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Dwight's Nick Schultz' Reporting Dream Comes True

When Loyola Earns NCAA Final Four Berth

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

For Nick Schultz, a sophomore at Loyola University in Chicago, March Madness is truly a crazy time for the budding journalist. He himself has been interviewed on television, and has had a chance to meet with the famous Loyola team supporter, Sister Jean.

He graduated from Dwight Township High School in 2016, the son of Scott and Mary Schultz of Dwight.

But Nick's journalism career did not start out with such a huge national audience.

When Nick was in fifth grade, he was attending Dwight Grade School and had a chance to do the morning announcements.

"I got some real good feedback," Nick told *The Paper* in an interview on the morning he boarded the plane from Chicago to San Antonio last Friday to cover the NCAA championship final four starting March 31 and concluding with the championship game April 2.

Nick's dad encouraged Nick to investigate doing basketball announcing, so Nick connected with Dan Kaiser. Remember, Nick was in fifth grade at the time.

"I did my first (high

school) basketball game with Dan Kaiser sitting next to me," Nick recalled.

Nick was hooked for life after that.

Nick became "famous" in Dwight calling the high school games, starting permanently after he began attending DTHS.

He is majoring in journalism, multi-media, and wants to be a print or radio sports reporter. He said he was encouraged by coach Chuck Butterbrodt. He also mentioned inspiration from the local newspaper, *The Paper*, where his grandmother, Sandy Schultz, was employed through his school career in Dwight.

"I used to read the sports stories all the time," Nick said.

In high school, his live game coverage was being broadcast on the internet, giving Nick a taste of professional radio broadcasting.

A news release was issued last week by Loyola University that talked about Nick and three other student reporters who have been going "toe-to-toe" with veteran professional sports reporters.

"Loyola student journalists were covering the basketball team when a game might attract 200 fans," the news release states. "They reported on the team when

no other media outlet – professional or otherwise – had any interest."

Reporters from major markets and national media have relied on Loyola's student journalists for information on practices, bench strength, weaknesses, strengths, recruiting, assistant coaches and university support.

Nick was one from Loyola covering the three wins in the Missouri Valley Conference Championship that gave Loyola the berth in the NCAA Tournament.

"Video cameras, audio recorders, still cameras and good old reporter notepads and pens are a fixture in these students' hands as they spend on average 14-hour shifts on game day and countless hours getting prepared," the news release continued.

"Their work is published in Loyola student media outlets, social media, Chicago media and National media."

The release also states the University has spent more than \$30,000 to support the student journalists, but "doesn't know where the money is going to come from. The school response: damn the torpedoes because these students are absolutely remarkable and this opportunity may never come again."



LOYOLA'S SISTER JEAN Dolores-Schmidt (right) is the 98-year-old nun and team chaplain for the Loyola Chicago men's basketball team, and appears on television with Nick Schultz, Dwight, who is reporting for the team for the Loyola student newspaper.

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Nick singled out Sister Jean who is a fixture on the Loyola Campus.

When the Cubs won the World Series last year, and they were still battling, down 2-1 in the series, he spent five minutes chatting

about the Cubs with Sister Jean.

"She saw my Cubs hat," Nick explained.

"She said she thought the Cubs would go all the way, even though they were down 2-1 at the time."

She was right.

And Sister Jean has been with the Loyola Men's basketball team all along, praying for both teams, at each game, but "praying a little harder" for Loyola.

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Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

March 22: Yusef M. Tourjman, 57, Hoffman Estates, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.
March 24: Jamaal S. Adams, 19, Bourbonnais, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.
March 26: Matthew L. Jiles, 25, Flossmoor, speeding 26-34 MPH over limit.

Police Blotter

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

March 23: **Poles Run Over**- Dwight Police were dispatched at 8:08 a.m. to the 500 block of W. Mazon Ave. An unknown vehicle had run over poles in the parking lot. There were no vehicle parts or evidence left on scene.

March 23: **Tires Slashed** - Dwight Police were dispatched to the 100 block of Bannon Drive at 12:10 p.m. A 60-year-old female advised police that when she went to her vehicle in the morning, she discovered that all four of her brand-new tires had been slashed.

March 25: **Cell Phone Left Behind** - Dwight police learned a 64-year-old male subject from Burlington, at 5 p.m., left his cell phone behind in a local gas station rest room. The male called Dwight Police and advised he had turned around and came back, but the phone was not located. It was later learned the phone was

already being used in St. Louis.
March 27: **Domestic Issue** - Dwight Police were dispatched at 1:14 a.m. to the 500 block of E. Seminole Street for a domestic issue. Police later arrested Ronald L. Odam, 31, of Gardner on a Grundy County Warrant. Local charges are expected to follow.
March 27: **Gasoline Drive Off** - Dwight Police were dispatched to the 600 block of W. Mazon Avenue at 11:44 p.m. Police were advised an unknown male driving a silver BMW pumped 19.339 gallons of gasoline and drove off without paying. The vehicle was last seen traveling northbound on Interstate 55.

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

Accident Report

Tuesday, March 27, 1:14 a.m., an accident was reported involving a 2016 Chevrolet sedan, driven by Cynthia Grenar, struck a pedestrian, Ronald Odam. This is under investigation.



Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

March 23: 9:48 a.m., Dewitt St. – Coal City,

COQ, mutual aid to Coal City; 10:11 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 11:27 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris, mutual aid from Dwight Fire/Duffy; 2:16 p.m., 2nd St., medical, Morris, mutual aid to Coal City.
March 25: 12:28 p.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 3:05 p.m., Seminole, medical, Morris; 3:07 p.m., Bannon, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Dwight Fire/Gardner Ambulance; 6:36 p.m., Seminole, medical, Morris; 6:58 p.m., Bannon, medical, mutual aid – Dwight Fire/Gardner Ambulance.

March 26: 5:52 a.m., Bannon, medical, Morris; 8:15 a.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 9:31 a.m., South St., medical, Morris, mutual aid – Dwight Fire; 1:36 p.m., I-55, trauma, refusal, mutual aid to Gardner; 1:42 p.m., 3300E, medical, Morris.

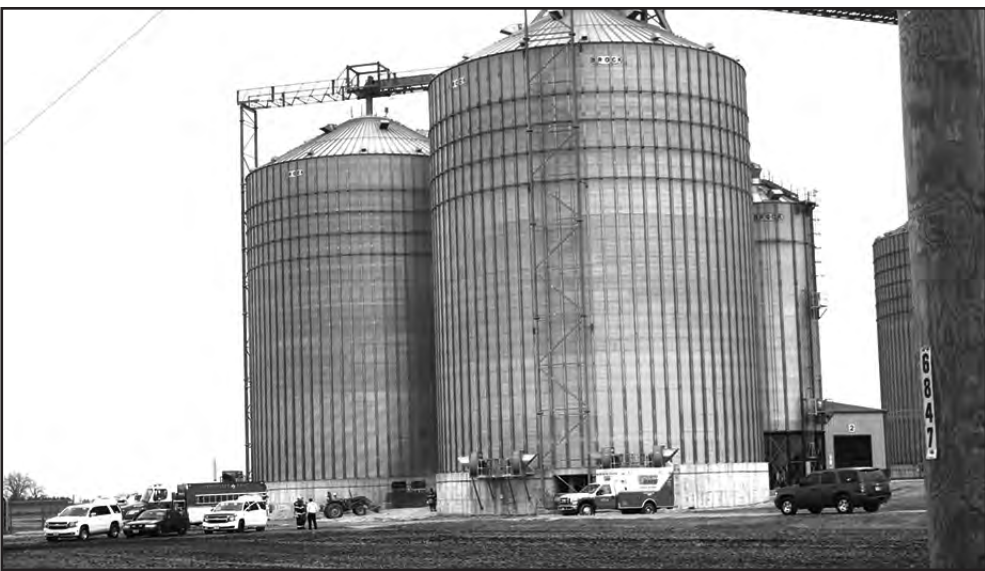
March 27: 1:12 a.m., Seminole, trauma, Morris; 2:37 a.m., Northbrook, medical, Morris.

March 28: 1:05 p.m., John St., medical, Morris; 3:56 p.m., 3200N Rd., fire, no patient.

March 29: 5:42 p.m., Bannon, medical, refusal; 6:49 p.m., Prairie, medical, Morris.

March 30: 3:18 p.m., I-55, trauma, refusal, mutual aid to Gardner; 7:56 p.m., 3300E, medical, Morris.

March 31: 10:25 a.m., Prairie, medical, refusal.



A GRAIN DRYER WAS DESTROYED by fire March 28 at Consolidated Grain and Barge, three miles east of Dwight. The Dwight department was assisted by a number of neighboring departments including Gardner, Odell, Pontiac, Braidwood, Campus-Emington, Braidwood, Cullom, Saunemin, Limestone, Herscher, Coal City, Morris, and Mazon, plus Dwight and Duffy Ambulances.

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Grain Dryer at CGB Near Dwight Destroyed by Fire March 28

A grain dryer owned by Consolidated Grain and Barge, three miles east of Dwight on Route 17, sustained \$25,000 in damages Wednesday, March 28 due to a fire.

At 4:34 p.m., Dwight Fire Protection District responded to a reported fire in a grain dryer unit located at the CGB facility.

On arrival, crews found a 120-foot tall grain dryer with heavy smoke coming from the top and sides of the unit, according to a news release issued after the fire.

Crews utilized two aerial tower ladders and several engine companies to extinguish the fire which was located 110 feet in the air near the top of the dryer.

Crews also encountered another fire approximately 40 feet up inside the dryer.

The fire was declared under control at 5:30 p.m.

The fire was contained within the structure of origin.

The loss of the grain in the dryer plus physical damage to the structure are estimated to be valued at

\$25,000, the fire department said.

Due to the nature of the fire and lack of fire hydrants, the alarm went to a 2-11 MABAS Box, Dwight Fire said.

The Dwight department was assisted by a number of neighboring departments including Gardner, Odell, Pontiac, Braidwood, Campus-Emington, Braidwood, Cullom, Saunemin, Limestone, Herscher, Coal City, Morris, and Mazon, plus Dwight and Duffy Ambulances.



BETWEEN THE COMBINATION OF BURNED GRAIN and the destruction of a grain dryer at Consolidated Grain and Barge last week, the total damage losses were estimated to be \$25,000.

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Dwight Man Sentenced To Three Years on Sexual Abuse Charges

Aaron W. Chadwick, 21, of Dwight, was sentenced March 19 by a Livingston County Judge to three years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Chadwick pled guilty to one count of aggravated criminal sexual abuse of a victim aged between 13 and 17, a class two felony, and one count of obstructing justice, a class four felony.

The Dwight Police Department arrested Chadwick in April of 2017 on the charges.



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Initially, you might think it would be quite nice to rid yourself of that mortgage sooner, rather than later. But is it really the burden it seems?

Actually, you get some real benefits from a mortgage. It certainly provides something of great value to you – your home. If you got your mortgage – or refinanced your home – within the past decade or so, you are borrowing money at a pretty favorable interest rate, by historical standards. And even assuming a mild rate of inflation, such as we’ve had for the past several years, you’ll essentially be paying off your mortgage with cheaper and cheaper dollars over time. Plus, your interest payments may well be tax deductible. (The new tax laws limit deductions on new mortgages of \$750,000 or more. For questions on your specific situation, consult your tax professional.)

So, given these advantages, an argument could be made that you should be in no hurry to pay off your mortgage. Still, you might be tempted to make the extra payments because you’ll be building home equity. After all, isn’t this equity valuable? It is – to a degree. The larger your home equity, the more money you’ll get to keep when you eventually sell your home.

But in the meantime, that home equity may be less useful than you might imagine. For one thing, just building more equity won’t make your home more valuable – it will rise (or fall) in value along with whatever’s happening in the housing market. By contrast, you could take the extra money and buy more shares in an investment such as stocks – and the more shares you own, the more valuable your investment will be if the price per share rises.

Also, if you were to experience a temporary job loss or some other financial emergency, your home equity might not help you much; if you’re not working, you could even have trouble getting a home equity loan. Conversely, your investment portfolio can offer you greater liquidity, depending on your specific investments. Most investment vehicles, such as stocks and bonds, generally can be sold quickly, without much difficulty. (Keep in mind, though, that if you were forced to sell investments when their price was down, you could take a loss on the sale.)

Clearly, you could gain some advantages by using any extra money to invest, rather than paying down your mortgage. Nonetheless, you may simply get emotional and psychological satisfaction by speeding your progress toward the day when your house is paid off – and that type of satisfaction certainly has value. You’ll need to weigh these intangible factors carefully in deciding whether to increase your investments or make extra mortgage payments – because, ultimately, you need to feel that you’re doing the right thing, for the right reasons.

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Morris Man Sentenced to 7 Years Following DPD-Assisted Arrest

On March 19, a Livingston County judge sentenced Leroy K. Devine, 29, of Morris, to seven years in the Illinois Department of Corrections after he pled guilty of two counts of unlawful delivery of a look-alike substance – class 3 felonies.

The Dwight Narcotics Unit, along with the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit, started the narcotics investigation on Devine back in July of 2017. He was later arrested in Chicago on a Livingston County warrant after fleeing from the police in July of 2017. Devine was also on parole at the time of his arrest.

Agencies assisting with the investigation were the Dwight K-9 Unit, Dwight

Police Department, Livingston County Sheriff’s Department, Joliet Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad (JMANS), and the Livingston County States Attorney’s Office.

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Mar. 23 – high 37°, low 19°
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Mar. 24 – high 47°, low 23°
Mar. 25 – high 47°, low 23°
Mar. 26 – high 50°, low 25°
.33” precip.
Mar. 27 – high 49°, low 37°
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DWIGHT ESDA MEMBERS ATTENDED storm spotter class provided by the National Weather Service, Romeoville. The instructor was Meteorologist Jamie Enderlen. The class was the basic storm spotter class that teaches personnel to identify cloud formations and weather patterns that can produce severe weather. The class was 1.5 hours long and was presented at the Courthouse in Pontiac.

Dwight Family Literacy Night

Dwight Grade School's Family Literacy Night will be held from 6 to 7:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 10. The theme this year is "The Magic of Storytelling" featuring renowned storyteller Chris McBrien. The event will begin with a presentation to students during the school day and conclude with evening activities. The event will coincide with the DGS Scholastic Book fair. The program is being coordinated by Barb Svornik and Patricia Aldrich, reading specialists; and Stephanie Flott, library, media specialist. For more information call (815) 584-6220.

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Dwight Yard Waste,
Branch Pickup Resumes

The Village of Dwight yard waste and branch pickup has resumed as of April 2, and will continue through Friday, November 30. All items should be placed at the curb prior to 6:00 a.m. and the following requirements must be met: • Mondays are the designated day for yard waste pickup. It must be placed at the street in the Kraft type/biodegradable paper bags. No containers will be dumped and bags must not weigh over 50 lbs. • Mondays and Fridays, every other week, are the designated days for branch pickup. The North side of tracks are picked up on Recycling week and the

South side of the tracks are picked up on the non-recycling week. All branches that have been cut, pruned, or trimmed, by the homeowner, must be set out at the street in manageable piles, no more than 8 feet in length and piles no higher than three feet – with the cut side towards the street. No root balls, clumps of dirt, stumps or large tree trunks/branches larger than 11” will be taken. • Branches, leaves, and other yard waste generated by a private contractor or individ-

uals hired by the residents or property owners do not qualify for these pickup programs. The contractor/individual doing the work must properly dispose of the waste and/or branches in their own method. Absolutely nothing will be picked up in the alleys. Put everything at the street by 6:00 a.m. on the designated days. It is illegal to dump or drop off any garbage, branches, or yard waste at the Public Works garage.



Dwight Village Board Approves Budget
March 26 Board Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty
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An Ordinance adopting Dwight's Fiscal Year 2018-2019 budget was approved by the Dwight Village Board of Trustees as presented following a Public Hearing on March 26. A full board, minus Trustee Justin Eggenberger, was in attendance.

During the Public Hearing, Village Administrator Kevin McNamara highlighted various aspects of the budget.

The \$12 million Village operating budget, \$3 million of which is for the General Fund, is the revenue and expense plan providing for the day-to day operations of Village government and provides all Village departments with guidelines for expenses throughout the fiscal year, beginning April 1, 2018 through March 31, 2019.

McNamara pointed out that General Fund revenue remains flat with this budget reflecting only a \$30,000 increase in revenue over the 2017-18 year.

“Revenues remain stagnant and the Village's fiscal solvency is heavily reliant upon external factors,” stated McNamara in his report. McNamara also indicated that no major changes in the revenue stream from the State of Illinois is anticipated for the coming year.

The General Fund is balanced and no reserve cash is projected to be used for operations. No capital outlay items are being funded during the fiscal year. An increase in ambulance rates as well as an increase in building permit fees for commercial buildings is included in the budget. Village Ordinance allows the Water and Sewer Fund Sales Fees to increase five percent every April 1, and the FY 2018-19 budget does reflect that increase.

It was noted that declining General Fund balances over the past three years continues to be a concern, but actions regarding increasing the corporate property tax rate this year “is a positive step in alleviating that problem”.

Infrastructure repairs have been a strong focus with regard to Village finances. In 2016, the Village obtained a \$2 million water bond to replace over two miles of water main. The project will complete in this new fiscal year.

Also in 2016, Dwight residents overwhelmingly supported the non-home rule sales tax referendum to increase sales tax in the village. A major \$5 million bond for street repair, paid for out of the new sales tax funds, was taken out in 2016. Most of this repair and rebuilding of streets has been done and the remaining road repair/rebuild will be accomplished this fiscal year.

The Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Fund reflects property tax monies collected since the establishment of the Village's first TIF District in 2009. A \$2 million bond was issued in 2016 to rebuild the streets, sidewalks, storm and sanitary systems in the Downtown Business District. Work on West Main is complete and plans to complete the rest of the downtown business district are being developed.

“In the current fiscal year, our Equalized Assessed Valuation has risen for the first time in eight years, our sales tax base continues to improve, ambulance usage is at an all-time high, state of the art radio and communication sharing technology is being utilized by our Police and EMS Departments, and tourism, our biggest form of economic development, continues to grow,” stated

McNamara. “You, as a Board, have implemented the most aggressive new home building incentive in the area. An application to add farmland properties north of Dwight to an expanded Streater Enterprise Zone is progressing as is the development of a Rt. 17 / Rt. 66 TIF District.”

While acknowledging that the upcoming fiscal year will again be challenging, McNamara closed stating the “implementation of this budget will result in continued delivery of current services to our residents.”

Several questions were raised during the public hearing. Regarding vacant property owned by the village (dilapidated houses that were demolished), it was asked if any action was being taken to get these properties back on the tax roll. Mayor Jared Anderson responded that these properties are in the process of being posted as excess property and will be listed for sale.

With \$60,000 allocated for the new fiscal year in the Revolving Loan Fund, it was questioned if there was interest by a business in borrowing money. It was noted that there has been a loan application received by the Village.

With Harvest Days not in the Village budget, a question was raised regarding funding for the event.

“Harvest Days is not a village entity,” responded Trustee Randy Irvin, who is also President of Dwight Harvest Days. “We are our own not-for-profit organization that provides for the village and the people.” Irvin also commented that the organization is always looking for volunteers and anyone interested is welcome.

Finally, prior to closing the public hearing, it was noted that the road leading into Love's Travel Stop is in the village budget to be fixed this year.

Moving to regular session, Mayor Anderson offered condolences on behalf of the village board to the families of the victims of a recent house fire that claimed two lives. Anderson also thanked the first responders for their work and wished them the best as they move through a difficult start to the year.

Chief of Police Tim Henson commented that burglaries continue in the area and, once again, cautioned residents to keep

homes and vehicles locked and valuables secured.

Public Works noted that April 1 is the start of yard waste pickup by the village.

In public comment, a resident inquired if the East Main Street construction project was going to take place this summer. Mayor Anderson noted that, at this time, engineering plans have still not been completed. Anderson estimated that the project would take approximately 10 weeks once the bid process is complete.

With spring already here and plans not complete, it is not certain if the project will move forward this summer.

A Properties Committee recommendation passing an IDOT Resolution for Maintenance at \$400,000 was approved. MFT road projects suggested to be done in 2018 include Scott Drive, W. William from Columbia to Garrett park, N. Washington from Taylor to Morgan, and E. Seminole east of Franklin.

The board also approved:

- payment of bills totaling \$80,312.88.
- the February Treasurer's report.
- a fund transfer of \$56,370.00 from the General Fund to the Capital Outlay Fund for reimbursement of various bills.
- a fund transfer of \$109.00 from the Capital Fund to the TIF Fund for the purpose of closing out an account.
- A fund transfer of \$3,600 from the Sewer Fund to the Capital Expenditures Fund for the purpose of paying for cleanup behind the Public Works building.
- Opperman Construction pay request #3 and final for \$57,944.12 for the 2017 Prairie Avenue reconstruction.
- Gensini pay request #4 for \$150,957.12 for 2017 North Street and Chippewa Street reconstruction.
- an accessory building variance request for property located at 106 W. Waupansie be sent to the Zoning Board of Appeals.
- A DEA Springfest Class F Liquor License from 2 p.m. – 11 p.m. on May 4 and 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. on May 5.
- A DEA Springfest Sound Amplification Permit for GABR Park from 2 p.m. – 11 p.m. on May 4 and 9 a.m. – 7 p.m. on May 5.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board of Trustees will be at 6:30 p.m., Monday, April 9, in the Public Services Complex.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

To the legal voters, residents of the Town of Cabery in the County of Ford/Kankakee and State of Illinois, that the Annual Town Meeting of said Town will take place on TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018 being the second Tuesday of said month at the hour of 7:30 P.M. at

the Township Building for the transaction of the miscellaneous business of the said town; and after a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers, and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting; and especially to consider and decide the following:
Dated March 28, 2018.

Kregg Harms
Town Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Dwight Township, in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2019, is on file and conveniently available for public inspecting at the Dwight Township Hall from and after 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 27, 2018.

Notice is hereby given that public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 6:45 p.m., Tuesday, May 1, 2018, at the Town Hall, 201 North Franklin Street, Dwight, Illinois, in this Dwight Township, and that final action on this ordinance will be taken at a meeting to be held at the Town Hall, 201 North Franklin Street, Dwight, Illinois at 7:00 o'clock, Tuesday, May 1, 2018.

Patricia S. Rosenbaum
Dwight Township Supervisor

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Dwight Township Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Road Purposes of the Dwight Township Road District, in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2018 and ending March 31, 2019, is on file and conveniently available for public inspecting at the Dwight Township Hall from and after 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 27, 2018.

Notice is hereby given that public hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 1, 2018, at the Town Hall, 201 North Franklin Street, Dwight, Illinois, in this Dwight Township, and that final action on this ordinance will be taken at a meeting to be held at the Town Hall, 201 North Franklin Street, Dwight, Illinois at 7:00 o'clock, Tuesday, May 1, 2018.

Patricia S. Rosenbaum
Dwight Township Supervisor

Janice M. Masching
Dwight Township Clerk



YOUNG EGG HUNTERS at Heritage Health, Dwight, Friday, March 30. from left: Hunter Favero, being held, was the 0-2 age group winner; Charlotte Anderson, right, 7-8 age group winner. Center photo: Dalton DeLong won the 5-6 age group and the opportunity to have his picture with the Easter Bunny. Above: Alayna Hanson, standing, 3-4 year old winner with her mom, Meta Hanson.

Pontiac Woman Sentenced to Four Years on Drug Charges

Felicia M. Bustle, 29, of Pontiac, was sentenced to four years in the Illinois Department of Corrections by a Livingston County Judge March 27.

Bustle pled guilty to one count of unlawful possession of a controlled substance, a class four felony. Bustle along with three other subjects, Elisha M. Hallam, 35, and Carlos M. Montes Jr., 43, both of Pontiac; and Steven T. Carls, 31, Fairbury, were all arrested in October of 2017.

The Dwight Narcotics Unit along with Livingston County Pro-Active Unit had an ongoing investigation that resulted in the arrest of the

four subjects after a heroin deal occurred.

Bustle was found in possession of multiple capsules containing heroin.

This investigation is still ongoing for Hallam, Montes and Carls.

Bustle was on parole the day of her arrest for possession of a controlled substance.

Agencies assisting with the investigation were the Livingston County Sheriff's Department, Dwight Police Department, Dwight K-9 Unit, Livingston County K-9 Unit, and the Livingston County States Attorney's Office.

Job Seeker Workshops in Pontiac in April

The following free job workshops will be hosted by and held at Livingston Workforce Services in Pontiac, 211 E. Madison St., Room 222:

- **Wednesday, April 4 – 9:00 a.m.: Computer Literacy.**
- **Thursday, April 12 – noon: Resume Development.**
- **Tuesday, April 17 – 1:00 p.m.: Job Search.**
- **Monday, April 23 – 10:00 a.m.: Preparing for a Job Interview.**

Call 309-268-8280 to reserve a spot at any of these workshops – which were funded by the Grundy Livingston Kankakee Workforce Board.

Emington Community Soup and Sandwich Supper April 8

The Emington Community Association will hold a soup and Sandwich Supper Sunday, April 8 at the Roadrunner Restaurant in Emington from 4 – 7 pm.

The menu includes choices of Chili, Chicken Noodle soup, hot dogs, egg salad, ham salad or chicken salad sandwiches along with a beverage and dessert.

A fee applies for adults, children eight and under receiving a discount, and children two and under eat free. Proceeds from the supper and Silent Auction will benefit the 3rd of July Celebration. Emington will be celebrating the parade's 50th anniversary.

For Dwight Fire Victims

Financial contributions for the three surviving victims of the March 21 house fire in Dwight may be sent to:

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ISP Provides Safety Tips for Motorists

Illinois State Police (ISP) officials are reminding motorists of the dangers of getting out of your car after you have been involved in a crash or stranded on the roadway.

Three pedestrian fatalities have occurred on Illinois roadways within the last week. The Governors Highway Safety Association reported the number of pedestrian fatalities in 2017 was at a 25-year high.

The ISP suggests the following if you are involved in a crash or find yourself stranded on the roadway:

- You should resist the urge to immediately exit the vehicle. Generally, the safest place is in your vehicle with the seatbelt on.
- If your vehicle is in a lane of traffic and you can safely move it, do so.
- Call 911 to report the crash before you call home or your insurance company.
- If you must exit the vehicle, move off the roadway and keep your eyes on traffic. Do not try to direct traffic nor step in front of traffic to try to wave down help.

Motorists can help prevent pedestrian-related crashes by reducing speed, moving to an alternate lane, and being aware of their surroundings. Remember, Scott's Law – also known as the Move Over Law, is extended to protect everyone. Drivers must always remain alert and remember that stranded motorists and pedestrians may be on the roads.

Three out of four interstate pedestrian fatalities occur after dark. In many cases, drivers do not see the pedestrian until it is too late, and there is no time to react or apply the brakes. Most pedestrian-related fatal crashes involve a pedestrian running in front of a vehicle or crossing the roadway.

Motorists should also consider calling 911 when they see what could be a crashed vehicle alongside the roadway. Do not assume that the vehicle has been reported and checked.

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JAMIE HINICH OF DWIGHT is the new chef at Victory Lanes, starting as of Feb. 17. He comes to the restaurant with 26 years experience, obtaining an associate degree in culinary arts from Joliet Junior College. He is originally from Braidwood.

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Leann Novy Fund-raiser, April 8,
at Coco’s Grooming, Coal City

On Sunday, April 8, a fund-raiser will be held for Leann Novy from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Coco’s Grooming Inc., 624 S. Broadway in Coal City. A plethora of bath and nail trim specials for dogs will be held. Don’t need your dog groomed? Stop by for raffles or food sales, and a bake sale. Donations of any amount will also be accepted. Leann has tumors and cysts on her spine and lumbar. She has no medical insurance and needs surgery ASAP. All money raised is for her medical bills.

Area Funeral Director
Mentors Young Funeral Professionals
During National Program

Matt Baskerville, of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd. in Coal City, Gardner, and Morris, and Baskerville Funeral Home in Wilmington, was one of three leading funeral directors who served as mentors for the National Funeral Directors Association’s (NFDA) Meet the Mentors program.

Meet the Mentors, which took place March 11-13 at the Emory University Conference Center Hotel in Atlanta, GA, took young funeral professionals together to learn from three of the country’s leading funeral directors and network with like-minded peers.

Matt’s presentation was “Creating a Legacy from the First Generation.” During his presentation he shared his experiences over the past 23 years of working in funeral service, which have created a positive impact to



Matt Baskerville

the communities that he serves. He was also able to sit and roundtable with newly-licensed funeral directors to address many of the challenges that face up-and-coming funeral service professionals in a changing society.

“I was humbled to have been asked to present at this extraordinary program,” stated Baskerville. “I myself attended as a mentee in

years past at Harvard University. It provided me an opportunity to share many of the services and attentions to detail that we take for granted, but separate our services from other funeral and cremation providers. Since returning from the conference, the outpouring of feedback and positive response from many of the mentees has made it apparent that my time with the group made an impact on those in attendance.”

Matt Baskerville is a graduate of Worsham College of Mortuary Science, attended Northwestern University and went on to graduate from National Louis University in Evanston.

Meet the Mentors is a national program that has been wholly funded by the Funeral Service Foundation since the program’s inception in 2011.

Longtime LIFE CIL Executive
Director to Retire

Gail Kear, 65, has announced that she will retire from LIFE Center for Independent Living (LIFE CIL), Bloomington office, on April 27 – after over 21 years as its Executive Director.

During this time, she expanded LIFE CIL’s programs that serve a four-county area, opened a branch office in Pontiac, and led the organization to be recognized as one of the leading Centers for Independent Living in the state.

Kear has actively served in leadership roles in the Independent Living movement statewide. She served on the statewide boards of the Illinois Network of Centers for Independent

Living, the Governor-appointed Statewide Independent Living Council, and the Coalition of Citizens with Disabilities in Illinois – holding positions including President, Treasurer, and chair of numerous committees of all three. The Statewide Independent Living Council has honored Kear for her leadership in improving the lives of Illinoisans with disabilities.

Kear chaired the Illinois Disability Vote Project in its initial years and served on a national Disability Vote council. In 2016, the League of Women Voters McLean County recognized Kear for her leadership and service to McLean County with the Florence Fifer-Bohrer

Award. Kear also taught not-for-profit administration courses for the Illinois State University Peace Corps Fellows/Master’s International program. She has also been a frequent speaker for the Multicultural Leadership Program.

Kear will continue to support LIFE CIL in its transition to the next Executive Director. LIFE CIL’s Board of Directors has been actively engaged in succession planning, and will announce the next Executive Director soon.




**Rescheduled
Easter Egg
Hunt at
Cabery
Methodist
Church**

Due to the snowstorm on Saturday, March 24, the Cabery Methodist Church will hold their Easter egg hunt on Saturday, April 7, at 10 a.m..

At the event, prizes will be given, and each group of children will be able to break pinatas filled with candy. Cupcakes and drinks will be served. All children are welcome!

Also, the rummage sale is still being held with a bag sale at 10:00 a.m.

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OBITUARY

Chad D. Weber

DWIGHT — Chad D. Weber, 42, of Dwight and formerly of Pontiac, died in a fire in his home Wednesday, March 21, 2018.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at a later date.

Chad was born December 22, 1975 in Pontiac, son of Deb Brewster. She survives in Pontiac.

Also surviving are his significant other, Kelly Clocksin, the mother of his



three children: Samuel, 10; Daniel, 8; and Violet, 5.

He is also survived by his brothers, Kyle and Stephen; and six nieces.

He was preceded in death by a brother, Corey John; a sister, Randi Brewster; and his grandparents.

Chad worked for A&S Exteriors. He enjoyed fishing, golfing, and spending time with his children and many dear friends.

Another obituary appears on page 13

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The Outraged

I found out today that on March 26, the village trustees and mayor voted to take South Saint Louis Street off of the list of streets to be completed – this is an OUTRAGE.

However, Chicago Street, where the MAYOR lives, was never part of the approved budget for 2017 but was added on “because of having more traffic on that street.” But these add-ons have now cost us the ability to fix other streets.

This is typical of misappropriations of funds that were not in the original budget by the trustees and mayor of our town for 2017. This is completely UNACCEPTABLE for any of the residents that live on S. Saint Louis St. Our street was torn up last year and my yard is now a HUGE mud pit and continuously gets driven in. This is ridiculous!

Everybody and anybody who voted for this tax increase, as we did, should be upset and questioning why this is the case not only for S. Saint Louis St., but for any other streets that are

now in disrepair as well. Quite simply, we were told by many neighbors not to vote for the increase, and we should have listened!

This is unacceptable, as S. Saint Louis St. has multiple areas that are torn up, that are a hazard to the public, people’s vehicles, and the city may subject them to tort law suits; all of which are unacceptable. The trustees and the Mayor should be ashamed of this situation, they should know how to make budgets and keep to their budgets and not be like the rest of the state of IL.

“BROKE and out of budget” is NOT what we voted for! The leadership in this town is unacceptable, shameful, and quite frankly – a joke.

If you don’t agree with this letter to the editor, then you are part of the problem with this town and why the infrastructure over the last 20 years has gotten to where it is at.

Thank You,
Carissa Gunty

GUEST EDITORIAL

Imposing tariffs would hurt, not help, American jobs

Trade laws and, ultimately, imposing tariffs are designed to protect American interests and jobs. That’s a concept everyone can agree on.

But what happens when those laws and tariffs have the opposite effect? That’s an issue that’s playing out in D.C. with the Department of Commerce and the International Trade Commission.

A lone newsprint mill in Washington state, owned by a New York hedge fund, brought a complaint to the International Trade Commission alleging unfair trade practices against Canadian producers of newsprint.

Most likely the paper on which you are reading this week was produced in Canada.

This year the Department of Commerce has imposed two preliminary tariffs that have increased the price of newsprint for some newspapers by more than 30 percent. This summer, both agencies will explore whether this temporary tariff should become permanent.

If this happens, trade laws that are intended to protect American jobs and interests will have the opposite effect. For newspapers, staff and newsprint are the largest expenses. Faced with those kinds of increases, newspaper publishers throughout Illinois and the

rest of the country will have to make hard decisions that will ultimately impact the coverage of local issues and the staff that report on those issues.

There isn’t enough newsprint produced in the U.S. to meet the demand of the industry, and given the fact that newsprint consumption has dropped by more than 75 percent since 2000, no U.S. producer is going to invest in starting a newsprint mill. Mills cost hundreds of millions of dollars to build and take years to come into full production.

If these tariffs are made permanent, the New York hedge fund wins as it now has increased the value of its asset, and the federal government wins as tariffs collected go to the Department of Commerce.

Sadly, the country will lose, as local newspaper employees will be impacted, and those people, events and issues that newspapers report on will lose as well.

If you agree, contact your federal elected officials to let them know that this is wrong, and that one company must not be allowed to use trade laws to its advantage while adversely impacting local communities throughout Illinois and the rest of the country.

Sam R Fisher
President/CEO
Illinois Press Association

LETTER TO THE EDITOR POLICY

The Paper welcomes letters to the editor on topics of current local interest. All letters must be signed and include your name, address and phone number. No letters will be published with fictitious names or if unsigned. All letters should be typed or neatly printed and should not exceed 250 words. Letters are limited to one every 60 days per household. Political letters will not run the week prior to an election.

The Paper reserves the right to edit or reject any or all submitted items. Address letters to: Editor, *The Paper*, P.O. Box 245, 204 E. Chippewa, Dwight, IL 60420.

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CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE is given of the death of Ruth B. Kozlowsky. Letters of Office were issued on March 5, 2018 to David S. Kozlowsky, 2343 Arbor Gate Lane, Knoxville, TN 37932, as Independent Executor. The representative’s attorney of record and resident agent is Alan M. Schrock, Blakeman & Schrock, Ltd., 307 West Washington Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk, Livingston County Law & Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, IL 61764, or with the representative, or both, on or before October 1, 2018 and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

DAVID S. KOZLOWSKY,
Independent Executor

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) NO.18-P-38
MICHAEL A. MARRONE,)
DECEASED.)

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of MICHAEL A. MARRONE, of 404 N. Boxelder St., Odell, Illinois.

Letters of Office were issued to RICHARD B. MARRONE, 320 Bluff Point Bend, Cedar Park, Texas 78613, whose attorneys of record are CAUGHEY, LEGNER, FREEHILL, EHRGOTT & MANN, LLP, 204 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois.

Claims may be filed on or before the 4th day of October, 2018. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Claims may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of this Court at The Law and Justice Center, Pontiac, Illinois, or claims may be filed with the Personal Representative or both. If filed with the Clerk, the claimant must, within ten (10) days, mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Personal Representative and to his attorney and file with the Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery.

Dated: April 4, 2018
RICHARD B. MARRONE
320 Bluff Point Bend
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Minutes
with
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Change

Last week and the coming week have brought and will bring a lot of change for me. The biggest thing might be that I've recently accepted a new job, and will be starting there Monday, April 9.

This is a fairly big change moving forward for me, it's a different industry, it's in a different location, (in downtown Chicago this time), which means I get to use the train to commute now instead of my car. Not driving will be a nice change of pace as compared to what I had been doing.

What also happened this week, is that I turned 24, which means I am officially old, and that I will be nearing retirement soon, I can't wait. It's been almost a whole 2 years that I have been working and retirement is something that I'm looking to taking on soon.

Okay, so I'm not retiring, with the way things are going, not sure if I ever will, but that's an entirely different conversation unto itself.

I often joke that given where my birthday is on the calendar you can expect almost any kind of weather on that day. I've had birthdays where it's 70 degrees and sunny, and then I've also had some, much like this past weekend, where it's cold and raining, and even snowing.

That's "spring" in Illinois though, it's a lot of change from moment to moment. That also coincides with where I'm at right now – everything is changing moment to moment. I'm a firm believer that the second you get too comfortable doing whatever it is you're doing, then it's probably time to tackle something else, and to make yourself uncomfortable.

It's the best way to guarantee that you're constantly learning new things, and that the skills you have learned don't become stale or outdated.

I'm excited for what the future holds. Change is intimidating and I'm looking forward to the challenge.

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STATE BANK OF GRAYMONT,)
an Illinois Banking Corporation,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.) No. 18-CH-14
JOHN M. BARLOW, JAMIE L.)
WHITE, and Unknown owners)
and non-record claimants,)
Defendants)

NOTICE

Notice is given you Defendants, unknown owners and non record claimants, that this action has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, praying that a Judgment of Foreclosure be entered against real estate legally described as follows:

Lots 3 and 4 in Spafford’s Second Addition to the Village of Saunemin, Livingston County, Illinois, as per Plat recorded May 25, 1972 in Plat Book 9 at page 73 as Document Number 346330 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 17-22-130-009

Commonly known as: 9 Meadowview Dr., Saunemin, IL 61769.

The title holders of record to the above described real estate are JOHN M. BARLOW and JAMIE L. WHITE. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on May 15, 2014 and recorded on May 15, 2014 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 628913. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, STATE BANK OF GRAYMONT, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 18-CH-14 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before May 15, 2018, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

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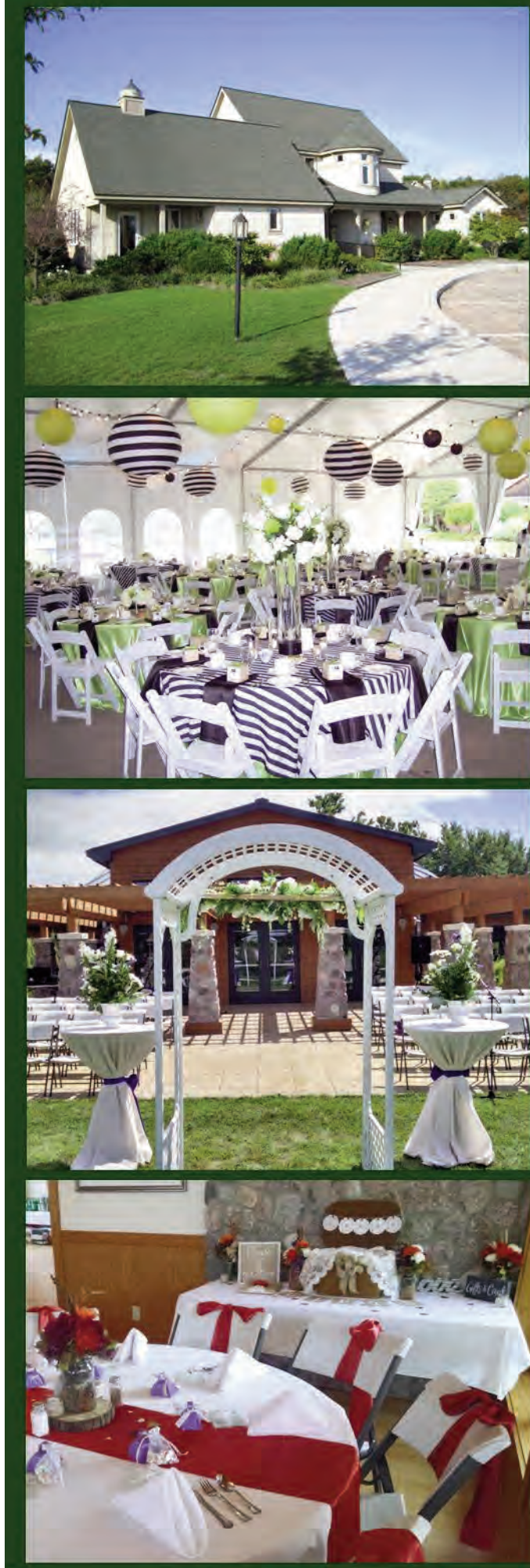
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New inductees into the Tri-Point National Honor Society are (front row from left) Jade King, Crystal Coffey, Sierra Hummel, Jacqueline Houck, Rodney Billerbeck; (back row) Cadence Denning-Kras, Rahel Gilleland, Wyatt Dohe and Grace Steidinger.

Submitted photo



Current members of the Tri-Point High School National Honor Society honored March 8 are (from left) Amyjo Steichen, Anicah Bruner, Tara Hummel, Abby Kerrins, Haley Jubin-Oswood, and Randal Ifft.

Submitted photo

Tri-Point National Honor Society Inducts Nine New Members

Tri-Point High School’s National Honor Society held its annual ceremony March 8 to induct new members along with recognizing current members. The main highlight of the evening was the induction of nine new members to NHS. The new sophomore inductees included Jacqueline Houck, Rahel Gilleland, Rodney Billerbeck, Cadence Denning-Kras, Jade King, Sierra Hummel, and Wyatt Dohe. The senior inductees included Grace Steidinger and Crystal Coffey. Current members are

recognized for their efforts throughout the year. Current members are Haley Jubin-Oswood (president), Abby Kerrins (vice president), Tara Hummel (secretary), Anicah Bruner (treasurer), Randal Ifft (historian), and Amyjo Steichen. At the induction ceremony, speeches were made about the 4 pillars of the National Honor Society, which are scholarship, leadership, service, and character. President Haley Jubin-Oswood spoke about how NHS was like a house that relied on the community

and others to make it stand, and Vice President Abby Kerrins talked about how NHS challenges its members to go outside their comfort zone and face new challenges. The guest speaker for the event was Jackie Slaats, Athletic Director of Lake Forest College. She talked to the students about working hard, having fun, and finding success. The evening concluded with cupcakes and punch with family, friends, school board members, administrators, and faculty.

Odell Library Kicks Off ‘Seed Library’ April 4 Kids’ Marble Tourney April 9

The Odell Public Library is inviting the public to a program to kick off their “Seed Library” Wednesday, April 4, at 5:30 p.m. at the library. This program allows patrons to check-out flower and vegetable seeds for planting in their own gar-

dens. Check-out of seeds from the Seed Library is open to anyone interested in gardening in the Livingston County area who has a valid library card. Master Gardener Sandy Knight and her team will present a program all about seeds, how to sprout them,

and how to create the best conditions to grow them. The library will also host a marble tournament for kids after school Monday, April 9, at the library, starting about 3:15 p.m. This replaces the monthly Fun Time for Kids program.



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
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Four Common Retirement Mistakes And How To Avoid Them

Constructing a smart retirement income plan isn't easy. Throughout the working years there are many factors to consider, such as salary, expenses – monthly and unforeseen – debt and college for the kids, just to name a few.

All of those can affect a person's ability to, first, devise a consistent plan for their retirement goals, and secondly, accumulate the necessary capital to provide ample retirement income.

Meanwhile, costly mistakes can be made that will have implications down the road.

"A retirement strategy has many moving parts, and each can have a significant impact on the others," says Jadon Newman, CEO of Noble Capital, a financial advisory firm. "Many people often make the same mistakes."

"There are ways to avoid them, and much of it is about knowledge. There's more you need to know about retirement today than you did 20 or 30 years ago. It starts with knowing what lifestyle you want to achieve in retirement and the options that will both protect you and enhance what should be the best years of your life."

Newman gives four common mistakes in retirement planning and how to avoid them:

- Investing like you're still young. Earlier in their working careers, people often have a higher risk tolerance. But approaching retirement, Newman says, your investment strategy should shift toward preserving capital. "Phase out those investments that are subject to wider fluctuations," Newman says. "The gradual move away from riskier investments should begin as you enter your mid- to late 40s."
- Leaving your nest egg vulnerable to big market drops. Putting your entire nest egg in one basket could be disastrous. "Having an excessive amount of market risk in your portfolio, you could find yourself suffering a loss that you won't have time to recover from before you retire," Newman says. "With stocks having surged for an extended period, beware the bear market. It would be wise to purge some risk from your portfolio in favor of more predictable methods of capital growth and income, such as annuities, life insurance policies, or alternative investments like private lending and real estate."
- Not satisfying basic income needs. It has become less realistic for a 401(k) coupled with Social Security to provide the regular income needed for retirement. It's important to estimate what yearly expenses will be in retirement and diversify accordingly. "Use your investments, insurance policies or retirement accounts to provide multiple income streams," Newman says. "This allows you to draw from them only what you need to meet your pre-determined budget. Be sure you calculate your Social Security payment and any required minimum distributions so you don't incur additional tax liability."
- Having the wrong kind of annuity. A crucial component of a comfortable retirement is reliable income, and a common way to achieve that is by using annuities. Unfortunately, some retirees find themselves with an annuity that doesn't fit their needs. A fixed annuity pays out a guaranteed rate of return, providing less risk compared to variable annuities, but the tradeoff is you get a more modest return. "Sometimes a fixed index annuity (FIA) is the best bet," Newman says. "These allow you to protect your principal by shifting the risk to the insurance company selling you the annuity. There are caps on your potential returns, but FIAs are more reliable because they mitigate risk."

"With retirement planning, the end goal should be not only to ensure you'll have enough income to satisfy your retirement budget, but also to provide you with enough to truly enjoy your retirement," Newman says. "Because life goals and the economic climate are subject to change, you need to consult with your financial adviser annually to optimize your strategy."

How to Save More for Retirement after Age 50

Whether it's advice from their parents, a response to television ads urging viewers to save for retirement, or their own financial savvy, many of today's young professionals recognize the importance of saving for retirement from the moment they receive their first paychecks. But men and women over 50 may not have been so practical, and many such professionals may feel a need to save more as their retirements draw ever closer.

Saving for retirement might seem like a no-brainer, but the National Institute on Retirement Security notes that, in 2017, almost 40 million households in the United States had no retirement savings at all. In addition, the Employee Benefit Research Institute found that Americans have a retirement savings deficit of \$4.3 trillion, meaning they have \$4.3 trillion less in retirement savings than they should.

Men and women over 50 who have retirement savings deficits may need to go beyond depositing more money in their retirement accounts in order to live comfortably and pay their bills in retirement. The following are a few simple ways to start saving more for retirement.

- Redirect nonessential expenses into savings. Some retirement accounts, such as IRAs, are governed by deposit limits. But others, such as 401(k) retirement plans, have no such limits. Men and women can examine their spending habits in an effort to find areas where they can cut back on nonessential expenses, such as cable television subscriptions and dining out. Any money saved each month can then be redirected into savings and/or retirement accounts.
- Reconsider your retirement date. Deciding to work past the age of 65 is another way men and women over 50 can save more for retirement. Many professionals now continue working past the age of 65 for a variety of reasons. Some may suspect they'll grow bored in retirement, while others may keep working out of financial need.

Others may love their (continued on page 11)

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Two Ransom Grade School Students Renew Friendship At Liberty Village



MAVIS BRUNER (LEFT) and Jean (Brown) Harrison struck up a childhood friendship back in the 1920s while attending Ransom Grade School. After attending school together until graduation from Streator in 1939, they separated only to come together again as residents of Liberty Village in Streator.

by Myke Feinman
Managing Editor

Sometimes friendships people made in elementary school last years, even lifetimes. That was the case for two women formerly of Ransom.

When they were two little girls, Mavis Bruner and Jean Brown (now Harrison) met on the Ransom Grade School campus back in the 1920s, and attended school together through their high school graduation in 1939 from Streator High School.

They had attended two years of high school in Ransom before transferring to Streator High School in the comparatively big city west of Ransom.

After high school, their lives diverged for a few years.

The duo graduated from

high school just before America's involvement in World War II. Jean married Harvey Harrison at Fort Scott in San Francisco, California. Harrison fought in the war and the Harrisons raised two sons, William and Robert. Harvey has since died.

Jean eventually returned to the Streator area working for local township government as an office worker for a quarter of a century.

Mavis took a different path.

"I went to Chicago to get a job bookkeeping and came back to Ransom to work at a hospital in Seneca during the War (WWII)," Mavis explained.

She wound up retiring from Smith Douglas in Streator and eventually moved to an apartment at

Liberty Village in Streator, a retirement community with some assisted living services for those who need it.

There, she reunited with Jean who had been a resident of the assisted living facility since September of 2013.

They continue to visit with each other, and trade stories now as residents of Liberty Village.

"Jean doesn't like to play cards," lamented Mavis. Not only is Mavis a card player, she is a golfer. Mavis mentioned she won two golf championships at Twin Creeks Golf Course, Streator.

As a resident of the assisted living facility at Liberty Village, Jean said she is thankful for the services.

"I get a lot of help," Jean explained.

How Empty-Nesters Can Transform Their Homes

After bringing home a bubbly baby boy or girl, it can be hard for parents to imagine that a day will come when their kids are off to college and then onto their own apartment or house.

After spending decades nurturing and caring for children, parents are then left with a suddenly quiet house and probably much more time to spare. If saying goodbye to the kids also means extra house, there's the option to downsize or make that extra space more useful.

Homeowners who choose to stay put can renovate vacant rooms into spaces that meet their newfound needs.

- Hobby haven: If you've always meant to set up a crafting room, home-brewing station or an artist's studio, now is an ideal time to do just that. Figure out which supplies you will need and begin reworking that former bedroom into a new sanctuary for leisure inter-

ests.

- Guest suite: If you've never had a spare bedroom to entertain guests, a child's former bedroom can fit the bill. It may not be that difficult to transform such spaces into relaxing and inviting rooms for overnight guests. Be sure there is at least a queen-sized bed and a dresser or chest of drawers to stash belongings. Select paint colors and linens in neutral tones so the room will be inviting to guests.
- Living room redo: When there's an entire soccer team coming over to hang out, that large sectional sofa or modular seating may be ideal. Now that the kids are out of the house and their friends are no longer coming over for movie night, living rooms can be made more intimate with small-scale seating. A small sofa and two comfortable chairs may be a more fitting option.
- At-home gym: Save on

gym membership fees by building a mini studio right at home. Choose one of the larger bedrooms and then fill it with some fitness equipment, such as an elliptical trainer, a bench press bench and some free weights. Store rolled-up mats in the closet for yoga or Pilates sessions.

- Expanded bathroom: If space has always been at a premium in the bathroom, borrow area from an empty bedroom and turn it into a spa. Install a soaking tub separate from the shower, and fill the room with other amenities, such as a warming lamp or even a small sauna.

An empty nest can be a bittersweet experience, but parents can make such situations work for them by transforming their homes to better reflect their current needs.

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SENIOR SECTION

Retirement After Age 50



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jobs and want to keep going until their passion runs out. Regardless of the reason, working past the age of 65 allows men and women to keep earning and saving for retirement, while also delaying the first withdrawal from their retirement savings accounts.

- Reconsider your current and future living situation. Housing costs are many people's most considerable expense, and that won't necessarily change in retirement. Even men and women who have paid off their mortgages may benefit by moving to a region with lower taxes or staying in the same area but downsizing to a smaller home where their taxes and utility bills will be lower. Adults who decide to move to more affordable areas or into smaller, less expensive homes can then redirect the money they are saving into interest-bearing retirement or savings accounts.

Many people begin saving for retirement the moment they cash their first professional paycheck. But even adults over the age of 50 sometimes feel a need to save more as their retirement dates draw closer, and there are many ways to do just that.



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Dwight came out swinging, putting up five runs in the first inning. Those runs came off an Abby Edwards three-run homer and two RBI from Hayley Schlabowske to set the tone of the game.

“I thought we worked their pitcher hard in the first three innings to get into good hitting counts,” commented head coach Chuck Trainor, whose team scored all 12 of their runs in the first three frames.

Edwards – who got the win on the mound allowing two runs on eight hits and two walks, striking out seven – led the offense with five RBI in the game on a double and the home run, walking once.

“Abby pitched well again,” stated Coach Trainor, “and kept them off balance.”

Schlabowske and Macey Rodosky each had two doubles to go with two RBI, while Kaitlyn Masching walked once and knocked in two runs on a double. Leah Flynn added an RBI single. Also adding hits for the Lady Redbirds were LynnDee Hale (two walks),

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AUDIT REPORT SUNBURY TOWNSHIP

Sunbury Township hereby provides public notice that an audit of its funds for the period February 1, 2016 through January 31, 2017 has been made, and that a report of such audit dated January 31, 2017 performed by Phillips & Associates, CPAs, P.C. has been filed with the County Clerk of Livingston County, in accordance with 30 ILCS 15/0.01 et seq. The full report of the audit is available for public inspection at the Township Hall by appointment with the Supervisor, Susan Andree, 31760 N 1250 East Rd., Blackstone, IL 61313.

SUNBURY TOWNSHIP SUPERVISOR’S STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS – TOWN FUND

Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017.....	\$22,593
Total Revenues	\$36,348
Total Expenditures	\$39,218
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$19,723

AUDIT FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$2,983
Total Revenues	\$ 410
Total Expenditures	\$ 75
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$3,318

IMRF FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$32,330
Total Revenues	\$ 7,706
Total Expenditures	\$ 5,818
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$34,218

SOCIAL SECURITY FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$13,908
Total Revenues	\$ 3,696
Total Expenditures	\$ 2,553
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$15,051

INSURANCE FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$15,993
Total Revenues	\$ 3,901
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,448
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$16,446

RESERVE FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$13,696
Total Revenues	\$ 6
Total Expenditures	\$13,600
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$ 102

GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$86,268
Total Revenues	\$ 6,447
Total Expenditures	\$ 375
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$92,340

SUNBURY TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT TREASURER’S ANNUAL REPORT ROAD & BRIDGE FUND

Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$64,358
Total Revenues	\$26,857
Total Expenditures	\$29,773
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$61,442

BUILDING & EQUIPMENT FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$108,448
Total Revenues	\$ 58,250
Total Expenditures	\$ 15,508
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$151,190

TAB FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$4,824
Total Revenues	\$2,404
Total Expenditures	\$5,353
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$1,875

PERMANENT ROAD & BRIDGE FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$64,873
Total Revenues	\$10,299
Total Expenditures	\$19,899
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$55,273

TOWNSHIP BUILDING FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$12,763
Total Revenues	\$29,967
Total Expenditures	\$30,488
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$12,242

INSURANCE FUND	
Beginning Balance, February 1, 2017	\$18,554
Total Revenues	\$ 3,947
Total Expenditures	\$ 3,589
Ending Balance, January 31, 2018	\$18,912

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DTHS TROJANS BASEBALL

VARSITY BOYS
Friday, March 23
Dwight vs. Wilmington

The Dwight Trojans’ 7-6 victory over Wilmington March 23 was their second dramatic walk-off win of the season.

The contest was tied at six, when Dwight’s Mason Tjelle – batting in the bottom of the seventh – came through with contact that resulted in an error, scoring the winning run for the Trojans.

Dwight collected eight hits in the game, starting the scoring early with an RBI single from Hayden Tjelle in the first inning.

The Wildcats would take the lead in the fourth, and add to it in the fifth, to take a 4-1 lead. But the Trojans’ Logan Graham and Colton Holm helped put some runs on the board in the fifth – then plated three in the sixth with clutch hitting from Bobby Ruder and Bubba Schultz.

H. Tjelle went the distance on the mound for Dwight, allowing six runs and one walk, striking out two.

Katy Edwards, and Morgan Zabel. Taylor Anderson scored once.

Friday, March 30
Dwight vs. Putnam County
Varsity -

Abby Edwards pitched an outstanding game on the road against Putnam County March 30, helping the Lady Trojans reach a 10-0 victory – moving to 5-2 on the year.

A. Edwards also added two RBI on a triple and a homer, while LynnDee Hale (two singles, one triple) and Katy Edwards (two singles) each added three RBI in the game. Macey Rodosky had two RBI on a walk and one hit. Hayley Schlabowske and Morgan Zabel each had a single and scored a run. Taylor Anderson and Danielle Carlson both scored once.

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Gas Prices Surge 4.6 Cents

Gasoline prices for regular unleaded across the nation leaped another 4.6 cents for the week, averaging \$2.679 as of Monday, April 2, the third consecutive week of climbing prices.

The highest average this year was April 2. The highest recorded average prices for regular unleaded was \$4.103 on July 16, 2008. The lowest prices in recent years was \$1.592 Dec. 29, 2008. Prices across *The Paper’s* readership area Monday were mostly flat to higher.

Average U.S. gallon regular price is made up of 18% state & local taxes; 14% distribution and marketing; 11% refining and 57% crude as of February 2018.

City/Village	April 2	March 26
Dwight	\$2.57875	\$2.58
Seneca	\$2.586	\$2.486
S. Wilmington	\$2.55	\$2.44
Streator	\$2.49	\$2.49
Odell	\$2.55	\$2.59
Saunemin	\$2.49	\$2.49
Cullom	\$2.49	\$2.29
Pontiac	\$2.519	\$2.457
Gardner	\$2.55	\$2.44
Braceville	\$2.55	\$2.44
Mazon	\$2.55	\$2.45
Morris	\$2.49	\$2.458
Herscher	\$2.59	\$2.43
Kankakee	\$2.618	\$2.647
Chicago	\$2.92	\$2.90
Illinois	\$2.71	\$2.67
U.S.	\$2.679	\$2.633

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

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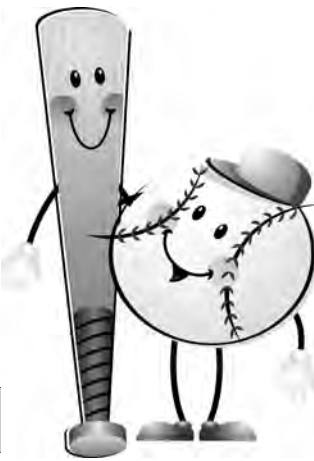
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The grand prize is \$5,000.

Tickets are on sale at the DTHS and DGS offices, Jensen’s BP Station, and any booster officer. Go online to the school organizations website and click on the organizations tab for names and numbers.

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OBITUARY

June Olson

MORRIS — June Olson, 86, of Morris and formerly of Gardner, passed away Saturday, March 31, 2018 at The Pointe in Morris.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, April 4, from 3 until 7 p.m. at Reeves Funeral Home, 203 Liberty Street, Gardner.

Funeral services will be Thursday morning, April 5, at 11 a.m. in the funeral home. Pastor Jan Chandler with the Church of Hope will preside.

Burial will be in Evergreen Cemetery, Morris. Pallbearers: Jacob Olson, Jared Olson, Wesley Olson, Ethan Olson, Denny Knapp and Steve Matteson.

Cecelia June was born June 18, 1931 in Morris, daughter of Ralph and Lucille Glover Matteson. She was raised and educated in Morris and graduated from Morris High School in 1949.

On December 31, 1958, June married Russel James Olson in the First United Methodist Church of Morris. They moved to South Wilmington to raise their family and start a business. They owned and operated Olson Tap and Lanes in South Wilmington for 17 years, as well as Olson's Mobile Park in Dwight for eight.

She was a devoted member of the Church of Hope in Gardner, a life member of the VFW Auxiliary in Morris, and was a part of the senior citizens in Gardner, Braidwood and Godley



group. In her free time, June enjoyed traveling, fishing, cooking, and acting as chauffeur for her friends. She also enjoyed taking bus trips to shows and especially to casinos. Her most treasured times were always spent with her beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Surviving are her four children: Debbie (Gaylon) Bryan of Theodore, Alabama; John (Lana) Olson of Pelham, Alabama; Jake (Jennifer) Olson of Gardner; and Brent (Mary) Olson of Kankakee; seven grandchildren: Reagan (David) Barnett, Keenan Olson, Jacob (Katie) Olson, Jared (Holly) Olson, Ashley Olson, Wesley Olson and Randy Olson; seven great-grandchildren: Ethan Olson, Nicholas Manczunski, Leah Olson, Mia Olson, Kaylee Olson, Aria Olson and Nora Olson; a brother, Gerald (Nadine) Matteson of Morris; and sister, Janaye (Robert) Houghton of Sylva, North Carolina.

Preceding her in death were her parents; husband, Russel James Olson; and one brother, Robert Matteson.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in June's memory to the Church of Hope, 202 N. Monroe Street, Gardner.

Family and friends may sign the guestbook, upload photographs, or share June's memorial page by logging onto: www.ReevesFuneral.com

Gardening is celebrated at this year's "A Day in the Garden Patch" celebration — with a focus on native Illinois plants and edible ornamentals.

Join Livingston County Master Gardeners Saturday, April 7, for a morning filled with colorful plants and new gardening ideas just in time for spring.

University of Illinois Extension presents Wild Ones Present and esteemed Master Naturalist, Sherrie Snyder, for her presentation entitled, "Let's Get Wild." Learn to incorporate native plants into your yard that add beauty as well as support to the natural world around us. You will figure out how to select the right native plants for your yard, the benefits of native plants, and just where to purchase native plants.

To preview the event, one of Sherrie's favorite native plants is the prairie blazing star because it is easy to grow, long blooming, and great at luring the pollinators to the garden. Sherrie started a native garden, 12 years ago, when she moved into the middle of a natural area and wanted to replicate that in her landscape. She soon learned native in the right place will be reliable year after year, and sometimes may cause the gardeners to have to take steps to corral them.

Wild Ones is a club dedicated to education and promoting of Native plants. Sherrie put together an organizational meeting, and with the support of her fellow Master Naturalists, it became an official charter in 2010. Sherrie encourages Illinoisans to go see the spring ephemerals in Fugate Woods this April.

In addition to Sherrie's workshop, U of I Extension Livingston Co. Master Gardeners Cathy Montgomery and Connie Kostelc will teach gardeners how to enhance their out-

Plan Your Spring by Spending 'A Day in the Garden Patch' April 7

door living spaces while using edible ornamentals. After the class, participants are sure to learn unique ways to incorporate edible plants into the landscape whether along a strolling pathway, within an existing flower bed, or right around the deck and patio.

To conclude the event, Livingston Co. Master Gardeners will lead an edible container garden making party. The Master Gardeners will provide tips on growing your new container, container ideas, and great color combinations sure to make the neighbors envious. Each attendee will leave with a container planted with beautiful edibles ready to brighten any spot.

A registration fee applies and includes morning refreshments, three workshops, and supplies for a container garden. Check-in

and light refreshments will be available at 8:30 a.m., with the workshops beginning at 9:00 a.m. The program will be at the U of I Extension-Livingston Co. Office at 1412 S. Locust St.

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• APR. 4 : Prayer Shawl, 9 a.m.; Kids Klub/Real Kids, 2 p.m.; Choir rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.; R.E.A.L. & Ignite, 7 p.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
325 E. Mazon Ave.
584-3433 church
584-1291 fax
• APR. 4: Pastor Nicholson here; 3 - 4 p.m., open gym; 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., Midweek Bible Time.
• APR. 5: 6:30 p.m., Special Parish Council meeting.
• APR. 8: 9 a.m., Sunday School/Adult Bible Class; 10 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion.
• APR. 11: Pastor Nicholson here; 3 - 4 p.m., Open gym; 4 - 5:30 p.m., Midweek Bible Time.

First Baptist Church
401 N. Clinton St.
815-584-3182
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Pastor Daniel L. Woodward
• APR. 4: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.
• APR. 8: Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.
• APR. 11: Wednesday

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

First Congregational United Church of Christ
200 W. Delaware St.
584-1260 church
Pastor Grant Speece - Settled Pastor
• APR. 8: Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sermon title: "The Doubter."
• APR. 11: Women's Guild meeting.
• APR. 15: Installation of Rev. Grant Speece with Emington Congregational, 3 p.m. Dinner to follow service.
"April Mission of the Month" One Great Hour of Sharing/OGHS "Feed the Kids" Program. Donations Welcome.

New Life Assembly of God
903 S. Old Route 66
Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor
815-584-3430
• APR. 8: 9 a.m., Connection Groups; 10 a.m., Main Service; Kids Church, ages 3 to 11; 5 p.m., X-treme Youth Group.
• APR. 11: 7 p.m., Night of Prayer.
• APR. 12: 9:30 a.m., Second Wind 50+ Ministry; 7 p.m., Worship Practice.

St. Patrick Catholic Church
Mazon Ave. at Prairie
815-584-3522 Office
Father Chris Haake, Pastor
• APR. 7: 5 p.m., Mass.
• APR. 8: 8 a.m., Mass.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church
326 W. Chippewa St.
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• APR. 4: 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Church office hours; 4:30 p.m., Youth Group; 5:30 p.m., rehearsal.
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• APR. 7: 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m., WELCA Spring Gathering at St. Peter's.
• APR. 8: 9:15 a.m., Fellowship Breakfast; 9:30 a.m., Faith Development rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion; 2 p.m., Worship at Heritage Health.
• APR. 10: 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Church office hours; 4:30 - 6 p.m., Assistance Ministries; 7 p.m., Church Council meeting.
• APR. 11: 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Church office hours; 4:30 p.m., Youth Group; 5:30 p.m., rehearsal.

Trinity Lutheran Church "Goodfarm" LCMS
515 E. Stonewall Rd.
Rev. William Mitschke
815-725-1341

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Braceville United Methodist Church
106 W. Goold St.
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• 10:30 a.m., Sunday Service.

CAMPUS
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St. John's Catholic Church
• SATURDAYS: Mass at 4 p.m.
• SUNDAYS: Mass at 10 a.m.

EMINGTON
Emington Congregational United Church of Christ
103 Division Street
Pastor Grant Speece - Settled Pastor
• APR. 8: 8:45 a.m., Worship; Sermon title: "The Doubter." Department meeting after church service.
• APR. 15: 3 p.m., Installation of Rev. Grant Speece at First Congregational, Dwight, with dinner to follow service.
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ESSEX
Essex United Methodist Church
114 Waverly St.
• SUNDAY, 9 a.m., Children Sunday School; 9:30 a.m., Adult Bible Study; 10:30 a.m., Sunday Service. Services led by Lay Servants Terry Goodwin and Linda Michel

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Herscher United Methodist Church
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St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church
Main Street
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Staff e-mail: life@herscherschristian.com
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• Services: 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.

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Kempton United Methodist Church
305 W. Main Street
Pastor Evan Sherar
815-647-9072
• Sundays: 9 a.m., Sunday School; 10:15 a.m., Worship Service.

Kempton Church of the Nazarene
105 E. Main St.
815-253-6250
Rev. John A. Mohler, Pastor
• Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship, 10:30 a.m.

KINSMAN
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Rev. Stanley Drewniak, Pastor
• Sundays, 8 a.m., Mass.
• Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m., Mass.

Mazon
Mazon United Methodist Church
Office phone: 448-5677
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• Sunday Worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday School following worship service.

Park Street Congregational United Church of Christ
806 Park Street
Pastor Tyler Carrell
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• Sunday Worship Services, 9 a.m.
• Sunday School: "Blast Off", 9:10 a.m.
• Coffee hour, 10:15 a.m.
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St. Paul Catholic Church
• Saturdays: 4:30 p.m., Mass.
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Ransom United Methodist Church
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• Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.

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Office Hours: Tuesday and Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
• SUNDAYS: 8 a.m., Mass. Reconciliation following Mass, or by appointment.

REDDICK
Reddick United Methodist Church
35900 E 3200 N Road
Pastor Kevin Boesen
815-426-6169
• 9:30 a.m., Sunday Service

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Rev. Stanley Drewniak, Pastor
• Saturdays: 5:30 p.m., Mass.

Zoar Community Church
18172 W. Route 17
P.O. Box 87
Reddick, IL 60961
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• SUNDAY: 9 a.m., Sunday School; 10 a.m., Morning Worship.

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Saunemin United Methodist Church
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815-832-4935
Pastor Jane Bradford

SOUTH WILMINGTON
South Wilmington United Methodist Church
225 Rice Street
Pastor Kevin Boesen
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• Sunday Service, 8 a.m.

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Fri., Apr. 6: BBQ riblet sandwich, warm black-eyed pea salad, macaroni and

cheese, fruit juice, bun, fresh fruit.
Mon., Apr. 9: Sausage and gravy breakfast pattie, mini potato biscuits, orange juice, baked, warm fruit compote.
Tues., Apr. 10: Taco salad w/meat, cheese, beans, lettuce, tomatoes, sour cream, taco sauce; sliced pears, taco chips, cake.
Wed., Apr. 11: Cabbage rolls w/sauce, ranch potatoes, green and wax beans, dinner roll, peaches.
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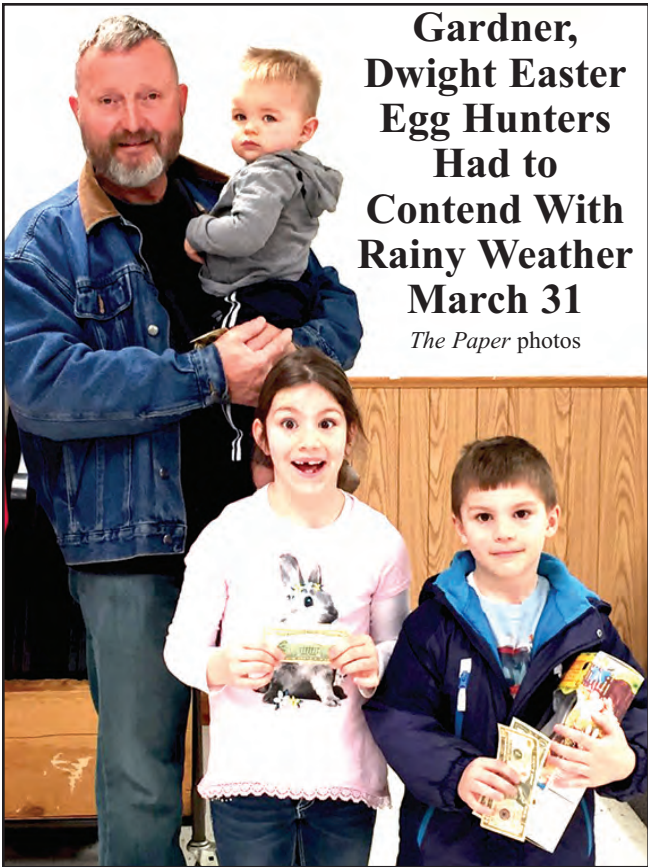
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