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Dwight's Christmas For Kids Helps Families For Quarter Of Century

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

For 25 years, families who could not afford to provide Christmas gifts for their children in the Dwight area have been helped out by the local charity, Christmas for Kids.

The organization began as the brainchild of Deb Tock, who at first asked Dave Bossert who handled Dwight's Love Box program, which started in 1975, to do a similar program for presents instead of just food at Christmastime.

"I admired Dave Bossert at the Dwight United Methodist Church," she said. "He and his Sunday School class started Love Boxes."

She said if the family could not afford food at Christmastime, they especially could not afford gifts for their children.

"Dave wisely said he didn't think a project like that was for Love Boxes, but it was a good separate project," Tock explained.

She tried to entice Bossert into the project off and on for two consecutive years but kept receiving the same answer.

On the Christmas soon after Deb and Steve's daughter Kate was born in the fall of 1991, Deb was in the hospital (on an unrelated medical matter), and was unable to come home until Christmas day.

She said she had a lot of time to think while she lay there in the hospital during

the holidays.

"I was released at 4:30 p.m. Christmas day," she said. "This gave me a taste of people who don't all have good Christmases."

She said she would think about her late mother, Betty Weiss of Litchfield, who would regale her of stories of growing up poor, and being so appreciative of anything for Christmas.

"She was thrilled to get a dime and an orange," Tock said.

She said her mother always made Christmas a nice tradition at her home, since she grew up without so much. So the next year, Deb and her husband Steve set out to do Christmas for Kids for the Christmas of 1992, a quarter of a century ago.

At that time, they attended church at the First Congregational Church of Christ in Dwight. The program has since moved to the Dwight United Methodist Church and works separately, but in cooperation with the Love Box program.

The first year she had about a dozen church and community members helping out, raising funds, shopping for gifts, and wrapping and delivering them to families in need.

At that time, the fledgling organization was able to muster enough funds to spend \$25 per child (now more than twice that much). About 50 children were served that year.

The program is serving

51 families this year, 124 children, she said.

"We would buy a toy, a sleeping blanket and sleeping bag," she said about the first year.

"Some people we delivered to were using ovens to keep warm, with everyone huddled in the kitchen," she said.

The next year, she reached out to similar programs to gain knowledge of how to better operate such a program.

She connected with Joe Schmitz of the Gardner Exchange Bank who has operated a Grundy County program called Operation St. Nick, that gave gifts to children at Christmastime.

"He gave us a donation and spent a couple of hours talking with us," she said, and they learned some tricks of the children's Christmas gift charity trade.

By the third year, Tock had developed the idea to send out a Christmas wish list which included requests for needs, so that the program would not duplicate gifts, was able to buy what a child actually needed, and wanted. All the Dwight banks have savings accounts in the name of the charity so people can donate any time throughout the year.

"That way we're not buying just a Barbie (doll) for a little girl who's going to school with no coat," Tock said. She said many volunteers return with stories

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DEB TOCK addresses the volunteers before the delivery of Christmas for Kids and Love Boxes Saturday morning. WRAPPED CHRISTMAS gifts fill the pews at the Dwight United Methodist Church in anticipation of delivering the presents to families by Christmas for Kids in Dwight. This is the 25th year for the charity.

The Paper photos



Heritage Woods Festival of Wreaths



HERITAGE WOODS OF DWIGHT residents admire the wreaths that are part of the Festival of Wreaths through Dec. 15. Proceeds from the fund-raiser are donated to the "Feed The Kids" charity that helps children whose families don't have enough money for food. Admiring the wreaths Dec. 8 are (from left) Kate Davis, Beth McBride, Ron Jahnz, Wanda Nordine, and Bette Young.

The Paper photo



GIRL SCOUT TROOP 1808 helped decorate the tree in downtown Dwight for the holidays. Pictured, front row, is Addison and Bella Perez; back, Jacey Rolstan, Kailyn Haggard, Miranda and Piper Bovelle, Sophie Salinas-Tennant, Nevaeh McDonald, and Isabel Hakey.

No Livingston County Primary Election Race for Dist. 2

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

No race has developed for Livingston County Board District 2, which includes the areas of Dwight, Campus, Odell, Emington, Saunemin and Cullom.

The primary election is March 20, 2018 with the filing deadline Monday, Dec. 4.

Incumbents Steve Lovell and Bob Weller are running again, and challengers Gerald Earing and Bill Wilkey are also seeking a position. There are four seats on the County Board in District 2 up for election, so there is no race. There are no Democratic candidates in the primary.

Note: Last week's paper contained another candidate For District 2 who was not an incumbent and who did not file, Judy Campbell. The information was in error.

Livingston County will have a race for Sheriff in the Republican Primary between incumbent Tony Childress and challenger Jack Wiser.

Livingston County incumbent Clerk Kristy Masching has filed to retain

her position.

Niki Meier is running unopposed as the Republican candidate for Livingston County Treasurer.

Grundy County

There will be a race in the Grundy County Republican Primary for Sheriff but will face the winner of the Republican race in November.

Incumbent Kay T. Olson, a Democrat, is running unopposed for County Clerk.

There is no primary race for County Treasurer but incumbent Lori A. Werden will face Democratic opponent Timothy Bradley in November.

There are only three seats available for County Board District 3, which includes the territory of Mazon, Verona, Kinsman, Gardner, South Wilmington and Braceville. But there is a total of four candidates in

the March 20 primary, all of whom will be on the November ballot.

Two are Republicans — incumbent Douglas M. Boresi of Coal City and challenger Caleb Counterman, and for the Democrats, incumbent Mike Onorato and challenger James (Jake) Olson.

Kankakee County

In Kankakee County, County Clerk Bruce Clark will not seek re-election. Don Hendrickson, a Republican, has filed for Clerk. There will be a primary race for Democratic candidates with Stephen Bauman and Barbara Wells running.

For Sheriff, Incumbent Mike Downey (Republican) has no opposition.

Incumbent Republican Nick Africano is the sole candidate for Treasurer.

County Board District 12, which includes the areas of Essex, Reddick, Union Hill, Buckingham, Cabery and part of Herscher, is represented by Sally Evans, who said she will not run. Darrel Smith has filed with no opposition.

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FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

December 2: Anna E. Murphy, 16, Cabery, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Phyllis M. Maguire, 58, Campus, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

December 3: Willie E. Joshua, Jr., 36, Orland Hills, driving 21-25 MPH above limit; Emma C. Sliker, 27, Bourbonnais, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.

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

2 Written Warnings Issued by Dwight Police

Accident Report

Friday, December 1, 6:53 p.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported in the 200 block of S. Franklin, involving a 2004 Mercury Pass. car, owned by Karen Palmer of Dwight, which was parked – facing north-bound – and was struck by an unknown unit.

Police Blotter

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

Nov. 26: **Well-being Check** - At approximately 9 p.m., Dwight Police responded to the 300 block of N. Union Street in reference to a well-being check. Upon arrival, Dwight Police met with a female, 24, (town unknown) regarding “the fact that she was going through a hard time,” police said. Dwight Police transported her to Riverside Hospital for an evaluation.

Nov. 29: **Criminal Damage to Property** - At 12:14 p.m., Dwight Police were notified by the railroad of some criminal damage to railroad property at the end of the alley between the 100 block of W. South and Chippewa streets. Upon

arrival, Dwight Police spoke with a male complainant from the railroad. Damaged was about \$500 of railroad fencing and \$7,500 for a mechanical gate housing unit. After an “extensive investigation” by Dwight Police, they arrested Matthew Ferrari, 23, of Dwight, for leaving the scene of a property damage accident, 2:48 a.m., Nov. 25. Ferrari was driving a 2013 Chevy pickup truck. The truck sustained more than \$500 in damage.

Nov. 30: **Bus Stop Arm Violation** - At 5:13 p.m., Dwight Police were notified of a bus stop arm violation. Dwight Police met with a 40-year-old female complainant who stated while she was driving the school bus, a 2006 Ford Mustang driven by Briana Miles, 17, of Dwight, passed the bus after it was stopped with its lights on and stop arm extended. Dwight Police issued Miles a citation for bus arm violation.

Dec. 1: **Information** - At approximately 4:50 p.m., Dwight Police met with a 19-year-old female complainant at the police department in reference to a potential child custody issue. The complainant was advised since the issue took place in Odell, next time she would need to call the Livingston County Sheriff’s Police.

Dec. 1: **Criminal Damage to Property** - Dwight Police were dispatched at 4:28 p.m. to the 400 block of E. Waupansie Street in reference to criminal damage done to a fence. The damage appears to have been caused by a high-powered pellet gun.

Dec. 2: **Trespass Warning** - Dwight Police were called to the 100 block of E. Main Street at 8:20 a.m. and spoke with a male complainant, age 56, who

said a 58-year-old male keeps trespassing on the property. The trespasser was given a trespassing warning and advised he was “not welcome on the property.”

Dec. 2: **Dog-Barking Complaint** - at 11:39 a.m., Dwight Police were called to the 200 block of W. Taylor Street in reference to a dog-barking complaint. Upon arrival, Dwight Police spoke with a 36-year-old male complainant. He stated two dogs were barking non-stop. While police were at the scene they heard two dogs barking and observed the animals acting in an aggressive manner. Dwight Police issued an ordinance violation to the resident at 205 Taylor Street. Since nobody was at home, a copy of the citation was left at the residence.

Dec. 5: **Warrant Arrest** - At 2:02 p.m., Dwight Police went to the 400 block of W. South Street to check on a subject who had an active Livingston County warrant for his arrest. Upon arrival, Dwight Police found Arron Chadwick, 21, of Dwight, hiding under a bed at the residence, and arrested him. He was transported to the Livingston County Jail.



Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

November 30: 2:13 p.m., Washington, medical, refusal.

December 1: 12:11 p.m., Prairie, medical, Morris.

December 2: 5:26 a.m., Mazon Ave., lift assist; 10:43 a.m., Julie Dr., medical, Morris.

December 3: 8:21 a.m., North, medical, Morris; 2:20 p.m., Rt. 17, standby, mutual aid to Limestone; 5:02 p.m., Dewitt, standby, mutual aid to Coal City.

December 4: 10:43 a.m., Washington, medical, refusal; 5:03 p.m., Watters, medical, Morris; 5:57 p.m., Prairie, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner; 6:25 p.m., Bannon, medical, refusal; 6:29 p.m., Chicago, fire, disregarded.

December 5: 6:05 a.m., Goodfarm Rd., trauma, cancelled, mutual aid to MVK; 3:06 p.m., S. Jackson, trauma, Morris, mutual aid to Gardner; 3:49 p.m., Main, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Dwight Fire; 4:46 p.m., South, trauma, Morris, mutual aid from Dwight Fire.

December 6: 7:01 a.m., Wilmac, medical, Morris; 2:15 p.m., Delaware, medical, refusal; 8:58 p.m., Main, medical, Morris; 9:54 p.m., Northbrook, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner.

December 7: 1:45 p.m., Clinton, trauma, refusal.

Midwest Food Bank Shopping



THE MIDWEST FOOD BANK SHOPPING took place Dec. 4 at St. Peter’s Lutheran Church in Dwight, with volunteers helping families in need select groceries and Christmas presents for loved ones.

The State Giveth . . . and Taketh Away

by Tom Tock

In recent action by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), Community Development Assistance Program (CDAP) grant money has been released to communities using the program.

Dwight has made good use of CDAP funds since 1986, when Coils, Inc. received the first revolving loan from Dwight’s CDAP program.

The loans were established to provide funding for private businesses which were actively engaged in retaining or creating full-time jobs. Communities (under 50,000 population) issuing the loans had to submit information to DCEO regarding the status of any loans and the number of jobs created by the loans.

Now, due to a substantial falloff in loan applications, DCEO has cancelled the program and told participating communities that they may use the money remaining in their revolving loan funds in any manner they wish.

An official from DCEO told *The Paper* they hope the money continues to encourage economic development or infrastructure improvements, “but they can use the money to paint the fire station, if they wish.”

Semi-annual reports regarding the use of the former CDAP money are no longer required by DCEO, according to Dwight Village Administrator Kevin McNamara. He added that the Village of Dwight has not received any successful applications for use of revolving loan fund money in several years.

Dwight presently has \$105,000 in its revolving loan fund, and intends to continue making the money available to qualifying businesses.

Another recent change (July 2017) in Illinois’ financial policies is the application of a 2% tax on non-home rule sales taxes, such as Dwight’s 1¢ additional sales tax that went into effect July 1 of 2016 for infrastructure improvements.

Brenda Towers, Acting Program Administrator for Taxpayer Services in Illinois, was quoted as saying the 2% tax is an “administrative fee for the administration, enforcement and collection of local taxes.”

Applied to Dwight’s new 1¢ non-home rule tax, which amounted to \$428,538 in its first year, it would mean \$8,570 would have been retained by the State for servicing the new 1¢ addition to sales tax Dwight collects on specified items.

Towers told *The Paper* that it is not unusual to apply this “administrative fee,” and that it has been in effect on Livingston County’s 1¢ school funding tax since January of 2014.

Cullom Man, Woman Arrested On Drug Charges Dec. 5, 6

Joshua Miller, 27, of Cullom, was arrested Dec. 5 on three counts of delivery of a controlled substance (cocaine).

Mary Morris, 38, of Cullom, was arrested Dec. 6, on possession of a controlled substance (cocaine) and three counts of unlawful delivery of a controlled substance (cocaine).

The Dwight Narcotics Unit and Livingston County Pro-Active Unit conducted a narcotics search warrant at the 300 block of West Jackson Street in Cullom, at 10 p.m., Dec. 6.

The three-month investigation resulted in multiple controlled substance purchases out of the residence of purported cocaine.

During the search warrant execution, the police located controlled substances and drug paraphernalia.

Agencies assisting the Dwight Narcotics Unit were the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit, Livingston County Sheriff’s Police, Dwight Police Department, Pontiac TRT Unit, and Livingston County State’s Attorneys office.

Dwight Police said the investigation is still ongoing with the possibility of additional charges to follow.



Temps - 2017

Nov. 30 – high 53°, low 25°

Dec. 1 – high 53°, low 26°

Dec. 2 – high 57°, low 25°

Dec. 3 – high 60°, low 24°

Dec. 4 – high 64°, low 29° trace precip.

Dec. 5 – high 35°, low 24°

Dec. 6 – high 36°, low 16°

One Year Ago – Dec. 13, 2016 high 34°, low 18° trace snow

Secretary of State Offices Closed for Christmas

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White announced that all offices and facilities open Monday to Friday will be closed Friday, December 22, and Monday, December 25, while facilities open Tuesday to Saturday will be closed Saturday, December 23, and Tuesday, December 26, in observance of Christmas.

All Monday through Friday Driver Services facilities will be open for business Tuesday, December 26, and Tuesday through Saturday facilities will open Wednesday, December 27.

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Time to Review Your Investment Strategy for the Year

As the year draws to a close, it’s a good time to review your progress toward your financial goals. But on what areas should you focus your attention?

Of course, you may immediately think about whether your investments have done well. When evaluating the performance of their investments for a given year, many people mistakenly think their portfolios should have done just as well as a common market index, such as the Standard & Poor’s 500. But the S&P 500 is essentially a measure of large-company, domestic stocks, and your portfolio probably doesn’t look like that – nor should it, because it’s important to own an investment mix that aligns with your goals, risk tolerance and return objectives. It’s this return objective that you should evaluate over time – not the return of an arbitrary benchmark that isn’t personalized to your goals and risk tolerance.

Your return objective will likely evolve. If you are starting out in your career, you may need your portfolio to be oriented primarily toward growth, which means it may need to be more heavily weighted toward stocks. But if you are retiring in a few years, you may need a more balanced allocation between stocks and bonds, which can address your needs for growth and income.

So, assuming you have created a long-term investment strategy that has a target rate of return for each year, you can review your progress accordingly. If you matched or exceeded that rate this past year, you’re staying on track, but if your return fell short of your desired target, you may need to make some changes. Before doing so, though, you need to understand just why your return was lower than anticipated.

For example, if you owned some stocks that underperformed due to unusual circumstances – and even events such as Hurricanes Harvey and Irma can affect the stock prices of some companies – you may not need to be overly concerned, especially if the fundamentals of the stocks are still sound. On the other hand, if you own some investments that have underperformed for several years, you may need to consider selling them and using the proceeds to explore new investment opportunities.

Investment performance isn’t the only thing you should consider when looking at your financial picture over this past year. What changed in your life? Did you welcome a new child to your family? If so, you may need to respond by increasing your life insurance coverage or opening a college savings account. Did you or your spouse change jobs? You may now have access to a new employer-sponsored retirement account, such as a 401(k), so you’ll need to decide how much money to put into the various investments within this plan. And one change certainly happened this past year: You moved one year closer to retirement. By itself, this may cause you to re-evaluate how much risk you’re willing to tolerate in your investment portfolio, especially if you are within a few years of your planned retirement.

Whether it is the performance of your portfolio or changes in your life, you will find that you always have some reasons to look back at your investment and financial strategies for one year – and to look ahead at moves you can make for the next.

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Farm Owners on Solar Farm: Development Will Help Mazon Area

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Not everybody in Mazon is against the development of a solar farm, especially not the people who own the farm where the development will be situated.

At a public hearing held Nov. 21, both opposition and those in favor of the proposed solar farm on 234 acres of farmland southwest of Mazon along the Grand Ridge blacktop, was heard.

Laurie Fleishman, who along with her husband Jim Fleishman, owns the 234 acres where the solar farm will be located, said she researched solar companies extensively before choosing Cypress Creek Renewables.

She and her father Gene Isham stopped by the offices of *The Paper* last week to tell their side of the story.

Fleishman explained that the Brookfield Township nuclear power plant is keeping property taxes down for Seneca residents while Mazon-Verona-Kinsman school residents must pay more.

“A \$140,000 Mazon home pays \$1,136 more per year than a Seneca homeowner because of just the grade school portion of their tax bills,” she said. “It adds up. In 10 years that is \$11,360 more. That shows you industry does help keep our taxes down.”

She said with Cypress Creek bringing a \$29 million project to all MVK school home and landowners, there will be “a much-needed tax basis revenue for the county, schools, ambulance, fire department, and township roads.”

She added that the land will be leased, not sold to Cypress Creek.

“This is a win, win for Mazon Schools, fire department, ambulance, tax paying homeowners and landlord farmers,” she said.

Other area landowners echoed Fleishman’s sentiments.

In a letter written to the Grundy County Land Use director, Ralph and Lela Haldorson said that the total equalized assessed valuation (one-third market value) in MVK schools is \$90 million.

They pointed out that this project is bringing another roughly \$30 million to the district coffers for property taxes.

“Solar panels quietly generate electricity while producing no negative effect on the environment,” they wrote.

“We are true believers in all things green. Sunshine is a renewable energy source and solar panels, unlike planting and harvesting crops, requires no greenhouse gases in the operation. Not having to use fertilizers, insecticides and petroleum products improves the earth’s environment.”

Chris and Marlee Harford added that they are directly adjacent to the proposed solar farm project and have no objection to it.

“We believe solar energy can be a great source of renewable energy, and we are not concerned about living near the project,” they wrote to the county.

“Also, we have several children and we believe this project could provide a great source of tax revenue for our communities and our schools.”

The exact amount of additional tax revenue is unknown at this time by county and school officials, but Cypress said a very conservative estimate calls for another \$100,000 a year in revenue to taxing bodies.

Meantime, Laurie’s father Gene Isham explained



GENE ISHAM and his daughter, Laurie Fleishman, stopped by the office of *The Paper* last week to tell their side of the story behind the proposed solar energy farm to be located on Fleishman’s farm in rural Mazon.

The Paper photo

that drainage is not an issue.

His land will be dry if the land where the solar farm is to be located floods, he said.

Laurie Fleishman countered some of the testimony against Cypress Creek presented at the Nov. 21 hearing, saying that many of the problems noted in the Indiana development were corrected the next day after a group of Mazon residents visited.

“They sent out a crew the next day to make repairs,” Fleishman said.

She also said the sites are monitored by camera when there are no employees there, so that is a deterrent to vandals or children trying to sneak onto the property under the fence line.

She said the natural prairie grass around the solar farm is to prevent crops from overlapping, with some hybrids possibly killing neighboring farmer’s hybrids. The prairie grass could act as a buffer.

Fleishmans said they may put the strip of land surrounding the actual solar farm into CRP or into a special program to grow flowers to attract bees.

“It’s not bad to have a habitat for the wildlife, too,” added Isham.



DWC Festival of Trees

THE DWIGHT WOMAN’S CLUB HELD THEIR 9th Annual Festival of Trees as part of Christmas in Dwight. Local businesses, organizations, and individuals created a wide array of themed trees and other holiday décor to be raffled in order to raise funds for the non-profit organization of the donor’s choice. Twenty-four items were donated to benefit 19 charities. In all, \$1,978.35 was raised. Guests of the Festival also enjoyed a variety of entertainment ranging from young dancers to musicians. The DWC extended its thanks to those who dedicated their time to making the holiday season a little brighter for many hometown organizations.



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Salvation Army Bell Ringer



SHARING IS CARING! Alan Metzke of Livingston Masonic Lodge #371 rings the Salvation Army bell December 3 at Shopko, as Anna Stevenson makes a donation. The Masons rang the bell from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. that day, as a Masonic Community Days event.

Verona ‘Blue Christmas’ Service December 20

The Verona United Methodist Church will hold a special “Blue Christmas” service, 7 p.m., Dec. 20, at the church.

The service is for people

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Winners of Tri-Point Art Contest Announced

An art exhibition was held Dec. 6 at the Cullom Beckman Memorial Library of the winning art pieces done by students at Tri-Point schools.

First place winners were:

Middle School - Kole Bouk.

Ninth and 10th Grade - Nicole Arwood.

11th and 12th Grade - Narcisa Roman.

Each winner will receive an etched mirror of their design.

Second place winners were:

Middle School - Hope McDermott.

Ninth and 10th - William Coffey.

11th and 12th - Hallie Sippel.

Second place winners will receive a sketch book and pencils from the Cullom Beckman Memorial Library.

The etchings will be done by Cullom artist Corey Marek.

Nancy Sovinski, librarian, worked with Marek to develop the contest.

The art was also on display Dec. 9 for Cullom’s downtown Christmas celebration.

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TRI-POINT HIGH SCHOOL Illinois State Scholars are (front row from left) Randall Ifft, Jimmy Haag; (back row) Elizabeth Houck, Elijah McDonald, and Amyjo Steichen. Submitted photo

Five Tri-Point High School Students Recognized as Illinois State Scholars

Tri-Point High School Principal, Kellee Hill, is pleased to announce that five students from the TPHS graduating class of 2018 have been recognized as Illinois State Scholars. They are:

- Jimmy Haag, Cullom
- Elizabeth Houck, Piper City
- Randall Ifft, Piper City
- Elijah McDonald, Piper City
- Amyjo Steichen, Kempton

The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC), the state agency committed to helping make college accessible and affordable for Illinois families, confers this prestigious recognition to top Illinois high school students annually. This year, more than 20,000 outstanding honorees join the other top students who have been honored for their academic achievements since the designation was first introduced in 1958.

IL State Scholars represent approximately the top ten percent of high school seniors from 652 high schools across the state. State Scholars possess strong academic potential and are chosen based on a combination of exemplary ACT or SAT test scores and sixth semester class rank.

TPHS Guidance Counselor Don Emerson says, “We have submitted students names in the past, and this year we had the good fortune of having this excellent group of high-achieving students selected for this award.”

While the State Scholar recognition does not include a monetary prize, honorees will receive a congratulatory letter from ISAC and personalized Certificates of Achievement. This year, State Scholars will also receive a digital Illinois State Scholar badge, which can be displayed on their online profiles and social media accounts, and shared with high school counselors, prospective colleges, employers, family members, and others.

Illinois State Scholars



GARDNER-SOUTH WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL is pleased to announce that five of its students from the graduating class of 2018 have been recognized as Illinois State Scholars. Pictured, from left, are Madison Jackman, Spencer McDaniel, Sean Hansen, Haileigh Farrero, and Jordan Bartels. Illinois State Scholars represent approximately the top ten percent of high school seniors from 652 high schools across the state. They possess strong academic potential and are chosen based on a combination of exemplary ACT or SAT test scores and sixth semester class rank.



DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL Principal, Dan Kaiser, is pleased to announce that ten DTHS students from the 2018 graduating class have been recognized as Illinois State Scholars, including (front row from left) Hayley Schlabowske, Morgan Zabel, Abigail Houch, Jillian Frauli; (back row) Logan Widman, Scott Schultz, Daniel Muller, Konnor Dyer, Mason Imhoff, and Nikhil Patel. The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC), the state agency committed to helping make college accessible and affordable for Illinois families, bestows this prestigious recognition to top Illinois high school students annually. This year, nearly 19,000 elite honorees join the other top state students honored for their academic achievements since the designation was first introduced in 1958. Illinois State Scholars possess strong academic potential and are chosen based on a combination of exemplary ACT or SAT scores and sixth semester class rank. State Scholars rank in approximately the top ten percent of high school seniors, representing 652 high schools across the state.

Maureen Doran to Graduate Summa Cum Laude

Maureen Doran, Odell, will participate in Western Illinois University’s Fall 2017 Undergraduate Commencement Ceremonies December 16 in Macomb and in Moline – receiving the highest recognition from her college for her overall academic excellence by being named a College Scholar.

Doran will graduate with the highest academic distinction, Summa Cum Laude (3.90 GPA or higher), with a bachelor’s degree in Music, and is also the Music Departmental Scholar and an Honors Scholar.

In addition, Maureen will also be the convocation speaker and will deliver “The Purple and Gold Brick Road.”

She is the daughter of Tom and Peg Doran of Odell.

Regina Dawson Joins Nursing Honor Society at College

Regina Dawson, Ransom, was one of 26 students recognized as a new member of the Lakeview College of Nursing Honor Society during the end of the fall 2017 semester.

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Diego Prats Receives \$24,000 Scholarship from U of I Springfield



Diego Alejandro Prats, a senior at Dwight Township High School, has been

admitted to the University of Illinois Springfield and awarded a \$24,000 Lincoln Scholarship for tuition over four years. The scholarship is awarded based on GPA and ACT/SAT scores and can be renewed for a total of four years if the student maintains college GPA requirements. At DTHS, Prats is involved in band, Scholastic Bowl, and the Spanish Club. He plans to major in global studies at UIS. "I chose UIS as a result of its extensive courses,

study abroad programs, affordability, and networking opportunities," said Prats, who hopes to someday work for the government in an embassy or as a diplomat. All incoming UIS freshmen are eligible to apply for Lincoln Merit Scholarships. The amount awarded is based upon the incoming student's ACT or SAT score. To receive \$24,000 over four years, students must earn a 27 to a 29 on their ACT or a minimum of 1280 SAT and hold a minimum high school GPA of 3.75.



DONATIONS TO THE FFA AND FCCLA PROGRAMS at Dwight Township High School were made in loving memory of Douglas Rieke on December 7. Presenting the donations of \$510 (FFA) and \$400 (FCCLA) were Doug's siblings, Becky (Rieke) Christenson, left, and John Rieke, right. Principal Dan Kaiser received the donations.

Dwight FCCLA Hosting Event for Kids Pre-K to 3rd Grade December 16

Need a break from your kids to prepare for Christmas? The Dwight FCCLA will help you with that. Children from pre-k to third grade are welcome to join in crafts, games, snacks, and a Christmas movie Saturday, December 16,

from 8:30-11:30 a.m. in the DTHS FACS room. There will be registration upon drop-off in the back parking lot at door 15. It is free but donations are welcome. Contact Kathy Patten at 815-584-6210 for questions or to confirm attendance.

Community Care Systems, Inc. Outreach Dates

Cullom Outreach
Community Care Systems, Inc. will be available to assist senior citizens and people under 60 with disabilities in signing up for federal, state, and local programs on Thursday, December 21 from 9 am – 11 am at the Cullom Village Office, 119 N. Oak St. No appointments are necessary. Call 815-844-2272 for more information.

Dwight Outreach
Community Care Systems, Inc. will not be holding an outreach in Dwight in the month of December. Dwight Outreach will resume in January.

DGS Students Participate in Patriot's Pen



Jordan Schultz, Rachel Heath and Darien Guyer

Dwight, sponsored the Patriot's Pen again this year. Five students from Mrs. Schultz's eighth grade class wrote essays on the theme, "America's Gift to My Generation." Winners were awarded a cash prize and are as follows:
• Jordan Schultz – 1st, \$25
• Rachel Heath – 2nd, \$15
• Darien Guyer – 3rd, \$10
The Post extended their thanks to Mrs. Schultz and DGS for allowing the students to participate. Fifty dollars was donated to Mrs. Schultz for conducting the program. In previous years, she has purchased a book about the military and the wars that have occurred over the years and the students study the subject.

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Shelly Renken
Supervisor of Assessments
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Redbird October and November Students of the Month



DWIGHT GRADE SCHOOL Redbirds October Students of the Month include (from left front row): pre-kindergarten, Chase Wilkey, Grayson Hatfield, and Maxwell Hurt; Kindergarten, Caliana Shuell and Jace Jensen; first grade, Faith Hathorn, and Lidia McClelland (not pictured); second, Ty Turner, Kayden Wood, and Sawyer Kucera; (back row) third, Avery Connor and Trevor Jensen; fourth, Gavin Leach and Zander Tarnowski; fifth, Drew Anderson and Christina Jiang; sixth, Sarah Dolan and Jacob Weissmann; seventh, Ava Kargle and Michael Michon; and eighth, Bryson Scroggins and Rachel Heath.

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The Winners of November's Student of the Month were announced on Friday, December 1st. Each student received a gift card to Subway for this amazing recognition by their teachers. Each month, students from each grade level are chosen as the Student of the Month for the hard work, dedication, and character he or she displays throughout their time at Dwight Common School. Receiving Student of the Month for November are as follows (front row from left): pre-kindergarten, Madi Miller, Isabella Pittenger, and (not pictured) Kevin

Peterson; kindergarten, River Mozzi, Henry Sassenger; first Grade, Emmah Toppel, Logan Britton; second grade, Dalton Oelschlager and Grace Tjelle, (not pictured) Landan Brown; (back row) third grade, Graham Meister, Lauren Snyder; fourth Grade, Joey Starks, Jacob Edwards, Landon Burkhard; fifth grade Averi Jury, Olivia Folkers; sixth grade, Garrett Leach; seventh grade, Hailey Heath, Jace Gall; eighth grade, Emmett Emmons, and Ella Sandeno.

Remember your loved ones serving in the military overseas this Holiday Season.

Dwight Senior Citizens Duplicate Bridge Results

Duplicate Bridge was played December 7 at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center.

North/South:

- 1. Janyce Gross/Nancy Evers
- 2. Norma Rodosky/Mary Goley

East/West:

- 1. Delores Slattery/Barb Christensen
- 2. Phyllis Steichen/Evelyn Lydigsen
- 3. Joan Francis/Pat Townsend

The next duplicate bridge play will be December 21.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is Hereby Given on the 14th day of December, 2017, the Grundy County Agricultural District Fair will hold its Annual Stockholders Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Dated this 13th day of December 2017

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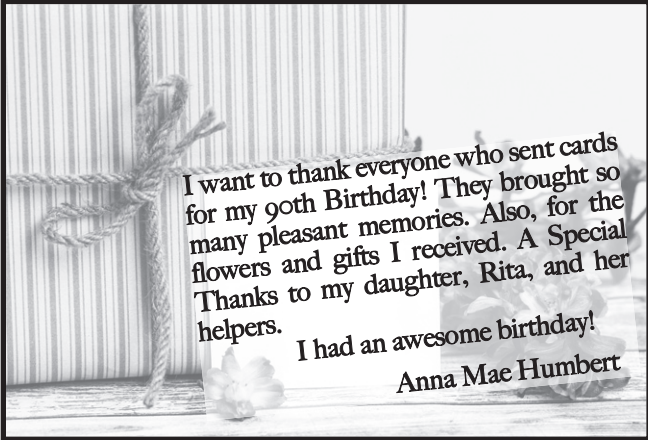
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HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #73

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase of Gardner-South Wilmington High School District #73 for 2017 will be held on December 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gardner-South Wilmington High School Board of Education room.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Mr. Michael Perrott, Superintendent, at the high school office, 815-237-2176.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended for 2016 were \$1,190,155.

The corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2017 are \$1,246,734.19. This represents a 4.75% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2016 were \$321,935.72.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2017 are \$174,462.50. This represents a 45.81% decrease over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended in 2016 were \$1,512,090.36.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2017 are \$1,421,196.69. This represents a 6% decrease over the previous year.

V. This resolution shall be in full force and effect forthwith upon its passage.

Adopted this 15th day of November 2017.

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“With the exception of some Great Lakes states where prices tend to be volatile, average gas prices moved lower in nearly the entire country in the last week,” said Patrick DeHaan, head of petroleum analysis for GasBuddy.

Average U.S. gallon regular price is made up of 19% state & local taxes; 14% distribution and marketing; 17% refining and 50% crude as of October 2017.

City/Village	Dec. 11	Dec. 4
Dwight	\$2.498	\$2.498
Seneca	\$2.253	\$2.386
S. Wilmington	\$2.39	\$2.54
Streator	\$2.244	\$2.13
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Saunemin	\$2.39	\$2.49
Cullom	\$2.39	\$2.45
Pontiac	\$2.39	\$2.39
Gardner	\$2.39	\$2.49
Braceville	\$2.39	\$2.47
Mazon	\$2.39	\$2.45
Morris	\$2.39	\$2.486
Herschel	\$2.29	\$2.31
Kankakee	\$2.238	\$2.31
Chicago	\$2.68	\$2.68
Illinois	\$2.51	\$2.49
U.S.	\$2.454	\$2.466

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The Paper photos



Justin and Natalie Oelschlager of the Emington Hot Shots bake sale offered cookies for the 4-H group at the Saunemin Legion Hall. Justin was covering his ears from the loud music played by the grade school band.



Many families took time to get their pictures taken with Santa Claus who visited the event. Pictures were by Julie Sancken Photography.



Jayce Pehlke of Saunemin was not too happy to see Santa this year.



The Saunemin Grade School choir serenaded those having supper.



Carol Cantrall (left) and David Billington took money for the supper which included a ticket to ride in the carriage provided by Randy Clapp of Kempton.



Angela Gaither and her daughter, Preslee, of Saunemin, wait in line to eat.



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OBITUARIES

Jacqueline A. Burmaster

KEMPTON – Jacqueline A. Howard Burmaster, 76, of Kempton passed away Tuesday, December 5, 2017 at Presence St. Mary’s Hospital in Kankakee.

She was born February 7, 1941 in Emington, daughter of Garold and Eunice Lawler Howard. They preceded her in death.

She married Marvin Burmaster October 31, 1974 in Las Vegas, Nevada. He preceded her in death on July 2, 2011.

She is survived by one daughter, DeEtte (Malcolm) Holm of Kempton; three grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

James Sorensen

YORKVILLE – James M. “Jim” Sorensen, 76, of Yorkville passed away Wednesday, November 29, 2017 at Rush Copley Medical Center in Aurora surrounded by his loving family.

He was born July 25, 1941 in Streator, son of Dale and Margaret Burns Sorensen. Following Margaret’s passing, Jim was raised from a young age by the only mother he knew, Alphaeus.

Jim graduated from Dwight High School. He married Kathy Roach August 14, 1965. He retired from Nicor Gas with more than 30 years of dedicated service. He was currently working for Aaren Pest Control.

Jim’s passion was camping and horseback riding. He was a lifetime member and past president of Fox Valley Trail Riders and Illinois State Stock Horse Association, and was a member of Green River Saddle Club.

Jim enjoyed tinkering in his barn and time spent with his great-grandchildren and

Mrs. Burmaster was a member of the Congregational United Church in Emington, where she played the organ for many years. She was the owner and operator of The Lunch Box in Emington and loved art, music and animals.

Cremation rites were accorded by the Knapp Funeral Home in Clifton.

Burial will be at a later date in Union Cemetery, Emington.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association.

You may share a memory of Jacqueline at: knappfuneralhomes.com

Phyllis Butterbrodt

DWIGHT – Phyllis Marie Butterbrodt (Marcks, Langhoff), 91, passed away the morning of Thursday, November 30, 2017.

Funeral services will be private for the family, and interment will be in Memorial Park Cemetery, rural Pontiac.

Phyllis was born October 19, 1926 in Pontiac, daughter of Elmer and Stella (Hamilton-Mammen) Marcks.

She is survived by her children: Joseph and wife Jackie Langhoff, Ocala Florida; Connie Welsh Thorpe, Wisconsin; Elmer (Sam) and wife Linda Langhoff, Agra, Oklahoma; Jean Bennett and Cynthia and husband Dan Elsey, of Dwight; Christine Brown and Wayne Jensen of Pontiac; and Chuck and wife Christina Butterbrodt of Dwight.

Phyllis was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Clarence Butterbrodt; son, Jack Butterbrodt; sister, Betty Schoop; brother, John Thomas Marcks; grandson, Scott Langhoff; and great-grandson, Josh Medlock.

Phyllis was a member of St. Peter’s Lutheran Church in Dwight.

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IN RE: The matter of the Estate of)
)
BEVERLY J. NEU, Deceased.) No. 17-P-99

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the death of BEVERLY J. NEU, whose place of residence at the time of her death was 316 Elm Street, Kinsman, IL 60437, and who died on October 23, 2017.

Letters of Office as Independent Executor of the estate of BEVERLY J. NEU were issued on November 21, 2017 to GARY E. NEU, P.O. Box 803, 316 Elm Street, Kinsman, IL 60437 and whose attorney is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Office, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Claims against the estate may be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of a copy of this notice to a known and reasonably ascertainable creditor, whichever date is later. The date of first publication of this notice is November 29, 2017. Any claim not filed on or before the above dates is barred. Claims against the estate may be filed at the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Grundy County Courthouse, at 111 E. Washington Street, P.O. Box 707, Morris, IL 60450, in cause No. 17-P-99 or with the Independent Executor, or both. Copies of all claims filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Independent Executor and the Independent Executor’s attorney within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed with the Circuit Clerk.

DONALD R. MCCLAREY
Attorney for the Independent Executor
of the Estate of, BEVERLY J. NEU Deceased
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IN THE MATTER)
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)
DOUGLAS F. RIEKE,)
Deceased) No. 2017-P-110

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of Douglas F. Rieke, of Dwight, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on November 20, 2017, to John J. Rieke, 29387 East 2900 North Road, Dwight, Illinois 60420; and Rebecca Christenson, 604 South Chicago, Dwight, Illinois, 60420, as Independent Co-Executors, whose attorney is Thomas L. Brucker of Weeks & Brucker, Ltd., 606 West Oak Street, P.O. Box 288, Fairbury, Illinois, 61739. The estate will be administered without court supervision unless under Sec. 28-4 of the Probate ct (Ill. Comp. Stat., ch. 755, Act. 5, par. 28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering petition to terminate to the Clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Pontiac, Illinois, or with the representatives, or both, on or before June 4, 2018, or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Independent Co-Executors is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed before said date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 20th day of November, 2017.

John J. Rieke and Rebecca Christenson, Independent
Co-Executors of the Estate of Douglas F. Rieke
Deceased

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What Snow?

It's officially the heart of December, which means that it officially can snow any given day of the season. What's shocking are the locations throughout the United States that have received snow in the last week. Atlanta, and Houston, being some of the most notable cities to uncharacteristically receive snow. They received snow on a few days when Chicago did not.

With all of that happening, oddly enough, I went to Houston this last weekend, the land of the snow apparently. (Okay, it hasn't snowed in about 8 years, but it did just days before I went there.) It is Houston, Texas though and by the time I got there all of the snow had melted, and the temperature was back in the mid 60s, which makes it hard to believe it was even cold enough, long enough for it to snow and accumulate somewhat.

Then, while I'm in Houston, it snowed in Chicago, I was just out there dodging snow left and right. It snowed in two cities I was in, in the same week, and I haven't seen a single flake fall from the sky, I'm now back in Illinois, and there was some snow in the forecast today, but since I'm apparently immune to getting snowed on, it will likely not happen at all, at least that's what I've gathered over the last week.


What will probably happen is what just happened in Buffalo, and we'll get 17 inches of snow or something crazy like that. I suppose that I can't keep running from it forever, but it's been a good run this last week, I've done some great dodging and weaving of the cold white stuff, if I do say so myself.

I can only hope that I keep this run going, it's been very cold as of late, and the last thing anyone wants is for it to be cold, coupled with a lot of snow. Hopefully there isn't half a foot on the ground when you are reading this.

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First Community Financial Bank successor by merger to Mazon State Bank-RE

PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Amy A. Strubin; et. al.
DEFENDANTS
17-CH-40

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 9/22/2017, the Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois will on January 24, 2018 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:

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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).

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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 ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE 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 14-17-04902. I3070243

Letters to the Editor in *The Paper* should be limited to 250 words.
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Volunteers Rodney Connor (left), Love Boxes, and Steve Tock, Christmas for Kids, go over the list to coordinate efforts on delivery. At right in the nave of the Dwight United Methodist Church, presents were wrapped and packaged (in order by family) days before the delivery day and spread onto the pews in the church. The program has been made possible and continued for 25 years thanks to the generosity of the Dwight Community.

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delivery day of parents who are in tears, so grateful to have something to give their children.

Over the years, people like Tracey Karstens along with her husband Verlin, have been longtime volunteers, as well as Steve Tock, and Mark and Mary Boma, Steve's sister and brother-in-law. Daughter Kate joined the charity after she grew older. Now Deb has roughly 35 shoppers and 35 delivery people each year.

For three years, Ginger Connor filled in to coordinate the program for Deb while Deb took a break.

The Paper in Dwight is now the headquarters for the program, where people can call during business hours, or leave messages and get responses to questions or concerns quickly.

"It's great that I have the money and the volunteers," Deb said. "The Dwight community has been just awesome. Dwight is really a wonderful community."





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THE DWIGHT REDBIRD WRESTLING SEASON kicked off December 9, with Dwight hosting the Redbird Invite at DTHS. After a full day of some exciting and competitive wrestling, five Dwight Middle School Redbird wrestlers battled their way through their brackets and stood on the podium. Dillon Sarff, two-time state placer, received the Outstanding Wrestler of the Tournament award after his dominant first place finish in the 95 lb. bracket, consisting of two other past state qualifiers. Emmett Emmons, Samuel Edwards, and Malaki Slaughter also had dominant performances that took them to the top of the podium with first place finishes. Caiden Nelson, fifth grade, in his first-ever wrestling event, finished third in the 75 lb. bracket. Pictured, from left, are Slaughter, Sarff, Emmons, Nelson, and Edwards.



DTHS TROJANS WRESTLING

The Trojans traveled to Seneca December 2 for the Seneca Invitational – seeing quality competition, placing fourth overall with a team score of 117.5, and taking home some hardware.

In the 138 lb. division, Daniel Gutierrez wrestled his way into the finals before easily out-maneuvering a Beardstown wrestler to take first place.

Jordan Emmons pinned his way through the 145 lb. weight class before drop-

ping a hard fought battle to a state-ranked Streater wrestler – taking second overall.

At 152 lbs., Cade Enerson pinned a state-ranked Clifton wrestler to earn a match with the returning state runner-up from Kewanee. Enerson lost a tough decision, but battled back hard to pin a Westmont wrestler to take third place.

Cameron Klingler fought through a nagging injury the entire tournament, defeating a tough Westmont wrestler

5-3 to secure a spot in the finals – however, he would have to injury default the championship match, finishing second.

Wilton Jackman (160) and Dakota Voigts (182) wrestled hard all day, coming up just short in their place matches – both finishing in sixth place.

Dwight has had a few days off to heal up and sharpen up the team’s technique before hosting Ottawa Marquette December 13.

Church Dart Ball League

The Church Dart Ball League results from the December 4 match-ups are as follows:

	W	L
Church of Hope	1	2
St. Peter’s Luth.	2	1
Dwight Meth.	0	3
Trinity Lutheran	3	0
Essex	2	1
Emmanuel Luth.	1	2
New Life Assembly/God	1	2
Mazon Cong.	2	1
Dwight Cong.	2	1
Herscher Luth.	1	2

Current League Standings	W	L
Mazon Cong.	11	4
Dwight Meth.	10	5
Trinity Lutheran	10	5
Essex	8	7
Herscher Luth.	8	7
Dwight Cong.	8	7
Church of Hope	6	9
New Life Assembly/God	5	10
Emmanuel Luth.	4	11
St. Peter’s Luth.	4	11

Schedule for January 15, at 7:00 p.m.

- Dwight Methodist at Mazon Congregational
- Essex at St. Peter’s Lutheran

- Emmanuel Lutheran at Dwight Congregational
- Church of Hope at Trinity Lutheran
- New Life Assembly of God at Herscher Lutheran

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DTHS TROJANS BASKETBALL

Wednesday, December 6
Dwight vs. Streator
Freshmen -

The freshmen Trojans fell to Streator, 50-41, when they faced off December 6.

Leading scorer for Dwight was Caden Schroeder with eight points. He was followed by Andrew Harsh and Carson Crouch with seven and six points, respectively.

Thursday, December 7
Dwight vs. GCMS
Freshmen -

In freshmen basketball action December 7, Dwight edged out GCMS, 43-41.

Caden Schroeder led with 12 points, followed by Abe Rieke's ten. Carson Crouch put up nine points.

The "B" team also won, 18-13.

Brody Hoeger led the team with six points, while Jake Partney had four.

Friday, December 8
Dwight vs. South Newton
Varsity -

In a low scoring affair on December 8, Dwight lost to

South Newton, 33-28.

JC Santos led the Trojans in scoring with six points on two three-pointers. Cal Schultz followed with five points, including a three, while Morgan Fritz put in four points. Andrew Curl (one three-pointer) and Dakota Wahl both scored three points, with Dane Rodosky adding two. Cole Hahn made a free throw.

Saturday, December 9
Dwight vs. Herscher
Varsity -

On Saturday in Herscher, the Trojans took a 46-29 loss to Herscher in non-conference action.

Dwight trailed by just six at the end of three, but the Tigers would outscore the Trojans 15-4 in the final frame to secure the win.

Dakota Wahl was leading scorer for Dwight with 15 points, including three trifectas. Dane Rodosky had five points, with one three, followed by Cal Schultz scoring four points. JC Santos and Morgan Fritz contributed three and two points, respectively.



Dakota Wahl

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Leah Flynn



Mel Stewart



St. Michael's/Ransom Defenders Basketball

Monday, December 4
St. Michael's/Ransom vs. Grand Ridge
7th Grade -

The Defenders' winning run continued December 4, as they beat Grand Ridge by a score of 33-13.

Wyatt Thompson led the way with 17 points, followed by Nick Yanek with 11. Cooper Spears and David Bergeron scored three and two points, respectively.

St. Michael's/Ransom improves to 12-0 on the year.

Thursday, December 10
St. Michael's/Ransom vs. Henry
7th Grade -

St. Michael's/Ransom's unbeaten streak moved to 13 straight games, as they beat Henry, 49-36, on December 7.

Wyatt Thompson had 21 points to lead the Defenders. Nick Yanek added 13, with David Bergeson and Austin Taylor scoring six and five points, respectively. Cooper Spears put in four.



Saunemin Eagles Basketball

Monday, December 4
Saunemin vs. Mazon
7th Grade -

The Eagles were taken down, 40-15, in a match-up with Mazon December 4.

Conner Telford led Saunemin with nine points, while Tyson Cramer tossed in four. Preston Jama and Reed Frazier each made a free throw.

8th Grade -

The eighth grade Eagles kept it interesting throughout, but didn't have enough to beat the Mavs – falling 34-29.

Colohun Hagan led Saunemin with 11 points. Colten Ketcherside put in eight, with Camdyn Friedman adding five. Telford and Trey Duck scored three and two points, respectively.

Tuesday, December 5
Saunemin vs. Grand Ridge
7th Grade -

Saunemin hosted Grand Ridge on December 5, dropping a 46-29 decision to the Mohawks in Vermillion Conference action.

Conner Telford put in a team-high 22 points. Preston Jama added five, while Tyson Cramer scored two.

8th Grade -

In the eighth grade meeting, the Eagles trailed 11-10 at the half but came back to take the lead in the third and, ultimately, the win – 32-29.

Colten Ketcherside scored 14 and Colohun Hagan added 11 to lead Saunemin. Trey Duck and Camdyn Friedman had four and three points, respectively.

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CULLOM VILLAGE TREASURER'S ANNUAL STATEMENT

State of Illinois
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Office of Village Treasurer of
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The following is a statement by Kenzie Meister, Treasurer of the Village of Cullom in the County and State of aforesaid of the amount of public funds received and disbursed by her during the fiscal year ending on the 30th day of April A.D. 2017 showing the amount of public funds on hand at the commencement of said fiscal year, the amount of public funds received and for what sources received, the amount of public funds expended and for what purposes expended, during said fiscal year ending as aforesaid.

The said Kenzie Meister, being duly sworn, that the following statement is a correct statement of the amount of public funds on hand at commencement of the fiscal year above stated, the amount of public funds received for and sources from which received, and the amount expended and purposes for which expended, as set forth in said statement.

GENERAL FUND		
Balance May 1, 2016		\$ 478,672
Receipts		<u>142,294</u>
		620,966
Expenditures		<u>180,989</u>
		\$ 81,596
Certificates of Deposit		<u>358,381</u>
Balance April 30, 2017		\$ 439,977
RECEIPTS		
Real Estate Taxes	\$ 30,638	
Interest	2,795	
Fines	1,653	
Income Tax	52,843	
Sales Tax	25,019	
Use Tax	13,560	
Personal Property Replacement Tax	9,804	
License & Franchise Fees	3,002	
Permits	35	
Miscellaneous	2,945	
EXPENDITURES		
Salaries	30,148	
Professional Fees	15,796	
Lights	5,985	
Utilities	3,750	
Insurance	9,625	
Supplies	1,051	
Maintenance and Repair	96,540	
Office Expense	1,853	
Miscellaneous	5,818	
Payroll Taxes	8,625	
Donations	1,003	
Dues and Subscriptions	795	
Vendor Payments over \$2,500		
US Treasury	\$ 6,756.69	
Ameren Illinois	8,751.66	
IL Municipal League	9,624.78	
Russell Leigh & Associates	5,770.00	
Rupprecht Construction	52,380.94	
Fraken Ford	4,525.11	
Robinsky Tree Service	17,455.00	
WATER FUND		
Balance May 1, 2016		\$ 367,617
Receipts		<u>142,958</u>
		510,575
Expenditures		<u>94,716</u>
		\$ 187,004
Certificates of Deposit		<u>228,855</u>
Balance April 30, 2017		\$ 415,859
RECEIPTS		
Water Collections	\$ 130,391	
Interest	2,371	
Miscellaneous	149	
Property Tax	10,047	
EXPENDITURES		
Utilities	7,603	
Materials and Supplies	4,391	
Salaries and Taxes	21,843	
Office Supplies	1,989	
Maintenance and Repairs	8,215	
Testing	3,713	
Special Waste	46,962	
Vendor Payments over \$2,500		
US Treasury	\$ 4,554.90	
Hayley Bros.	5,950.05	
Republic Service	46,961.65	
Ameren Illinois	6,222.23	
MOTOR FUEL FUND		
Balance May 1, 2016		\$ 71,144
Receipts		<u>14,204</u>
		85,448
Expenditures		<u>42,691</u>
		\$ 31,288
Certificates of Deposit		<u>11,369</u>
Balance April 30, 2017		\$ 42,757
RECEIPTS		
State of Illinois	\$ 14,115	
Interest	189	
EXPENDITURES		
Professional Fees	4,270	
Street Maintenance	38,421	
Vendor Payments over \$2,500		
Andrews Engineering, Inc.	\$ 4,269.85	
General Materials	36,434.00	
TILING FUND		
Balance May 1, 2016		\$ 12,308
Receipts		<u>4,621</u>
		16,929
Expenditures		<u>6,481</u>
Balance April 30, 2017		\$ 10,448
RECEIPTS		
Video Gaming	\$ 4,621	
EXPENDITURES		
Bank Fee	40	
Repairs	6,441	
Vendor Payments over \$2,500		
Hayley Bros.	\$ 6,024	

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PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN
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Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my Mother, Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse in thee. (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands. (3x).

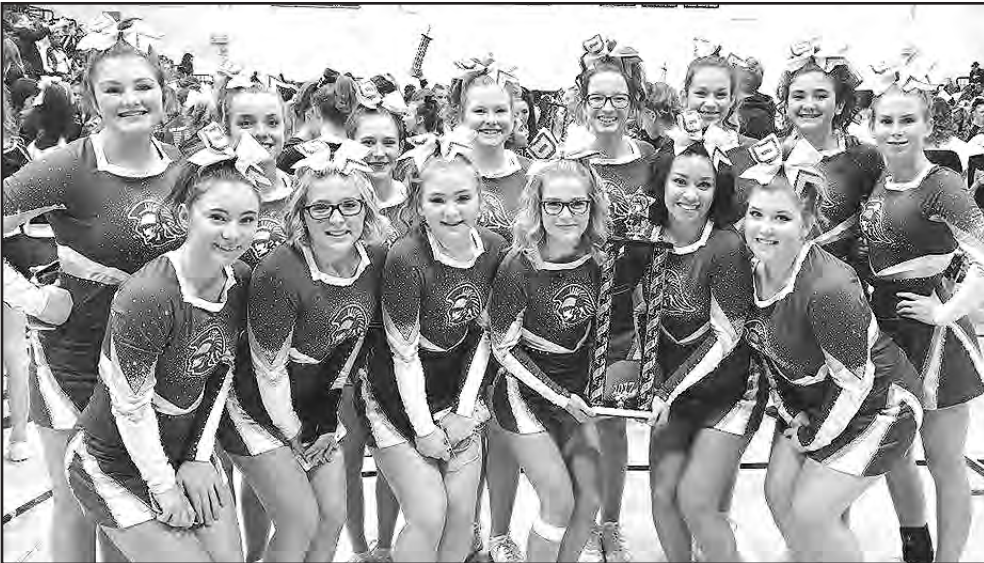
Holy Spirit, You who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who give me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances of my life You are with me. I want in this short prayer to Thank You for all things as you confirm once again, that I never want to be separated from You in eternal glory. Thank You for your mercy toward me and mine.

The Person must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted.

Anonymous



On Saturday December 2nd the Gardner-South Wilmington Pantherette Spiritline hosted their second annual IDTA Dance/Flag Regional Competition. The team placed 1st in the IHSA category and qualified their pom routine for the IDTA State Contest. This state competition will take place on February 10th at the Bank of Springfield Center in Springfield, IL. Junior Ava Siano placed 2nd with her solo and also qualified for the IDTA State Contest. Sophomore Paige Patterson and senior Delaney Miner also received rising star awards for their outstanding showmanship in their performances. Coaches Nicole Leigh and Lillian Benson are very proud of the teams performances for their first competition of the season and are looking forward to the rest of the competitive season. Pictured, Front Row: Haileigh Farrero, Delaney Miner, Jordan Bartels. 2nd Row: Zoe Klingberg, Ava Siano, Kristin Tramutolo. 3rd Row: Dezarie Wampler, Paige Patterson, Emma Fisher, Taylor Bartels. Back Row: Ashlyn Wallerich, Abigail Ozee, Avery Lenzie



The Dwight Trojan cheerleading team competed in their first invitational this season on Sunday, December 3rd. The Trojans placed second in the Small Varsity division. Pictured in the back row left to right: Addi Bean, Lauryn Hoegger, Jessa Frobish, Josie Snyder, Dakotah Harris, Mary Hilt, Abby Rodosky, and Emma Legner. Pictured in the front row left to right: Meghan Scott, Reece Mortensen, Sofie Swink, Riley Connolly, Isabel Morales, and Dakota Irvine. The Trojans will be back in action next Sunday, December 10th in Bradley.

Paper Bowl XVII - Week 13

The NFL season is down to just a handful of games and that means Paper Bowl XVII is winding down as well.

In week 13 we had another close battle as three entrants submitted slips with 11 correct selections. Our winner however, was Vickie Dagen of Braceville as she guessed closest to the total points of 677. The two other players that also had 11 correct were Karen Palmer and Larry Davis. Unfortunately, their tie-breaker total point guesses were further off the mark.

Sponsor drop off locations for week 13 were Old World Liquor, Victory Lanes, Streater Onized, and Dwight Country Club.

Paper Bowl contestants can submit one entry per person at each of the drop off locations each week. All entries must be on an official entry blank and to the drop box points by Friday at 5 p.m. each week. No photocopies are accepted.

Have fun playing Paper Bowl XVII!!

Standings after Week 13

North		South	
Planning Associates	10-3	Bank of Pontiac	13-0
DQ	8-5	Danko State Farm	11-2
Jensens	4-9	LPL	10-3
Victory Lanes	3-10	FNB	8-5
Berkot's	2-11	SOCU	7-6
Country Mansion	2-11	Dwight Country Club	5-8
OWL	2-11	Delong Ford	4-9

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

IN THE MATTER)
OF THE ESTATE OF) No. 2017-P-116
JOHN L. BEIER, Deceased)

CLAIM NOTICE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

JOHN L. BEIER, DECEASED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the death of JOHN L. BEIER, who died on September 3, 2017, and whose permanent place of residence at the time of his death was 32773 N. 2650 East Road, Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of Administration were issued to James M. Beier as Independent Administrator of the Estate of JOHN L. BEIER by Order of the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois dated December 3, 2017.

Claims against the estate may be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of a copy of this notice to a known and reasonably ascertainable creditor, whichever date is later. The first date of publication of this notice is December 13, 2017. Any claim not filed on or before the above determined dates is barred.

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

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

James M. Beier
32773 N. 2650 East Road
Dwight, IL 60420

Attorney for the Independent Administrator:
Irvin L. Masching
Attorney at Law
105 East Chippewa Street
P.O. Box 247
Dwight, IL 60420-0247

SENECA LADY IRISH BASKETBALL

Monday, December 4
Seneca vs. Herscher JV -

The JV Lady Irish upped their record to 6-1 with a 44-18 whooping of the Herscher Tigers December 4.

Lauren Silvola and Maya Bruno led with 11 and nine points, respectively.

Varsity -

Herscher got the best of Seneca in the varsity meeting, 42-33, using a big fourth quarter to catapult them to the come-from-behind win.

For the Lady Irish, Lexi Grove had seven points to lead the team. Lyda Robinson and Molly Baker each added six points.

Seneca is now 5-2 overall.

DTHS LADY TROJANS BASKETBALL

Friday, December 8
Dwight vs. South Newton JV -

The JV Lady Trojans defeated South Newton 34-16 in basketball action December 8.

Kayla Kodat led with 15 points, while Nora Anderson added seven. Eden Beier put in six points, followed by Rylee Farris and Emily Weissmann with four and two points, respectively.

The victory brings Dwight's record to 4-1 on the season.

Varsity -

Dwight picked up a big 63-51 win over South Newton in SVC play this

past Friday.

The Lady Trojans were led by Melissa Stewart (six steals) and Chloe Butterbrodt (seven rebounds) with 15 points each - both hitting two threes in the contest. Lucy Rieke scored 11 points to go with ten rebounds, followed by nine from Brooklyn Long, including a three-pointer. Kayla Kodat added six points, while Leah Flynn scored five points and pulled down ten boards. Masching contributed a bucket.

With the win, Dwight is now 3-3 overall and 1-1 in the conference.

TRI-POINT LADY CHARGERS BASKETBALL

Monday, December 4
Tri-Point vs. GSW Varsity -

Tri-Point took a 50-34 loss to GSW December 4.

Abby Kerrins led with 22 points, while Beth Houck and Ellanie Dyrby added four and three points, respectively. Sierra Hummel and Ana Reynolds each scored two points.

Tuesday, December 5
Tri-Point vs. Central Varsity -

Central edged out the Lady Chargers, 36-33, when they met December 5.

Leading scorer for T-P was Abby Kerrins with 14. Sierra Hummel and Beth Houck each scored six.

Thursday, December 7
Tri-Point vs. St. Anne Varsity -

Once again, Tri-Point lost a close one on December 7 - falling 43-42 to St. Anne.

Abby Kerrins led the Lady Chargers with 22 points, followed by ten from Sierra Hummel. Ana Reynolds added eight, with Beth Houck scoring two.

Tri-Point is now 1-9 overall and 1-4 in the conference.

Happy belated Birthday to the little "saint" who celebrated on December 12!

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Sophie Bastian of Dwight lists off what she wants for Christmas.



Tyler Henson of Cabery chats with Santa.



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Dear Santa . . .

GGG 1st Grade

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a kitten for Christmas this year.
Love, RyLynn W.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a new bike for Christmas.
Love, Brynn C.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a little puppy.
Love, Kaylee T.

Dear Santa,
I want a science lab and a time machine.
Love, Noah N.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the reindeer? I want a pogo stick this year!
Love, Easton J.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want pokemon cards this year.
Love, Ty T.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a new bike this year.
Love, Parker J.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a pottery wheel for Christmas this year.
Love, Chloe B.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. I want a new PS4 this year.
Love, Christopher T.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I want an Xbox. I want a dirt bike.
Love, Fallon S.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the reindeer? I want a new toy this year.
Love, Samantha M.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. How are the elves? I want a Nintendo switch.
Love, Levi C.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas. How are the elves? I want an Xbox.
Love, Gracie C.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a Barbie.
Love, Abigail C.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I want a dirt bike for Christmas.
Love, Ryan M

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a marker maker this year.
Love, Makayla W.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want stick-bots for Christmas this year.
Love, Reed B.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a new Elf on the Shelf for Christmas this year.
Love, Autumn M.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a reindeer stuffed animal for Christmas this year.
Love, Olivia D.

Dear Santa,
Merry Christmas! How are the elves? I want a guitar, a piano, and a big toy truck this year.
Love, Tyler F.

**Mrs. Severson
DGS Second Grade**

Dear Santa,
I have been very good this year. I really want a dad. Can you give Jake some new boots? Because he goes in the cow pen a lot. And I want to give you a good Christmas. Merry Christmas Santa.
From, Dane

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade. I love Christmas. I want a computer because I want to look up stuff. I want my friend Kaitlynn to have art supplies because she is my best friend. I wish you a Merry Christmas.
From, Raegan

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade in Dwight. I am seven years old. What I want for Christmas is Nerf Guns because the Nerf Gun I have doesn’t work. I want Legos for my brother because he has a lot of Legos. I hope it snows!
From, Zack

Dear Santa,
I have been a little bad and I am sorry for that. I want a new makeup set because I like to play with them! I also want a new car set for my brother Rylan. I hope you have a safe Christmas. I also hope you have a really good Christmas!
From, Carrigan

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade at Dwight Grade School. What I want for Christmas is Legos because they are fun to build. One thing I would get my brother is an Xbox1 because you can play fun games. How do the elves get in the boys and girls house? I am very excited for Christmas!
From, Shelby

Dear Santa,
I have three brothers; two are mean. I have a lot of cousins, aunts, and uncles. I want a doll because I will play with it and bring it to places with me. I want to give a toy car to my brother, Tristan. Merry Christmas!
From, Sephora

Dear Santa,
I’m 7 years old, I can write words in cursive like kite, moon, and watch. I want some LOL dolls please so I can play more. Please for my mommy a gun, and for Daddy a new bow and arrow. Are you real? Have a Merry Christmas.
From, Mia

Dear Santa,
I hope I get a ton of toys. I want a huge King Kong toy because I love King Kong. I want to give Hilary a new purse to be kind. How old are you? Merry Christmas!
From, Alex

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade. I want a lot of itunes gift cards because I have been using a lot of them on my ipad. I want to give my mom chocolate from my candy bag. How do you make the presents? Do you have a machine? Merry Christmas.
From, Blake

Dear Santa,
I want a bunch of Dav Pilkey books because I like to read. Would you get my daddy a new place to live? I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
From, Nevaeh

Dear Santa,
I have a very nice mom. I have been a little bad. I want an Xbox One because I want to play one of the games. I want to get my friend Alex a new car set because I want him to be happy. How do the elves move? Merry Christmas!
From, Landon

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade. I would like Steph Curry shoes. I want you to get Caiden a DS. How did you get your magic? I hope you have a good nice Christmas.
From, Evan

Dear Santa,
I want a super power because I want to be a super hero. I want an Xbox One for Landon because I want him to be happy. Have a nice Christmas.
From, Joey

Dear Santa,
One thing I want for Christmas is Cozmo because I watched Youtubers play with it. My friend Landon wants a Xbox because he wants to play Lego Dimension game. Are you real? Have a Merry Christmas Santa!
From, Landon

Dear Santa,
My favorite holiday is Christmas. I really want an Xbox because when my tablet dies I can play it. I want to get my stepbrother football cards because he loves football. How do you fly all over the world in one night? And remember to stay safe!
From, Leanne

Dear Santa,
Can I please have a boy puppy? I will give my dad a car movie. I hope it will snow a lot this year. Merry Christmas.
From, Braelyn

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade and I want a Baby Alive because it looks fun. For Courtney I want an elf on the shelf. Why my elf’s name is Teddy might be in the move! How do you wrap presents fast? Are there a lot of kids? Stay safe. Merry Christmas
From, Grace

Dear Santa,
I am so excited for Christmas! What I want for Christmas is lego sets! I want to give my friend Addie more books because she likes to read a lot. I hope you stay safe! Merry Christmas!
From, Kaitlynn

Dear Santa,
I am in second grade. I want a computer for Christmas because I want to play Minecraft on it. I want to get my dad some new tools because some of them broke. How old are you? Have a nice flight.
From, Ty

**Mrs. Oelschlager’s Class
DGS Second Grade**

Dear St. Nicholas,
Hi, it’s me Justina! Are you really allergic to cats? I think you are but I don’t know for sure. How is Rudolph doing? I would really appreciate it if you tell me. I would like an Elf on the Shelf because I don’t have one. I would like Ryleigh to have a cheetah blanket because she is my best friend and she likes cheetahs. Be careful on your sleigh on Christmas Eve.
Love, Justina

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Callie. I was wondering if I could have a rock collection because they are pretty. Also, I I would like my dad to get a football shirt because he likes football. I was wondering if I could have a picture of all of you from the North Pole? Have a great time on Christmas Eve!
Love, Callie

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi, my name is Emma. Are all the reindeer real? I would like an American Boy doll because I love to dress them and I have an American Girl doll. My mom would like some new glasses because my dog ate her old ones! Have a great Christmas.
Love, Emma

Dear Santa,
Hi, it’s Angel. I was wondering, which reindeer did you get first? I would like a Pottery Studio because I want to make stuff for and with my family. Hope you have a great Christmas.
Your friend, Angel

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Kailyn. Can I have a tablet for Christmas because I want to listen to music on it? Also, my brother, Xander could use a new tablet because his keeps freezing on him. I was wondering, how did Rudolph’s nose start glowing? I hope you drive safe on Christmas Eve.
Love, Kailyn



With Santa are (from left) Hannah Harsh, Dwight; Lilly Brower, Verona; Samantha Harsh, Dwight, and Cole Brower, Verona.

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Dear Santa . . .

Mrs. Oelschlager's Class
DGS Second Grade

Dear Santa,
May I please have the Lightning McQueen Race Track so I can race my cars? I would like to get my mom and dad something too. My dad wants a new knife so he can cut stuff open. My mom wants a new phone case. Santa, have a great trip on Christmas Eve!!!
Love, Dalton

Dear St. Nick,
Hi, my name is Rylan. How old are you? Can Rudolph's nose really glow? Can I please have a Zoomer Chimp because it's really funny? I would like my dad to get a new car because my mom got one. Merry Christmas to you, the reindeer and Mrs. Claus.
Love, Rylan

Dear Mr. Claus,
Hi, this is Cason from Dwight. How old are you? Can I please get a Santa hat that is camo? I really like camo and would like the hat. Can you get my dad a drone so he can keep an eye on me? I hope you have a good Christmas.
Love, Cason

Dear Santa,
Hi, I'm Sophia. How are you doing this Christmas-time? I want an iPhone for Christmas because it is fun to play on. Could you get my brother Nathan an iPad so he can play on it? Also, I want my mom to have a new dress. Merry Christmas!
From, Sophia

Dear Santa,
My name is Madison. I was wondering if I could have some of Mrs. Claus' gingerbread cookies. I would like a family gift this year. We need a new TV for our camper because we don't have one. Have a good Christmas.
Love, Madison

Dear Santa,
Hi, my name is Hudson and I would like a new tablet for Christmas. I would like to get some games on the tablet and play them. Could my dad get some Reese because he loves them? I wanted to ask you if reindeer talk? Have a safe trip!
Love, Hudson

Dear Santa,
My name is Ryker. How is Rudolph this Christmas? I really want an Xbox One for Christmas so my sister and I can play new games. Our family could have the best Christmas ever with an Xbox One.
Love, Ryker

Dear Kris Kringle,
My name is Logan. Am I on the nice list? I really want to have an Xbox 360 or Xbox One with two paddles so I can play with my brother. I want to give my mother a big stuffed turkey for Christmas, I know she'd like it. Fly safely!
Love, Logan

Dear Santa Claus,
Hi, it's Kayden. How do your reindeer fly? I would like an Xbox One S so I can play Call of Duty with my dad. I would like my dad to have his own iPad so I can have the iPad that he has now. Have a safe trip and watch out for the trees.
Your pal, Kayden

Dear Santa,
Hi my name is Jude! Am I on the nice or naughty list? I want my own Xbox so I can play Call of Duty on it.

My family could use a new Candyland and Chutes and Ladders games since ours broke. Hope you have a great trip.
Love, Jude

Dear Santa,
Hello, it's Olivia. I was wondering if I can have an American Girl doll bed. My American Girl doll does not want to sleep on the floor. Also, can you get Rocky, Zoe and Kennedy to my grandma's house for Christmas? She hasn't seen them in a long time. Have a good Christmas.
Love, Olivia

Dear Santa,
I was wondering how the reindeer fly on the roof? I was wondering if I could have a big stuffed animal because they are my favorite. I think my brother Asher would like a Nintendo Switch so we could play different games together. Have a very, Merry Christmas!
Sincerely, Axel
P.S. Fill up on cookies!!!

Dear Santa,
Hi, it's Joseph. Is the North Pole a fun place? I want to tell you that I want a Lightning McQueen car and a Power Ranger for Christmas because I didn't get it last year. I would like you to get my mom a good house because she wants more room and I want to make her happy. I hope your happy on Christmas.
Love, Joseph

Mrs. Legner's Class
DGS Second Grade
Dear Santa,
I hope you are doing great! I would love for you to bring my mom flowers for Christmas because she likes to look at them and smell them too! Also, I would like a Nerf Sniper Gun for target practice! I wish you a Merry Christmas!
Sincerely, Oren B.

Dear Santa,
I hope you are getting to eat lots of cookies! Can you please give my baby brother Ben a bouncer seat because he needs one! Also, I would like a Fur Real Baby Bird with a cage because it can talk and I can tell it secrets! Do you know the Evil Elf? I hope you have a Merry Christmas!
Love, Lilly M.

Dear Santa,
I hope you are doing good! I would like you to bring my baby brother, Gage a toy phone because he really loves to play with phones! Also, I would love some new clothes, size large in boys because I'm getting too big for my old clothes and a pair of headphones for school. I hope you have a great Christmas!
Sincerely, Kaiden M.

Dear Santa,
I hope you are doing good even though you're probably busy! I would like a Nerf gun for my brother, Dillon because he likes them. I would like a beanie baby because I think they are cute. What is your favorite color? I hope you have a Merry Christmas.
Love, Jacey R.

Dear Santa,
How is the North Pole? I would like you to bring my friend, Maya a nice snow globe because she is really nice. Also, I would like a Little Dream House because I really like playing with Barbies. How do you stay up all night delivering presents?
Sincerely, Emma S.

Dear Santa,
I hope you aren't working too hard! I'd like you to take my mom off the Naughty List and get her a new vacuum because hers broke! Also, I would like a Miniature Husky puppy because I've always wanted one! I always wanted to know how your reindeer fly?! I hope you have a safe flight!
Love, Landan B.

Dear Santa,
I hope you are doing good! I know that you're working very hard! I would like for you to give my sister, Raegan a Hatchimal because her robot dog doesn't work anymore. Also, I would like a Golden Shepherd puppy because Daddy won't let us get one! I've been wondering how you fit down the chimney without getting hurt?! I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Love, Ryleigh B.

Dear Santa,
I hope you're doing good!. I would like for you to get a safety gate for my dad's Christmas tree because his cats keep climbing it. Also, I would love a model Titanic to put together because I really like the Titanic story. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Your Friend, Nathan S.T.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I would love a Minecraft Lego set for my friend, Walter. He really likes Legos and Minecraft! I would also like a Minecraft Lego set because it is also my favorite! I've been wondering, what are all the things you have to do as Santa Claus?! I love singing Christmas carols by the way!
Sincerely, Ray K.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing in the North Pole with all those presents? I would like you to try to get my mom some new blue winter boots because she really wants some. I would like a pink Ipad Touch because I really want to play games and listen to music! How has my elf Pete been doing when he goes back to the North Pole at night?
Love, Maya L.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Can you please get my mom new sewing needles. One of hers broke. Also, I would like a new Star Wars Lego set because I like Star Wars. I'd really like to know how many elves you have in your toy factory? I wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year St. Nick!
Sincerely, Walter B.



Delaney, Harlie and Cole Boucher of Dwight take time to chat with Santa.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing these days? I would like for you to get my sister an LOL toy because she really likes them and my baby brother a pushing toy because he loves to run around. I would really like a new Wii game called Splatoon 2 because I really like to play any kind of video game. I've been wondering how you never get hurt?! Merry Christmas! I hope you have the best one ever!
Love, Sawyer K.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? I hope you are having a good time with your elves. I would like you to get sister Izzy a horse Lego set because she loves horses. Also, I would like the Underwater Minecraft Lego set because it's too expensive for my family to get. How old are you? How are you able to live so long? I wish you a Merry Christmas!
Love, Meki H.

Dear Santa,
How is it going in the North Pole? I was wondering if you could get my brother, Zack a big Optimus Prime action figure because he loves Transformers! I would like a Harry Potter wand because I have Hermione's and I want to collect Harry's and Ron's too! How do your reindeer fly all over the world and manage to get all the kids presents in one night? I hope you have a great Christmas!
Love, Addie W.

Dear Santa,
I hope you aren't too cold in the North Pole? Could you please send my dog, Jager some new, strong chew toys? He has all of his chewed up! I would like a picture frame made out of metal horseshoes! I saw it somewhere, but it was too expensive! I've been wondering, how have you lived so long? I wish you a Merry Christmas!
Love, Isabel H.

Dear Santa,
I hope you like the cookies are going to make for you! Can you give my brother a rare fidget spinner because he really likes fidget spinners. I would like an Indominus Rex Breakout Lego Set because my mom told me if I build Lego sets, I will get smarter!
Your Friend, Alex O.

Dear Santa,
How are you doing? Can you please give my cat a baby kitten because he is lonely since we are gone a lot! I would like a fabulous Lightning McQueen Technology car. Have a great Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
Love,
Your Friend, Daniel W.O.

Dwight Christmas Royalty



THE DWIGHT Christmas Parade royalty, Prince Tayden Hooper and Princess Kelsey Hansen, were riding in style during the Dec. 1 event in downtown Dwight. Tayden is the son of Shem and Nicole Hooper. Kelsey is the daughter of Jazmine Emmons.
The Paper photo



Kira, Cayson and Caide Bean of Dwight with Santa Claus, Friday, Dec. 1.
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ST. PAUL SCHOOL’S CIVICS CLUB recently held a food drive benefitting the Odell Food Pantry. Students were treated to a “comfy clothes day” if they took in canned goods, non-perishable food, or hygiene items. Pictured here packaging the items for delivery are Tyler Frauli, Natalie Davis, Natalie Weis, Chase Becker, Lydia Jones, Tyler Pugh, Daniela Frauli, and Jack Duffy.

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Cookies will be sold by the baker’s dozen. Candy will be sold by the pound. Specialty items like cake pops will be individually priced.

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Fifth Grade: Drew Anderson.

Sixth Grade: Njomza Asllani, Eloise Becker, Mya Blake, James Boyd, Milana Bradley, Mia Buck, Murphy Connolly, Tyler Cox, Briana Cuaya, Sarah Dolan, Aubree Dzwonkoski, Jarrett Emmons, Reid Gall, Andrew Gartke, Owynn Gliwa, Kaedyn Gonzalez, John Groves, Ryan Hilt, Kassy Kodat, Megan Livingston, Sabashgin Masters, Lilian McKelvey, Kassidy Nichols, Kathryn Parker, Cody Prindiville, Domingo Ramirez, Mark Redman, Seth Robertson, Claire Robison, Evan Sandeno, Avery Scheuer, Kaitlynn Streit, Kaitlyn Thetard, William Trainor, Gabriel Treglio, Jacob Weissmann, Terry Wilkey.

Seventh Grade: James Ammons, Erin Anderson, Sophia Anderson, Kira Bean, Iris Beier, Olivia Bond, Harlie Boucher, Brayden Ehrhardt, Emelia Eitenmiller, Timothy Ellis, Lola Furbee, Jace Gall, Maya Green, Matthew Greer, Addison Harms, Hailey Heath, Ava Kargle, Brady Kelleher, Jace Kern, Reid Legner, Brayden Long, Michael Michon, Amber Moore, Clayton Peck, Dylan Ramsey, Noah Scott, Dawson Sulaica.

Eighth Grade: Alayna Airgood, Landon Brown, Ashton Burkhardt, Carter Butterbrodt, Jack Denker, Kaleb Duden, Kortney Dyer, Samuel Edwards, Emmett Emmons, Dalton Galloway, Darien Guyer, Bryce Handzus, Scott Harkenrider, Rachel Heath, Ella Kargle, Evan Lee, Jacob Maccani, Daniel Petree, Shawn Romanetto, Ella Sandeno, Jordan Schultz, Emily Scott, Gabe Seabert, Alexis Thetard, Toni Treglio, Ryan Turner, Orren Webster, Lora Weir, Kendahl Weller.

St. Paul School Santa Breakfast



WITH THE WARM WEATHER, SANTA CLAUS had to make some alternate travel plans to Odell to arrive at St. Paul School’s Santa Breakfast December 3. The Odell Fire Department helped him make a grand entrance. Greeting Santa on his arrival, pictured, from left, were Maggie Martin, Reed Oswald, Brandon Burke, Haddie Fearman, Isla Davis, and Lathan Logan.

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Winner announced in the Wednesday, December 27, edition.

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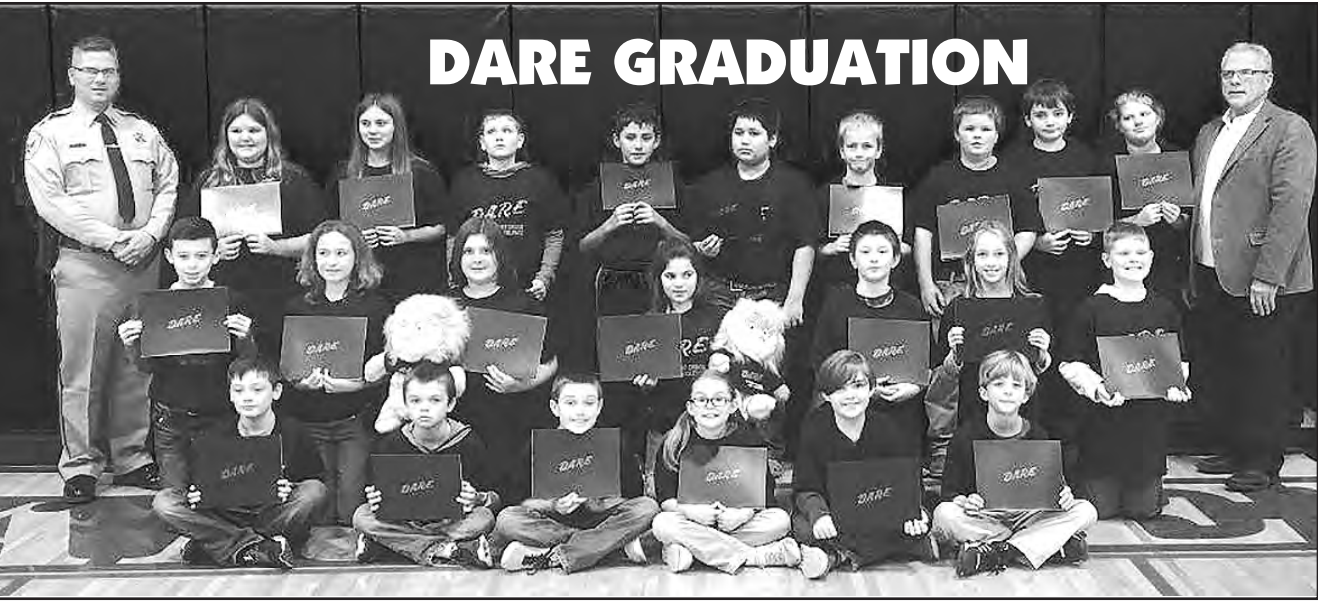
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GARDNER GRADE SCHOOL'S FIFTH GRADERS recently graduated from the D.A.R.E. program. They are pictured with their D.A.R.E. officer, Deputy Chad Hrechko, and guest speaker, Sheriff John W. Callahan.

DTHS Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Nominations

Dwight Township High School is currently taking nominations for the Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame.

Eligibility requirements are as follows:

1. A person who has graduated no less than 10 years from their year of induction.
2. A person whose actions demonstrate outstanding character.
3. A person whose actions demonstrate outstanding citizenship, who has achieved international, national or local recognition.
4. A person whose leadership inspires students in the pursuit of excellence.
5. A person whose accomplishments are outstanding or whose leadership is considered exceptional.

If you know of a person who may be deserving of this honor, please complete the nomination form along with a separate document with relevant information about the candidate and deliver it to Mr. Dan Kaiser, principal of Dwight Township High School.

The selection committee will be receiving nominations through March 31, 2018.

DTHS Distinguished Alumni Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Deadline for consideration is March 31st

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SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Please attach a separate sheet that answers the following questions to better describe your nominee.

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DTHS Graduation Year

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Southeastern Grundy County Senior Citizens Meet in Gardner

The Southeastern Grundy County Senior Citizens gathered for their regular monthly meeting at the Gardner Restaurant, with 13 members present.

The club was hosted by the Garfield Township Board, with Jack Olson as President.

The dinner consisted of spaghetti and fried chicken, salad, and cake.

Jake stopped in to give the club a warm holiday greeting. The secretary presented him a thank you card and Christmas wishes.

After Kim served the luncheon on a festive decorated table, the business meeting was called to order with the pledge to the flag.

Vice President Shirley Farland, presided.

The secretary gave her report and was approved.

The treasurer's account was read and approved by a voice vote.

Jackie stated that she had sent cards and made visits with shut-ins.

Jackie also told of having a new great-grandson.

New Business: Compliments of the Vets Ceremony.

There will be a collection of gloves at the next meeting for the families in need.

Christmas gifts from secret pals were passed out by Karen.

All members received a tube of Mary Kay hand lotion from Ida.

Community Events: S. Wilmington tree lighting.

The raising of the IL 200-year flag at the Village Hall, held Dec. 3.

The Women Assoc. of the Church of Hope's Christmas Party, held Dec. 5.

Karen offered to bring-cookies for the January 5 meeting.

There was no other business. Barb motioned to adjourn; Lorraine seconded.

Farland adjourned – calling for the next meeting on Jan. 5.

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Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase for South Wilmington Grade School District #74

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for South Wilmington Grade School District #74 on the equalized assessed value of the taxable property for the year 2017, with taxes payable in 2018, will be held on December 21, 2017 at 6:45 p.m. at the South Wilmington Grade School.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Cynthia Christensen, Superintendent, at the South Wilmington Grade School, 375 Fifth Ave., P.O. Box 475, South Wilmington, IL 60474. 815-237-2281.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2017 were \$681,558.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2018 are \$701,233. This represents a 2.88% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2017 were \$62,601.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2018 are \$60,675. This represents a 3.1% decrease over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2017 were \$744,158.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2018 are \$761,908. This represents a 2.3% increase over the previous year.

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 9/22/2017, the Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois will on January 24, 2018 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:

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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.

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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 14-17-04902.

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DGS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

Monday, December 4
Dwight vs. Pontiac
6th Grade -

The sixth grade Redbirds traveled to Pontiac Jr. High December 4, coming up short, 34-11.

Leading Dwight was Terry Wilkey with seven points and six boards. Will Trainor added two points, while Reid Gall and Tyler Cox each put in a free throw. Ishmael Kane pulled down six rebounds.

In “B” game action, the Redbirds lost 34-9.

Ryan Hilt, Domingo Ramirez, Owynn Gliwa, and Dumari Lane all had two points. Jacob Weissmann added a free throw and led the team in rebounding with five. Ramirez snagged five boards.

Tuesday, December 5
Dwight vs. Saratoga
6th Grade -

Dwight was on the road December 5 against Saratoga, taking a tough 24-23 loss.

Will Trainor led with seven points, followed by Reid Gall with six points and three boards. Terry Wilkey scored four points to go with seven rebounds, while Owynn Gliwa, Seth Robertson, and Ishmael Kane (five rebounds) all added two points.

In the “B” game, the Redbirds would go down, 28-10.

Evan Sandeno and Andrew Gartke led Dwight with four points each, with Gartke adding five rebounds. Jacob Weissmann had two points and three boards.

7th Grade -

Redbirds head coach Tom Conroy believes his squad

played their best game of the season on December 5, as they took out undefeated Saratoga 36-19.

Brayden Long had 22 points, five rebounds, three steals, and one assist to lead Dwight. Jace Gall (six rebounds, four assists, one steal) and Clayton Peck (two rebounds, one steal) each scored four points, with Dylan Ramsey adding three points. Reid Legner contributed two points, four steals, two rebounds, and an assist, followed by Dawson Sulaica with a free throw and a steal. Trey Downen grabbed three boards.

The Redbirds are 7-2 on the season and 3-0 in the conference.

8th Grade -

The eighth graders got a big 43-21 win over Saratoga December 5.

Landon Brown led the team with 15 points, five boards, and three steals. Bryce Handzus had ten points, four rebounds, and two steals. Jeremy Kapper (ten rebounds, five steals) and Sam Edwards (nine rebounds, one steal) each scored six points, while Scotty Harkenrider (two steals), Nate Schumacher (one rebound), and Caleb Duden (one rebound) all had two points.

Thursday, December 7
Dwight vs. Seneca
6th Grade -

Dwight got by Seneca, 23-21, when they met December 7.

Reid Gall led with six points and six steals, while Terry Wilkey added four points and four rebounds. Ishmael Kane contributed four points, five boards, followed by William Trainor

with three points. Ryan Hilt, Owynn Gliwa, and Jacob Weissmann all had two.

The “B” game saw the Redbirds fall 9-6.

Andrew Gartke had four points, with Seth Robertson adding two.

On the glass, Kyler Starks led with three, followed by two each from Domingo Ramirez, Owynn Gliwa, and Jacob Weissmann.

7th Grade -

The Redbirds shot pretty poorly against Seneca December 7, but were able to rely on their defense being good enough and tallied their eighth win of the season, 27-15.

Brayden Long scored 11 points to go with ten rebounds, four steals, and three assists. Reid Legner had six points, seven steals, and three rebounds, while Dawson Sulaica added four points, two rebounds, and a steal. Jack Groves (one steal), Jace Gall (one rebound), and Clayton Peck (11 rebounds) each scored two points.

8th Grade -

The Redbirds would take out Seneca, 34-26, in the eighth grade game – improving to 9-1 on the season and 4-0 in the conference.

“Defense, again, was awesome,” stated head coach Joe Stevenson.

Bryce Handzus led the way for Dwight with 13 points, eight rebounds, and six steals. Landon Brown contributed 11 points, eight steals, and four boards. Kaleb Duden added six points, five rebounds, and two steals, with Jeremy Kapper coming up with four points, four boards, and four steals.

Editor’s Corner

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

’Tis The Season To Go Bonkers Shopping At Malls

Never again.

My wife Cathy and I travelled to the nearest Kohl’s store (Peru) to pick up a pair of shoes that were half-off for their Black Friday sale (starting at 5 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 23).

We got the shoes. The only pair they had in her size.

We arrived about four minutes after 5 p.m., and it took a total of 45 minutes to purchase one pair of shoes. It was a harrowing experience.

People were rude, obnoxious, would not allow Cathy to move in the aisles despite the fact that she was using her walking stick, and there was absolutely no room to maneuver in that store with the mobs searching for bargains.

Never again.

So this is what Christmas is all about? I hope not.

No wonder I am Jewish. You see, what a Jewish person does is go to the stores AFTER the holiday season and shop for bargains when everyone else has spent all their hard-earned cash and the stores have marked everything down to get rid of

their excess stock that did not sell.

Now, let me compare that with the experience I had last week covering Dwight’s Christmas parade the night of Dec. 1.

The air was a chilly 40 degrees, but warm enough that it was tolerable to stand outside watching the parade.

There were floats, the lovely Lindsey Jensen who is the 2018 teacher of the year was the grand marshal, and youngsters Kelsey Hansen and Tayden Hooper were the royal princess and prince of the parade. They were very happy and smiling the entire time. Plus, their warm Christmas outfits were great for the chilly weather.

The parade had three bands, many floats, lots of decorated vehicles and great musical entertainment.

Eric Stewart from First National Bank offered me a roll of free lip balm along the parade route.

All the groups of people I photographed were very gracious and willing to be immortalized on film for *The Paper*.

And, of course, Mr.



Avery Ohlendorf, Katy Edwards and Dusty.

Swisher of rural Gardner was on hand as Santa Claus, waiting after the parade in Santa’s house.

Inside the warm house, he allowed me to take a picture with him and Dusty (my partner in crime).

Even Avery Ohlendorf and Katy Edwards, dressed as the sisters from Disney’s film, “Frozen,” were willing to have Dusty take his picture with them.

Everyone smiled, including the bear.

Some of the smaller children were a little leary of Santa Claus, but they all were happy eventually.

After I showed the photo of Dusty with Santa, my co-worker, Amy Miller, asked me what Dusty asked Santa for this Christmas.

I told her I would ask Dusty.

Dusty’s response:

“To spend the Christmas season with all our loved ones in a cheerful, loving environment.”

Well said, little Dusty. Happy Hannukah and Merry Christmas everyone!

Thanks for reading.



The Paper Photo by Pat Swisher

Santa Stopping In Herscher December 15

Santa will be arriving in Herscher during the Santa parade which starts at 6 p.m., Friday, Dec. 15.

He will arrive by fire truck and then see children

at the Herscher Area Historical Society on Main Street.

Prior to the parade, a live nativity scene will begin at 5:30 p.m.



GSWB TIGERS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, December 5
GSWB vs. MVK
7th Grade -

The Tigers’ seventh grade squad fell to MVK, 33-11, on December 6. They are now 4-6 overall and 1-2 in the IVC.

8th Grade -

GSWB avoided their sixth straight loss with an 18-11 win over the Mavericks.

The Tigers trailed 6-2 heading into the second half, but were able to hold MVK scoreless in the third to take a 12-6 lead into the final frame – where they would hang on for the victory.

Blake Huston was the go-to, as he tallied ten points. Cale Halpin had five.

GSWB is now 4-6 on the season and 1-2 in IVC play.

Thursday, December 8
GSWB vs. Elwood
7th Grade -

The seventh grade Tigers came out with a lot of energy against Elwood December 8, burying two early threes to take an early advantage.

Poor free throw shooting, however, led to GSWB facing a 17-16 deficit heading into the final frame – but the several Tigers stepped up and combined to put in 15 fourth quarter points and secure the 31-28 victory.

Cale Halpin led the way with 15 points. Chris Cvitanovich pulled down 15 rebounds. Ryan Olsen hit two big free throws in the last minute of the contest, while Brody Fatlan iced the game with a big bucket in the final seconds.

GSWB is now 5-6 overall and 2-2 in the IVC.

8th Grade -

GSWB played superb defense against Elwood in the eighth grade game – allowing just two first quarter points.

They would take a 14-7 lead into the second half, where the pace would pick up but the Tigers would hang on, 33-28.

Free throw shooting, GSWB’s achilles heal all season, proved to be a bright spot, as the Tigers shot 13-15.

Blake Patterson led with nine points, including a trey and two clutch free throws late.

GSWB ups their record to 5-6 overall with the win, and are 2-2 in the IVC.



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At the Churches

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• DEC. 14: 5:30 p.m., Live Nativity; 6 p.m., Praise Band rehearsal.
• DEC. 15: 7 a.m., MWDC.
• DEC. 16: 7 a.m., Men’s Bible Study at Rte. 66 and Cafe 110 in Odell; 5:30 p.m., YAGOS(Country Mansion).
• DEC. 17: 8 a.m., Choir Cantata; Early Worship Service; 9 a.m., UMW Cookie Walk (between services); 9:15 a.m., Sunday School; 9:30 a.m., Praise Team rehearsal;

10:30 a.m., Christmas Concert; Contemporary Worship Service.
• DEC. 18: UMW Executive Board meeting, 8:30 a.m.; Boy Scouts #4877, 6 p.m.
• DEC. 19: 8:30 a.m., Hens; 9 a.m., Bible Seekers; 6 p.m., Scouts #1505.
• DEC. 20: 2 p.m., Kids Klub/Real Kids Christmas Party; 6:30 p.m., Choir rehearsal; 7 p.m., R.E.A.L & Ignite Christmas Party.

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• DEC. 17: 9 a.m., Sunday School/Adult Bible Class; 10 a.m., Children’s Christmas Service with Holy Communion.
• DEC. 20: NO Midweek Bible Time; 5:30 p.m., Advent Service.

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• DEC. 20: Wednesday

Evening Service & King’s Kids Children’s Program, 7 p.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ

200 W. Delaware St.
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• DEC. 16: 9 a.m., Youth Christmas practice; 1 p.m., Ladies Christmas Party.
• DEC. 17: 9 a.m., Bible Study; 10 a.m., Main Service; Kids Church; 6 p.m., Youth Group Combined Christmas Program.
• DEC. 20: 7 p.m., Disciples Making Disciples Bible Study.
• DEC. 21: 11:30 a.m., Second Wind Christmas Party; 5:30 p.m., Women’s Bible Study; 7 p.m., Worship practice.

St. Patrick Catholic Church

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815-584-3522 Office
Father Chris Haake, Pastor
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• DEC. 17: 8 a.m., Mass.

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• DEC. 15: 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Church office hours; 8 p.m., AA meeting.

• DEC. 17: Third Sunday of Advent – 9:15 a.m., Fellowship time; 9:30 a.m., Faith Development/ Rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion; 11:30 a.m., Council Minutes meeting; 2 p.m., Worship at Heritage Health.
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• DEC. 17: Sunday Worship Service, 10:30 a.m.
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Emington Congregational United Church of Christ


103 Division Street
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The Christmas Fund/ Veterans of the Cross



THE DWIGHT ECONOMIC ALLIANCE sponsored Breakfast with Santa at St. Patrick Parish Hall, Saturday, Dec. 2, with 111 people attending. Santa and Mrs. Claus were portrayed by John and Kathy Steurer of Dwight. The Finale Dance Studio performed at the event. Volunteers from Dwight Township High School and Dwight Grade School assisted the DEA with the event.

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