auctions, raffle items, door prizes, popcorn,

and apple cider. Raffle items and silent auction items go up for bid November 20 and will close right before the tree lighting. Winners of auction and raffle items will be posted in the bank immediately following the tree lighting ceremony.

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