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## Ransom Man Donates Hand-Made New Altar Base, Pulpit To Church

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

The St. Patrick Catholic Church in Ransom received a special present this Easter: a new pulpit, altar base and side altar, all hand-crafted by Ransom resident Dave Slusarski.

Slusarski, who is a member of the St. Patrick church, is also a wood-worker who overheard Father Tony Ego say he needed a new pulpit.

"A couple of months ago, I mentioned I needed a new pulpit," Ego said. "Someone approached Dave."

Assisting Slusarski with the project was Ralph Lindsey III.

The two of them installed

all the new furnishings on time for the Easter Sunday service.

Slusarski donated all three hand-crafted oak pieces to the church, which were revealed to the church members: a new base for the altar, a new side altar upon which sits the holy family of Joseph, Mary and baby Jesus, and a new pulpit.

The original altar table top remained, but the new base is at least three times the size of the old one.

The pulpit is also much larger than the original.

"The altar is where the bread and wine are consecrated into the body and blood," Ego said.

Ego said as he began his

church service Easter morning, April 1, the 55-family member congregation could be heard saying "ooohs" and ahhs."

An official thank you was done at the Easter Sunday service.

The new church furnishings are made of oak, stained and varnished, and contain a cross motif.

"He put a lot of effort into it," Ego explained. "It's top shelf furniture all the way."

The church was founded in 1883 in Ransom, marking its 125th anniversary in 2008.

Slusarski could not be reached for comment.



PETE PANAGIOTARAS, owner of Pete's Restaurant at the intersection of Route 66 and Route 47, Dwight, is backed up by some of his crew, such as the waitresses behind him, (from left) Barbie Wlodarczyk, Reagan Karnes, Robin Gunglech, and Lyn Duncker. The restaurant re-opened for business April 3.

The Paper photo

## Pete's Restaurant Resurrected After Medical Issue Forced It To Close

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

Just like the famous phoenix of Greek mythology, Pete's Restaurant along Route 66 and Route 47 in Dwight, has arisen from the ashes.

Greek image is appropo since there are some Greek items on the menu from its owner of Greek origin.

The business had to close temporarily last year due to an illness suffered by owner Pete Panagiotaras. Last June he had a heart attack, and since he was the sole cook for the business, it had to be shuttered.

"I was working the kitchen, so we had no cooks," Pete explained.

Pete said he worked in the kitchen seven days a week, 6 a.m. to 2 a.m. every day.

He has since recovered and is back on the job, this time with another cook to help. He is still in need of some employees, he said. Officially, the store re-opened April 3.

His current staff consists of one cook, three dishwashers, and 10 waitresses.

The restaurant includes regular hours from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., but the bar which opens at 4 p.m. also has a full restaurant menu and continues to serve until 1:30 a.m.

The location, which seats 180 people in the restaurant,

has been supported by traffic along Route 66, Route 47 and Interstate 55.

Historic Old Route 66 runs along the south side of the restaurant, intersecting with Route 47, south of the Interstate 55 on and off ramps.

Pete's business has been operating since the late 1990s in a spot formerly occupied by "The Coffeehouse."

Pete said this restaurant is located at one of the oldest stops along the Mother Road, Route 66, and the spot has been serving travelers food for many decades.

He calculates that half his business is from travellers (continued on page 4)



DAVE SLUSARSKI (left) hand-crafted and donated a new altar base, pulpit, and side altar for the Holy Family, made in his shop in Ransom. With Slusarski during an Easter ceremony revealing the new furnishings to the church are Father Tony Ego and Deacon Ron Wackerlin. Not pictured is Ralph Lindsey III who assisted Slusarski with the project.

Submitted photo



DAVE SLUSARSKI'S cross motif can be plainly seen in this close-up of the new oak altar base he built for St. Patrick Catholic Church in Ransom.

The Paper photo

## Gardner Hears Complaints About Dog Attacked By Dog, Zoning Issue

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

The Gardner Village Board discussed an issue of a dog attacking another dog in town, and approved a rezoning despite several neighbors objecting.

Ozzy Masquida, attending the meeting, Monday, April 9, said his dog was attacked on his property while on a leash.

The attacking dog was a neighbor dog and was not leashed.

Masquida's animal had to be hospitalized due to the attack.

Masquida said he called 911 and the police responded. But Grundy County animal control refused to handle the issue, telling Masquida that Gardner did not pay its fee to animal control, so they could not respond to the complaint.

Masquida believed the attacking dog owner should pay the veterinary bills, and also complained that the other dog owner had five

dogs, a violation of village ordinance allowing no more than three dogs.

Gardner Mayor Mike Serena told The Paper last week that the village would be investigating the allegation of the five dogs, and that he believed the County Animal Control should have responded to the call.

"That dog stayed two and a half days in the hospital," Serena said. "He (Masquida) had a police report. Animal Control would not go to the scene."

He said Gardner residents pay a portion of their taxes to support County Animal Control, and the county agency should have responded to the call.

"In my opinion, animal control should have responded," Serena said.

Holt Enterprises sought a rezoning of adjacent property to park some of its vehicles. Holt rebuilds truck engines.

Neighbors at the meeting objected to the property

being rezoned from residential to commercial.

It was the recommendation of the village planning committee that the property be rezoned.

Those objecting to the rezoning were Bonnie Corsetto and Heather Wolf, wife of board member Rob Wolf.

Don Phillips spoke, but said he did not object to the rezoning if Holt kept the property clean.

"People were afraid of having a car dealer near their house," Serena said, indicating the board voted to rezone, with Wolf dissenting.

Serena said the purpose of the rezoning is to display trucks and to build a small sales office.

In other business, the board will not be raising the village water and sewer rates. They had to waive the automatic five percent increase built into the ordinance.

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April 5: Victoria L. Tilley, 23, Dwight, driving during suspension, operate uninsured motor vehicle.  
April 7: Brandon J. Lockett, 19, Kankakee, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.  
April 10: Jeffrey M. Read, 39, Piper City, pass school bus loading/unloading; Lori M. Horton, 24, Saunemin, driving during revocation, operate uninsured motor vehicle.  
*Persons in the police report are innocent of any charges until proven guilty in a court of law.*

**Police Blotter**  
The following are reports from the Dwight police incident book this week:  
April 7: **Out of Control Subject** - Dwight Police were dispatched at 12:05 a.m. to the 100 block of Bannon, for an out of control subject. The subject was taken to an area hospital.  
April 11: **Missing Bicycles** - Dwight Police were called at 7:59 p.m. to the 100 block of John Street for two missing bicycles. The bikes were found and

returned to the owner.  
**2 Warnings Issued by Dwight Police**  
**Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS**



April 6, 2018: 1:29 p.m., Main St., medical, Morris; 7:26 p.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 8:25 p.m., Spencer, trauma, no patient, mutual aid from Dwight Fire.  
April 7: 11:15 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris.  
April 9: 7:20 a.m., Dwight St., medical, Morris, mutual aid to Gardner.  
April 10: 5:04 a.m., Mazon Ave., odor investigation; 2:34 p.m., Bannon, trauma, Morris; 9:10 p.m., I-55 sb, fire.  
April 12: 4:50 a.m., Main, medical, Morris; 8:47 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 12:13 p.m., Prairie Ave., medical, Morris; 4:39 p.m., Chaucer, medical, Morris, mutual aid to Gardner; 9:14 p.m., Route 47, fire, no patient.

All-Town Dwight Garage Sales May 4-6

Town-wide garage sales will be held in Dwight during the Red Carpet Corridor weekend of May 4-6, with sales scheduled to run Friday through Sunday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (or whenever the “garage sale” sign is posted).  
Forms are available at the Village Hall and are now being accepted for this event. Payment and forms are required to be in by Friday, April 27, to make the deadline for *The Paper* ad.  
A Route 66 Red Carpet Corridor Garage Sale sign will be provided when the form and fee are received. These signs can be displayed in your yard during the hours your sale is in progress. A list of addresses and a short list of items for the sales will be available starting Wednesday, May 2, at the Village Hall.  
For more information, call the Village Hall at 815-584-3077.



**Winter or Spring?**  
THE SNOWFALL THAT blew into Dwight Monday morning, April 16, did not stick in most places, but at the tree dedicated to Dr. Aage Steiniche at the Prairie Creek Library, it appears like it is still winter outside.  
*The Paper* photo

Dwight Has Million-dollar Sales Tax Year

by Tom Tock  
For the first time since 2001 Dwight has received more than one-million dollars in calendar year sales tax revenue.  
\$640,237 in municipal tax at the 7.25% rate, plus \$434,257 from the non-home-rule sales tax of 1% applied in July of 2016, added up to \$1,074,494 for Dwight in calendar year 2017, according to just released sales tax figures from the Illinois Department of Revenue.  
Dwight’s add-on 1% sales tax has been earmarked for ongoing infrastructure work on streets, water/sewer lines, and related projects.  
(Dwight’s total sales tax figures include the 1% charge that the state of Illinois now levies on statewide sales tax collections — a new charge legislated by the state for “book-keeping.”)  
The Grundy County part of Dwight furnished \$314,527 of Dwight’s 2017 total sales tax, or 29.27%.  
Sales tax earned from the category of *Automotive & Filling Stations* during 2017 was \$216,040 compared to \$181,552 in calendar year 2016.  
Dwight Sales tax from *Drinking & Eating Places* shrank in 2017 (\$81,989) from 2016 (\$84,093).  
**Fourth Quarter** 2017 sales tax revenue saw Dwight collecting an almost identical amount of money as that received in the October, November, December quarter of 2016: \$267,853 to \$267,422.

FULL YEAR		
	2016	2017
Dwight	836,097	1,074,494
Fairbury	554,675	593,043
Pontiac	2,484,165	2,489,575
Odell	39,049	45,809
Saunemin	16,473	17,779
Gardner	283,535	319,890
Mazon	115,135	64,433
Morris	4,895,442	5,796,548
S. Wilm.	63,203	55,270
Herschler	340,481	323,184

4TH QUARTER		
	2016	2017
Dwight	267,422	267,853
Fairbury	137,744	140,032
Pontiac	620,180	620,010
Odell	9,576	12,861
Saunemin	4,177	4,893
Gardner	76,728	99,270
Mazon	19,063	20,179
Morris	1,363,872	1,732,348
So. Wilm.	10,748	10,919
Herschler	88,684	80,686

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Apr. 7 – high 37°, low 16°  
Apr. 8 – high 42°, low 17°  
          .04” precip/trace snow  
Apr. 9 – high 38°, low 29°  
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Dwight Town-wide Cleanup Scheduled For April 28

Volunteers are needed for Dwight’s annual town-wide cleanup, which will be held Saturday, April 28, from 8 a.m. to noon.  
Volunteers are to meet at the clock in downtown Dwight on East Main Street.  
The volunteers will finish with a picnic lunch on the patio of Country Mansion at noon.  
Volunteers are asked to bring gloves, rakes and wheelbarrows.  
The event will also include electronic recycling.  
Items accepted include: computers, printers, copiers, keyboards, speakers, cables, televisions, VCRs, radios, stereo equipment, tape players, telephones, answering machines, video recorders, CB radios, cell phones, typewriters, adding machines, calculators, surge protectors, scanners, digital cameras, electronic keyboards, wire, aluminum, and metal racks.  
There is no early drop off of electronic items.  
They will only be accepted from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. April 28, at the corner of East Main and Franklin streets.  
For further information, call the Dwight Police at (814) 584-3132.

Gardner All-Town Garage Sales June 8-9

Mark your calendars, as Gardner is set to host its All-Town Garage Sales on June 8 and 9.  
More details to follow.

Morris JITT Dates

The dates for the Morris Junk In The Trunk events are as follows; May 20, June 17, July 15, August 19, September 16, and October 21.

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# Resource Cop, New Social Worker To Be Hired At Herscher Unit 2

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

An armed police resource officer will be at Herscher High School and a new social worker will be working with students, all in the name of school safety.

The school board voted Monday, April 9, to enter into a joint agreement with the village of Herscher to provide a resource officer at Herscher High School.

He will also work with other schools in the district, but primarily be working at HHS, according to Superintendent Rich Decman.

“We plan cost-sharing with the village of Herscher,” Decman explained to *The Paper* last week.

He estimates the district’s

costs will be between \$30,000 and \$35,000.

In addition to the school resource officer, the district agreed to hire a social worker to work with grades K-8 throughout the district.

This employee will work in conjunction with the two high school guidance counselors to help with school safety issues, mental illness and other issues.

In addition to the safety issues, the board also agreed on a plan for the renovations at Limestone Junior High which will cost between an estimated \$8.5 to \$9.5 million.

The renovation plan will include:

- connecting the fifth and sixth grade building to the seventh and eighth grade building.
- expanding the cafeteria

and eliminating one of two cafeterias.

- building a new media center on the second floor. The current media center will be converted into art/music room.
- building a new bus garage.

“There will be no additional tax revenue used for this project,” Decman explained, saying that the school’s building fund will be the sole source of revenue for the project. He said they had some bonds that were refinanced, allowing more flexibility with school building funds.

In other business, the board accepted resignations for:

- Kevin Downey, high school p.e./health teacher and assistant football and girls basketball coach.

- Blair Bennett, Herscher social worker.
- David Zinanni, varsity wrestling and football coach.

The board hired:

- Devin Curry as Limestone Middle School physical education teacher.
- Ronald Martineau as bus driver.
- nine teens for summer help.

The board funded:

- \$4,800 for the high school robotics team coach stipends. The team will self-fund for all other expenses. There are 30 members of the HHS robotics team this year.
- reinstated the sixth grade sports for the 2018-19 school year, which consists of boys and girls basketball and volleyball. Cost is expected to be between \$8,000 and \$9,000.



## The Paper Honors Moms for Mother’s Day

*The Paper* will be printing photos of mothers and their tribe in its pages for the issue on May 9, ahead of Mother’s Day, May 13.

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There is no charge to mothers and families for this feature. The pictures are due by May 2.

For more information, call *The Paper* at (815) 584-1901.

# Odell School Board Seeks Member to Replace Kara McKee

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

The Odell Grade School board is down a member.

The board accepted the resignation of board president Kara McKee at its Wednesday, April 11 meeting.

McKee’s husband has

taken a job out of town, requiring her to give up her school board position.

The school board has 45 days from April 11 to appoint a new member, and is seeking applicants.

The remaining six members will interview candi-

dates before making a decision.

Randy Pagel has been elected president of the board, going forward. Other board members are: Chad Gragert, Bonnie Bolen, Mark Tissiere, Emily Gall, and Kevin Roe.

Applications must be in

by May 4, and the decision will be made at next month’s school board meeting.

Anyone who has questions about the school board position should call Superintendent Mark Hittmansberger at the school, (815) 998-2272.

# Dwight Village Board April 9 Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty  
madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on April 9.

An ordinance amending Chapter twenty-three, Building, of the Municipal Code of the Village of Dwight was approved. In Section 1, Article 1, the word “Residential” was added to read, “It shall be unlawful to construct a RESIDENTIAL building or structure in the Village or to alter or remodel any RESIDENTIAL building or structure, so as to change the bearing walls, beams, supports of the roof thereof, without having first secured a building permit therefore.”

In Section 2, a paragraph was added stating it is “unlawful to construct a commercial building or structure in the Village or to alter or remodel any commercial building or structure without having first secured a building permit therefore. If electrical and plumbing work is involved, an electrical and/or plumbing permit are also required, with respect to the construction, alteration or renovation of a building or structure.”

Dwight residents are reminded that a Village-wide cleanup event will take place starting at 8 a.m. on Saturday, April 28.



**DWIGHT CHIEF OF POLICE Tim Henson presents a check for \$5,219.85 to Dwight Special Olympics. Raising money for the donation, Dwight Police partnered with Cherry Red Roasters where an auction and festivities took place March 17. The donation will be used for equipment, uniforms, travel and other necessities needed for the local Special Olympic athletes. Pictured L-R: Chief Tim Henson, Brooklyn Long, Angel Norton, Mrs. Paula Krischel, Mason Krischel, Adin Krischel, Mr. Joe Krischel. Missing from the picture is Taylor Peck. Angel, Adin, and Taylor are students at DTHS and Special Olympic athletes. Mason attends Futures Unlimited and is also an athlete. Brooklyn Long is a DTHS senior that will be attending NIU in the fall majoring in Special Education.**

Volunteers should meet downtown under the clock tower. Everyone is invited to lend a hand and help beautify the village. Residents are also reminded that televisions are not allowed to be discarded in village streets or alleys or along roadways. Garbage services do not pick up TVs. Proper disposal through an electronics recycling center is required. An electronics recycling event will be held in conjunction with the village clean up from 8 a.m – 11:30 a.m. on April 28. Televisions will be accepted and resi-

dents are encouraged to take advantage of this event to get rid of old electronics.

In his report, Mayor Jared Anderson expressed condolences to the Dwight Police Department and Officer Watson McKee following the recent passing of Police Canine Katscho. Officer McKee is the police K-9 handler and was Officer Katscho’s partner.

Dwight Chief of Police Tim Henson presented a check for \$5,219.85 to Dwight Special Olympics from a fund-raiser held at Cherry Red Roasters on

March 17. Henson also offered thanks to the businesses and the community that came together for the fund-raiser on behalf of the Special Olympics and the athletes. Please see accompanying picture and caption for details.

The board also approved:

- payment of fiscal year-end bills totaling \$9,540.47.
- payment of bills totaling \$88,344.62.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board of Trustees will be at 6:30 p.m., Monday, April 23, in the Public Services Complex.


Letters to the Editor in *The Paper* should be limited to 250 words.

Letters must be signed when submitted and received by Friday noon prior to Wednesday publication.

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4/14 - Mike & Laurie Turner, Dwight	\$25


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Strategies for Your Investment “Garden”

April 22 is Earth Day. First observed in 1970, Earth Day has evolved into an international celebration, with nearly 200 countries holding events to support clean air, clean water and other measures to protect our planet. As an investor, what lessons can you learn from this special day?

Consider the following: Avoid “toxic” investment moves. Earth Day events show us how we can help keep toxins out of our land, air and water. And if you want to keep your investment ecosystem healthy, you need to avoid making some toxic moves. For example, don’t chase after hot stocks based on tips you may have heard or read. By the time you learn about these stocks, they may already have cooled off – and they may not even be appropriate for your goals or risk tolerance. Another toxic investment move involves trying to “time” the market – that is, buying investments when they reach low points and selling them at their peaks. It’s a great theory, but almost impossible to turn into reality, because no one can really predict market highs and lows – and your timing efforts, which may involve selling investments that could still help you – may disrupt your long-term strategy.

Reduce, reuse, recycle. “Reduce, reuse, recycle” is a motto of the environmental movement. Essentially, it’s encouraging people to add less stuff to their lives and use the things they already have. As an investor, you can benefit from the same advice. Rather than constantly buying and selling investments in hopes of boosting your returns, try to build a portfolio that makes sense for your situation, and stick with your holdings until your needs change. If you’re always trading, you’ll probably rack up fees and taxes, and you may well end up not even boosting your performance. It might not seem exciting to purchase investments and hang on to them for decades, but that’s the formula many successful investors follow, and have followed.

Plant “seeds” of opportunity. Another Earth Day lesson deals with the value of planting gardens and trees. When you invest, you also need to look for ways to plant seeds of opportunity. Seek out investments that, like trees, can grow and prosper over time. All investments do carry risk, including the potential loss of principal, but you can help reduce your risk by owning a mix of other, relatively less volatile vehicles, such as corporate bonds and U.S. Treasury securities. (Keep in mind, though, that fixed-rate vehicles are subject to interest-rate risk, which means that if interest rates rise, the value of bonds issued at a lower rate may fall.)

Match your money with your values. Earth Day also encourages us to be conscientious consumers. So, when you support local food growers, you are helping, in your own way, to reduce the carbon footprint caused in part by trucks delivering fruits and vegetables over long distances. Similarly, you might choose to include socially responsible investing in your overall strategy by avoiding investments in certain industries you find objectionable, or by seeking out companies that behave in a manner you believe benefits society.

Earth Day is here, and then it’s gone – but by applying some of its key teachings to your investment activities, you may improve your own financial environment.

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REAGAN KARNES, waitress and bartender at Pete's Restaurant, pours a drink at the bar, Vivid Spirit. The bar is currently undergoing an expansion with an enclosed patio seating section being added. The Paper photo

### Pete's Restaurant Resurrected After Medical Issue Forced It to Close

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along Interstate 55, Route 47 and Route 66, and half is from area residents.

In addition to the bar, "Vivid Spirit," Pete is also building an outside patio on the northeast corner of the building for business as the weather warms.

"We've done a lot of work on the building since it was constructed in 1997," Pete said.

The bar serves imported and domestic alcohol, fea-

tures five large TV screens, and also serves the restaurant's pizza.

"A lot of people don't know we serve pizza," Reagan Karnes said, adding it is very tasty. She tends bar as well as waits tables for Pete.

Pete said his business is successful due to "good quality food, a clean place, and good service."

For further information, call the restaurant at (815) 584-2331.

### Cub Scout Pack 802 of Campus Meets

Cub Scout Pack 802 of Campus held its March pack meeting at the hall in Campus March 18.

Zeke Houberg was presented a Pinewood Derby patch for his participation in the pack derby. He also received the Building a Better World and Scouting Adventure pins for Webelos.

Houberg was then awarded his Arrow of Light badge and was graduated into Emington Troop 87. The Arrow of Light award is the highest award a Cub Scout can earn.

Jacob Oelschlager received the following: Wolf Adventure belt loops Adventures in Coins, Call of the Wild, Council Fire, Duty to God Footsteps, Howling at the Moon, Paws on the Path, and Running with the Pack.

A presentation on the Cub Adventure Camp to be held at Humiston Woods near Pontiac in June was shown to close the meeting.

### Trinity Lutheran to Host Whole Hog Sausage Dinner April 29

On Sunday, April 29, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., Trinity Lutheran Church (515 E. Stonewall Road, Dwight) will host its Annual Whole Hog Sausage Dinner.

The menu includes whole hog sausage, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, sauerkraut, applesauce, bread, drinks, and assorted desserts. Carry-outs will be available.

Ticket fees apply, with kids ages five to 12 receiving a discount and children four and under eating for free.

Raffle tickets will also be on sale.

The church service will take place at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome.



DANIELA FRAULI OF DWIGHT recently received a Scholastic Achievement Award from the Pontiac Area Chamber of Commerce as the top graduating student at St. Paul School this year. She was presented the award by Terry Sullivan, a St. Paul graduate, representing her sponsor – Lyons Sullivan Realty. Also honored was PTHS senior, Tyrah Sexton, a St. Paul alumna. Daniela is pictured with Father David Sabel, the school's pastor, who attended the awards dinner.

### Mazon United Methodist Men Meet

The April 9 meeting of the MUMM was called to order at 5:55 p.m. by Pres. Dick Ely. Members in attendance were Pres. Ely, Pastor Karen Fabian, Sec./Hist. Randy Lowery, and Treas. Forrest McCormack.

Reports:

Secretary's Report – Sec. Lowery read the minutes from the last meeting. Pres. Ely moved to accept the minutes as read and was seconded by Treas. Forrest McCormack. All approved and the motion carried.

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

Old Business:

Treas. McCormack reported that \$375.60 was collected since the last meeting from the ongoing recycling fund-raiser. The MUMM extended their thanks to all who have supported this ongoing project.

New Business:

Sec./Hist. Lowery moved that \$200.00 be given to Pastor Fabian to help defray costs for this year's Annual Conference and was seconded by Treas. McCormack. All approved and the motion carried.

Pres. Ely moved that a \$303.00 sponsorship be purchased for this year's annual 5K Run/Walk Fund-raiser and was seconded by Sec./Hist. Lowery. All approved and the motion carried.

Sec./Hist. Lowery shared a "Thank You" card from the MVK Food Pantry thanking the MUMM for its recent monetary donation.

For a devotional, Pastor Fabian shared a reading entitled, *Still Working*, from the devotional, *Our Daily Bread*.

The next meeting of the MUMM will be held at 6:00 p.m. Monday, July 9, at the MUMC.

At 6:10 p.m., Sec./Hist. Lowery moved to adjourn and was seconded by Treas. McCormack. All approved and the motion carried.

### Community Players of Streator Holding Auditions May 4-5

Community Players of Streator, Inc., better known as Engle Lane Theatre, will conduct open auditions for two of its upcoming productions Friday and Saturday, May 4-5.

Director Cheyenne Sunken will hold auditions for the children and youth production of "James and the Giant Peach, Jr." Young performers ages six through 18 interested in participating can audition at 5:00 p.m. Friday, May 4, and at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at

Engle Lane Theatre, 1012 Columbus Road, Streator.

Participants are to go prepared with a bit of a Broadway or Disney song to sing. There will also be some dancing, so no open-toed shoes or flip-flops are permitted. Production dates are August 5-11.

For more information, find "James and the Giant Peach, Jr." at Engle Lane Theatre on Facebook.

Auditions for "On Golden Pond" will be held at 7:00 p.m. Friday, May 4, and

again at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, May 5. Director Bill Jankowski will be casting three adult males, two adult females, and one youth. Production dates are September 9-15. Auditions will consist of readings from the script and no advance preparation is required.

Auditions are open to anyone, regardless of experience.

For more information, visit englelane.org or follow their Facebook page.

### Tri-Point FFA to Host Blood Drive April 19

The Tri-Point FFA will be hosting their annual blood drive Thursday, April 19, in the high school gymnasium.

Appointments will be available from 9:30 a.m. through 2:30 p.m. Those

interested in donating may call 815-689-2110, ext. 301, for an appointment or by going to the American Red Cross Blood Donation website, redcrossblood.org.

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## ‘Saturday Night Alive’ Show Set at New Life Church 4-28

The New Life Assembly of God Church, 903 S. Old Route 66 in Dwight, will host “Saturday Night Alive” at 5 p.m., Saturday, April 28.

The featured talent will be Sacred City Moline Worship Band with special guest Burton Gestner.

A free will offering will be taken.

The event features “good music, awesome musicians, great atmosphere, and Mighty God,” according to a news release.

## Female Cardiologist Joins Morris Hospital Cardiovascular Specialists

Board-certified cardiologist Mary Gordon, D.O., has joined Morris Hospital Cardiovascular Specialists.

As a cardiologist, Dr. Gordon has expertise in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of heart disease, blood pressure management, heart failure, circulation problems of the lower extremity and cholesterol management.

Her specialized training in general cardiology makes her qualified in using non-invasive tests like stress tests, echocardiograms and electrocardiograms to evaluate and diagnose cardiac disorders. She has a special interest in women’s cardiovascular health and cardiology.

Morris Hospital Cardiovascular Specialists is a

practice of four board-certified cardiologists that also includes interventional cardiologists Dr. Syed Ahmed and Dr. Athar Saeed, along with electrophysiologist Dr. Muhammad Marwali. Together, the cardiologists diagnose, treat and manage cardiovascular conditions, utilizing the Morris Hospital Cath Lab for procedures such as angioplasty, stents, pacemakers and defibrillators.

Born and raised in California, Dr. Gordon has lived in Illinois since 1995 and practiced as a cardiologist for 13 years in Joliet and Aurora before coming to Morris Hospital. She received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree at Midwestern University, Chicago College

of Osteopathic Medicine, in Olympia Fields, where she also completed a family medicine internship, internal medicine residency and general cardiology fellowship. She is board certified in internal medicine and cardiology.

Dr. Gordon’s interest in medicine was sparked when she was in kindergarten and helped her mother study for nursing school by holding up flash cards. After medical school, she completed her internship in family medicine, but soon missed the challenge of intensive care patients and gravitated toward cardiovascular medicine.

For more information, call 815-705-1000 or visit [www.morrihospital.org/cvspecialists](http://www.morrihospital.org/cvspecialists).

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## LIFE CIL Names Next Executive Director

Rickielee Benecke, 48, of Bloomington, has been named LIFE Center for Independent Living's (LIFE CIL) Executive Director, and will start the role effective April 30. Benecke succeeds Gail Kear, who is retiring on April 27 after serving in the role for over 21 years.

Benecke earned her B.S. in Economics and Business Administration from Illinois State University in 2003 and earned professional certification as a Certified Executive Director (CED) in 2017. Further credentials include completion of The Grantmanship Center's intensive Grantmanship Training Program and grant writing training from the Illinois Department of Human Services. She has also been the recipient of three advocacy awards, including the National Council on Independent Living (NCIL) 2015 Advocacy Award for Region V in recognition of outstand-

ing advocacy work at local, state, and national levels.

Benecke serves on numerous state and national committees, including the Statewide Independent Living Council of Illinois' (SILC) Advocacy and Housing Committees, the Illinois Network of Centers for Independent Living's (INCIL) Advocacy Committee, Housing Action Illinois' Advocacy Advisory Committee, and NCIL's Housing sub-committee.

Benecke's commitment extends beyond human service organizations, as she is a former board member of the League of Women Voters McLean County – where she remains an active member. She is also a member of the Kiwanis Club of Bloomington. Benecke graduated from the Multicultural Leadership Program (MCLP) in 2015 and continues to volunteer as co-chair of the Community Involvement Committee.

## Livingston County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarships Awarded

The Livingston County Farm Bureau Foundation has awarded Ethel K. Hoerner Scholarships as well as the Elite Scholarship, which is in recognition of Rosie Duffy's exemplary volunteerism.

The LCFB Foundation began awarding scholarships in 1991 and has since provided scholarships to 346 students pursuing degrees in an agricultural-related field of study.

The LCFB Foundation named Kassidy Kimpling the 2018 Elite Scholarship

winner. Thirty-two area students were awarded Hoerner Scholarships this year. The LCFB Foundation was the recipient of a portion of the Ethel K. Hoerner estate.

The mission of the LCFB Foundation is to fund and encourage ag-related educational opportunities to the youth of Livingston Co. through college scholarships.

For more information about the LCFB Foundation, visit [www.livcfb.org](http://www.livcfb.org) or call 815-842-1103.



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**Gas Prices Up 3.6 cents**

Gasoline prices for regular unleaded across the nation soared 3.6 cents for the week, averaging \$2.710 as of Monday, April 16.

“Political turbulence appears to be the new kid on the block and combined in global supply and demand for oil, geopolitics will now resume its role as the lead consideration in governing where oil prices go in the days ahead,” said Dan McTeague, analyst for GasBuddy.com.

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 16	April 9
Dwight	\$2.569	\$2.55
Seneca	\$2.586	\$2.586
S. Wilmington	\$2.59	\$2.55
Streator	\$2.648	\$2.485
Odell	\$2.55	\$2.55
Saunemin	\$2.64	\$2.49
Cullom	\$2.49	\$2.49
Pontiac	\$2.599	\$2.535
Gardner	\$2.59	\$2.55
Braceville	\$2.55	\$2.55
Mazon	\$2.59	\$2.55
Morris	\$2.576	\$2.4575
Herscher	\$2.59	\$2.59
Kankakee	\$2.68	\$2.557
Chicago	\$2.897	\$2.904
Illinois	\$2.675	\$2.714
U.S.	\$2.710	\$2.674

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

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## DTHS to Present Annual Arts Concert April 22

On Sunday, April 22, the Dwight Township High School Music Department and Art Department will perform their annual Arts Concert.

This year will mark the event's 29th anniversary of bringing together the inter-departmental showcase.

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

The DTHS band will be performing quality works from the concert band genre.

Senior Drum Major, Lucy Rieke, will also be conducting a selection.

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

The artwork will be displayed from 1:00-4:00 p.m., and the concert will begin at 2:00 p.m.

## Judge Mark Fellheimer Elected as Chief Judge

The Circuit Judges of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of Illinois have elected Circuit Judge Mark Fellheimer to complete the term of Chief Judge Kevin Fitzgerald. The Chief Judge has general administrative authority over the court and judicial assignments. The term of the Chief Judge Fellheimer will be from July 1 through December 31, 2018.

Judge Fellheimer was appointed as an Associate

Circuit Judge in July 2008, and was appointed to complete the term of Judge Charles Reynard in January 2016. He was elected to a full six-year term as Circuit Judge in December 2016.

The contact phone number and office for Circuit Judge Fellheimer remain 309-888-5254 and Law & Justice Center room 507, 104 W. Front Street, Bloomington, IL 61701.

## Pottery Studio Open House

Greater Livingston County Arts Council announces the opening of their Pottery Studio in the Pontiac Community Art Center, 209 W. Madison Street in Pontiac from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, April 21.

The public is invited to visit the studio, enjoy refreshments, watch demonstrations, see upcoming events, sign-up for classes and take home a free gift.

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To place a social announcement, send information to

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**Seth Severson and Anna Raab**

**Seth Severson to Marry Anna Raab**

Mr. and Mrs. Brian Severson of Dwight are announcing the engagement and upcoming marriage of their son, Seth Severson, to Miss Anna Raab of Wichita, Kansas.

Anna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Raab of Wichita.

Both Anna and Seth will graduate in 2018 from Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina.

The wedding will take place in Kansas in June of 2018.

Invitations have been sent.



**GABR Auction**  
**April 21**

Guardian Angel Basset Rescue will hold its annual fund-raiser auction Saturday, April 21, starting at 5 p.m. for the silent auction and 7 p.m. for the live auction.

This includes a dinner and will be held at Jennifer's Garden in Morris.

The auction raises funds for placing rescue dogs in homes, foster care, veterinarian costs, and other expenses.

The GABR, based in Dwight and run by Larry and Emmy Little, rescues between 150 to 200 bassetts each year.

This is the same group that does the basset waddle for the Dwight Harvest Days parade now in its 21st year.

For more information, contact Emmy at (815) 584-6521 or go online to: [bassetrescue.org](http://bassetrescue.org)

**Dwight Senior Citizens Duplicate Bridge Results**

Duplicate Bridge was played April 12 at the Dwight Senior Citizens Center.

**North/South:**

1. Janyce Gross/Nancy Evers
2. Darlene Drechsel/Mary Anne McNamara
3. Norma Rodosky/Janet Kresl

**East/West:**

1. Delores Slattery/Peg Watters
2. Barb Wilson/Joan Francis
3. Pat Townsend/Barb Christensen

The next duplicate bridge play will be April 26.

**SOCU in Top 200 Credit Unions For Financial Health**

The Streator Onized Credit Union, which includes branches in Dwight and Pontiac, was named one of the top 200 credits for financial health, in a pool of 5,743 U.S. federally-insured credit unions.

In a note sent to SOCU staff April 5, Kathy Lucas of SOCU expressed her pleasure.

“We are at the 119 healthiest credit unions in the United States,” she wrote. “Congratulations to the SOCU staff.”

According to a note to SOCU from the 2018 DepositAccounts Top200 list, Senior Manager Christopher Trum said SOCU achieved an “incredible A+ health rating for 2018, making you one of the healthiest NCUA insured credit unions in the United States.”

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OBITUARIES

David L. Rainbolt

PONTIAC – David L. Rainbolt, 67, of Pontiac passed away unexpectedly Monday, April 9, 2018 at 11:37 a.m. at home in his sleep.

He leaves behind a loving family and many friends. He will be dearly missed by all.

Dave was born June 8, 1950 in Pontiac, son of Clyde R. and Mildred Shepherd Rainbolt. He married Sheila Finnegan July 14, 1978 in Odell. She survives in Pontiac.

Also surviving are his brother, Ronald (Pat) Rainbolt of Melbourne, Florida; his sister, Diana (Don Kiesel) Rainbolt of Tampa, Florida; and many in-laws, nieces and nephews.

Dave was an amazing father to his two sons, Joseph P. (Brandi) Rainbolt of Champaign and Jonathan M. Rainbolt of Denver, Colorado; and doting “Papa” to his granddaughter, Lilian Rainbolt.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Dave grew up in Odell and graduated from Odell High School in 1968. He attended Greenville University before working in residential construction and joining the Carpenter’s Union Local 63. He worked for Tobey’s Construction and Cartage for many years, retired, and recently received his 40-year pin.

Later he went on to work at the Livingston County Highway Department until his retirement in October of 2017. He was a member of the Pontiac Elks Lodge and



past member of the Moose.

Dave will be fondly remembered as a loving, patient, and selfless husband, father, Papa, brother, uncle and friend. He had a

strong heart and connection to others. He loved his wife and sons deeply. They were the most important part of his life. He was always willing to lend a helping hand. He impacted so many lives – whether through the bridges he built, the homes he remodeled, or the kids he coached throughout the years.

When he wasn’t working, he was content watching the Cubs or any of his other beloved Chicago teams, golfing, fishing, or simply enjoying time with his family and friends.

His funeral was Saturday, April 14, at 11 a.m. in St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Pontiac, officiated by Monsignor Thomas Mack.

Cremation rites were accorded following the service, with inurnment in St. Paul Catholic Cemetery, Odell, at a later date.

Visitation was Friday from 4 until 7:30 p.m. at Duffy - Baier - Snedecor Funeral Home in Pontiac, and in the church for one hour preceding the service.

Memorials may be made to the Pontiac Boys & Girls Club, St. Mary’s School, or the Pontiac Junior Baseball Association.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [duffyfuneralhome.com](http://duffyfuneralhome.com) or on Facebook.

Celebration of Life April 28 for Judy Ahearn

Judy Ahearn of rural Gardner passed away in Florida January 3, 2018.

A Celebration of Judy’s Life will be held at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington on Saturday, April 28, 2018.

A visitation will begin at

9:30 a.m., followed by a Funeral Mass at 11 o’clock.

Everyone is invited to a luncheon that will follow in Fr. Matthew Hall.

Judy is survived by her husband of 50 years, Larry; and two daughters, Jennifer and Christine.

MGYSGT USMC (Retired) Richard D. McNamara

OCEANSIDE, CA – MGYSGT USMC (Retired) Richard David “M a c” McNamara, 88, of Oceanside, California passed away Tuesday, April 3, 2018.

He was born April 7, 1929 in Joliet, one of 11 children born to Thomas and Gladys McNamara. He enlisted in the Marine Corps in 1949, and was a proud veteran of the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He retired February 29, 1976 after 27 years of faithful service.

A man never content to sit still, he then went to work in security for Southern California Edison at San Onofre Nuclear Power Plant for 20 years.

Richard married his beautiful wife, Louise Hansen, June 4, 1955 and they moved to Oceanside in 1963. They were married 55 years before her death in October 2010.

He is survived by three daughters: Colleen Shoemaker, Julie (Frank) Gayle, and Patty (Bobby) Romero, all from Oceanside; seven grandchildren: Jennifer and husband, Lt. Col. Richard Worcester, Kadena Air Base, Okinawa; Adam (Leslie) Gayle of Carlsbad; Morgan Romero of Ocean-



side; Michael (Audrey) Romero of Vista; Ashley (Andrew) Castaneda of Oceanside; Heather (Grant) Goka of Murietta; Emily Shoemaker of Tempe, Arizona; and Matthew Romero of Oceanside.

Also surviving are 12 great-grandchildren: Richard of Oceanside; AIC Andrew (USAF); Ryan and Alayna Worcester of Okinawa; Gavin and Haley Goka of Murrieta; Aiden and Meilani Gayle of Carlsbad; Jordan and Noah Romero of Oceanside; and Brody and Kaylee Castaneda of Oceanside; his sister, Jane McNamara of Northbrook, Illinois; and his brothers, Jerry McNamara of St. Louis, Missouri, and Jack McNamara of Waukesha, Wisconsin.

A Funeral Mass was celebrated at 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 10, in the Mission San Luis Rey, Serra Center, Oceanside, with the rosary preceding the Mass.

Graveside services in Old Mission Cemetery immediately followed the Mass.

Mac was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, great-papa, brother and friend. He will be greatly missed by all. *Semper Fi!*

Diabetes Support Group to Meet May 1 at OSF Saint James

The nexting meeting of the OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center *Diabetes Support Group* will be held Tuesday, May 1, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the first floor Conference Room, and all who are facing the challenges of diabetes are welcome.

The featured program for May will be “Know Your Numbers,” presented by Erin Kennedy, MS, Exercise Physiologist and Manager of

the OSF Center for Healthy Lifestyles. Learn what your blood pressure, cholesterol, blood sugar, and A1C numbers mean, *but more importantly, how to improve them.* Free A1C screenings will be available during the presentation to the first 20 people. Fasting is not necessary and pre-registration is not required.

For more information, contact Sherri Schlatter, Diabetes Educator, at 815-842-4970.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF )  
 ) 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  
Cedar Park, TX 78613

CAUGHEY, LEGNER, FREEHILL, EHRGOTT & MANN, LLP  
Attorneys for the Independent Administrator  
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Minutes with Boma

The 8th Inning

If you're a Cubs fan, and you've paid much attention to the beginning of the season thus far, you know that it's been anything but ideal. One game they look like the team they're capable of being, and one that resembles the team that went to the World Series just over a year ago. Then other times, they look very much like the team that has been eliminated in the NLCS two times in the last 3 years.

When they do struggle, it's largely due to the fact that they just go with what seems like centuries without even making contact with pitches. They go into these game slumps where it's just strikeout after strikeout after strikeout.

While they're only about 10 percent of the way into the season, I bring it up because of the game that took place this past Saturday.

For starters, I'm surprised the game even took place, it was about 40 degrees, it had rained earlier in the day, maybe even snowed, it always seems to be that weird mix of "you can't really tell if it's snow or rain in Chicago", but we'll call it rain for all intents and purposes right now.

They were also playing the Atlanta Braves, the Braves stink! They had just lost to them the day before, and back to back losses would be very demoralizing given the start that the Cubs have had thus far.

The game could not have started worse. The starting pitcher went less than 5 innings, and they were into the bullpen early.

By midpoint of the game, the Cubs were down 10-2. It seemed as if they were going to suffer another very bad loss, to a bad team, and the hitting looked like what I had mentioned earlier just no contact after no contact.

Then the 8th inning happened, it was as if everything that was going wrong was flipped on its head and suddenly began to work. It was a combination of infield hits, walks, passed balls, you name it, anything and everything.

The Cubs ended up scoring 9 runs in the 8th inning, and ended up winning the game.

Their win percentage going into the 8th inning was 13 percent. 13. They ended up winning.

I know it's very, very early in the season, but it's often games like this that sometimes get the wheels turning the right way. I'm hoping this game can spring the Cubs out of the mini funk that they've been in and push them in the right direction.

Hoping the next home game is warmer and much less stressful.

Aaron J. Boma  
2016 ISU Graduate

Card of Thanks

A sincere thank you to our family and friends for their expressions of sympathy to us on the passing of our husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Michael H. “Plow” Joyce.

A special thanks to the South Wilmington Fire Department, Morris Hospital, Park Pointe, Father Stan and St. Lawrence Catholic Church, Patterson Funeral Home, Joliet Area Community Hospice and the ladies who served the funeral dinner for the kindness and service you provided to our family.

The calls, visits, prayers, food, flowers, cards, donations to the fire department and for Masses were also greatly appreciated and will always be remembered.

The Family of Michael H. Joyce

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

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.  
Dated this 27th day of March, 2018.  
LeAnn Dixon, Circuit Clerk  
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois



## GSW H.S. Prom April 21 at Gardner Legion Hall

This year's Gardner-South Wilmington High School Prom theme is "Eiffel in Love in Paris."

The GSW Class of 2019 will be hosting Prom for their classmates at the Gardner American Legion Hall on Saturday, April 21.

Parents, friends and family are invited to photograph the Prom couples at 5:30 p.m. during the "Grand Walk-In". The doors will shut at 6 p.m. for prom goers only.

After the Walk-In parents

and guests will be asked to leave the students to dinner served at 6:30 p.m. and dancing.

At 9:15 p.m. the Prom Queen and King will be crowned.

This year's Prom Court Queen Candidates are Mariah Anderson, Jordan Bartels, and Brittaney Light. This year's Prom Court King Candidates are Walker Eutsey, Luke Henderson, and Kal Kociss.

After the dance the prom goers and Students Against

Destructive Decisions members will be bussed off to Tinley Park Odyssey Fun World for the annual lock-in.

Students may participate in mini-golf, go-carts, indoor rides, laser tag, arcade games and food until the bus departs for home at 3:30 a.m.

Students will end their night (morning) back at GSW High School for a Prize Giveaway sponsored by SADD. Students will be released at approximately 5 a.m.



ST. PAUL SCHOOL STUDENTS were recently invited to participate in a talent show at St. Mary's School in Pontiac. A group of St. Paul fifth grade girls took the top prize for their age group by performing a comedy skit called, "Rockin' in the Treetops." Pictured are the winners, Gianna Giacometti of Buckingham, Hannah Miller of Cabery, and Lilly Duffy, Emerson Peters, and Tru Connor, all of Dwight.

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## Emington's 50th 3rd of July Celebration

3rd of July Celebration.

There will be a meeting at 7 p.m., Monday, April 23 at Road Runners Restaurant in Emington, to go over this year's events.

Anyone interested in helping with this celebration is encouraged to attend.

They are in need of committee leaders and volunteers to help in various capacities.

# Dwight Youth Football FOOTBALL & CHEERLEADING SIGN UPS

Saturday, April 21 9-12

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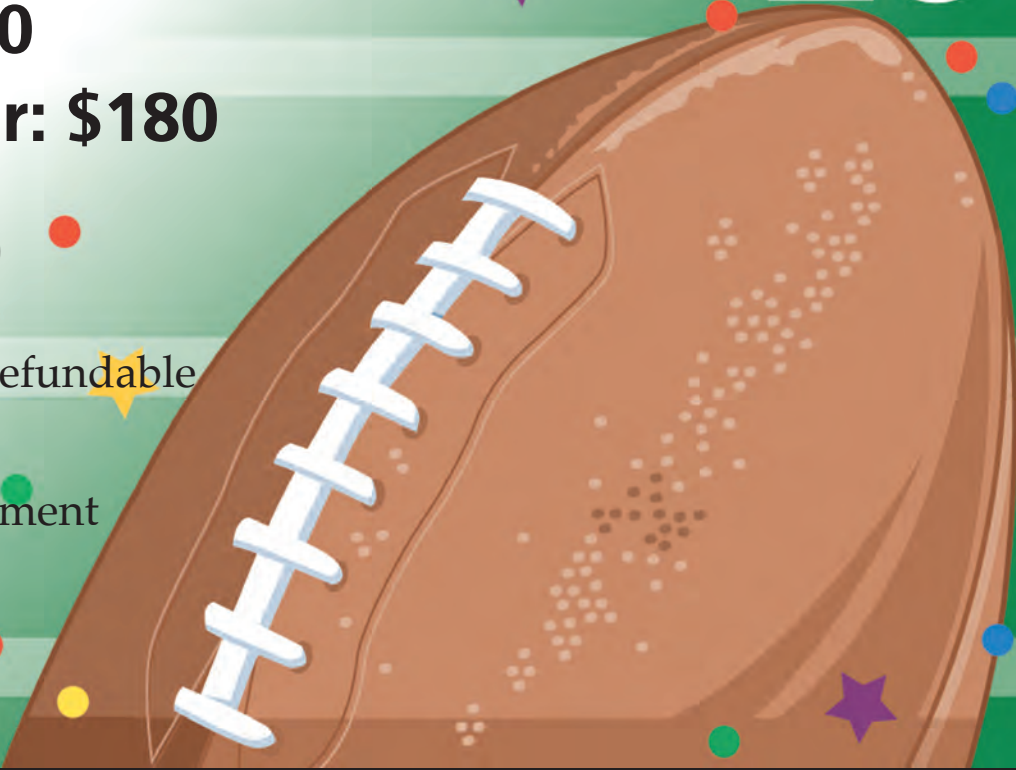
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\*\* Payment plans are available, but a 25% payment is due at the time of registration.





## Larry Ahearn Hits Hole-in-One at DCC

Larry Ahearn, Dwight, recorded a hole-in-one on Friday, April 13, on the par 3, 147-yard ninth hole at Dwight Country Club.

Using a 9 iron, the ace was witnessed by Don Ahearn, Scott Sand, Jerry Farber, and Mark Dinelli, and was his first at DCC and fourth overall.



**EVEN THOUGH** Christy and Bo Partney are accepting a \$5,000 check from Doug Patten at this year’s Dwight Athletic Booster Bash, April 7, they are actually accepting for three U.S. Navy families. The group served in the Navy together and keep in touch.  
Submitted photo

## Bo, Christy Partney Win \$5,000 At Dwight Athletic Booster Bash

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor  
Bo and Christy Partney of Dwight took home a \$5,000 check from this year’s Dwight Athletic Booster Bash held April 7.  
Bo keeps in touch with his U.S. Navy buddies, and the “Navy Family” was the winning ticket.  
Doug Patten was the master of ceremonies for the evening.  
According to Molly Turner, Booster Club presi-

dent, the event typically raises between \$15,000 to \$17,000 each year.  
The final tally for this year has not been completed.  
She told *The Paper* last week that the funds are used for items not normally purchased by the school district, extras that help make the sports experience better for the athletes.  
The coaches make requests and the Boosters try to fill those requests throughout the school year.

For example, Turner said the Boosters paid for software that allowed for teams to “share” videos of their games, which helps them see the strengths and weaknesses of their competition.  
“This is for things not purchased by the school,” Turner explained. “It is for things that make the programs run better, smoother.”  
The Booster Bash gives away \$10,000 each year in cash and other prizes.



### DTHS TROJANS TRACK

**Wednesday, April 11**  
**Dwight vs. Iroquois West, St. Anne, Newark**  
Both the girls and boys track teams took second overall on April 11, scoring 52 and 69.5 points, respectively. Individual results are as follows:  
**Girls -**  
Julie Ramsey: 100HH, 17.77; 300IH, 50.37.  
Koli Croy: 400m, 1:08.37.  
4x400: Ramsey, Croy, Meghan Scott, Kathlene Huffaker, 4:47.74.  
**Boys -**  
Christian Williams: 110HH, 18.29; 300IH, 44.09.  
Lucas Downen: 800m, 2:16.53.

J.C. Santos: 400m, 55.35.  
Blake Hill: 200m, 24.94.  
**Friday, April 13**  
**Dwight at Irish Invitational**  
Dwight’s track squads went up against a slew of tough teams in the Irish Invitational in Seneca on Friday the 13th.  
The girls came in ninth overall with a score of 31.50, while the boys placed ninth – scoring 22 points. Individual results are as follows:  
**Girls -**  
100m hurdles: Meghan Scott, 4th, 17.55.  
800m run: Koli Croy, 6th, 2:47.09; Alexis Brooke, 7th, 2:47.12.

300m low hurdles: Julie Ramsey, 2nd, 51.19.  
1600m run: Brooke, 3rd, 6:14.99.  
1600m relay: Kathlene Huffaker, Croy, Ramsey, Scott, 4th, 4:44.77.  
High jump: Croy, 8th, 4’04”.  
**Boys -**  
3200m relay: Christian Williams, Bryson Connor, Lucas Downen, J.C. Santos, 4th, 9:14.25.  
800m run: Santos, 2nd, 2:00.68.  
300m interim hurdles: Williams, 4th, 44.29.  
1600m relay: Santos, Connor, Blake Hill, Will Bergstrom, 6th, 3:55.06.  
Long Jump: Dusty Manietta, 8th, 17’07½”.

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PTHS INDIANS BASEBALL

Monday, April 9  
Pontiac vs. Tolono Unity JV -

Pontiac snuck by Tolono Unity April 9, despite trailing for the majority of the contest.

Down 3-0 after six innings, the Indians had three outs left to mount a comeback – and they did just that, putting up four runs in the bottom of the seventh to seal the come-from-behind victory.

Eric Watson (2-4) hit a two-run bomb in the seventh, with Payton Amm (2-4) and Evan Trevino (1-3) each adding an RBI in the final frame to help win the game. Austin Waldschmidt, Gavin Bauknecht, and Luke Fox each had a hit.

On the mound, Fox pitched for five innings, allowing no earned runs on one hit and one walk, fanning six. Clay Pfeifer picked up the “W” in relief, going two innings and giving up one earned run on two hits and three walks, striking out two.

Wednesday, April 11  
Pontiac vs. Herscher JV -

In JV baseball play against Herscher, the Indians got a big 15-4 win in five innings.

Clay Pfeifer hit a grand slam to lead his squad with four RBI. Gavin Bauknecht went 2-2 with a double, two walks, and three RBI. Evan Trevino (1-4), Austin Waldschmidt (1-2), Luke Fox (2-4), and Isaac Nollen (one HR) each added two RBI. Nic Hendren, Trey Edinger, and Kobe Fox had one hit each.

Varsity -  
The varsity Indians fell behind early April 11 and couldn’t come back in a 12-4 loss to a Herscher team with a high-powered offense.

Tanner Walls was dealt the loss for Pontiac, allowing seven runs on five hits and a walk, striking out two in two innings. Jakob Grieff, Liam Pickett, and Garrett Gould each contributed in relief.

The Indians had five hits in the game, with Eric Watson and Ben Schuler each racking up two hits, and Jacob Duffy doubling.

bleeding.  
The Indians’ offense mustered six hits in the game, with Sexton (2-3) and Adcock (1-3) each batting in runs. Haase added two hits, while Caleb Peet chipped in with a hit.

Varsity -  
Pontiac lost the lead late on April 12 against Illinois Valley Central – resulting in a 5-3 defeat.

Pontiac was able to score on an error in the first, and would even things up at 2-2 in the bottom of the fourth inning on a Tanner Walls sac fly that plated one.

The contest was knotted at 2-2 with IVC batting in the top of the sixth, when the Indians committed an error that allowed a run to score.

Carter Dawson started the game for Pontiac, but would leave early due to a back injury. He went three-plus innings, giving up one hit and striking out three.

Logan Verdun, Ben Schuler, and Liam Pickett each contributed in relief for the Indians.

Jacob Duffy led the offense with two hits.

Friday, April 13  
Pontiac vs. Tolono-Unity Varsity -

The Indians held off a scrappy Tolono-Unity team on April 13, hanging on to a 9-4 win.

Jacob Duffy pitched Pontiac to victory. He surrendered four runs on seven hits over seven innings – striking out five.

The Indians were led by Eric Watson, who went 3-5 with two RBI. Jakob Grieff (two RBI) and Tanner Walls each had two hits for Pontiac.



DTHS baseball is underway, weather permitting. Above, Logan Graham fires a high, hard one to a batter. At left, Colton Holm braces to receive a pitch.

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GSW PANTHERS BASEBALL

Tuesday, April 10  
GSW vs. Donovan Varsity -

The Panthers put another notch in the win column April 10, defeating Donovan 13-3 on the road.

“This was a nice way to start our conference season,” said Coach Wills in the postgame. “Overall, we played well at the plate and in the field.”

Chris Ruiz scooped the win up on the mound, allowing one earned run on one hit, a walk, and a hit batsman – striking out seven in four innings.

Ruiz came on in relief of Kade Kociss, who threw two hitless innings to start the game. He struck out four, walked four, and hit two bat-

ters.  
Gino Faletti led GSW at the plate, tallying three RBI on a single and a double. Joey Morales went 3-3 with a single, a double, and a triple – knocking in two runs. Dakota Watson and Nolan Perkins each singled twice and batted in two runs, while Nathan Wozniak chipped in with an RBI with two singles and a double. Matthew Wepprecht had an RBI single.

Thursday, April 12  
GSW vs. Grace Christian Varsity -

GSW took out Grace Christian, 13-2, when they met in Gardner April 12.

“It was a little sloppy in the field,” commented

Coach Wills, “but we had a nice game offensively.”

Matthew Wepprecht went 3-4 with four RBI on two singles and a double to lead the Panthers. Dakota Watson had three RBI on a single and a double, with Joey Morales adding two RBI on two triples. Kade Kociss had a single, a double, and one RBI, while Nathan Wozniak singled in a run. Sean Hansen and Chris Ruiz each singled.

On the rubber, Morales went four strong innings, striking out seven and allowing no earned runs on two hits. Wozniak threw an inning in relief, giving up a hit and a single.

GSW improves to 5-2 for the season.

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DTHS LADY TROJANS SOFTBALL

**Tuesday, April 10  
Dwight vs. Clifton Central Varsity -**

The Lady Trojans defeated Clifton Central 10-0 in five innings April 10.

Abby Edwards cruised to the win in the circle, allowing just two hits and three walks, striking out ten.

Dwight had 14 hits in the contest, with Katy Edwards tallying two RBI on 2-3 at the plate. A. Edwards went 1-1 with a walk and two RBI, followed by two RBI from Kaitlyn Masching, as she doubled and walked once. Danielle Carlson was

2-3 with an RBI, while Kat Harms went 1-3 with a run batted in. LynnDee Hale had three hits in the game, including a double, with Morgan Zabel adding two hits. Macey Rodosky and Taylor Anderson each singled.

**Wednesday, April 11  
Dwight vs. Herscher Varsity -**

In softball action April 11, Dwight beat Herscher, 10-2.

Abby Edwards went seven strong innings, striking out seven and giving up two runs on five hits and a walk.

On offense, Kaitlyn Masching went 3-5 with a homer and three RBI to lead the team. Hayley Schlabowske had three RBI, doubling and walking once. A. Edwards had two hits, one a home run, knocking in two runs. LynnDee Hale doubled twice and batted in two. Taylor Anderson and Katy Edwards each had two hits,

with Macey Rodosky and Danielle Carlson adding a hit each.

**Thursday, April 12  
Dwight vs. Clifton Central Varsity -**

The Lady Trojans edged Clifton Central by a score of 7-5 on April 12, moving to 9-2 on the season.

Dwight got down early, as Macey Rodosky allowed a few runs in the first and second that gave Central the advantage.

However, the girls fought back to within a run by the fifth inning, and in the sixth – Rodosky redeemed herself with a two out single that put the Lady Trojans ahead 7-5, and for good.

Abby Edwards came on in relief of Rodosky in the third, and shut the Clifton Central bats completely down – striking out ten in the process.

In addition to the two RBI from Rodosky, Abby Houch had two singles and two walks, knocking in two

runs. Katy Edwards (single), Kaitlyn Masching (double), and Morgan Zabel all had one RBI. LynnDee Hale, Taylor Anderson, and Hayley Schlabowske each singled, while A. Edwards walked three times and singled once.

**Friday, April 13  
Dwight vs. Prairie Central Varsity -**

The Lady Trojans earned a 3-0 victory over Prairie Central on April 13, behind an impressive seven inning outing by pitcher Abby Edwards – who struck out seven, while allowing four hits and two walks in the contest.

Dwight’s offense was almost as quiet as PC’s, but in the fifth inning they put up three runs – which ended up being all they would need.

Katy Edwards went 2-3 with two RBI on a big homer in the third to lead the Lady Trojans, followed by LynnDee Hale who added an RBI. Taylor Anderson (double) and A. Edwards each contributed a hit in the game.



DANIELLE CARLSON, LEFT, definitely has her eye on the ball. LynnDee Hale, below, applies a tag on a base runner trying to get back to the bag. J7Images



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GSW LADY PANTHERS SOFTBALL

**Tuesday, April 10  
GSW vs. Donovan Varsity -**

In their first conference game of the season, GSW fell to Donovan, 7-0.

Delaney Miner took the loss, despite a strong start. She struck out six, walked six, and gave up six earned runs on seven hits in four innings.

Shelby Serena came in for one inning of relief in the sixth and gave up no runs, while striking out two.

“Delaney pitched a solid four innings,” said Coach Bexson, “but unfortunately we didn’t give her the run support she needed.”

Miner would add two hits on offense, with Emily Beck and Madelyn Storm each providing a hit.

“We had bases loaded in the first inning and left too many runners on in scoring position,” Bexson added. “We need to take advantage of that and put the ball in play more.”

The Lady Panthers are now 1-3 on the year.

beating the Lady Chargers, 14-1.

Tori King pitched a one-hitter, allowing one earned run to get the win. In two innings of relief, Shelby Serena struck out two and gave up no runs on one hit.

The offense took off right away – ending up with 13 total hits. Serena batted in three on a 2-3 day at the plate. King had two hits, including a triple and two RBI. Delaney Miner was 3-4 with an RBI, while Madelyn Storm was a perfect 3-3 at the dish. Kennedy Fair, Emily Beck, and Paige Patterson each added hits.

GSW moves to 2-4 on the season.

**Thursday, April 12  
GSW vs. Grace Christian JV -**

The JV Lady Panthers whipped Grace Christian 21-2 on April 12, with Tori King moving to 2-0 on the season as she got the win on the mound – giving up one earned run on three hits, striking out four.

“It was a group effort by all of the girls,” stated Coach Bexson. “We really had our bats going right away and were able to work on some things that we have been practicing a lot since the beginning of the season.”

Madelyn Storm stole the show on offense, going 2-3 with a double and four RBI. Paige Patterson (3-4), Emily Beck (two hits), and Ellie Fortier (two hits) all knocked in two runs. King tripled to bat in a run, while Abby Beck was a perfect 3-3. Shelby Serena, Carson Halpin, and Kennedy Fair each added hits.

The JV is now 2-0.

**Wednesday, April 11  
GSW vs. Tri-Point Varsity -**

The Lady Panthers took on Tri-Point April 11, splitting games in double-header action.

GSW took a 5-4 loss in game one, with Shelby Serena being tagged with the “L.” She allowed three earned runs on eight hits, striking out three.

At the plate, Serena was 2-3 with a triple and one RBI. Emily Beck was 1-1 with an RBI, while Delaney Miner had a 1-2 showing.

In game two, the Lady Panthers got their revenge –

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# DGS Addresses Staffing Needs and Support Staff Increases

## April Board Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty  
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The Dwight Grade School Board of Education met April 11 when the board took action on staffing needs and support staff salary increases, among other items.

Staffing needs were discussed with the board giving consensus to move forward with Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek’s recommendation for several positions to be posted. District 232 will post for a .5 Social Worker; one Pre-K Aide; a .4 Technology teacher; a Special Education teacher and one Special Education aide; one custodian, and a PE/Health teacher with a requirement of boy’s locker room supervision. The Special Education teacher and aide are due to some LCSSU students who will be returning to district. The dropping of this associated tuition to LCSSU will offset the cost of the added teacher and aide meaning little financial impact to the district with regard to these two hires. The custodian will replace Frank Tomac who is

retiring.

Support Staff at Dwight Grade School will receive a three percent salary increase effective July 1. The three percent increase equates to \$15,192 annually across all support staff personnel. Support staff includes office personnel, aides, custodians, school nurse, and the board treasurer. Currently DGS employs 30 support staff. Also discussed, but not approved, was a recommendation by Dr. Jancek to also give support staff a \$22 per month insurance allowance at a total annual cost of \$6,336. Several board members expressed concern about overextending the budget and the board declined the recommendation for this year. Board member Joel Funk also suggested the district look at moving to an individual annual evaluation system and basing support staff increases on evaluations so outstanding workers/aides are compensated accordingly.

A five-year website / app development contract with Apptegy was approved by

the DGS BOE contingent upon Dwight High School BOE approval of the same on April 18. If approved by both boards, the new communications developer will replace the current website developer SOCS. A new website developed by Apptegy would offer a more integrated system including a phone app and social media feeds. The initial setup cost of \$7,200 would be shared by both Dwight Public School Districts with an annual shared cost of \$5,900. The current cost for SOCS is \$6,500 annually. A website domain change was also approved, contingent upon DTHS approval. The simpler domain would be [www.dwightK12.org](http://www.dwightK12.org) with minimal cost for the change.

In his report to the board, Dr. Jancek reported that 17 applicants expressed interest in the position of Building Principal to replace Ben Bailey who has resigned. Five applicants are being interviewed for the position. Dr. Jancek gave the BOE an update on building safety and security items that have been identified and will

bring action plans to the board in the near future.

In financials, Dr. Jancek reported that the State of Illinois currently owes the district \$148,618.35. Also, the district was notified by State Board of Education that, with the new evidence base model / tier funding, the Dwight Grade School District will receive an additional \$14,351.36 this year.

The BOE also approved:

- Jack Connor, promotion to Director of Building & Ground.
- employment of Jimmy Soto, summer worker.
- Frank Tomac, Custodian, retirement notice effective May 31.
- employment of tenured teachers for 2018-19.

Absent from the April session were Board President Marc Ellis and BOE member Kim Frauli. Bo Partney acted as Board President.

The next meeting of the Dwight Grade School Board of Education will be 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 9, in the DGS Library. Meetings are open to the public.



## You Might Spot Bison Calves at Midewin During Red Carpet Corridor

USDA Forest Service officials say you might spot some spring bison calves at Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie Saturday, May 5, during Red Carpet Corridor Festival activities from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

If there are calves, you will be able to tell instantly because they stand out with their distinct bright, orange-red coats. That’s how they got the affectionate catch-name “red dog.” When they are several weeks old, their fur starts to change to dark brown and you begin to see the shoulder hump and horns growing. Bison can get up to 2,000 pounds but start out at just 30 to 70 pounds at birth.

Since 2016, bison are America’s National Mammal. In November 2016, a web cam was installed at Midewin near where the herd is known to roam. The herd roams nearly 1,000 miles, which means they are not always visible on the camera. You can look for them from your home, online at [www.fs.usda.gov/main/midewin/home](http://www.fs.usda.gov/main/midewin/home). Midewin staff watches for sightings and notifies the

public through posts on Facebook and Twitter when the bison are visible on camera. Try to tell the males from the females – adult female bison horns are rounder, more c-shaped than male horns, which point straighter up.

In 2015, bison were introduced at Midewin as a 20-year experiment in conservation. Volunteers, partners, and staff are monitoring to see if the herd’s grazing pattern, which is creating more varied grass lengths, is encouraging native prairie birds and other species to return.

On May 5, you can look for bison – and that’s not all: look at a 97-foot tall Smokey Bear hot air balloon here from Albuquerque; stroll through the pop-up Natural Resources Expo; hike through native Illinois spring blooms and the remains of an historical farmstead; get your commemorative button and more details online at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/midewin/news-events/?cid=FSEPRD575790>.

## Piper City Monday Night Reading Circle

Monday Night Reading Circle held their annual Guest Night at the Piper City Presbyterian Church on Monday April 9, at 6:30 p.m. Members and guests were invited into the dining room decorated for spring with flower pots and flower petals strewn down the center of the tables dressed in spring colors. In addition, the hostess committee of Joan Penicook, Barb Froelich, and Marilyn Kerchenfaut had favors of smaller flower-pots and flower covered placecards/ menus at each place. President Myra Ditty welcomed all to the event and the Doxology was sung.

Ne’s Place catered a delicious dinner of tossed salad, stuffed pork chops, baked potatoes, and green beans with a cherry cheesecake dessert.

After the supper, Myra had each member introduce herself and her guest. Following introductions, the assembly moved to the Sanctuary for the program.

Members Maggie Gibb and Celia Bork collaborated on the evening’s program "Open the Door for a Friend." Maggie began with a fitting and heartfelt tribute to a member, Roberta Sterrenberg, who had died the previous Thursday. Roberta was a member for 67 years and the recording secretary for 50 of those years. The members and guests were then treated to a collection of poetry interspersed with songs that touched hearts and brought smiles to faces.

One of the first quotes was “A friend is someone who knows the song in your heart and can sing it back to you when you have forgotten the words.” (author unknown) and a second was from C.S. Lewis who said, “Friendship is born at that moment when one person says to another: ‘What! You too?’ I thought I was the only one.”

Maggie and Celia had organized the program through the stages of lives and the doors opened from early childhood to opening doors to people as adults. Under the section they titled Learning About the World, Maggie used this quote from Mehmet Ildan which seems very fitting for Reading Circle, “If you close your door to the world of books, the gates of the world of ignorance automatically open and quickly pull you inside.”

Audience participation was encouraged for the songs. Celia led the singing from the piano and also played the guitar. Among the songs were That’s What Friends Are For with lyrics that say, "For good times and bad times/ I'll be on your side forever more/ That's what friends are for" and Lean on Me – "Lean on me, when you're not strong/And I'll be your friend. I'll help you carry on."

As they bid goodnight and left through the church doors, they left with the final words of the program, "may your doors of friendship be wide open!" ringing in their hearts.

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**Fourth Grade:** Bryce Bailey, Madissa Bailey, Ryan Bean, Marissa Betsworth, Indira Bradley, Sophie Buck, Madison Carman, Ethan Cox, Evan Cox, Emmalee Crosby, Maddox DeLong, Katy Dolan, Kamryn Folkers, Taylor Frobish, Michael Groves, Taylor Heath, Gunnar Heikkila, Brooke Johonson, Asher Kargle, Christian Kennon, Jackson Launius, Justin Norton, Filemon Ortiz, Sarah Parker, Katy Ramos, Gabe Sanchez, Paityn Schmidberger, Caiden Smith, Jack Statler, Jillian

Strong, Seth Suarez, Joey Sullivan, Zander Tarnowski, Makayla Wahl-Serbert, Dori Wilson.

**Fifth Grade:** Drew Anderson, Cole Boucher, Landon Burkhardt, Brynn Connor, Luke Gallet, Ceci Groves, Samantha Harsh, Brayden Jensen, Christina Jiang, Maci Johnson, Averi Jury, Ella Legner, Jennifer Ramirez, Ayden Roff, Wyatt Statler, Hailey Streit, Tanner Stycil, Willow Tucker.

**Sixth Grade:** Njomza Asllani, Milana Bradley, Mia Buck, Murphy Connolly, Jarrett Emmons, Andrew Gartke, Kaedyn Gonzalez, Jack Groves, Ryan Hilt, Kassy Kodat, Megan Livingston, Kassidy Nichols, Katy Parker, Domingo Ramirez, Kaitlyn Thetard, Terry Wilkey.

**Seventh Grade:** Erin Anderson, Sophia Anderson, Kira Bean, Iris Beier, Olivia Bond, Harlie Boucher, Brayden Ehrhardt, Timothy Ellis, Jace Gall, Maya Green, Michael Michon, Amber Moore, Clayton Peck, Xander Pempe, 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, Darien Guyer, 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, Lora Weir.

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. GARY BABBS, KIM BABBS, CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A., and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants. ) No. 18-CH-19

**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:

TRACT 1: Lots 2 and 3 in Block 8 of Riverside Addition to the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois.  
PIN: 15-23-378-001

TRACT 2: Beginning at the Southeast corner of Lot 2 in Block 8 of Riverside Addition to the City of Pontiac and running; thence North 89 degrees 56 minutes 10 seconds West along the South line of Lots 2 and 3 of said Block 8, 118.24 feet to a point 18.24 feet West of the Southwest corner of said Lot 3; thence South 00 degrees 16 minutes 21 seconds West 184.89 feet to the center of the Vermillion River; thence Northerly and Easterly along said center 142.55 feet more or less to a point 118.24 feet South from the Southeast corner of said Lot 2; and thence North 00 degrees 15 minutes 47 seconds East, 118.24 feet to the point of beginning; all in Livingston County, Illinois.  
PIN: 15-23-358-009  
Commonly known as: 302 E. Pinckney St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

The title holders of record to the above described real estate are GARY BABBS and KIM BABBS. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on November 21, 2007 and recorded on November 30, 2007 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 583412 and a modification of mortgage executed on May 22, 2017 and recorded on May 30, 2017 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2017R-02094. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 18-CH-19 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.

Dated this 29 day of March, 2018.

LeAnn Dixon, Circuit Clerk  
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. FORTNER’S PUB, LLC, a Dissolved Illinois Limited Liability Company, TARYN FORTNER, VILLAGE OF CORNELL, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants. ) No. 18-CH-20

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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:

TRACT 1: Lot 24 in Block 7 in Walter B. Cornell’s First Addition to Cornell, Livingston County, Illinois.

TRACT 2: Lots 21, 22, and 23 in Block 7 in Walter B. Cornell’s First Addition to Cornell, Livingston County, Illinois.

TRACT 3: Lots 25, 26, 27, and 28 in Block 7 in Walter B. Cornell’s First Addition to Cornell, Livingston County, Illinois.  
PIN: 08-11-392-026  
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Dated this 29 day of March, 2018.

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STATE SENATOR JENNIFER Bertino-Tarrant discusses state school issues with superintendents from the three districts feeding into Gardner-South Wilmington High School and GSW itself. She visited Gardner Grade School on April 16. With the senator are (from left) South Wilmington Superintendent Cindy Christensen, Bertino-Tarrant, Gardner Grade School Superintendent Ron Harris, and GSW and Braceville Superintendent Mike Perrott.

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## State Senator Visits Gardner Grade School April 16

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

State Senator Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant, the Illinois Senate’s new chairwoman of the Committee on Education, stopped by Gardner Grade School on Monday, April 16, as part of a tour of schools throughout the state.

She said she is discussing a state teacher shortage, school safety and school financing with the school districts.

On the subject of school financing, she talked about the new school formula which added new money to the three schools serving

Gardner-South Wilmington High School and to the GSW district.

Perrott said the new money at Braceville Grade School was \$32,000, GSW was \$110,000, South Wilmington Grade School at \$6,000 and GGS \$30,000.

“None of the schools lost any funding with the new formula,” Bertino-Tarrant said.

She believes that visiting the schools helps put her new role as education committee chairwoman into perspective.

“I’m a firm believer that the only way to make

responsible and educated decisions is to go out to schools like Gardner Grade School and talk to students and administrators who are directly impacted by policies we put in place,” she said.

Some of Bertino-Tarrant’s educational priorities this legislative session include addressing the teacher shortage, encouraging apprenticeship training to help fill workforce shortages, making dual-credit classes more readily available to increase college affordability, and expanding broadband access to schools throughout the state.

## New Books at Cullom Beckman Memorial Library

The following books are now available for check-out at Cullom Beckman Memorial Library:

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## Rev. Speece Installed



THE REV. GRANT SPEECE was officially installed as pastor of the First Congregational United Church of Christ in Dwight and the Emington Congregational United Church of Christ. The installation was held Sunday, April 15, at the Dwight church, 200 W. Delaware. He has been serving as pastor at the churches since Sept. 24, 2017.

Submitted photo

## Auditions for Children’s Production of Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat

Vermillion Players, Livingston County’s community theatre, is excited to announce audition dates for their summer children’s production of the musical, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. The show will be staged under the direction of Jerry Keck. Audition dates are Friday, April 27th and Saturday, April 28th. Parents are required to call ahead to secure an audition time. Appointment times available are: Friday, April 27th at 4pm, 5:30pm and 7pm or Saturday, April 28th at 9am, 10:30am and 12pm.

Appointments have been a welcome addition to the process and The Players intend to continue with this format. Scheduling an appointment can be done by calling producer Michele Barnett at 815-674-0511. Time blocks will be filled with a limited number of youths per time slot.

A parent or guardian must be present at auditions to complete required paperwork. Information will be handed out explaining the production and expectations of participants. A tentative rehearsal schedule will also be distributed.

Performances will take place at Pontiac’s Chautauqua Park Pavilion July 11 – 15. The children’s show will have an additional Wednesday public performance again this year on July 11. Anyone who may have scheduling conflicts June 25 through show close on July 15 are asked to speak to the



production staff prior to auditioning.

The audition location this year is Pontiac’s Central Grade School located at 117 W. Livingston St. Everyone is to enter the building from the Main Street doors at the gym entrance located on the northeast side of the building. There is parking available on the street or the blacktop playground.

Everyone auditioning will participate in a voice check, costume measurement, simple dance audition and sing a solo music piece. Youths auditioning are asked to bring sheet music and be prepared to sing a song. A church hymn or school music contest song is best. Dance auditions will consist of learning a short dance; everyone must wear either dance or tennis shoes. Once auditions are complete, the cast will be announced at a Mandatory Cast and Parent Meeting on Tuesday, May 22 at 6:30pm in the Central School gym.

One of the most enduring shows of all time, Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat is a reimagining of the Biblical story of Joseph, his father Jacob, eleven brothers and the coat of many colors.

Told entirely through song with the help of a main character Narrator, the musical follows preferred son Joseph. After being sold into slavery by his brothers, he ingratiates himself with Egyptian noble Potiphar, but ends up in jail. While imprisoned, Joseph discovers his ability to interpret dreams, and he soon finds himself in front of the mighty but troubled, Elvis-inspired, Pharaoh. Joseph’s solution to Egypt’s famine elevates him to Pharaoh’s right-hand man and reunites him with his family.



### Town and Country 4-H Club News, Essex

With county fair season just around the corner, 4-H judging competitions have begun. On April 15, Kankakee County 4-H held its Public Presentations Judging. Mike Gereaux of Town and Country 4-H Club and Shelby Basham of Cabery Specials 4-H Club were both selected as delegates to the State Public Speaking contest to be held on June 9 in Decatur. Gereaux, an 8th grade student at Reed-Custer, chose common characteristics of successful business leaders as his topic, while Basham incorporated the FFA Pledge into her speech on the impact of the Pledge in her life. Pictured from left: Gereaux, John E. Davis of the University of Illinois Extension office, and Basham.

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# Tech-Ni-Kolor AutoCrafters of Dwight Marks 20 Years

by Myke Feinman  
Managing Editor

Larry Seabert, owner of Dwight's Tech-Ni-Kolor AutoCrafters, has been restoring antique autos and fixing vehicles damaged in auto accidents for two decades.

And although 80 percent of his business is fixing automobile accident vehicles, his first love is restoring the antiques and classic cars.

His current project is a 1967 Pontiac Firebird, which he said is expected to be fully restored by June.

The vehicle came in with an inoperable engine, and totally rusted out from sitting idle for many, many years.

It was the owner's first car from high school, Seabert said, owned by Doug Beckman of Streator.

He has to totally rebuild the body, which was unibody construction, put in a new engine, and restore the entire vehicle to its original specifications, per the customer's wishes.

"There was no floor," Seabert said of the vehicle when it was first brought in on a flatbed.

He is currently about to move the subframe of the motor under the body and will finish painting the front

fenders before final construction. The subframe has to be bolted onto the body. The motor was rebuilt by a different company, Seabert said.

The vehicle has an automatic transmission and a 440 Pontiac engine.

The total restoration is estimated to take eight months, Seabert explained.

But each restoration is different, depending on the condition of the vehicle and the customer's desires.

To do the reconstruction, he created a special jig based on the original frame, to make sure it is aligned properly when it is put back together.

"We actually looked for another body for six months, with no success," Seabert said. "We finally decided to build a new one."

Seabert came to the business ownership after working for several years at Boyer Buick, which later became Rub Chevrolet. "I was the shop manager for Buick," he said.

At Tech-Ni-Kolor, he employs three people including his brother Todd who is the manager.

Tech-Ni-Kolor is located at 105 Watters Drive, in Dwight.

He can be reached by calling (815) 584-2588.



LARRY SEABERT, owner of Tech-Ni-Kolor AutoCrafters, Dwight, pushes the motor under the body of a newly-restored 1967 Pontiac Firebird as part of the process of restoring the vehicle. He has been restoring wrecked and classic/antique vehicles in Dwight for 20 years. He said 80 percent of his business is fixing vehicles wrecked in accidents.

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DIY Spring Car Care

By Craig W. Armstrong

Through preparation, time, money and mechanical skills, your vehicle survived the winter. Spring has arrived, and once again, you will need to prepare your vehicle for the upcoming season. Many people will take their vehicle to a shop and say, "Call me when it's done," while others won't maintain their vehicle at all.

But you, you're different. You're going to pop the hood and get your trusty steed ready to take to the road.

Checking the tire pressure and wiper blades and cleaning the interior are maintenance 101 for you. You're more concerned with the inner workings of the vehicle. Start with the battery. Check the posts and connections. Make sure they are free of corrosion and making good contact. The same goes for the spark plugs—clean them if necessary. Spark plugs can fire three million times every 1,000 miles, so proper operation is crucial.

Check the oil and oil filter. Your vehicle's manual will have recommendations on how often to change the oil and filter. A good rule of thumb is every 3,000 to 5,000 miles. Make sure you are using the correct grade of oil. The outside temperature is now warmer, and as you probably know, oil gets thicker when it's cold and thinner when it's hot. Using an oil grade of 10W40 means that the oil will flow at a 40 viscosity rate during the warmer spring months.

Another filter to check is your vehicle's air filter. The air filter keeps dust and other debris from getting into the engine's moving parts. Dust and debris in your vehicle's engine can cause it to be less efficient and underperform. It is a good idea to replace the air filter annually or every 12,000 to 15,000 miles.

Next, check the coolant level. The radiator on a cold engine should be completely full. The reservoir should be at the "cold" level. Again, check the vehicle's owner's manual to determine when the system should be flushed and fresh coolant added.

The next level to check is the brake fluid level. If the level has fallen below the "low" mark, it may indicate excessive brake wear or a leak somewhere.

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## Here comes the rain: Expert tips for wet weather driving

When it comes to driving in the rain, windshield wipers, headlights and brakes will only get you so far. More than 1 million car crashes occur each year as a result of weather conditions, according to the Federal Highway Administration. Most of them have to do with wet roadways, and many of them could likely be prevented by the right set of tires.

As El Nino looms in the West, and the inevitable April showers approach elsewhere, drivers across the United States should turn their attention to the rubber that meets the proverbial - and also very literal - wet road.

Nearly a quarter of all car crashes are caused by weather, according to the U.S. Department of Transportation. Of those, nearly three quarters can be attributed to wet pavement. When roadways are slick, dangers such as skidding and hydroplaning quickly become concerns. Tires can be the best defense against such hazards, as a healthy, reliable set of tires will give your vehicle the traction it needs to safely stop and corner on slick roadways. Before the tires can do their job, drivers will need to take a few steps of their own.

Before you hit the road, know what to look for on your tires.

Tire tread helps to channel rainwater safely between your tires and the road - but only if there's enough tread available to do so. When new, tire tread runs 9/32 of an inch deep. Tires are legally worn out with just 2/32 of an inch of tread remaining, but this doesn't leave enough depth in wet conditions.

Tire Rack, America's largest independent tire tester and consumer-direct source for tires, makes an even safer recommendation. "When rain is a concern, as it will be for much of the U.S. throughout the spring,

If hydroplaning occurs, coast carefully.

Hydroplaning happens when water on a roadway and vehicle speed combine to cause one or more of your tires to lift from the surface of the road. When this happens, the vehicle's steering wheel will likely jerk, and the vehicle could pull abruptly toward the puddle.

"Slowing down in rainy conditions is always a good idea, but it may not be enough for the surprise waiting up ahead. Having the appropriate tread depth is a must for preventing hydroplaning," Rogers says. "If you do hydroplane, grasp the steering wheel firmly and avoid slamming on the brakes. Braking could end up worsening the skid, causing you to lose even more control of the vehicle."

Driving in the rain is never fun, but with the right tires, it can at least be safer. When the rubber meets the road, make sure it's up for the job. Tire Rack offers more expert tips and finds the right tires for your vehicle at [www.tirerack.com](http://www.tirerack.com).



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## Spring Clean Your Car: Tips to Get Your Car in Great Condition

For some, spring cleaning is a time-honored ritual, which doesn't just apply to your house. Remember that your car is likely in desperate need of some attention after the winter months.

"A car that's well-maintained is safer, cheaper to run, more reliable and can be worth more money at resale time," says Brian Moody, executive editor of Autotrader.

To help, Autotrader editors are sharing "Simple Spring Car Care" tips to get your car in tip-top shape for the busy driving season ahead:

- Wash and wax your car thoroughly. If you can afford it, have it professionally detailed. However, if you do it yourself, be sure to use a pressure nozzle in order to rid your car of any leftover road salt or sand from the winter. Direct sunlight can cause a car's finish to become dull, but a thorough washing and waxing can

also help keep your car's paint and clear coat looking good.

It's tempting to run the car through an automated car wash, but those big revolving brushes can dull the finish over time. If you're not allowed to wash your car at home due to regional laws or neighborhood rules, seek out a good drive-thru wash and hand wax instead.

- Check and set your car's tire pressure to the level specified in your owner's manual or on the driver's door sill. As temperatures warm up, the air in your tires can expand and that might impact the way the car handles.

Be sure not to over-inflate the tires. While low tire pressure can cause the tire to heat up if it's not rolling down the road properly, extreme over inflation can cause a blowout in high temperatures. If you're not comfortable doing this yourself, take your car to a shop



like Big-O Tires, Sears Auto Center or Firestone Auto Care Center -- those kinds of chains will usually do it for free.

- Have a qualified mechanic do a visual inspection under the hood. If you're comfortable doing this yourself, check for worn belts or hoses and make sure your coolant (sometimes called anti-freeze) isn't too old. Coolant lasts a long time, but keeping track of when it was last changed, especially

in older cars, can help you avoid overheating as the temperatures gradually climb.

For more tips for keeping your vehicle in great shape whether it's hot, cold, or rainy can be found at [www.Autotrader.com](http://www.Autotrader.com).

For better driving all season long, make sure your spring to-do list includes cleaning and maintaining your car.

## Sparkling Clean

in an area with acid rain, rinse off your car often to remove contaminants and prevent damage to the finish.

No matter how much rinsing you do, you need to wash your car from time to time. Do so in the morning while your car is still cool to the touch. Don't wait until the late afternoon when it is hot. The heat on the surface will dry the soap and water quickly, leaving behind a dull film on the finish.

Select products made for washing cars. Don't use regular household detergents, which could scratch the finish, remove the protective wax coating and dull the paint. If you have a lot of bugs and tar on your car, you

may need to purchase a product for that.

To wash your car, fill up two buckets, one with soapy water and the other with rinse water, and use several large sponges or wool mitts. Rinse off the car first to remove all loose debris. This will prevent the debris from getting scrubbed into the finish and scratching the paint. Then wash the car in sections, leaving the tires and wheels for last.

When you have finished with the body of your car, it's time to attack the tires and wheels. Use a clean sponge and wipe away all of the dirt and grime. For tough spots, use wheel cleaner and a brush.

When you have complet-

ed washing your car, rinse it off all over one more time, using a fine spray at a low angle. Then dry it with terry cloths. Don't let your car dry on its own. Water spots will appear, and after a while, these can wear into the paint and become permanent marks.

Depending upon the size of your car, it should take you anywhere from half an hour to a couple of hours to wash your car. Don't forget about the interior. You might as well clean it too, or at the very least, remove all of the trash from it.

A clean car is a happy car. Keep yours happy and looking its best by washing it regularly.

## AAA: 80% of Illinoisans Plan to Travel in 2018

With the holidays in the rear-view, Illinoisans are beginning to make travel plans for 2018.

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- Results:
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times to travel - Q2 (49%) and Q3 (51%).

- Most popular vacations - city/major metro destination (44%), beach destination (33%), international travel (24%), and resort/all-inclusive vacation (24%).

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- You may sign up for CODE RED notifications by visiting the Village of Dwight's webpage and clicking on the CODE RED icon and following the instructions.

REMEMBER: Be prepared. Have a plan and be ready to act. Purchase a portable weather radio. If you have any questions, please contact Dwight ESDA weekdays at 815-584-1224.

Jesse White Unveils New Organ/Tissue Donation Campaign; Highlights 16- and 17-year Olds' Eligibility to Register as Donors

Secretary of State Jesse White recently unveiled a new ad campaign highlighting the January 1, 2018, law allowing 16- and 17-year olds to register to become organ/tissue donors during his annual kick off of National Donate Life Month in April.

Currently, there are more than 6.4 million people registered to become organ/tissue donors in Illinois. However, approximately 4,700 people are on the waiting list and about 300 die each year waiting for an organ transplant.

In the public service

announcement (PSA), a young woman explains how teenagers are "gaining respect and changing the future." She encourages teens to make a difference in Illinois now that they are eligible to register with the Secretary of State's Organ/Tissue Donor Registry. The television, radio and digital ads will run in English and Spanish statewide throughout the month. The commercial will also be played on more than 400 movie screens throughout the state.

White will attend events throughout Illinois in April to encourage donation. Organizations will be working together statewide in an effort to promote donor awareness. During this month, high schools will be distributing organ/tissue donor materials and hosting donor drives. Colleges and hospitals will also be hosting donor drives and featuring displays statewide.

Illinoisans can register with the Secretary of State's Organ/Tissue Donor Registry at LifeGoesOn.com, 800-210-2106, or by visiting their local Driver Services facility.

Safe Food During Power Outages

A power outage can happen at any time. High winds, thunderstorms, and tornados wreak havoc on power lines.

As a rule, food in the refrigerator should be safe as long as power is out **no more than four hours**. Of course, keep appliance doors closed as much as possible. The FDA warns, never taste food to determine its safety! You cannot rely on appearance or odor to determine whether food is safe. Discard any foods exposed to raw meat juices and dripping.

Plan Ahead

- Check the time and make a notation. It is important to know exactly how long you have been without power.
- Keep an appliance thermometer in both the refrigerator and freezer. Make sure the refrigerator temperature is at 40°F or below and the freezer at 0°F or below. Built-in digital thermometers may lose function.
- Keep the freezer full. Fill empty spaces with frozen plastic jugs of water, bags of ice, or gel packs. Besides, it is cheaper to run a full freezer.
- Find out where the nearest dry ice and block ice can be purchased; record phone numbers and addresses
- **What to save, what to toss** "Resist the temptation to open the refrigerator/freezer doors to check the food," Banks cautioned. Food in most full, freestanding freezers will be safe for about two



days and half-full freezers for about one day. If your freezer is not full, quickly group packages together so they form an "igloo" protecting each other.

In freezers, food in the front, on the door, or in small, thin packages will defrost faster than large, thick items or food in the back or bottom of the unit. Now is not the time to be frugal, these foods may be a total loss. Discard any perishable food (such as meat, poultry, fish, eggs, and leftovers) that have been above 40 °F for over two hours.

If food has started to thaw, you will need to evaluate each item separately to see what you can safely keep. Generally, it is safe to refreeze foods that still contain ice crystals or some frozen parts. Raw meats and poultry from the freezer can usually be refrozen without excessive quality loss. Prepared foods, vegetables and fruits may suffer greater quality loss. Fruits and fruit juices can be refrozen with minimal quality loss. It is

safe to re-freeze these foods but do not expect the flavor and texture to be the same.

**Caution:** Food can become contaminated without changing the way it looks, smells, or tastes. It may take hours, days, or even weeks before you experience symptoms of illness. Onset of illness depends on which bacteria and how much you ate. Long-term impact may include reactive arthritis and irritable bowel syndrome.

Do not rely on the appearance or odor of a food to determine safety. Bacteria that cause foodborne illness (food poisoning) can multiply rapidly on perishable foods that have been between 40°F and 140°F for more than two hours. Never taste food to decide on safety. When in doubt, it is usually best to throw it out.

For a detailed food chart to help evaluate the safety of each food item, visit the USDA [https://www.foodsafet.gov/keep/charts/refridg\\_food.html](https://www.foodsafet.gov/keep/charts/refridg_food.html). Print a copy for reference.



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• APR. 18: Heritage Health bingo, 2 p.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. 18: Pastor Nicholson here; 1 p.m., Mary/Martha; 3 - 4 p.m., open gym; 4:00 - 5:30 p.m., Midweek Bible Time.  
• APR. 22: Confirmation Day - 9 a.m., Sunday School/Adult Bible Class; 10 a.m., Worship

with Holy Communion.  
• APR. 25: Pastor Nicholson here; 3 - 4 p.m., Open gym; 4 - 5:30 p.m., Last Class for Midweek Bible Time.

First Baptist Church

401 N. Clinton St.  
815-584-3182  
**Home of Dwight's New Christian Radio Station WGVD 97.3 FM**  
Pastor Daniel L. Woodward  
• APR. 18: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.  
• APR. 22: Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.  
• APR. 25: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Chil-

dren's Program, 7 p.m.

First Congregational United Church of Christ

200 W. Delaware St.  
584-1260 church  
Pastor Grant Speece - Settled Pastor  
• APR. 18: Trustees meeting;  
• APR. 22: Worship, 10:30 a.m. Guest preacher, Rev. Brian Clary.  
• APR. 29: Deacon's meeting, 11:30 a.m. "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. 18: 7 p.m., Night of Prayer.
- APR. 19: 5:30 p.m., Women's Bible Study "A Closer Walk;" 7 p.m., Worship Practice.
- APR. 22: 9 a.m., Connection Groups; 10 a.m., Main Service; Kids Church, ages 3-11; 12 noon, Grounds and community garden cleanup; 5 p.m., Xtreme Youth Group.
- APR. 24: 7 p.m., Stampin' Up Group.
- APR. 25: 7 p.m., Night of Prayer.
- APR. 26: 7 p.m., Worship practice.

St. Patrick Catholic Church

Mazon Ave. at Prairie  
815-584-3522 Office  
Father Chris Haake, Pastor  
• APR. 21: 9 a.m. - 10 a.m., Reconciliation;

5 p.m., Mass.  
• APR. 22: 8 a.m., Mass.

St. Peter's Lutheran Church

326 W. Chippewa St.  
stpetersdwight@sbcglobal.net  
• APR. 18: 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Church office hours; 3:30 p.m., Worship Team meeting; 4:30 p.m., Youth Group; 5:30 p.m., rehearsal.  
• APR. 19: 12 noon, Sarah Circle at Dwight Country Club.  
• APR. 20: 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Church office hours; 8 p.m., AA meeting.  
• APR. 22: 9:15 a.m., Fellowship Breakfast; 9:30 a.m., Faith Development rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion  
• APR. 23: 9 a.m. -

noon, quilting.  
• APR. 24: 9 a.m. - noon, quilting; 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Church office hours; 4:30 - 6 p.m., Assistance Ministries.  
• APR. 25: "Epistle" deadline; 2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Church office hours; 3:30 p.m., Worship Team meeting.

BRACEVILLE

Braceville United Methodist Church

106 W. Goold St.  
815-237-8512 Church  
815-483-9343 Cell  
bracevilleumc.com  
Pastor Karen Fabian  
• 10:30 a.m., Sunday Service.  
• APR. 22: Dayspring United Methodist Singers and Spirit Drum Native American service at 10:30 a.m.

CAMPUS

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Father Chris Haake, Pastor  
• APR. 22: 10:00 a.m. Mass.  
• APR. 24: 5:30 - 5:50 p.m., Reconciliation.

EMINGTON

Emington Congregational United Church of Christ

103 Division Street  
Pastor Grant Speece - Settled Pastor  
• APR. 22: 8:45 a.m., Worship. Guest preacher - Rev. Brian Clary. "April Food Pantry Collection" - Soups. "May Mission of the Month" - Strengthen the Church."

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CHRIS McBRIEN entertained students at Dwight Grade School for an assembly Tuesday, April 10, ahead of the evening's Family Reading Night. *The Paper* photo



STORY-TELLER and entertainer Chris McBrien, left, told the students about kindness and dealing with life's many lessons, demonstrating how people juggle many things in their lives. Students (from left) Cara Wilson, Christina Jiang, and Alex Ortiz pretend to juggle a rope knot under their legs. *The Paper* photo



THREE VOCAL ACTS took top prizes in the annual FCCLA talent show held at Dwight Township High School, Friday, April 6. Winning were (from left) duo Nellie Rieke and Jimmy Soto; soloist Kathryn Berta; and duo Owen Van Der Karr and Andrew Myzia. Submitted photo

### Nellie Rieke, Jimmy Soto Take First in FCCLA Talent Show

Freshman Nellie Rieke and senior Jimmy Soto took first place in the Dwight Township High School annual FCCLA talent show held Friday, April 6. The duo sang "Anything You Can Do" from "Annie Get Your Gun."

Third place went to sophomore Owen Van Der Karr and junior Andrew Myzia singing "The Confrontation" from "Les Miserable."

A total of 15 acts performed, under the leadership of Kathy Patten.

Senior stage managers were Jillian Frauli and Kaitlyn Masching.

Judges were Dan Kaiser, Cathy Ferguson, and Deb Karch.

2015 Winner Jayne Tyler returned to sing during the contest score tabulation.

Acts were judged on crowd appeal, talent, originality, and stage presence.

### DGS Reading Night

Dwight Grade School held its yearly Family Reading Night April 10. This year puppeteer and storyteller Chris McBrien shared his puppets and told stories about his childhood. Chris is an avid reader who shared with the audience the importance of reading. This year DGS held two types of door prizes. Students who won the door prize received a \$10 certificate to use at the book fair. They also had a parent's drawing. Parents either won a Shopko gift card or a Berkot's gift card. The book fair was open and many people purchased a variety of books.



### Dwight Youth Baseball and Softball Opening Day



DYBS held its opening day inside the DTHS Gymnasium due to inclement weather conditions. Caden Wood, above right, won a Chromebook for selling the most raffle tickets on the Baseball teams, and Emerson Peters, not pictured, sold the most for the Softball team. DYSB President Terry Wilkey welcomed the teams and their coaches and introduced them. DGS State Champion Wrestler, Dillon Sarff, threw out the ceremonial first pitch of the season and Jim Enger, a Dwight Youth Baseball volunteer for over 40 years, had a field named after him. See next week's paper for more details on Jim Enger Field.

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Dwight Grade School wishes to thank the following sponsors for making the 2018 Family Reading Night a success:

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