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Movers, Shakers and Makers

Looking Back on a Year's Worth of News

The Dwight area is full of great people. Whether born and raised in Dwight and living elsewhere, or having lived here all their lives, the community is never void of a good story. Whether welcoming a new pastor, recognizing someone who has given back to the community or been honored for their success and achievements, here's a look back at some great, hard-working citizens - both young and old -- who made headlines and helped put Dwight on the map in 2018. Next week, we'll take a look back on the biggest stories that filled *The Paper* in 2018.

THE ART STUDENTS AT DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL

Dwight Township High School art students were represented in our nation's capital this year in spring and then again in winter.

Some readers may recall the Hollywood movie, "With Six You Get Egg Roll." Well, with 10 Dwight Township High School Students' art projects, you get egg roll - Egg Roll Art that is, for the 2018 White House Easter Egg Roll on the South Lawn.

DTHS was put on the map by Lindsey Jensen, high school English teacher who was named the 2018 Illinois Teacher of the Year. Due to that honor, she was contacted by the Federal Department of Education to see if Dwight students would be interested in participating by contributing artwork to the White House Easter Egg Roll. Of course she said yes, and immediately contacted DTHS art instructor Patricia Farrell-Levange whose students submitted art.

The Easter Egg Roll took place April 2, with President Donald J. Trump and First Lady Melania hosting the event on the South Lawn and Ellipse. The Easter Egg Roll is a tradition that dates back to the administration of President Rutherford B. Hayes. Each state in the United States was invited to participate and DTHS represented Illinois.

Then came the ornaments. It was the season for Halloween, but the art students were busy decorating for Christmas -- specifically for the National Christmas Tree in Washington, D.C. When President Donald Trump lit up the national tree on Nov. 30, Dwight represented Illinois, one of 56 states, districts and territories to showcase hand-made ornaments.

Twenty-seven students sent 24 ornaments to the White House to be on display as part of the annual event. More than 1,500 students participated in this year's project. One of them was senior Amber Gajda, daughter of Lisa and Jason Gajda of Dwight. She painted the White House with two white oaks (the state tree), a field of violets (the state flower), a white-tailed deer (the state animal) and cardinals flying overhead (the state bird). Amber has been in art all four years, so when Farrell-Levange announced Dwight was chosen to create ornaments for the White House, Amber was one of the first to raise her hand.

"This is a huge accomplishment for a [teenager's art] to be at the White House," said Farrell-Levange.

DIANA LOSCHEN

Tri-Point Ag teacher Diana Loschen has had quite a year.

She graduated college in 1985 with an ag teaching degree and was a novelty being only one of three female ag teachers in Illinois. "Now over 50 percent of ag-ed grads are female," she explained.

And in 2018, she celebrated 30 years at Tri-Point.

She began her career search for a job after graduating, and in fact competed for the position at Tri-Point with her future husband, Gary Loschen. Gary got the job, but after three years, he gave up his position to take a position at a bank in Cullom, giving Diana a chance to take over.

"When I started it was much heavier in production agriculture," Loschen said. The course offerings included a semester of small engines and a semester of electricity.

Today ag is much broader. And as the high school's FFA advisor, she led the veterinary science team to nationals this year.

In the fall, the team placed third at the National FFA Veterinary Science Career Development in Indianapolis. It is the third third-place award in the nationals under Loschen's leadership.

Team members included Amyjo Steichen, Jimmy Haag, Tara Hummel, and Gabrielle Spangler. Hummel was selected as the national winner for the National FFA Proficiency Award in Small Animal Production and Care. Steichen was among top-placing individuals (4th), as was Haag (5th).

The National FFA Veterinary Science CDE is a competitive event that tests students' abilities to apply veterinary science knowledge and skill in practical settings as well as identify breeds, parasites and equipment, perform injections and more.

"Our team really took the bull by the horns," Loschen said.

THE AHMEDI FAMILY

When it comes to nostalgia, the Dwight area has it, as you can get your kicks on Route 66 that runs through our towns. And a famous place to stop is the Old Rt. 66 Family Restaurant of Dwight, which racked up two more honors in 2018.

Old Route 66 Family Restaurant in Dwight genuinely puts the word "family" into its restaurant, and the quality of food and service continues to earn the business awards. It was named among the Top Broasted Chicken in Illinois by best-thingsillinois.com and one of the top 10 cafes in Illinois from illinoisroadtrip.com.

In fact, Old Rt. 66 Family Restaurant scored higher than the famous White Fence Farm in Romeoville.

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AMBER GAJDA, A SENIOR AT DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL, was one of 27 art students who created ornaments that adorned the National Christmas Tree in Washington, D.C. this year.



DIANA LOSCHEN CELEBRATED 30 YEARS as an ag teacher at Tri-Point High School this year, and as the high school's FFA advisor, she led the veterinary science team to third place at nationals. From left are Loschen with team members Jimmy Haag, Amyjo Steichen, Tara Hummel, Gabby Spangler

Christmas Pageants Bring Joy to the Season



THESE LITTLE CUTIES helped make Christmas a little brighter as two area churches put on their annual pageants. St. Paul's Catholic School in Odell (left) held their Christmas pageant on Wednesday, December 19. St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dwight (far left) put on a half-hour Christmas show on December 16 before Sunday Mass.

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FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued
by Dwight Police

December 15: Lindssay D. Weber, 32, Bourbonnais, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Stacy L. Richie, 41, Dwight, driving under influence of alcohol.

December 18: Lisa M. Edwin-Moore, 40, Chicago, speeding 26-34 MPH over limit.

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

Accident Report

Saturday, December 15, 9:45 p.m., an accident was reported at 308 E. Andrew Ave. in Dwight involving a 2009 Toyota Venza, driven by Stacy Richie, 41, Dwight, which struck a parked, unoccupied 2009 Chevrolet sedan, owned by Stanley Allen Bond, continuing into the yard and striking a tree.

Ambulance Runs
by Dwight EMS

December 13: 6:24 p.m., Taylor, trauma, refusal; 6:50 p.m., Watters, trauma, Pontiac.

December 14: 1:06 a.m., Bannon Dr., trauma, refusal; 10:51 a.m., I-55 S., trauma, no pt., mutual aid to Duffy's/Odell; 11:39 p.m., W. South St., medical,

Morris.

December 15: 9:27 a.m., Mazon, medical, Pontiac; 1:43 p.m., Chippewa, fire; 9:37 p.m., Sucker, medical, refusal, mutual aid to MVK; 10:02 p.m., Andrew, MVA, Riverside; 10:12 p.m., Northbrook, MVA, Morris.

December 16: 12:31 a.m., Chicago, medical, Riverside.

December 17: 8:06 a.m., Union, medical, Pontiac; 9:30 a.m., Aldi Dr., medical, Pontiac; Prairie, medical, Riverside; 10:10 a.m., Waupansie, trauma, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner; 11:47 p.m., Mazon, trauma, Morris.

December 18: 10:06 a.m., St. Louis and Philmar, gas leak; 11:20 a.m., William, medical, St. James; 7:44 p.m., Union, medical, refusal; 7:54 p.m., Mazon, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner.

December 19: 12:07 p.m., Watters, medical, St. James; 12:18 p.m., S. Union, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Morris, Dwight Fire; 5:07 p.m., Watters, medical, St. James; 11:56 p.m., John St., medical, St. James.

December 20: 4:36 a.m., William St., fire, no pt., mutual aid to Dwight Fire; 10:55 a.m., Northbrook, medical, Morris.

Secretary of State
Offices Closed for Holidays

Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White announced that all offices and facilities open Tuesday to Saturday will be closed Tuesday, December 25, and Wednesday, December 26 – in observance of Christmas.

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

Saturday facilities will open Thursday, December 27.

Individuals can visit the Secretary of State's website, www.cyberdriveillinois.com, to locate the nearest Driver Services facility and the hours of operation.

In addition, drivers can change an address, register to become an organ and tissue donor, or renew license plate stickers online.

Cullom Man
Arrested
for Delivery
of Cannabis

On December 18, the Dwight Narcotics Unit, along with the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit, conducted a narcotics investigation resulting in the arrest of Jacob J. Mascolo, 27, of Cullom.

Mascolo was charged with two counts of unlawful delivery of cannabis.

The investigation also led investigators to a search warrant of the residence. During the search warrant, evidence of cannabis dealing – such as electronic scales, baggies, cannabis, and numerous drug paraphernalia items were located throughout the residence.

Mascolo, who was out on bond for three other charges of unlawful delivery of a controlled substance, was transported to the Livingston County Jail – where he awaits a new bond hearing for the above mentioned charges.

A 2006 Pontiac G6 was seized during the investigation.

Agencies that assisted with the investigation were the Dwight Police Department, Livingston Co. Sheriff's Department, Pontiac Police Department, and the Livingston Co. States Attorney's Office.



THE DWIGHT FOOD PANTRY was one of 30 not-for-profit organizations benefiting from the Dwight's Woman's Club's Festival of Trees. Seen here, from left, is Jan Masching – Dwight Township Clerk, and Patti Rosenbaum – Township Supervisor, receiving a check from Lisa Marsh – DWC president.

Temps - 2018

Dec. 13 – high 38°, low 23° .63” precip.
Dec. 14 – high 40°, low 29°
Dec. 15 – high 50°, low 26°
Dec. 16 – high 46°, low 26°
Dec. 17 – high 40°, low 23°
Dec. 18 – high 42°, low 23°
Dec. 19 – high 49°, low 33° trace precip.
One Year Ago – Dec. 26, 2017
high 15°, low -3°

Livingston Police Seize
Hundreds of Pot Plants

Roberts Man Arrested

A 46-year-old Roberts man's Christmas has gone up in smoke following a Livingston County Sheriff's investigation that resulted in the seizure of more than 200 marijuana plants.

John Randa, 46, was arrested on December 20 and charged with felony charges of possession of more than 200 cannabis plants, and manufacturing/delivering cannabis.

This is an ongoing investigation, with additional charges and arrests possible, according to a press release from the sheriff's office.

Sheriff Tony Childress said the street value of the pot seized was approximately \$230,000 and one of the largest cannabis grow operations his office has been involved in.



Randa

On December 20 an ongoing narcotics investigation led the Livingston County Proactive Unit to execute search warrants on two residences, one in Strawn, and the other in Roberts. Once inside the Strawn home, police discovered a very large scale pot growing operation encompassing the entire house.

This led to a second search warrant being executed at the Roberts residence, where additional pot plants were being grown.

In all, police seized a approximately 400 Cannabis plants weighing 22,800 grams, controlled substances, \$10,379 in U.S. currency, drug paraphernalia, firearms, a 2000 Chevrolet Box Truck, a 2013 Cadillac XTS, a 2003 Chrysler 300, and 2000 and 1999 Harley Davidson motorcycles. Childress said in the release that he anticipates additional seizures in this particular case.

Drive Sober this Holiday Season

To help spread the message about the dangers of impaired driving, the Grundy County Sheriff's Office is partnering with the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Illinois State Police and nearly 200 police and sheriff's departments across the state. The goal is simple: Get impaired drunk drivers off the roads and help save lives.

This high-visibility enforcement campaign, Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over, runs through Jan. 2. Law enforcement will show zero tolerance for drunk or drugged driving.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that 10,874 people were killed in the United States in drunk-driving crashes in 2017. That's one person killed every 48 minutes. In Illinois in 2017, alcohol-impaired motor vehicle crashes claimed 349 lives.

Drug Dealer
Arrested in Mazon

On December 19, the Grundy County Sheriff's Office assisted the Will County Cooperative Police Assistance Team (CPAT), the Joliet Metropolitan Area Narcotics Squad (JMANS), and the Mazon Police Department with the execution of a search warrant at 518 Depot Street, Apartment #1, in Mazon.

As a result of the search warrant, Ryan D. Linn, 39 years of age, was arrested and charged with the following criminal offenses:

- Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver-Cocaine – Class X Felony
- Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver-Heroin – Class X Felony
- Possession of Cannabis with Intent to Deliver – Class 3 Felony
- Possession of Controlled Substance Schedule I or II Narcotics – Class 4 Felony

Sheriff Ken Briley reported the following illegal substances were located inside the residence: 348 grams of heroin; 21 grams of crack cocaine; 22 grams of powder cocaine; 24 Suboxone strips; 26 Fentanyl labeled patches; 148 Hydrocodone stamped prescription pills; 23 Methadone stamped prescription pills; 20 Clonazepam prescription pills; nine Alprazolam stamped prescription pills; 16.2 grams of powder cocaine found in 22 individually packed separate bags; 196 grams of cannabis.

A total of \$1,199.00 USC was seized as a result of the search warrant.

Linn was taken into custody and transported to the Grundy County Jail. Sheriff Briley said an ongoing investigation conducted by Will County CPAT led to the search warrant and that he is very proud of the joint effort conducted by the law enforcement agencies involved.

“This is a good start for the Grundy County Sheriff's Office toward the goals and mission I've discussed in combatting the heroin and drug issues in Grundy Co.,” said Sheriff Briley – who took office on December 1.

Upcoming Cancer Support Programs

The Radiation Therapy Center of Morris Hospital has announced its schedule of cancer support programs for January. Programs will be held at the Radiation Therapy Center of Morris Hospital, 1600 West U.S. Route 6 in Morris.

The “I Can Cope” cancer support group for individuals with any type of cancer will be held Thursday, January 10, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. This month's focus is learning about cancer.

The Support for People with Oral and Head and Neck Cancer (SPOHNC) support group will meet Monday, January 21, from 2:00-3:00 p.m. SPOHNC is a patient-direct-

ed, self-help organization dedicated to meeting the emotional, physical and humanistic needs of people with oral and head and neck cancer and their caregivers. The SPOHNC Morris chapter meets monthly and is led by a speech pathologist and registered nurse from Morris Hospital's Radiation Therapy Center.


Both cancer support programs are free. Visit www.morrishospital.org/events to register or call the Radiation Therapy Center of Morris Hospital at 815-364-8915. Registration is not needed for the SPOHNC support group.

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Year-end: Put This Year's Investment Performance in Perspective
How can you assess your investment portfolio's performance in 2018? The year was full of wild swings in the financial markets, so your own results may well have bounced around quite a bit, too. But you can still get a clear picture of how you did if you keep your investments' returns in the proper perspective – by making sure your expectations are relevant, realistic and reviewed.

Let's look at how these terms can apply to a meaningful evaluation of your investment progress:


Relevant – Many investors compare their portfolio returns to a popular market index, such as the S&P 500. But this comparison is not really valid for a variety of reasons. For one thing, indexes are typically not diversified across different types of investments – the S&P 500, for instance, only tracks large U.S. companies. But your portfolio should consist of a broad range of investments: domestic and international stocks, bonds, mutual funds, government securities and so on, appropriate for your goals and risk tolerance. Also, your portfolio's performance will be affected by your contributions and withdrawals, while market index returns are not. So, instead of measuring your results against an index – and possibly worrying about underperformance – you're better off establishing relevant expectations of your investment returns, based on your specific goals. So, for example, if you want to retire at age 62, you'll need to know the rate of return you need to achieve this goal – and then compare that desired return with your actual results.

Realistic – Ideally, of course, you'd like really high returns with really low risk – but that's really not feasible. To get high returns, you'll need to invest aggressively, which means you'll need your portfolio to be heavily weighted in stocks. However, stocks are also riskier than more conservative investments, such as bonds or government securities. So, you'll need to be realistic in what you can anticipate from your portfolio. You can shoot for high returns and accept the higher level of risk, or you can lower your expectations in exchange for greater stability.


Reviewed – The performance of the financial markets – and also your own portfolio – will fluctuate from year to year. Consequently, it's important to review your portfolio's results and the progress you're making toward your goals on a regular basis, possibly with the help of a financial professional. In these reviews, you may conclude that you're doing fine, or you might discover that you need to rebalance your portfolio by realigning your investments with your goals and risk tolerance, or perhaps make other adjustments – such as changing the amount you invest – to get you back on track. In addition, you may even need to re-evaluate these goals in response to changes in your life – a new job, marriage, new child, and so on – as these changes could affect the rate of return you need from your investments.

As you look back on 2018, and look forward to 2019 and beyond, take a holistic approach to how you evaluate your investments' performance. By looking for relevance, being realistic about what you can expect, and reviewing your portfolio in the context of your goals, risk tolerance and changing circumstances, you can gain a thorough understanding of where you are, where you want to go – and how you can help yourself get there.

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Maria Ahmedi and her husband, Naser, are the “mom and pop” of the literal mom and pop operation, employing their son, Luan, and Luan’s wife, Malia; in addition to Maria and Naser’s daughters Lindita and Brendita. Maria is the “face” of the restaurant, in the front greeting and serving customers. Maria and Naser worked together for Maria’s father, known as Grandpa Jimmy, who was the first of the three-generation restaurant family.

The Ahmedi family opened the restaurant in Dwight, near the corner of Old Route 66 and Illinois Route 17 (Mazon Ave.) in Dwight in 2001. And although the family believes this year’s honors are well earned, this is not the first award the restaurant has been accorded. In 2016, the Dwight restaurant was named one of the top 10 restaurants along Route 66 from Illinois to California.



BRIAN GALBREATH

Mead, or honey wine, is one of the fastest growing alcoholic beverages. So where do you open a meadery, a rare find compared to craft beer breweries? Dwight, of course.

Brian Galbreath (shown below left) opened Impossible Mead this summer in Dwight, one of only a few meaderies in Illinois. And ever since, something sweet has been brewing at 111 E. Chippewa.

Mead is an alcoholic beverage fermented with honey, water and yeast. Galbreath, of Coal City, renovated the 2,300-square-foot building, turning a former plumbing and heating space into a hip place to sip a drink that dates back to 7,000 B.C., predating wine and beer.

“Mead is where craft beer was in the ’80s and where wine was in the ’70s,” Galbreath said. In other words, it’s creating a buzz.

According to the American Mead Makers Association, mead is the fastest growing alcoholic beverage in the U.S.

Galbreath purchased the building built in 1898 in July 2017 and got to work renovating the space and making mead. He’s done much of the work himself, covering the walls with rustic galvanized metal, building Murphy-style tables, hanging industrial lighting and resurfacing a spacious bar counter.

Self-taught Galbreath has seven giant tanks in the mead making room. He brews meads like Basswood Blossom, which is a traditional light mead; a cherry mead aged on oak; and Lemon Drop, for which he zested more than 200 lemons to steep in the mead.

Galbreath is on the cusp of an emerging trend. The closest meadery to Dwight is in Chicago. But modern mead makers are creating loyal drinkers thanks to a diversity of flavors that can’t be found among any other alcoholic beverage. Galbreath said mead can be sweet, dry, still or sparkling.

You can add herbs, spices and fruit. And because it contains no wheat, barley or rye, it’s naturally gluten free. But what gives mead its unique character and range of flavors is the honey, offering a delicate floral aroma with a sweet, honeyed aftertaste.

YEAR IN REVIEW

TEAM CARBO CHAMELEON

Eleven-year-old Cici Groves can rattle off anything you want to know about type 1 diabetes. She can tell you how to read a food label and all about carbs. She can explain everything she carries in her silver backpack including juice, glucose tablets, extra needles and an emergency glucagon shot and why the bag needs to go with her every moment of the day. And, of course, she can tell you how the disease has changed her life.

“The night I was diagnosed I cried so much,” she said. “It’s a horrible thing to have, but it has its perks,” she said, such as being able to eat a granola bar in class to regulate her blood sugar.

But perhaps the biggest perk in 2018 for young diabetics at Dwight Common School was bringing awareness of the disease to the masses. This fall, Team Carbo Chameleon and their families walked a 5k in East Peoria for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. Walking proudly in neon-colored tie-dye T-shirts, Team Carbo Chameleon raised \$2,521 -- \$1,521 more than their goal.

The team, led by Kim Trainor, a paraprofessional aide in special education at Dwight Common School, consisted of 11-year-old Groves, who was diagnosed in November; Tyler Cox, 12, who was diagnosed at age 5; Kamren Olbrot, 5, who was diagnosed a year ago; and Ameryn Wiles, 7, who was diagnosed as a toddler.

Type 1 diabetes is an autoimmune disease in which the pancreas does not produce insulin, one of the main hormones that regulates blood glucose levels. With the help of insulin, your body breaks down carbohy-



KIM TRAINOR, A TEACHER’S AIDE at Dwight Common School, with the Carbo Chameleon team that raised more than \$2,500 for juvenile diabetes research. The kids are, from left, Tyler Cox, 12; Kamren Olbrot, 5; Ameryn Wiles, 7; and 11-year-old Cici Groves.

drates into glucose (also called blood sugar), which it uses for energy. Without insulin, the body resorts to breaking down bodily tissue such as muscle and fat stores.

Type 1 is different from type 2 diabetes, in which genetics and lifestyle contribute. Type 2 diabetics still produce insulin but are unable to use it effectively. There is nothing anyone can do to prevent type 1, but with lifestyle changes, type 2 diabetes can often be reversed.

“Ours will never be reversed until a cure is found,” said Trainor.

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Mautino Update

by Tom Tock

Liberty Justice Center in Chicago, representing former Dwight resident David Cooke, filed a 32-page brief November 21 in the 4th Judicial District Appellate Court asking that the court review a July 2018 four-to-four party line vote by the Illinois Board of Elections.

That tie vote had nullified Cooke’s complaints against the former Frank Mautino Campaign Committee, Cooke alleging the Mautino Committee had misspent campaign funds while Mautino was an Illinois State Representative.

Mautino became Auditor General of Illinois in January of 2016 after serving nearly 25 years as a Representative.

Cooke’s complaint was filed in February of 2016 and, according to Cooke and his

lawyers, the Board of Elections has yet to rule on the basic merits of their complaint, which alleged Mautino and his committee had violated the Illinois Election code with excessive and unexplained spending (\$225,000) at Happy’s Super Service Station in Spring Valley, and at the Spring Valley City Bank (\$150,000.)

The latest appeal by Cooke’s lawyers declares that the Board of Elections clearly erred by failing to find that Cooke presented sufficient evidence showing the Mautino Committee had violated the Illinois Election Code with the payments it made to both the gas station and the bank.

Response briefs from Mautino’s lawyers are due at the end of December according to Attorney Jeffrey Schwab of the Liberty Justice Center.



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Tri-Point Board Meets

The Tri-Point CUSD 6J Board met Monday, December 17, in short fashion.

Motions were made and approved for the consent agenda as amended; participation in the ROE 17 Diesel Fuel Consortium for 2019; and the 2018 Tax Levy Resolution as presented.

The Board members went into closed session at 8:31 p.m., coming out at 8:49 p.m., when the meeting adjourned.

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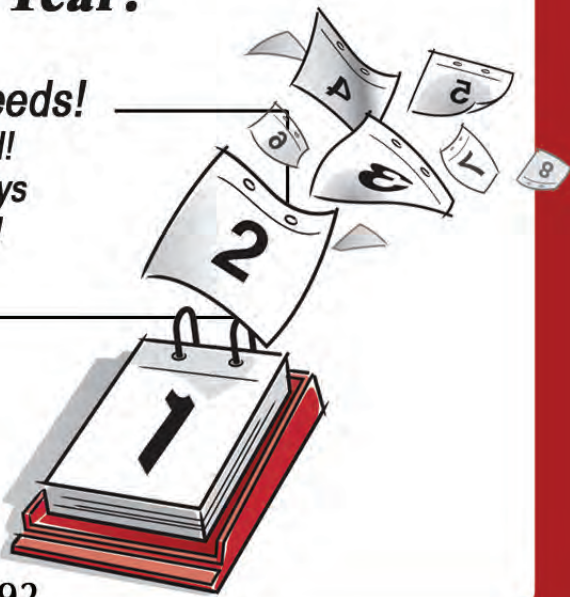
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Gardner Archives Report

by Ida Schopp – Curator

There were three books from Dorothy Treasure. A friend sent them to her that she salvaged from the sale of the Roeder farm in Goodfarm several years ago that were forwarded to Wilhelmine Roeder Vidmar – daughter of the late Edith Marrieta, who married Edward Roeder, Goodfarm, in 1918 – who was forwarded the books when the last Roeder left the home. The item at the bottom tells the story.

As we are with every donation, we were happy to receive such interesting things.

When I thumbed thru the three hard-back books, 4x7 in. size, No. 1 book – was Government Class book. A quote from the preface states: A study such as this is, might not make a young man a lawyer, but it will fix in his mind a system, broad principal which cannot fail to be useful.

No. 2 book – The Foundation of Botany. All about structure, function,

and classes of plants.

No. 3 book – A well preserved book entitled Latin Composition. The study of the book is “Rules for word order and sentence structure and into syntax of pronouns.

These books came to us bound with an orange ribbon.

They are displayed in the cabinet labeled “Education” with the number 448.

On December 15, the daughter of Lawrence and Mildred Weber made another very timely donation to the Archives – some Christmas ornaments. Three ball ornaments from the 1930s made of mercury, and some very vintage angels to be hung on the tree.

The Village Clerk Pat Malinowski affixed the angels on the bulletin board and the balls were hung on the tree in the Village Hall.

We thank all who have helped fill our cabinets and welcome more.

The Archives are open on the second Wednesday of the month from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

EMINGTON-CAMPUS
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
STATEMENT OF CASH, RECEIPTS
and DISBURSEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED APRIL 30, 2018

CASH IN BANKS AND ON HAND:	
Balance on hand May 1, 2017	\$31,818.84
OTHER CASH RECEIPTS:	
Livingston County Treasurer (tax monies)	\$36,215.06
Enbridge	\$1,000.00
Campus State Bank (interest)	\$60.73
Lexus Nexus	\$1.00
	<u>\$37,276.79</u>
Total	\$69,095.63

CASH DISBURSEMENTS:	
Quad County Fire Equipment	\$4,088.59
Mack & Associates Auditors	\$3,000.00
Compass Insurance Company	\$2,664.00
The Firefighting Depot	\$2,095.97
Dibble Trucking	\$1,735.85
Radio Express	\$1,663.00
Vermillion Valley ET	\$1,593.39
Big R Store	\$1,390.79
Jason Simmons	\$1,386.90
Dwight Napa Auto Supply	\$1,303.84
KC Communications	\$1,235.84
Village of Campus (rent)	\$1,200.00
Liberty Fire	\$960.00
Village of Emington (rent)	\$900.00
MES	\$843.36
NICOR Gas	\$685.65
Frontier (telephone)	\$587.49
Reddick Fire Department	\$500.00
JP Trails End	\$462.00
Moore Medical	\$437.37
Frank Fuller	\$300.00
Liberty Mutual Insurance	\$284.00
Motorola Solutions	\$200.00
Mabas Division 23	\$120.00
International Association of Arson Investigators	\$100.00
Verizon Wireless (telephone)	\$80.84
Pontiac Auto Parts	\$53.31
Illinois Association of Fire Protection Districts	\$50.00
USPS	\$49.00
Pontiac Daily Leader	\$34.20
Campus State Bank (safe deposit box)	<u>\$20.00</u>
Total Disbursements	\$30,024.39

RECAPITULATION:	
Receipts	\$69,095.63
Disbursements	<u>\$30,024.39</u>

Balance in Campus State Bank on April 30, 2018	\$39,071.24
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The foregoing is a true and correct statement of all receipts and disbursements for the year ended April 30, 2018 and the state of the treasury as of April 30, 2018.

Ted Turner, Treasurer

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said Ted Turner, Trustee and Treasurer of the Emington-Campus Fire Protection District, on this 19th day of December, 2018.

Rebecca J. Heinrich, Notary Public

EMINGTON-CAMPUS
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
Tort & Liability Insurance Statement
of Cash Receipts and Disbursements
for the Year Ending April 30, 2018

CASH IN BANKS AND ON HAND:	
Balance on hand May 1, 2017	\$375.87
OTHER CASH RECEIPTS:	
Livingston County Treasurer (tax monies)	<u>\$5,072.47</u>
Total	\$5,448.34

CASH DISBURSEMENTS:	
Compass Insurance Company	\$3,629.00
Liberty Mutual Insurance	<u>\$1,268.00</u>
	\$4,897.00

RECAPITULATION:	
Receipts	\$5,448.34
Disbursements	<u>\$4,897.00</u>

Balance in Campus State Bank on April 30, 2018	\$551.34
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The foregoing is a true and correct statement of all receipts and disbursements for the year ended April 30, 2018, and the state of the treasury as of April 30, 2018.

Ted Turner, Treasurer

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said Ted Turner, Trustee and Treasurer of the Emington-Campus Fire Protection District, on this 19th day of December, 2018.

Rebecca J. Heinrich, Notary Public

Morris Hospital IT Specialist from Ransom Recognized for Outstanding Service

As a Systems Specialist in the Information Technology department at Morris Hospital, Ryan Murray has made a big impact in a short time.

His customer service skills are impeccable. His follow-up is impressive. His demeanor is heartwarming. His smile and laugh are truly memorable. For all of these reasons, Murray, of Ransom, was selected as Morris Hospital’s Fire Starter of the Month for November.

“Ryan has a great attitude about everything he does,” says Jim Hampton, Director of Information Technology at Morris Hospital. “He comes to work with a smile and a great attitude, and he keeps that smile and attitude throughout the day. Because of his patience and ability to explain the technical to the non-technical, Ryan receives more excellence cards than anyone else in the department.”

Murray discovered his passion for helping others when he was a student at Seneca High School and helped start the school’s first computer help desk. During the summer, he worked for the school setting up com-

puters, and by senior year – he was spending two class periods a day manning the help desk.

After high school, while he was completing his associate’s degree at Joliet Junior College, Murray got even more experience working for a small company that contracted out IT technicians to other businesses. When he joined the Morris Hospital IT team in September 2017, Murray was already quite seasoned and a perfect fit with the Morris Hospital culture.

Respectful, courteous, and accountable are a few of the adjectives Morris Hospital Wellness Manager Leigh Anne Hall used in nominating Murray as Fire Starter of the Month.

“Ryan exceeds professionalism, customer service, common courtesy, and communication on a daily basis,” said Hall. “He is always going out of his way to help others and does it with a smile and a kind word. He also shows great respect when he is performing his job.”

Murray says he chose Morris Hospital because he knew a number of people



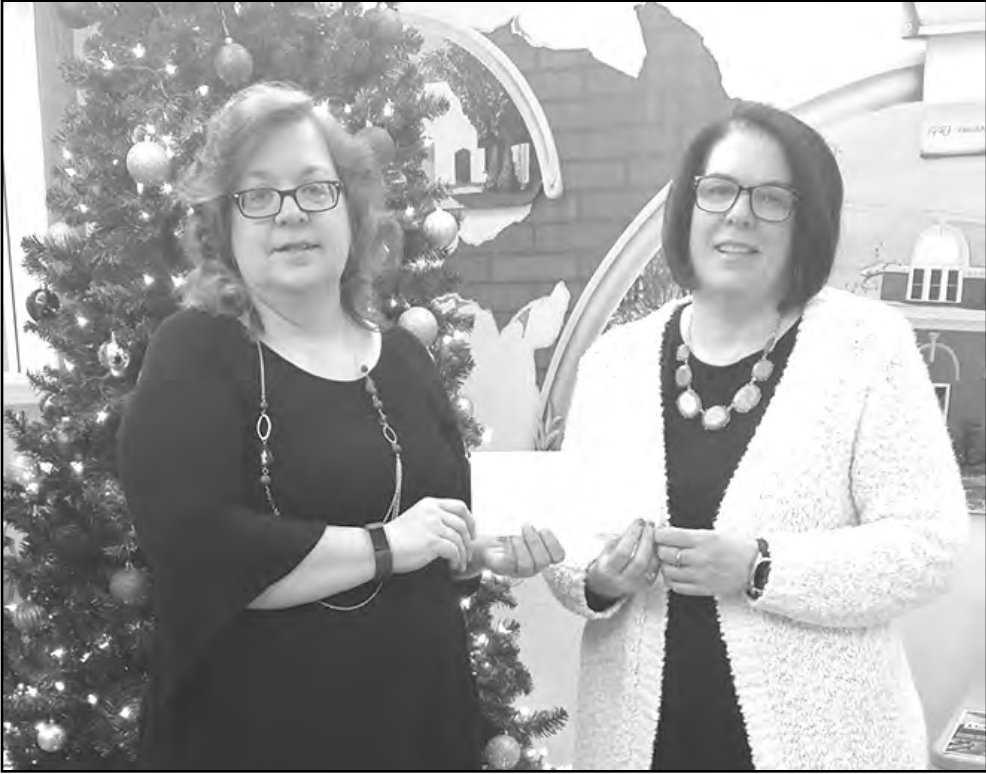
RYAN MURRAY OF RANSOM was Morris Hospital’s Fire Starter of the Month for November. He is a Seneca native and attended Seneca High School.

who already worked for the organization and “love it,” something Murray can relate to today. In fact, he says he loves every aspect of his job. Yet, if he had to pick one thing he enjoys the most – it would be the people he interacts with.

“The people I’m helping appreciate the help they’re getting, and that inspires me,” says Murray. “When I’m treated nicely and peo-

ple say thank you, it’s very satisfying.”

In early civilizations, fire starters were the individuals who had the important job of keeping the flame alive. With over 1,300 employees, Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers is the largest employer in Grundy County and winner of the Advisory Board Company’s 2017 Workplace of the Year award.



DWIGHT WOMAN’S CLUB PRESIDENT, Lisa Marsh, left, presents a Festival of Trees donation check to Sherrie Rhodes – Director of Prairie Creek Library. The money will benefit the library’s Summer Reading Program.



New Illinois Car Seat Law Beginning January 1

Illinois State Police (ISP) have announced changes to the Child Passenger Protection Act.

Effective January 1, 2019, all motorists traveling on Illinois roadways will be required to secure children under the age of two years old in a rear facing child restraint system.

They are hopeful the change in law will reduce infant injuries and fatalities if they are involved in a traffic crash.

HB4377 provides the following:

- Provides that when any person is transporting a child in this state who is under the age of two years old in a motor vehicle of the first division or motor vehicle of the second division weighing 9,000 pounds or less, he/she shall be responsible for properly securing the child in the vehicle.

for properly securing the child in a rear-facing child restraint system, unless the child weighs more than 40 pounds, is taller than 40 inches, or is traveling in vehicles weighing over 9,000 pounds.

- Parent or guardian must provide child restraints.
- Children under the age of eight must be secured in an appropriate child restraint system.
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YEAR IN REVIEW

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LINDSEY JENSEN

Being named Illinois’ top teacher isn’t just an honor, it’s a way to show support for some of the issues you’re most passionate about.

Lindsey Jensen, who has taught at Dwight Township High School for 10 years, was given the honor of being the 2018 Teacher of the Year.

As Illinois Teacher of the Year, Jensen has traveled the state, speaking at teaching workshops, education conferences, and community meetings.

The ISBE selection committee, comprised of administrators, teachers, educational service personnel, student support personnel and past Illinois teacher of the year winners, reviewed 234 nominations.

In November, Jensen was visited by two dozen of the top educators in the state, including Tony Smith, Illinois state superintendent of schools, and Jason Helfer, Illinois deputy superintendent of schools. She presented on Educators Rising, an innovative program that could help tackle the teacher shortage in the state.

It starts with getting more kids to choose education as their career choice. Educators Rising cultivates highly skilled educators by guiding young people on a path to becoming accomplished teachers, beginning in high school and extending through college and into the profession.

She told *The Paper*: “I firmly believe teachers are underpaid and undervalued. Teaching is the foundation for all other career paths. It is the most important job in the world.”

ALAN FALETTI

Alan Faletti, owner of Faletti Enterprises of Dwight, took success to road in 2018, expanding his trucking firm from eight semis to 40.

Since opening its doors in 2014, Faletti Enterprises of Dwight has business customers that are demanding more all the time. Faletti said his company will haul “anything in a flatbed.”

“We expect to have 40 trucks soon, and when that is done, we want 100,” Faletti told *The Paper*.

They specialize in steel, with a major customer in Kentucky, transporting cargo to points all across the Midwest plus, including and as far south as Florida and as



THE DWIGHT FOOTBALL TEAM

This October, the Dwight Football team needed a victory in its regular season finale to secure its first playoff berth since 2006. And the Trojans responded with a 22-7 upset win over Paxton-Buckley-Loda to secure their place in the 256-team playoff field. They lost in the first round, but it was the first time since 2006 Dwight made the playoffs.



ALAN FALETTI, of Faletti Enterprises of Dwight.

far north as Pennsylvania, and North Dakota to the northwest. His major customer is “one of the largest steel plants in the United States,” Faletti said.

Faletti learned his love of trucking from his father, Rocky, who is a former Dwight resident and taught his son to drive equipment on their farm. “Back when I was a kid, I was hauling stuff around, moving dirt on the farm near Coal City,” Faletti explained. “I was 10 or 11.”

His company employs 10

full-time and two part-time people, and his trucks haul up to 53,000 pounds on the nation’s highways.

THE BAKER AND PAULSEN FAMILIES

Deb and Bryan Baker, of Verona, hosted children from Ukraine two summers ago, and little did they know what an impact that would have on their lives. They felt such love, they adopted the children permanently, a boy and a girl.

They weren’t the only ones whose hearts went out

to adopt from the Ukraine. Nicole and Jacob Paulsen, also of Verona, adopted a boy last year.

There are 42.4 million people in the Ukraine, a former Soviet Block nation, now independent. But Nicole and Deb told *The Paper* the nation of Ukraine is suffering from severe economic hardships, and a great deal of alcoholism, accounting for a large number of orphaned children, more than 100,000.

“They don’t have a welfare system,” said Nicole, ironic since it is a former communist/socialist country. “They are just now starting to look into a foster system,” added Deb.

Both families went through the Host Ukraine program to host children over the summer and during winter break. Under the program, unlike the Foster Parent program in the United States where the family receives a stipend to support the costs of hosting a child, the host parents for Ukrainian children have to pay roughly \$3,000 for each child.

LOYOLA JOURNALISM STUDENT NICK SCHULTZ

Dwight’s Nick Schultz’ reporting dream came true this year when Loyola earned an NCAA Final Four berth.

For Nick Schultz, a sophomore at Loyola University in Chicago, March Madness is truly a crazy time for the budding journalist. He himself has been interviewed on television, and has had a

chance to meet with the famous Loyola team supporter, Sister Jean.

He graduated from Dwight Township High School in 2016, the son of Scott and Mary Schultz of Dwight. But Nick’s journalism career did not start out with such a huge national audience. When Nick was in fifth grade, he was attending Dwight Grade School and had a chance to do the morning announcements.

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

TEACHER MARY SCHULTZ

Dwight Grade School teacher Mary Schultz was nominated for a national award in 2018.

She has been taking eighth grade students from DGS to the Challenger

Center at Heartland Community College in Normal for 11 years. The eighth grade class is broken up into three teams, and she makes three “trips” to Mars each school year. Her 33rd mission came at a time when she was nominated as one of 43 teachers around the nation for the June Scobee Rodgers Innovative Educator Award.

Once on the simulator site in Normal, students have to man the control center, build a rover for traveling on Mars in search of water and life forms, and actually go out onto the surface of Mars (in a simulation). They also learn to operate a robotic arm and do navigation in “space.” Some students have to calculate how to land the spaceship back on earth safely, which is important if they wish to survive to attend high school next year. She said the experience utilizes skills in math, science, technology, and engineering.

June Scobee Rodgers is the Widow of Jim Scobee, Commander of the ill-fated Challenger Space Shuttle Mission that exploded shortly after launch on Jan. 28, 1986. That mission was the first to feature a teacher in space, Christa McAuliffe. A teacher from Florida took the honor but no doubt the school was proud of the nomination.

‘MR. BASEBALL’

Dwight’s ‘Mr. Baseball’ Jim Enger had a field named for him in 2018.

He was surprised on April 15, when the Dwight Youth Baseball/Softball league named Field One for him. His wife June secretly contacted his family and friends where he grew up, in Morris, who attended the ceremony.

Enger turned age 72 on April 19 so this was a surprise birthday present for him, he said. “I had no idea” that the honor was coming, Enger told *The Paper*. “My sisters from Iowa and four classmates from Morris came. I’m hardly ever without words.”

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Gas Prices For This Week

As you are reading this the Christmas rush is over and everyone is back home from visiting with their family and friends. Gas prices have been a nice gift for all of us as prices continue to decline. The National average is the lowest it has been since August of 2017.

City/Village	December 26	December 19
Dwight	\$2.08	\$2.19
Seneca	\$2.18	\$2.24
S. Wilmington	\$2.17	\$2.19
Streator	\$2.16	\$2.18
Odell	\$2.19	\$2.29
Saunemin	\$2.19	\$2.14
Cullom	\$2.16	\$2.19
Pontiac	\$2.15	\$2.17
Gardner	\$2.19	\$2.19
Braceville	\$2.17	\$2.21
Mazon	\$2.19	\$2.19
Morris	\$2.15	\$2.18
Herschler	\$2.09	\$2.19
Kankakee	\$2.16	\$1.94
Chicago	\$2.33	\$2.36
Illinois	\$2.29	\$2.26
U.S.	\$2.36	\$2.36

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

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GARDNER GRADE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS worked the annual Bake Sale during the Christmas Concert, with proceeds helping local families in need during the holidays. In total, \$360 was raised. Pictured, front row, are Justin White, Ryan Olsen; middle, Maddie Olsen, Lana Lomalie, Bella Vyce; back, Grace Olsen, Jayden Talbot, Madi Handzus, Grace Wright, Hannah Balcom, Mallory Dougherty, Ryan Millette, Cole Hampson, Abbey Granger, and Jack Cerutti.



DWIGHT GRADE SCHOOL WAS WELL REPRESENTED in the Festival of Trees held at Emmanuel Lutheran Church. Pictured here is Jeanette McCloskey and several junior high students receiving a check from Lisa Marsh – Dwight Woman’s Club president. Their raffle money will be given to Operation SOS. Samantha Bastian’s fourth grade class donated two trees, with their funds also going to Operation SOS, as well as to the DGS Veterans Day flag display. Jessie Law and Amy Leckrone’s students donated a tree called Redbirds are Christmas Ready, with funds going to DGS.

Carb Counting Class at Morris Hospital January 8

The Morris Hospital Diabetes Education Center is hosting a free Carbohydrate Counting class on Tuesday, January 8, from 12:00-1:00 p.m. in Education Rooms 2 & 3 on the lower level at Morris Hospital, 150 W. High Street, Morris.

Taught by a registered dietitian, the class is a basic introduction to carbohydrate counting and provides information on healthful eating about "foods that fit" and how diet impacts blood sugar control. Participants will be guided in putting an appropriate meal together. Lunch will be provided.

You do not have to have diabetes to attend. Register online at morrishospital.org, or call 815-705-7527.

Babysitter Class Scheduled at Saint James January 21

OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical will host a babysitter class from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Monday, January 21 for those who wish to start babysitting or stay home responsibly on their own. Designed for boys and girls ages nine to 13, the morning portion will cover first aid, safety in the home, basic childcare and more. After lunch, students will learn how to perform basic CPR. The class will be in the education center on the sec-

ond floor at OSF HealthCare Saint James.

A fee applies per participant and online registration is required by Wednesday, January 16, 2019, at www.osfsaintjames.org. To inquire after the deadline, please call 309-661-5151. Take your payment to class. Lunch will be provided for the participants.

OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center is located at 2500 West Reynolds Street in Pontiac.

2019 Meeting Schedule for Reddick Community FPD

Reddick Community Fire Protection District has announced the meeting schedule for the 2019 fiscal year, and it is as follows:

January 15; February 19; March 19; April 16; May 21; June 18; July 16; August 20; September 17; October 15; November 19; and December 17.

Meetings will be held in the Trustee Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m.

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Aquaman 3D (PG-13) Thu: 4:00, 10:00

Bumblebee (PG-13) Thu: 3:40, 9:50
Bumblebee in 3D (PG-13) Thu: 1:00, 7:15

Mary Poppins Returns (PG) Thu: 12:45, 3:50, 7:00, 10:10

Mortal Engines (PG-13) Thu: 12:30, 3:30, 6:40, 9:40

Spider-Man: Into the Spider-Verse (PG) No Passes Allowed Thu: 1:15, 4:20, 7:30, 10:25

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OBITUARIES

Charles A. Lenzie

Charles A. “Chuck” Lenzie passed away from complications of Parkinson’s disease Wednesday, December 5, 2018.

A Celebration of Chuck’s Life will be Friday, January 11, at 2 p.m. in St. Viator’s Catholic Church, 2461 E. Flamingo Road in Las Vegas, NV.

He was born in 1937, son of Chuck and Dorothy Lenzie, in the family home in South Wilmington.

Chuck grew up in “South Willie” with his parents and brothers, Tom and Dick. He graduated from the University of Illinois in 1960, and joined Arthur Andersen Accounting Company, where he worked until he was drafted into the U.S. Army, in 1961.

After completing military service in 1963, Chuck returned to work as an auditor for Arthur Andersen until 1974, when he accepted the position of Vice President of Finance at Nevada Power Company (NPC). He was promoted to President of NPC in 1983, and to Chairman and Chief Executive Officer in 1989. He served in that position until his retirement in 1999.

Prior to his retirement, Chuck was a member of the Boards of Directors of Boy Scouts of America, the YMCA, United Way, Bank of America Nevada, Clark County Public Education Foundation, Desert Research Institute, the Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, the UNLV Foundation, and the Nevada Taxpayers Association.

He was also an active member of the Las Vegas

Southwest Rotary Club.

Chuck married Roberta “Bobbie” Yerman in 1964, and he and Bobbie had three children, each of whom Chuck adored: Ann, Michael, and Jody.

When he married Liz Reese in 1989, Chuck added two more children to his family with Liz’s son, Roger, and her daughter, Linda.

He was extremely proud of each of his children, and was the kind of dad most people wish they had. He was that father, and grandfather, who attended all sporting events, competitions, musical performances, plays and graduations of his children, and grandchildren, as long as his health permitted.

He could be counted upon to offer sage advice whenever asked and was wise enough to wait to be asked. Chuck loved his Church, and he was a man of steadfast faith.

The other great loves of his life included golf, poker, good friends, good food and raunchy jokes. He scored three holes in one, all on the same 17th hole at TPC Summerlin; and he placed in several senior poker tournaments during the last few years. He always had a joke ready for any who would listen, and he would signal the start of family meals with

the traditional “Mangia!”, which reflected his Italian heritage.

Beloved by all who knew him, Chuck was quiet, generous and unassuming. Liz remembers he never had an unkind word to say about anyone. He looked for the best in people and believed most people were inherently good; and he treated each person he met with dignity and respect. He had an uncanny ability to remember people’s names, even the names of most of the 1800 employees, and their spouses, at NPC.

He is survived by his devoted wife of 29 years, Liz Lenzie; children: Ann Wozniak (Mike); Michael Lenzie (Carol); Jody Lenzie-Samson (Chris); and Linda Colucci; brothers: Tom and Dick Lenzie; and many dear friends with whom he maintained relationships that lasted for decades.

Chuck was preceded in death by his parents; stepson, Roger Reese; and son-in-law, Carmine Colucci.

The eight grandchildren he cherished: Adam Wozniak, Nicole Wozniak, Rebecca Lenzie, Amanda Lenzie, Cole Salman, Alexa Samson, Reagan Samson and Ryan Reese, will treasure the wonderfully special memories each has of their Papa.

Chuck will be forever missed by all who loved him, but we are comforted in knowing he is no longer a prisoner of his own body.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Cleveland Clinic Lou Ruvo Center for Brain Health.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Home Health Care Wanted

In November, a citizens advisory referendum was on the ballot supported by 1,100 signatures. The Livingston County Board also placed a binding referendum on the ballot for a .025% tax increase. Both referendums passed.

Prior to the advisory referendum, citizens worked to preserve the Livingston County Health Care program, which provided nursing and housekeeping support for persons with incomes below \$17,500. Last year the Board determined they would “sunset” the program in November of this year, and cut about \$250,000 from the public health budget.

The citizens referendum “advised” the Board that 9,900 voters supported this type of health care program.

The program allowed people to stay in their homes, maintain some independence and be tax-paying participants.

The Board’s referendum was more

restrictive.

The citizens’ referendum asked that the Board provide an “adequate” budget to maintain the program which did not require extra taxes, just some reapportioning.

Please email, write, call, or just talk to county board members about this issue. Request that they start open discussions for the re-establishment of the Community Health Care program at their January meetings.

Look at the county website online for addresses, emails and phone numbers of all of the board members. This is a way to see if your vote matters and if the people you elected respond to you. Attend the January 17 County Board meeting in the old courthouse to see if your voice has been heard.

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Dwight Senior Citizens Duplicate Bridge Results

Duplicate Bridge was played December 20 at the Prairie Creek Public Library.

North/South:

1. Mary Anne McNamara/Delores Slattery
2. Janet Kresl/Judy Cashmer
3. Janyce Gross/Nancy Evers

East/West:

1. Norma Rodosky/Mary Goley
2. Glenda Kutos/Barb Christensen
3. Peg Watters/Evelyn Neuhaften

The next duplicate bridge play will be January 3.

Area Students Named to KCC President’s, Honors Lists

The following area students have been named to the President’s List at Kankakee Community College for the Fall 2018 semester:

- **Buckingham:** Amanda Anderson.
- **Cabery:** Jacob Bruner.
- **Herscher:** Quintton Becker, Kyla Brychta, Wade Brychta, Alyssa Denault, Kloe Longtin.
- **Kempton:** Sidney Gunther.
- **Reddick:** Holly Brown.

To be named to the President’s List, a student must maintain a grade point average of 3.80 or higher and be enrolled in six or more semester hours.

Area students gracing KCC’s Honors List for the Fall 2018 semester are:

- **Buckingham:** Andrew Ireland, Megan Kersten.
- **Cabery:** Sierra Williams.
- **Cullom:** Cheyenne Barfield, Jill Grieff.
- **Essex:** Adam Wright.
- **Herscher:** Courtney Key, Kaelyn Mauehund, Jessica Torres, Mary Webber.
- **Kempton:** Wyatt Dohe.

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OBITUARIES

Ronald J. Legner

DWIGHT — Ronald J. Legner, 88, of Ransom passed away at 2:21 a.m., Wednesday, December 19, 2018 at Heritage Health in Streator. Ronald was born July 25, 1930 in Odell, the son of Aloysius and Margarite Trecker Legner. He married Mary Ellen “Toot” McCambridge March 17, 1953. She passed away November 17, 1994.

He is survived by children: Patrice (Allan) Simons of Streator; Mindy Ellen (Bill) Hepner of Ransom; Mary Jo (Art) Armstrong of Ransom; a sister, Geraldine Ralph of Peoria; 12 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one son, Ronald J. “Sam” Legner; and one daughter, Janet “Miki” Hepner.

Ronald joined the Air Force in 1951, attended flight school, and received his pilot’s wings in 1953.

He spent his 23-year Air Force career as a fighter pilot and aircraft maintenance officer, traveling extensively. He also attended the Air Force Institute of Technology, obtaining a bachelor’s degree in Aerospace Engineering, followed by a master’s degree from USC.



Among the many awards and medals he received was the Legion of Merit for exceptional meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding service. After leaving the Air Force in 1974, he joined Commonwealth Edison as an engineer during nuclear plant construction and later as a manager at an operating facility. He retired from ComEd in 1992.

He was a member of the Streator Knights of Columbus, Ransom American Legion, Moose International, and the Antique Boat Club.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in St. Patrick Catholic Church, Ransom, by Fr. Ghislain Inai on Saturday, December 22, at 11 a.m.

Burial followed in St. Patrick Cemetery, Ransom.

Visitation was held from 9 a.m. until the Mass Saturday in the church.

Memorials in Ronald’s name may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital.

The guestbook may be signed at: www.hagermemorial.com

Hager Memorial Home in Dwight was in charge of arrangements.

Evelyn Louise Kinate

FORREST — Evelyn Louise Kinate, 91, of Forrest passed away Sunday, December 16, 2018 at the Good Samaritan Home in Pontiac. She was born December 22, 1926 in Chatsworth, daughter of Clarence and Maebelle Lear Pearson. She married George Kinate February 15, 1947 in Fairbury. He passed away December 6, 2008.

Surviving are three daughters: Debbie Kinate of Peoria; Jackie (Keith) Walter of Forrest; and Cindy (Bob) Bales of Mahomet; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her son, Mark; her parents; and her sister, Arladene Frechette.

Evelyn cherished her immediate and extended family and made sure that her family always came first. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother who took special joy in playing games and cards with the little ones. Evelyn also extended



her kindness and compassion to many in the local area, but was especially generous when it came to the needs of children.

She was a homemaker who made every holiday and family birthday memorable. She and her husband were both known as wonderful cooks and hosts. They held 50 New Year’s Eve parties between 1947 and 1997. They also enjoyed traveling and playing cards. Evelyn was a faithful fan of the Chicago Cubs.

A private family burial was held Friday, December 21, in Forrest Township Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Forrest Community Food Bank, the Good Samaritan Home of Pontiac, or the Alzheimer’s Association.

Condolences may be sent to the family at: calvertmemorial.com

Arrangements were by the Calvert Martin Funeral Home in Forrest.

Arthur P. Donnelly, Sr.

GARDNER — Arthur P. Donnelly, Sr., 88, of Gardner passed away Friday, December 21, 2018 at Loyola Medical Center in Maywood.

The family will receive friends for a visitation at St. Lawrence Catholic Church, 165 E. Rice Road in South Wilmington on Wednesday, December 26, from 9 a.m. until the 11 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial which will be celebrated by Rev. Stanley Drevniak.

Burial will be in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery. Arthur Donnelly, Jr., Dennis Donnelly, Douglas Donnelly, Dean Donnelly, Arthur Donnelly III, Jason Donnelly and Kyle Donnelly will serve as pallbearers.

Arthur Paul was born November 3, 1930 in Joliet, son of William P. and Veronica Lanza Donnelly. He was raised in Joliet, graduated from Joliet Catholic High School in 1949, and went on to honorably serve in the United States Marine Corps. Following his discharge from service, Arthur married Elaine Green in St. Anthony Catholic Church in Joliet on November 3, 1956.

His employment entailed working for Brownie Products in Gardner, retiring after 37 years of service. He was a dedicated member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington. He enjoyed football, especially following Notre Dame and Joliet Catholic. He was also a Chicago Cubs fan, and will be remembered as an overall generous soul who loved the Catholic faith.

Surviving are six children: Arthur Donnelly, Jr. of Gardner; Denise Donnelly of Urbana; Diane Donnelly of Champaign; Dennis



Donnelly of Carbon Hill, Douglas (Suzanne) Donnelly of Gardner, and Dean (Tammy) Donnelly of Clermont, Florida.

Eleven grandchildren also survive: Linda (Frank) Keller of Warr Acres, Oklahoma; Arthur Donnelly, III of Oklahoma City; Sarah (Mirko) Odeh of San Francisco; Leilah Odeh of Chicago; Amy Donnelly of Dwight; Donna Donnelly of Paxton; Laura Donnelly of Sycamore; Robin (Robert) Perez of Clarksville, Tennessee; Jason Donnelly of Clermont; Steffanie Donnelly of Dwight; and Kyle Donnelly of Clermont.

Eight great-grandchildren; three brothers: Daniel (Gloria) Donnelly of New Lenox; George (the late Janet) Donnelly of Joliet; and Edward (the late Ceci) Donnelly of Castle Rock, Colorado, also survive.

Arthur was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Scott Allen, in 1969; his wife, Elaine, in 1983; four brothers: William (Betty) Donnelly, Peter (Jo) Donnelly, John (Audrey) Donnelly and Gerald (Pat) Donnelly; and one sister, Annie (Robert) Fitzpatrick.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Arthur’s memory to Catholic Charities, Diocese of Joliet, 16555 Weber Rd., Crest Hill, IL 60403.

Family and friends may sign the guestbook, upload photographs, or share Arthur’s memorial page online at: www.ReevesFH.com/notices/Arthur-DonnellySr

Arrangements have been made under the care of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd. in Gardner.

- Another Obituary appears on page 15 -

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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on December 13, 2018, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Livingston County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting business known as The Tractor Shop, LLC, located at 26958 N. 2800 East Road, Dwight, Illinois.

Dated this 13th day of November, 2018.

Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

BANK OF PONTIAC,)
an Illinois Banking Corporation,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.) No. 18-CH-230
JOSEPH L. KIEFER,)
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 Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, LaSalle County, Illinois, praying that a Judgment of Foreclosure be entered against real estate legally described as follows:

Lots 9 and 10 in Block 3 in Broadway Second Addition to Streator, except coal and minerals and the right to mine and remove the same.

SITUATED IN LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PIN: 34-30-307-004 and 34-30-307-005

Commonly known as: 1409 E. Elm St., Streator, IL 61364

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is JOSEPH L. KIEFER. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on July 12, 2017 and recorded on July 17, 2017 at the office of the Recorder of Deeds in LaSalle County, Illinois, as document No. 2017-10487, and a Mortgage executed on July 12, 2017 and recorded on July 18, 2017 at the office of the Recorder of Deeds in LaSalle County, Illinois, as document No. 2017-10520. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 18-CH-230 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 Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, LaSalle County, Illinois, held in the Courthouse in the City of Ottawa, Illinois, on or before January 30, 2019, 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 30th day of November, 2018.

Greg Vaccaro, Circuit Clerk
Circuit Court of the Thirteenth Judicial
Circuit, LaSalle County, Illinois

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 OF JUDICIAL SALE

Public notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

A. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009; (815) 584-1525.

B. The common address of the real estate is 9 Meadowview Drive, Saunemin, IL 61769.

C. The legal description of the real estate is:
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 Drive, Saunemin, IL 61769.

D. A description of the improvements on the real estate is: single family 1-story residence; includes 3 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, plus crawl space and 2-car attached garage.

E. The real estate may not be inspected prior to the sale.

F. The date, time and place of the sale are: January 22, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., Livingston County Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

G. The terms of the sale are: 50% paid at sale and balance paid within 48 hours of sale, all in cash or certified funds. No refunds.

H. Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions apparent and of record.

I. IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

DONALD R. McCLAREY,
Attorney for State Bank of Graymont

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking)
Corporation, Plaintiff,)
vs.) No. 18-CH-31
ROSS MENNENGA, and unknown)
owners and non-record claimants,)
Defendants.)

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B. The common address of the real estate is 1811 Cardinal Court, Pontiac, IL 61764.

C. The legal description of the real estate is:

Lot 22 in Fairway View, being a Resubdivision of Walden West First Subdivision and part of the Northeast Quarter of Section 20 and the Northwest Quarter of Section 21, all in Township 28 North Range 5 East of the Third Principal Meridian, City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois, as per Plat recorded October 2, 1979, in Plat Book 10 at Page 122 as Document Number 386991.
PIN: 15-20-277-026
Commonly known as: 1811 Cardinal Court, Pontiac, IL 61764.

D. A description of the improvements on the real estate is: single family 1-story residence; includes 3 bedrooms and 3 bathrooms, plus partial basement and 2-car attached garage.

E. The real estate may not be inspected prior to the sale.

F. The date, time and place of the sale are: January 22, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., Livingston County Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

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DONALD R. McCLAREY,
Attorney for Bank of Pontiac

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CAT CLAUSEN, renowned artist from Dwight.

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CAT CLAUSEN

In 2002 a Chicago Tribune article caught renowned Dwight artist Cathee “Cat” Clausen’s eye. It was about “Spiritual Spa,” a women’s retreat organized by Oasis Productions, a nonprofit Christian-based non-denominational teaching ministry led by Suzanne Baker Brown. Cat , a well-known Dwight artist, was struck by its mission, and, as she’s done many times in the past, she decided to gift Brown a print of one of her paintings titled “Next Step.”

That print would change the two women forever, leading to a friendship that evolved over the years based on the power of spirituality and a common love of the arts.

Its culmination came in August, when Clausen attended one of Brown’s “Spiritual Spa” retreats in Chicago and unveiled her latest painting: “Abide with Jesus,” an incredible technicolor rendering of the son of God. Two hundred people attended, with music, dance and other forms of art. “Reflections,” another of Clausen’s series, were displayed



Schultz



Bartels



Rieke

GOLDEN APPLE RECIPIENTS

DTHS graduate Lucy Rieke received a 2018 Golden Apple Scholarship this past spring. The scholarship is given to a select group of graduating seniors who plan to pursue a career in education. Rieke was the first DTHS student to receive the scholarship in 10 years, according to guidance counselor Jackie Froelich.

As part of the scholarship program, she will receive up to \$23,000 in tuition support, job placement assistance and will attend paid summer institutes that include courses and extensive classroom and work experience.

Two students at Gardner South Wilmington High School also were chosen as Golden Apple Scholars: Jordan Bartels and Sarah Schultz. Jordan is attending Augustana College in Rock Island. Sarah is attending Eastern Illinois University in Charleston. Rieke attends Western Illinois University.

There were over 1,400 candidates who applied.

on easels toward the end of the program, when people could gaze upon and contemplate what they learned that day.

Clausen’s paintings have become important and powerful in Brown’s retreats, a way to tie art and spirituality together.

Clausen is a highly recognized artist. She has a mural of Abraham Lincoln -- perhaps her most studied subject -- on Capitol Avenue in Springfield and a painting of Honest Abe hangs in the White House.

TOP COPS

In June Livingston County Sheriff’s Deputy Emily Anderson,

Dwight Police Officer Mark Scott, Illinois State Police Master Sergeant Jeff Enderli, and Livingston County Sheriff’s Deputy Dan Myers were honored for going above and beyond the call of duty during a May 22 incident that led to the capture of three individuals in Dwight

The officers were recognized by the Dwight Village board. They responded after a drive-by shooting in Streator and managed to apprehend all three suspects in Dwight with no injuries or further threat to the community.

“On behalf of the Dwight Police Department, the Streator Police Department, and the

YEAR IN REVIEW

Livingston County Sheriff’s Department, I would like to say thank you for your exemplary performance,” stated Dwight Chief of Police Tim Henson. “You took an extremely dangerous situation and resolved it in a professional manner, I just want you to know how proud I am of you and your service.”

JOHN O’DONNELL

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CHRIS BEMENT, GSW HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR, signs his letter of intent to play football at Illinois State University next year. Pictured are Chris, his mother Jennifer Bement, Principal John Engelman, and football coach, Luke Standiford. Chris’ father, Christopher, is not pictured. Principal Engelman, also an ISU alum, said he is very proud of Chris as a student leader in the school. “Chris is one of those students who cares about other students,” stated Engelman. “He sets a good tone at our school.” Coach Standiford has had the pleasure of coaching Chris the last two years and says, “He’s a great kid who works hard and has a lot of potential at the next level – I’m looking forward to watching him play at ISU.” GSW HS has many teachers who are alumni of ISU – including Superintendent Michael Perrott. Engelman added – “Go Birds.”



DTHS TROJANS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, December 18
Dwight vs. Reed-Custer
Varsity -

The varsity Trojans traveled to Braidwood December 18 to take on the Comets, ultimately falling by a score of 63-46.

Dwight put up 32 second half points, but an ugly first half made it tough to come back against a solid Reed-Custer team.

Dakota Wahl led the Trojans in scoring with 12 points, including two threes. Colton Holm connected on three treys, while Cal Schultz hit two triples and ended up with eight points on the night. Logan Graham and Cole Hahn each scored five points, each drilling a three. Tyler Masching chipped in with four points, with Kevin Phillips providing a bucket. Brandon Ceylor made a free throw.

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GSW PANTHERS BASKETBALL

Tuesday, December 18
GSW vs. Woodland
Varsity -

The Panthers got a big win over Woodland, 54-46, when they met December 18.

“It was close throughout, but we finally pulled away in the fourth,” commented Coach Wills.

After being knotted at 26-26 heading into the half, GSW would lead by just one as they entered the final frame. But there they would

outscore Woodland 18-11 to secure the “W.” “After a few weeks with a guy out, it was nice having our full squad tonight,” Wills added.

Nate Wise was high scorer with 15 points to go with five boards. Nathan Wozniak added 11 points, seven boards. Chris Bement (4 rebounds) and Connor Steichen each scored seven points.

The Panthers run their record to 7-4.

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DTHS LADY TROJANS BASKETBALL

Monday, December 17
Dwight vs. GCMS
Varsity -
The Dwight Lady Trojans were defeated by GCMS 59-46 in non-conference action in Dwight December 17.
Kayla Kodat and Mel Stewart led the way for the Lady Trojans with 16 points each. Stewart would add ten boards, while Kodat swiped six steals. Rishell Galbraith added six points. Butterbrodt, Carlson, Holmes, and Rieke each added a bucket in the loss.
Thursday, December 20
Dwight vs. St. Anne


Varsity -
In non-conference play December 20, the Lady Trojans whooped up on St. Anne, 46-22, upping their record to 6-7 on the season.
Mel Stewart and Kayla Kodat had 15 and 14 points, respectively, with Stewart grabbing 12 rebounds and Kodat coming up with six steals. Rishell Galbraith added six points, followed by Weissmann with four. Butterbrodt nailed a three, with Holmes and Drapeau each adding a basket. Danielle Carlson pulled down eight rebounds in the win.



TRI-POINT CHARGERS BASKETBALL

Friday, December 21
Tri-Point vs. St. Anne
Varsity -
The varsity Chargers were defeated by St. Anne 79-57 when they met December 21.
Leading Tri-Point in scoring was Brian Curling, who

put in 19 – including three trifectas. Conor Cardenas hit three threes, on his way to 15 points on the night. Chace Cathcart and Hayden Lane added nine and eight points, respectively, with Tyler Platz scoring four. Bobby Mogged added a bucket.



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It's Christmas week so what would be more appropriate than someone with the name "Bailey" be our Paper Bowl winner.
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Clarence, Angel Second Class, must surely have been watching over him.
This week will be our final regular season contest of Paper Bowl XVIII so be sure to turn in your slips at Dwight Country Club, Aly Anne's, McDonalds, Steve Tock LPL or PNB of Kewanee.
Good luck to everyone. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Paper Bowl XVIII
Sponsor Challenge Results
Week 15

McDonalds (default) over Ace (default)
Victory Lanes (default) over PNB - Kewanee (default)
LPL Steve Tock (8-6) over Aly Anne's (default)
Dwight Country Club (default) over Jensen's BP (default)
Bank of Pontiac (9-5) over Old World Liquor (default)
Danko's State Farm (8-6) over Berkot's (default)
DQ (8-6) over SOCU (7-7)
****Coin toss determines winner if both teams default**

Standings after Week 15

NORTH		SOUTH	
DQ	10-5	PNB	13-2
Victory Lanes	9-6	Bank of Pontiac	12-3
OWL	6-9	Danko State Farm	12-3
Aly Anne's	4-11	LPL	11-4
Ace	3-12	SOCU	11-4
Berkot's	3-12	McDonalds	7-8
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SAUNEMIN EAGLES BASKETBALL

Monday, Deember 17
Saunemin vs. Odell
7th Grade -
Saunemin hosted Odell in Vermilion Conference action December 17, coming away with a 29-27 win and upping their record to 8-5 overall.
Both squads entered the fourth and final quarter knotted at 23, but the Eagles were able to hold on for the victory.
Timmy Logan led the Eagles with 13 points. Isaiah Barera put in nine, while Myles Gilliam scored six. Noah Maloney hit a free throw.
8th Grade -
The eighth grade Eagles ran their record to 8-7 following a 34-27 win over the Rams.
Tyson Cramer paced Saunemin with 13, with Austin Burkhardt and Timmy Logan pitching in 11 and ten, respectively.
Thursday, December 20
Saunemin vs. St. Mary's

7th Grade -
In seventh grade basketball action December 20, the Eagles were taken out by the Saints, 39-18, after getting out to a rough start and not being able to recover.
James Durham had nine points to lead Saunemin. Isaiah Barera scored six, with Noah Maloney adding three.
The Eagles are now 8-6.
8th Grade -
On Eighth Grade Night at home, Saunemin's eighth graders came from behind – erasing a nine-point lead late in the third – and knocked off St. Mary's, 32-30.
The Eagles were trailing 28-22 heading into the fourth, but scored the last ten points of the contest to put the Saints away.
Tyson Cramer scored a game-high 16 points to lead the locals. Timmy Logan had six, while Austin Burkhardt and Preston Jama each scored five.




GSW LADY PANTHERS BASKETBALL


Monday, December 17
GSW vs. Illinois Lutheran
Varsity -
The Lady Panthers dominated Illinois Lutheran December 17, stampeding to victory, 54-11.
Kennedy Fair led with 12 points – more than all of her opponents combined. Kaitlynn Kavanaugh came up with ten points, followed by eight each from Paige Patterson and Kylie Hawks. Abby Beck put in six points, with Madelyn Storm scoring four. Carson Halpin, Emma Hennessy, and Hannah Muzzarelli had two points each.
Thursday, December 20


GSW vs. Grant Park
Varsity -
GSW continued its winning ways, in impressive fashion no less, with a big 50-19 win over Grant Park December 20.
The home team held the Lady Dragons to seven points or less in each of the four quarters.
Kaitlynn Kavanaugh had 12 points to lead the Lady Panthers. Kennedy Fair added ten, with Carson Halpin and Madelyn Storm each scoring eight points. Emma Hennessy and Abby Beck scored six points each.
GSW moves to 12-4 overall with a 5-1 conference record.


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Dwight High School District Approves Tax Levy

December Board Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty
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Dwight Township High School Board of Education members were again at odds when they met on December 12 while working to set the 2018 Tax Levy.

Last month, Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek presented projections which reflect an expected substantial EAV increase. According to the three county assessors for Livingston, Grundy and LaSalle Counties, which make up the Dwight Township High School District #230, the 2018 EAV is projected to be \$139,458,727 reflecting a 6.72 percent overall projected increase over the 2017 actual EAV of \$130,680,142.

With the increased EAV and a healthy overall financial standing including a substantial \$3.9 million balance at the end of FY18 in the District's Education Fund and \$6.2 million over all funds, Dr. Jancek recommended a tax rate reduction and, while board members agreed to lowering the rate, how much lower was the question.

Board President Brian Perschnick and BOE member Kevin Berta, who favored a larger tax rate reduction, asked their fellow board members to consider the District's substantial surplus and whether there is a need to keep accumulating additional fund balances.

"When you look at the bigger picture, in our town of Dwight and the three big taxing bodies, we are the only one that doesn't need the tax revenue as bad as the other two," stated Board

President Brian Perschnick. "So, I think we are doing the citizens of this village a great disservice with these fund balances."

"We are lowering the rate and we are also promising to completely look at every avenue we have and make sure our students get the best that we can give them," said BOE member Jenn Myzia. "So, I don't think that is a disservice."

Other board members also acknowledged the surplus, but were also cautious and favored not being too aggressive with regards to a reduced levy.

After much discussion, the board approved an overall total tax levy rate of 2.7532 with an extension of \$3,839,602. This is a reduction from the 2017 overall total tax levy rate of 2.8082 and a projected extension increase of \$169,738 (4.63 percent).

Board members Jenn Myzia, Tim Henson, Kim Rodosky, Betty Gantzert, and Paul Warner favored the 2.7532 overall rate with Brian Perschnick and Kevin Berta opposed.

In other business, Dr. Jancek gave a status update on the proposed fieldhouse project. Over the past year, a committee has investigated both an addition to the existing school building and a standalone detached facility to provide additional gym space. In September, three concept variations were presented to the DTHS BOE outlining a building addition to the existing DTHS gymnasium, extending into the west parking lot with preliminary cost estimates ranging from \$8.3 million to \$10.7 million. Recently,

committee and BOE members toured a newly-completed \$7.8 mil 32,000 square foot standalone recreation center in Joliet. While larger, the Joliet facility is similar in concept to what the Dwight committee has proposed. A preliminary estimate for a Dwight standalone facility is \$6.5 - \$7 million. Funding for the project would come from multiple areas including, primarily, current District #230 Funds and by securing a \$5 million Alternative Revenue bond. However, a question is currently being investigated as to whether a referendum is required to use tax based money for the construction of a detached facility. Dr. Jancek suggested the next step would be to hold a community forum in January or February to provide information and answer questions. Following, the BOE would be asked to make a decision giving direction to hire an architect and move forward with the facility, or giving direction to drop the project idea entirely.

Curricular programs and initiatives for 2019-20 were discussed including STEM Programs, STEAM Labs and AP online courses. STEM is a curriculum based on the idea of educating students in four specific disciplines — science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The "A" in STEAM signifies inclusion of the Arts. There was a consensus by the board to start exploring initiatives for more enrichment courses and to put a line item in the budget for next year with regard to these programs.

Athletic Director Andy Pittenger along with Jill Haacke were in attendance to report on activity fundraising and offer a plan on how sport and club fundraisers could be eliminated with increased participation fees and additional financial support from the district. The board consensus favored seeing a formal proposal on this idea which is to be presented at the January meeting for review by the BOE.

The new ISBE definition of an instructional day, with regard to requirements for a minimum number of instruction hours or minutes for a day to be considered a day of student attendance and what that might mean for the district, was discussed. It was noted that while no modification to current practice is required by the district, the ISBE changes do create possible flexibility for schools.

- The BOE also:
- accepted the resignation of Cindy McMeen, Bus Driver.
 - approved employment of Jim Kinnamon, Bus Driver.
 - approved employment of Dianne Kinnamon, Bus Driver.
 - approved employment of John Hurt, Bus Driver.
 - approved employment of Kevin Murphy, Bus Driver.
 - approved employment of Kara Krupinski, Substitute Teacher.
 - approved employment of Charles Herman, Substitute Teacher.
 - discussed the November 26 snow day be made up on May 28.

- Reviewed Board Policy update recommendations, First Reading.
- Approved the purchase of a 2018 John Deere Skid Steer with Accessories at a cost of \$24,470 (includes trade-in of 2008 JD utility tractor).
- heard a letter of support for a proposed Streator Enterprise Zone.
- approved payment of bills as presented.
- approved a Resolution abating the taxes levied for

the year 2018 to pay debt service on the General Obligation Bonds (Alternative Revenue Source) of the District.

- learned of a \$20,000 grant opportunity that could be used for ADA upgrades.

The next meeting of the Dwight Township High School Board of Education will be 6 p.m. on Wednesday, January 16, in the DTHS Board Room. Meetings are open to the public.

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Joseph L. Kelly

DWIGHT – Joseph L. Kelly, 93, of Dwight passed away Friday, December 21, 2018 at Evenglow Lodge in Pontiac.

Visitation will be held Friday, December 28, from 4 until 7 p.m. at Hager Memorial Home, Dwight.

His Mass of Christian Burial will be Saturday, December 29, at 10:30 a.m. in St. Patrick Catholic Church, Dwight.

Burial will be in St. Paul’s Cemetery, Odell.

Joseph was born in Emington May 20, 1925, son of Joseph Sr. and Irene Ready Kelly. He married Rose “Betty” Larson March 1, 1949 in Loretto. She passed away earlier this year, October 11, 2018.

He is survived by children: Janeen (Stan) Dietz of Piper City; Karen (Jerry) Grubbs and Ronda (Lance) Kray, both of Dwight; Mike (Mary) Kelly of Geneseo; grandchildren: Kimberly Dietz, Stacy (Josh Phares) Bradshaw, Joseph (Kristen) Dietz, Cathy (Chris) Burke, Jacob (Michelle) Grubbs; Daniel Grubbs; Ryan (Jacque) Kelly; and Morgan (Sam Roberts) Kelly.

Also surviving are his great-grandchildren: Isabelle Bradshaw, Brynner and



Adalynn Dietz, Sienna, Skylar and Sadie Burke; a nephew, Eddie Flowers; and many other nieces and nephews; sister and brother-in-law, Lucille and Ed Masching; brother, Leo Kelly; and sisters-in-law: Delores Kelly and Kay Kelly.

Joseph was also preceded in death by his parents and brother, Clare Kelly.

He farmed for 44 years prior to retirement. He enjoyed his coffee group, card playing, and watching his grandchildren and great-grandchildren’s activities. He was an avid Cubs fan and enjoyed watching the Cubs’ games with his wife, Betty. He was thrilled that he was able to see the Cubs win the World Series.

He was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dwight, Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Campus, and the Knights of Columbus. He was also a member of the Livingston County Farm Bureau and served on its board.

Memorials may be made to Evenglow Lodge in Pontiac, or a charity of the donor’s choice.

Online condolences may be made at: hagermemorial.com

More Obituaries appear on pages 6-7.

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League Results				Bowlers			
Sportsman League				Bowlers			
HSG/HHG: Brandon Petry, 268. HSS: Brandon Petry, 676. HHS: Jim Stevenson, 715. HSG: Victory Lanes, 983. HHG: Rury’s Tap, 989. HSS/HHS: Victory Lanes, 2850.				HSG: Lane Galloway, 255 – Paula Watts, 213. HSS: Bosco Gassman, 688 – Sheri Colebank, 504. HHG: George Bowman, Sr., 280 – Katie Kinzler, 263. HHS: George Bowman, Sr., 688 – Aly Ferrari, 656. HSG/HHG: Mike’s, 998. HSS/HHS: Mike’s, 2819.			
League Standings	W	L		League Standings	W	L	
Jeremy’s Barber	4	0		Mike’s	19	5	
Victory Lanes	3	1		Coleman/Sons	15	9	
KWM Gutterman	3	1		Victory Lanes	14	10	
DeLong Ford	3	1		Pinkie’s Out	14	10	
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Cherry RR	2	2		Dwight Printing	13	11	
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Star Trucking	1	3		Aly Anne’s	13	11	
Rury’s Tap	1	3		Willy’s Pub	12	12	
Jensen’s I	0	4		DQueens	11	13	
				MMS Ent.	4	20	



GSWB TIGERS BASKETBALL

Monday, December 17
GSWB vs. Ransom
7th Grade -

The Tigers held a slim three-point lead heading into the second half against Ransom December 17, but would put up 24 points in the third – en route to a 53-39 victory.

Cale Halpin had 22 points, followed by 16 points, eight boards, and five steals from Bennett Grant. Gabe McHugh contributed 11 points, with Cole Hampson and Jayden Talbot adding three and two points, respectively.

8th Grade -

In eighth grade action, GSWB fell 45-15.

Chris Cvitanovich had four points, while Ryan Cacello, Bennett Grant, and Ryan Olson each added a three-pointer. Cade Croy provided two points and seven rebounds.

Tuesday, December 18
GSWB vs. Odell
7th Grade -

GSWB defeated Odell 45-17 on December 19.

Bennett Grant and Cale Halpin led the way, scoring 16 points each, with Grant adding seven rebounds. Gabe McHugh had 13 points and seven assists.

8th Grade -

On Eighth Grade Night, the Tigers would suffer a 35-29 defeat in a hard fought battle against Odell that could have gone either way.

Tanner Fisher had nine points, with Chris Cvitanovich and Noah Wise adding five and four points, respectively. Ryan Cacello, Cade Croy, and Dylan Carpenter had three each. Ryan Olson and Brody Fatlan each hit a free throw, with Fatlan grabbing ten boards.

Thursday, December 20
GSWB vs. Coal
7th Grade -

Coal City beat the Tigers 39-28 in the seventh grade game held December 20.

Gabe McHugh had 13 points and five assists to lead GSWB. Cale Halpin had seven points, with Quinn Walsh and Bennett Grant each scoring three. Cree Croy put in two.

8th Grade -

In the final home game of the season, GSWB was put down by Coal City, 45-23.

Chris Cvitanovich led with 11 points, nine rebounds, and three assists. Ryan Cacello chipped in with five points and three steals. Kevin Frideres hit a three, while Brody Fatlan and Cade Croy each scored two.

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GLORIA PICCIOLI

Local post offices made more news in July, when Dwight mail carrier Gloria Piccioli earned the grand prize in the 2018 National Postal Worker Day contest, sponsored by My Fed Benefits, a resource center that helps federal employees with benefit and retirement challenges.

Nearly 200 United States Postal Service workers from around the country entered the contest, but Piccioli’s story struck a chord with judges.

She was delivering one day several years ago when she heard screams coming from a garage on her route. She had just delivered mail at the neighbors and was walking across the lawn when she heard the cries for help.

Peeking through the window of the garage, she found a heavy-set man who had fallen on top of his wife, crushing her. “Honestly, I was freaking out. I didn’t know what to do,” Piccioli said. But instinct and swift action helped save her.

The wife was trying to get her crippled husband out of their SUV and into his wheelchair when he toppled over, pinning her leg to the stairs. She was unable to get up from underneath him. “She was screaming for help,” Piccioli recalled. Piccioli called 9-1-1, then rolled the man off his wife, who suffered a broken leg.

“It was very heartfelt,” Piccioli said, “getting that feeling of being appreciated.”

The Dwight resident has worked for the village post office since 2009. She has a city route, walking 14 miles a day delivering to 792 places. She delivers *The Paper* every Wednesday.

PASTOR JOHN MUELLER

For the past 20 years, Pastor John Mueller has taught religion on more of a Monday through Friday schedule than early Sunday mornings. He spent nearly two decades teaching ethics and world religion to students at Valley Lutheran High School in Saginaw, Mich.

But when Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Dwight called upon him to serve its congregation, there was no other choice but to say yes. “I believe God wanted me here,” Mueller said.

He became the church’s new pastor this summer, replacing Pastor Daniel Ognoskie, who served from 1999-2016. Pastor Mueller arrived in June. The church is located at 325 E. Mazon Ave.

HELLCAT PILOT
ARTHUR LEACH

Arthur Leach, of Odell, remembers flying a Grumman fighter over China during the second World War, dodging tracer bullets, one after another. Suddenly, he felt something warm running down his back, but strangely didn’t feel any pain. He reached behind his back and realized it was sweat.

“I thought I had been hit,” the 98-year-old veteran said.



Arthur Leach, of Odell

“There are no atheists flying airplanes,” he said. “I always thought the ‘guy upstairs’ was sitting in the seat behind me.”

That may have been one of the scariest moments during his time on the USS Yorktown as a U.S. Navy fighter pilot. But facing the Axis Powers and taking down enemy in the South Pacific was his job, and he made it out without injury.

Leach, of Odell, and formerly of Dwight, is well-known for such stories at the Livingston County War Museum in Pontiac. But he’s now known statewide having been named a recipient of Illinois’ Bicentennial HONOR 200, honoring the work of 200 veterans who continue to make extraordinary contributions.

“There are many that could have been chosen from this museum,” said David Estes, the education director for the museum and the one who nominated Leach. “I naturally thought of Art ... because of his incredible story flying all over the Pacific, flying all kinds of aircraft. I think he’s a national treasure,” Estes said.

The Yorktown carried 3,500 men and 150 fighters and torpedo bombers on an 875-foot-long deck. As a pilot, Leach flew many aircraft, including the T-6 Texan and the Brewster Buffalo, but most of his time he flew the Hellcat, the Navy’s dominant fighter in the second half of the Pacific War.

His squadron shot down 91 Japanese aircraft. They dropped napalm on Iwo Jima. Out of 105 pilots in his squadron, 31 pilots were lost due to anti-aircraft gunnery or accidents but they never lost a pilot to Japanese aircraft.

Today, he remains active in the Livingston County War Museum, participating in Skype in the Classroom, sharing his story with youngsters all over the world.

Nominees were evaluated based on their achievements, and on the extent to which their contributions have aided, benefited and provided inspiration to their community at large. A nominee had to be an Illinois resident, honorably discharged and still living. As part of being honored, Leach received two tickets to the state’s official 200th birthday celebration at the United Center in Chicago on Dec. 3.

DR. MICHAEL CICHON

After 36 years, Dr. Michael Cichon finally decided to retire from medicine.

His last day of practice at Dwight Healthcare Center of Morris Hospital was Nov. 30, and his patients wished him a happy retirement at a November reception in St. Patrick’s Parish Hall, hosted by Morris Hospital, which bought Cichon’s practice two years ago.

Cichon didn’t necessarily intend to be a doctor. In college he first wanted to become a mechanical engineer but couldn’t understand the course, he said with a laugh. But he loved sci-



ence so he took a biology course. The rest is history.

Dr. Cichon spent the next 3½ decades practicing medicine in the Dwight community.

Cichon is a 1980 graduate of Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine in Downers Grove, where he received his Doctor of Osteopathy degree. In 1981, he completed an osteopathic internship at Martin Place Hospital in Madison Heights, Mich.

FORMER DWIGHT MAYOR DARYL HOLT

After 32 years of public service, Daryl Holt decided to hang up his hat in politics.

Holt, now nearing 80 years old, served as Dwight village president for 12 years and became a Livingston County board member in 2006. He officially stepped down in December.

Holt represented District 2 on the county board. “When I leave it I hope I leave it better than when I got it,” Holt told *The Paper*.

Holt, 78, recognized by the Livingston County Board in November, receiving a plaque as well as a certificate listing the various county committees he’s served on over the years.

In 1969, Holt moved to Dwight from Willard, Ohio, where he worked at the RR Donnelley plant. He joined the Donnelley team in Dwight and spent 39 years there, retiring in 2002.

Holt had always been active in the community, but dove into politics in 1982 when he was elected as a Dwight village trustee. He served until 1991, when he decided to run for village president.

He thoroughly enjoyed his time as mayor, but found serving the county equally enjoyable. Holt said he has been involved in many things that have brightened the county’s future. He helped bring the Dollar General store to Streator. He worked on a referendum to bring windmills to Fairbury and Forrest, which ultimately never came to fruition, but he was proud to see a windmill farm welcomed in Odell. He was one of the board members who approved a hog farm in Saunemin.

“I’ve been at it for 32 years,” he said. “It’s time for somebody else to pick it up and go with it.”



Mike Oughton as a student at Illinois State University.

FORMER HOCKEY COACH MIKE OUGHTON

Mike Oughton is headed to victory once again. Five decades after seeing his first Chicago Blackhawks game, Oughton, a Dwight Township High School graduate, is among the first to be inducted into the newly formed Illinois State University’s Hockey Hall of Fame.

There, he was a leading scorer and MVP before becoming the head coach that led the Redbirds to its first hockey championship ever during the 1978-79 season. He will be inducted Feb. 16 after a hockey game in Bloomington, ironically against the University of Illinois, the longtime rivals and the team they beat in that first championship.

“It was a really gratifying point in time,” said Oughton, 64, and now living in Channahon. “It was pretty cool.”

The new Hockey Hall of Fame commemorates ISU’s 50th year of having a team, said Mike Mullally, director at USA Hockey and the Amateur Hockey Association of Illinois. He nominated Oughton and is a hockey hall of famer himself.

Oughton is among 10 who will be inducted. Their names will be on a permanent banner that will hang in the Grossinger Motors Arena in Bloomington.

As a highschooler at Dwight, he played running and defensive back on the school football team as well as center forward in hockey through Chicago’s Saddle and Cycle Club. In 1971, the year before he graduated, DTHS football won the conference championship, but he was always drawn back to the ice.

Oughton played when he was at Lake Forest College in Chicago. He transferred to Illinois State University as a junior and played from 1975-77, when the program was still relatively in its infancy. The center forward graduated with a degree in economics, topping off the 1976- 77 hockey season with an impressive 29 goals, 29 assists and 58 points. But what would come would leave him an even greater legacy.

Oughton decided to continue his education at ISU and earn an MBA. The year he graduated, he was given a scholarship as head coach, overseeing a squad of 25 players and two assistant coaches. His second year of coaching saw the championship victory.

“Hockey is really a physical game,” Oughton said. “I was much more sore after a hockey game [than football]. Hockey, you’re just in constant motion.”

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DILLON SARFF

In March, Dwight Grade School wrestler, Dillon Sarff, became the first in school history to win an IESA State Wrestling Championship. He’s shown with coaches Dan Edwards, left, and Paul Warner.

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7 State Scholars at Gardner-South Wilmington



CORRECTION:

This photo that appeared in *The Paper* on December 19 on page 1 incorrectly identified one of Gardner-South Wilmington High School's Illinois State Scholars. Congratulations go to these students, front row, from left: Madison Asbridge, Emily Monbarren and Ava Siano; and back row, from left, Kimberly McDaniel, Madyson Schuck, Nikolas States and Christian Williams. Illinois State Scholars represent approximately the top 10 percent of high school seniors from 765 high schools across the state based on exemplary ACT or SAT test scores and sixth semester class rank.

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Mark Olsen Celebrates 35th Anniversary at LSC Communications

Mark Olsen celebrated his 35th Service Anniversary with LSC Communications-Dwight (formerly known as RR Donnelley) on December 25.

Mark began his career in June, 1979, as a Seasonal Material Handler in the Bindery and became a full-time Material Handler in the Pressroom in March of 1985.

Subsequent promotions included Press Helper (June, 1987); Apprentice Rolltender (December, 1994), and Assistant Pressman (July, 1995).

Mark was promoted to his current position of Press Operator 3 in February of 2005.


Mark and his wife, Linda, reside in Dwight. They have two children, Colin and Marissa Olsen.

Peoples National Bank of Kewanee will observe the following holiday hours:

	Lobby	Drive Up
Monday, December 31	Close at Noon	Close at Noon
Tuesday, January 1	CLOSED	CLOSED

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