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Watters Brothers Carry On Family Farming Legacy

By Rachael Reynolds-Soucie
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The Watters family has been working the land in the Dwight area for more than 120 years. And despite economic barriers and hard work, two brothers are determined to keep that family legacy going.

Clay, 28, and Cody, 30, are part of a small but eager movement of young farmers. For only the second time in the last century, the number of farmers under 35 years old is increasing, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture's latest Census of Agriculture.

The number of farmers age 25 to 34 grew 2.2 percent between 2007 and 2012, according to the 2014 USDA census, a period when the number of older farmers decreased by double digits.

“I’ve always just loved it,” Cody said. “In the spring, I just love the smell of fresh-turned soil.”

Clay and his brother are fifth generation farmers, beginning with their great-great grandfather. And ever since they were younger, they’ve always been involved in the farm. Clay remembers working with his father and grandfathers Bob Watters and Ray Robisky, pulling weeds, walking beans and washing and waxing machinery.

As they grew older, they were entrusted to haul wagons to the grain elevators and, after high school, started working some ground. And today, they are in the process of buying out their father Bob as he enters retirement.

Clay and Cody are now farming 2,000



THE WATTERS FAMILY has been farming near Dwight for more than a century, and now young brothers Cody, left, and Clay, at left – near the sign, have taken over some 2,000 acres to grow corn and soybeans.

Photo/submitted

acres of corn and soybeans in Livingston and Grundy counties, an unforgiving job that takes hard work, sometimes with little return.

Despite this generation’s agrarian comeback and focus on a sustainable future, many young farmers find out quickly that the brutal economics and the reality of life on the land isn’t what they thought.

Farming requires plenty of upfront capital for land and equipment, often funded with huge loans and an uncertainty of how to pay it back. Farm real estate rose an average 47 percent from 2009 to 2017, according to government data. And more than half of U.S. farm households reported losses, according to a 2015 survey by the USDA’s Economic Research Service. Many young farmers are further saddled by high student debt.

Nevertheless, those like Clay and Cody

are determined to succeed, despite the stress not knowing what kind of year you’re going to have. Penny-pinching is in their blood, but huge steps in agricultural advancements are game changers, Cody said.

Five generations ago, his ancestors were working with a horse and plow; today, Cody says, equipment “practically drives itself.” His grandfather used a six-row planter; the Watters use a 16-row planter. Advancements in seed genetics can help produce greater yields, and GPS helps farmers pinpoint areas in the field in need of improvement, Cody said. Drones give a health report that could never be seen from a few rows in.

There’s one thing they can’t change: Mother Nature.

Despite its challenges, the brothers love being on the land, being their own boss and helping keep America running. The commodities they grow end up in corn flour,

cornstarch and cornmeal, bio-based plastics and ethanol. The soybeans that they coax from the soil are turned into oil, protein for animal feed and human consumption, everything from baby formula to tofu and soy milk.

“I think that agriculture is one of the best things for our country right now,” Cody said.

And like other Americans with a dream, Clay hopes agriculture is what will fulfill his. He would like to one day buy some land to pass down to Theo, his 3-month-old son with wife Lindsey. Cody has a brood of three children with another one on the way with fiancée Courtney.

“If we gotta struggle at times, we have to struggle,” Cody said. “... You want to keep up with your family’s legacy.”

It’s all they’ve ever known, Clay said, and “I wouldn’t want it any other way.”

How Does Saunemin,
Population 400,
Raise \$690,000
for a New Church?

Simply Put: Faith

By Rachael Reynolds-Soucie
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The new Saunemin United Methodist Church is well under way, and a pulled pork fundraiser March 9 at Saunemin Grade School will help them get closer to their goal of \$691,200.

SUMC broke ground on August 5 for a 6,000-square-foot building, and Pastor Jane Bradford hopes to have a completed sanctuary by summer now that 75 percent of the funding has been raised.

The church, the only one in this small town of 400, is in the fourth year of a five-year campaign. The fundraising has come from near and far. Bradford reached out to former members, the alumni association, and memorials have even come in from other churches.

It’s been a blessing.

“We discerned it was God’s will,” Bradford said. “This is really a story about faith and that God would provide.”

They are currently in the process of enclosing the roof. Consolidated Building Center of Forrest is doing the construction, but church and community members will be pitching in as well. The Methodist NOMADS ministry is made of retired skilled craftsman and they’ve committed to two to three projects a week. Finishing work, such as painting, will be done by church members, Bradford said.

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Second in State!



DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL is now cheering on their cheerleaders after they finished second to Wilmington High School in the IHSA state finals February 2 at the Grossinger Motors Arena in Bloomington. The school celebrated the competitive cheer team on Monday in the gymnasium, welcoming family, friends and fans. The team is coached by Angela Campbell-Goley.

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Accident Report
Thursday, January 24, an
accident was reported at a
loading dock at 801 N.
Union involving Edgar
Gonzalez, of Blue Island,
who struck a parked unit
owned by Hogan Trucking,
of St. Louis, MO, while
backing out.
Saturday, January 26,
7:27 a.m., an accident was
reported at 12 W.
Northbrook Dr. involving
Aaron Allen, of Louisiana,
the driver of a 2011 Volvo,
who was driving around a
parked 2015 Freight, being
driven by Brittany Banks, of
Mississippi, and Allen’s
trailer struck Banks’ trailer



**Weekly Ambulance Runs
by Dwight EMS**
January 24: 5:39 p.m.,

Orchard Ln., medical,
Pontiac.
January 25: 3:12 p.m.,
Mazon, trauma, Morris; 6:44
p.m., Mazon, medical,
Morris; 10:30 p.m., I-55,
trauma, refusal.
January 26: 1:33 a.m.,
Prairie, medical, Morris;
5:49 a.m., 2100 E., wires
down; 7:45 a.m., Pontiac,
COQ, mutual aid to Duffy’s;
10:55 a.m., Karen, fire.
January 28: 4:00 a.m., E.
Waupansie, medical, Morris;
2:29 p.m., Mazon, medical,
St. Joe’s Joliet; 10:04 p.m.,
Jefferson St., medical,
refusal, mutual aid to
Gardner.
January 29: 7:20 a.m.,
Campus Rd., trauma,
Morris, mutual aid to
Gardner; 8:58 a.m., Mazon,
medical, Morris; 10:46 a.m.,
Union, trauma, refusal; 1:46
p.m., Bannon, trauma,
refusal; 3:27 p.m.,
Chippewa, medical, Morris;
3:56 p.m., Andrew, medical,
Morris, mutual aid from
Gardner; 4:36 p.m.,
Chicago, refusal; 9:11 p.m.,
Main, medical, Morris.
January 30: 11:10 a.m.,
Watters, fire, cancelled,
mutual aid – Dwight Fire;
12:15 p.m., Mazon, trauma,
Morris; 4:56 p.m., Spencer,
trauma, refusal.

Reddick Man
to Serve
3 Years

A Livingston County
judged sentenced Robert D.
Palmer, 24, of Reddick, to
three years in the Illinois
Department of Corrections
on January 24.
The Dwight Narcotics
Unit, along with the
Livingston Co. Pro-Active
Unit, conducted a narcotics
investigation on Palmer that
resulted in an undercover
operation in Dwight.
Palmer was later arrested
and charged with Unlawful
Delivery of a Controlled
Substance (heroin) – a class
two felony.
The Dwight Police
Department, Livingston Co.
Sheriff’s Department, and
the Livingston County States
Attorney’s Office assisted
with the investigation.

Cullom Man
Sentenced to
3½ Years

On January 24, a
Livingston County judge
sentenced Joshua W. Miller,
29, of Cullom, to three and a
half years in the Illinois
Department of Corrections.
The Dwight Narcotics
Unit, along with the
Livingston Co. Pro-Active
Unit, conducted a narcotics
investigation on Miller in
October of 2017. Miller was
arrested on a warrant for
three counts of Unlawful
Delivery of a Controlled
Substance (cocaine).
Miller posted bond after
being arrested on the
Livingston Co. warrant for
the aforementioned charges,
ultimately pleading guilty.
Agencies that assisted in
the investigation were the
Dwight Police Department,
Livingston Co. Sheriff’s
Office, Pontiac TRT, and the
Livingston Co. States
Attorney’s Office.



photo by Mike Cornale
YES, THIS DID HAPPEN. Wednesday, January 27 around 6:30 a.m. the temper-
ature in Dwight, Illinois was -22. Wind chills dipped into the -40s. Mail delivery
was cancelled, stores and banks were closed. Mother Nature won. As we write
this today, the temperature will hover around 50°.

DEA Offers Help to Entrepreneurs

by Tom Tock
Deb Karch, Economic
Development Director for
the Dwight Economic
Alliance, has been appointed
vice-chairman of the Starved
Rock Country Alliance. Her
appointment is the culmina-
tion of her work with the
Small Business Develop-
ment Center (SBDC), a
component of the Starved
Rock Country Alliance (SRCA).
Karch stated: “I am hon-
ored Starved Rock Country
Alliance has elected me as
its Vice Chairman of the

Board of Directors, after
serving on the board for one
year, and I look forward to
advancing its mission on
behalf of the North Central
Illinois Region.”
The Dwight Economic
Alliance is working with
SBDC to provide one-to-one
assistance to those with an
interest in becoming small
business owners throughout
the SRCA area, which
includes Dwight as well as
Peru (headquarters), Pon-
tiac, Ottawa, Streator,
Princeton and Morris.
Important matters such as

planning, location selection,
identification of potential
investors (both private and
governmental) are resources
offered free by the develop-
ment group leaders.
Karch said that eight to
10 prospective clients from
throughout the SRCA area
are in various stages of pro-
gram participation.
Anyone interested may
register for the program by
calling the DEA office in
Dwight at 815-584-1830.
The Starved Rock
Country Alliance website is
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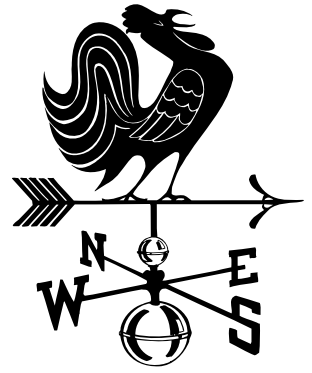
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Jan. 24 – high 22°, low -4° 1” snow
Jan. 25 – high 7°, low -17° 2” snow
Jan. 26 – high 13°, low -19° 2” snow
Jan. 27 – high 32°, low -6° 2” snow
Jan. 28 – high 35°, low 0° trace snow
Jan. 29 – high 7°, low -22°
Jan. 30 – high -9°, low -22°
One Year Ago – Feb. 6, 2018 high 25°, low -6° .01 precip./trace snow

Railroad Crossing Closures
Will Affect Area Travel

The Illinois Department
of Transportation announced
on January 22 that the IL
113-BNSF Railway
Company grade crossing in
Coal City will be closed
through February 9 to allow
the BNSF Railway
Company to make repairs to
their crossings. IL 113 traffic
will proceed as follows:
• IL 113 eastbound traffic
will proceed south on IL 47
to I-55; thence north on I-55
back to IL 113.

Job Seeker Workshops
in Pontiac in February

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Services will host the fol-
lowing free workshops at its
Pontiac location, 211 E.
Madison St., Room 222, in
February:
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Late Mark Harlow and Family Honored by Grundy County Farm Bureau

‘A stranger to none and a friend to all’

By Rachael Reynolds-Soucie
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It would be hard to find another Mark Harlow, farmer, truck driver, longtime mayor, road commissioner, husband, father and overall good neighbor. That’s why the Grundy County Farm Bureau honored him posthumously by naming the Harlow family of Kinsman the 2019 Farm Bureau Member of the Year at its 104th annual meeting on January 11.

It was accepted by his wife, Doreen. Mark died April 9, 2018, at the age of 63.

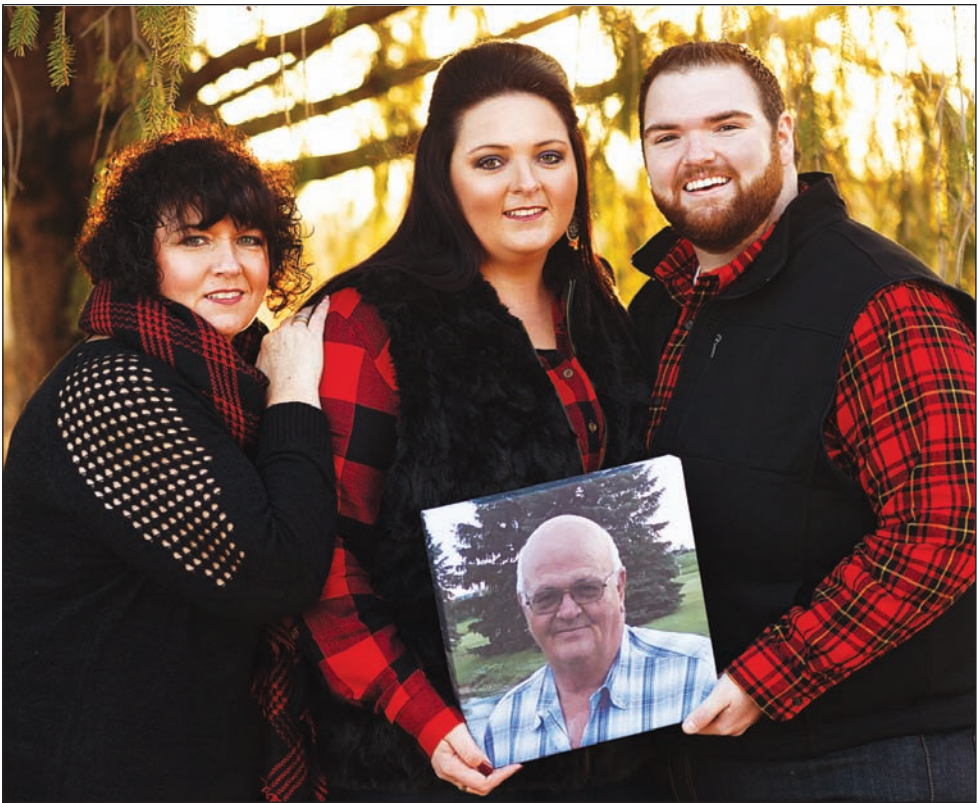
“He was a stranger to none and a friend to all,” she said. “It really is an honor for him.”

He was born in Streator, to Elmer and Edna Harlow, longtime farmers. He married Doreen and they settled in Kinsman, serving more than 30 years as mayor and Highland Township road commissioner. He was a longtime member of the Grundy County Farm Bureau and a volunteer with the Verona-Kinsman Fire Department.

He did all this while farming some 500 Kinsman acres, which he took over after his dad retired. He was also a truck driver. Doreen said he’d leave the house at 5 a.m., get home by 2 p.m. and was in the field until 9 o’clock.

“The kids would ride endless hours in the combine with Mark,” she remembered.

Growing up, daughter Kaitlyn and son Perry were very involved in 4-H and FFA, so Mark helped them raise and show cattle, sheep, rabbits, chickens and pigs. It had a lasting influence; both were inspired by their father and went into agricultural fields. It



DOREEN HARLOW, with her children Kaitlyn and Perry, hold a photo of their father Mark Harlow, longtime Kinsman mayor who was honored posthumously with the family as the 2019 Grundy County Farm Bureau Member of the Year.

inspired Doreen, too.

Doreen and Mark supported the Grundy County 4-H program for more than 20 years. Doreen served as a leader of the Highland Ag club, served on the fair board for many years, judged countless shows and fairs, was

inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame in 2017, and continues to serve on the auction committee for the fair. She also served on the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman school board for many years.

Kaitlyn, 28, received an agriculture

degree from Kansas State University and works at Grundy County Redi-Mix. Perry, 24, works as a program coordinator and grant writer for the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture in Arlington, Va. He was earning his masters degree in ag education at the time his father died. Mark never got to see his son graduate, but he never would have wanted him to cease his education.

“It’s what Mark would have wanted,” Doreen said.

Both Kaitlyn and Perry serve as leaders for the 4-H club they grew up in and helping with projects when needed.

Mark loved his International-Harvester and Farmall H tractors and enjoyed snow-mobiling with his family and friends. His family came first, but his community was a close second. He helped his neighbors, helping them with a pipe break in the middle of the night or plowing someone out of their driveway after a big snow.

When a windfarm was proposed near Kinsman, as mayor and road commissioner, he became really involved in ensuring the roads were properly procured and property owners were paid rent once towers went up on their land.

His family couldn’t miss him more, but his legacy will last lifetimes. He showed his family what it meant to be a farmer. Doreen didn’t grow up around agriculture in her hometown of Minooka, but Mark taught her what a wonderful life it could be: Love, land and family.

“It’s a great way of life.”

JAKE’S BOYS OF GIBSON CITY, featuring State Rep. Tom Bennett (R-Gibson City), front row left, will play at the Saunemin United Methodist Church fundraiser on March 9 at the grade school. There is no fee for auction and entertainment.



WORK CONTINUES to complete the new Saunemin United Methodist Church.

(SAUNEMIN CHURCH, continued from Page 1)

The groundbreaking marks the third time Saunemin erected a new building to house its church. The first Methodist Church was built in 1870 and was known as the Bethel Methodist Episcopal Church. In 1925, the congregation “recognized the need for a modern building and social conveniences” and dedicated its new church building on May 15, 1927, and is still worshipping there. It will be demolished when the new church opens.

But that building is not handicap accessible and does not have air conditioning. The new church will solve those problems for its

60 regular worshippers.

“It’s not user friendly at all. We need to have a modern building,” Bradford said.

The church has an active youth ministry, which will have dedicated space. The sanctuary will also be more open, allowing for different styles of worship. The current church has a massive pipe organ, which they hope to sell and will allow more room for its music program.

The fundraiser begins at 11 a.m. with a silent auction and pulled pork dinner, \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. The Stay Tuned String Band, with church member Dan Knutson, will perform at 12:15 p.m. A live auction begins at 1:15 p.m., followed by Jake’s Boys of


Gibson City featuring State Rep. Tom Bennett (R-Gibson City). The live auction includes high-end items like Cubs tickets and a week’s stay in Marco Island. There will also be a bake sale and children’s entertainment.

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Southeastern Grundy Co. Senior Citizens Meet

On January 4, 12 members of the Southeastern Grundy County Senior Citizens met at the Gardner Restaurant.

Grace was said and lunch was enjoyed.

Acting President Shirley Farland called the meeting to order. There were no January birthdays. The pledge of allegiance was said.

The Secretary report was read and approved. Cards were sent to Florence Kennedy, Daisy Harvey, and Rose Hillman. The treasurer's report was read and approved.

A card will also be sent to

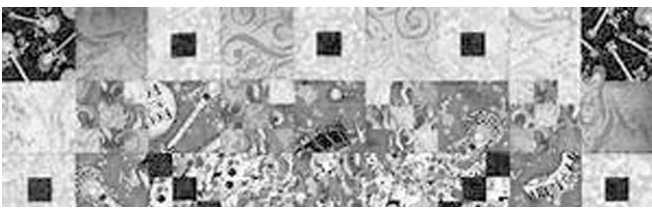
Crystal Nelson.

The food truck is at St. Lawrence Catholic Church. GSW Dance troupe is performing all over the state in the next few months. No Legion Breakfast in January.

The door prize was won by Karen Perkins. Secret Pals gifts were handed out. A Christmas pin collection was shown by Karen – over 80 pins.

The meeting was adjourned. The February meeting was held February 1 at Gardner Restaurant.

If you are over 55 and enjoy lunch out and great company – join the club.



Kankakee QuiltMakers Meeting February 14

The Kankakee QuiltMakers Guild meeting is set for Thursday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. at Calvary Bible Church, 2587 E. Armour Rd. in Bourbonnais.

Members Jerry and Rhonda Legan will be presenting “Not Your Grandmother’s Quilts” –

showing three raffle quilts they have won at various quilt shows; Challenge Quilts they have made over the years; and a series of Animal Wall Hangings.

New members are always welcome. Contact Donna McGovern at 708-828-5110 for more details.

Joshua Jahn to Speak at GSW High School Feb. 15

Joshua Jahn’s life changed forever on November 6, 2008, when his wife and two small children were hit and killed by a drunk driver on their way home to him.

Through the grief and heartache, he has chosen to not let their deaths be in vain.

Josh speaks to groups from all walks of life, creating an awareness to the power of choice and personal responsibility.

Josh will be presenting to the Gardner-South Wilmington students, staff, and community in the GSW High School gym Friday, February 15, at 2:00 p.m.

Community members are welcome to attend, and may



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Dwight Fire Protection District Monthly Report

Dwight’s Fire Protection District answered 32 emergency calls in January, including the following:

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The Truth About Heart Disease

Dr. Mary Gordon, board certified cardiologist, will present a free program for the community. The Truth about Heart Disease: What Women Need to Know, on Wednesday, February 20, from 6-7 p.m. in meeting rooms 1-3 at Morris Hospital, 150 W. High Street, Morris.

Cardiovascular disease continues to be the leading cause of death in women. According to the American Heart Association, 1 in 3 women die from heart and stroke each year, which is more than all cancers combined.

Dr. Gordon will explain the difference in heart disease between men and women, who’s at risk, warning signs and prevention.

Dr. Gordon joined the Morris Hospital Cardiovascular Specialists practice in April 2018 after practicing in Joliet and Aurora for 13 years. She received her Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree at Midwestern University, Chicago College of Osteopathic Medicine, in Olympia Fields, Ill., where she also completed a family medicine internship, internal medicine residency and general cardiology fellowship.

Registration is available online at www.morrishospital.org/events or by calling 815-705-7832.

MVK Seniors Meet

The MVK Seniors met January 15 at the Mazon American Legion Hall for lunch, catered by Weits Café thru the Community Nutrition Network (CNN).

President Rita Mills called the meeting to order and gave the Pledge of Allegiance. She thanked Pam from Weits for serving the meal and the many volunteers who make things run smoothly. There was a silent prayer for their ill and deceased members, the military, police, the President, world leaders, state and county leaders.

A get-well card was signed for Marlene Claypool. President Rita had a reading about paying attention – “Always Listen.” Members sang “Happy Birthday” to Marlene Claypool, June Elam, Ted Madden, and Gwen

Johnson.

The secretary’s and treasurer’s reports were read and approved. Door prizes went to Robin Homerding, Lou Witt, and June Elam.

President Rita thanked the Mazon American Legion for a \$100 donation. She thanked them again for not charging a rent fee. She reminded members about an upcoming Highland Ag 4-H Pancake Breakfast.

Velda Gilmore made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Shirley Peterson seconded.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 19, with euchre starting at 10:30 a.m. and bingo following the business meeting.

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State Farm Granted First National FAA Waiver for Damage Assessment Drone Flights

State Farm has been granted the first national waiver to any company in the U.S. by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The national waiver allows State Farm to conduct drone operations over people (OOP) and flights beyond the pilot’s visual line of sight (BVLOS) through November 2022. Previous waivers State Farm was granted were limited to a short time frame and to specific geographic areas impacted by hurricanes.

Current FAA regulations restrict pilots from flying drones beyond their visual line of sight and over groups of people. In a catastrophe situation, access to the impacted area may be challenged by water, debris and damage to infrastructure. The national waiver will also open up new innovation opportunities for State Farm

by allowing longer-distance flights.

For nearly two years, State Farm has been working with the Mid-Atlantic Aviation Partnership (MAAP) at Virginia Tech on drone safety case research. In May 2018, the Commonwealth of Virginia was selected as one of 10 teams selected to be part of the FAA Integration Pilot Program (IPP). As a member of the Virginia IPP team, State Farm has worked with MAAP to assess a wide range of potential risks and strategies for reducing them.

State Farm and MAAP have conducted numerous tests that evaluated the fixed-wing eBee Classic drone, manufactured by senseFly, for longer-distance damage assessment flights. Based on the strength of the research and resulting safety

case documentation, the FAA approved temporary waivers for State Farm to conduct damage-assessment drone flights over people and beyond the operator’s visual line of sight in states impacted by Hurricanes Florence and Michael. Successful flights in the aftermath of the two hurricanes yielded valuable real-world experience and insights that were incorporated into the national waiver request.

Over the next several years, the members of the Virginia IPP team will continue exploring innovative ways to safely use drone technology, including catastrophe response, emergency management, and infrastructure inspection. The day-to-day operations of the Virginia IPP team is managed by MAAP.

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Market Outlook for 2019: Uncertainty is Certain

To say the financial markets were a bit bumpy in 2018 may be an understatement. The S&P 500 was down 6.2 percent for the year, the first time this key index fell since 2008, during the financial crisis. So what can you anticipate in 2019? And what investment moves should you make?

And now that we’re into 2019, markets are likely to remain volatile. Although the Fed has indicated it may be more cautious with regard to new rate hikes, there are indications of slower growth ahead, particularly in China, the world’s second-largest economy. And after strong 2018 earnings growth, corporate earnings may grow more slowly – and, earnings are a key driver of stock prices.

The U.S. economy is showing enough strength that a recession does not appear to be on the horizon, which is also likely to be the case globally – an extended “bear” market typically does need to be fueled by a recession. Ultimately, continued growth of the U.S. economy and the possible resolution of some uncertainties could help markets rebound.

As investors, we cannot control the everyday ups and downs in the markets, but we can control our decisions. Consider these actions for 2019:

Be prepared for volatility. As mentioned, many of the same factors that led to the market upheavals of 2018 are still with us, along with the impact of the partial government shutdown. The more you’re prepared for market turbulence, the less startled you’ll be when it arrives.

Stay diversified. At any given time, different financial assets may move in different directions: stocks up, bonds down, or vice versa. To help dilute risk and take advantage of different opportunities, you should maintain a broadly diversified portfolio containing stocks, international stocks, bonds, government securities and so on. You may need to rebalance your portfolio to maintain an appropriate proportion of each asset class, based on your risk tolerance and long-term goals.

Take a long-term perspective. It can be disconcerting to see several-hundred point drops in the stock market. But you can look past short-term events, especially if your most important financial target – a comfortable retirement – is still years or decades away. By keeping your focus on the long term, you can make investment decisions based on your objectives – not your emotions.

If 2019 continues to be volatile, you’ll need to stay prepared and make the right moves.

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Jana Phelps and Cale Brooks were married on November 10, 2018, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in L’erable, with Fr. Doug Hauber officiating. The bride’s parents are David and Julie Phelps of Clifton. The groom’s parents are Darren and Pam Brooks of Gardner. Maids of Honor were Alexis Podowicz and Mallory Gross, friends of the bride. Bridesmaids were Brittany Hull, Hannah Loschen, Kendra Regas, and

Lacie Zingre. Best Men were Cody Ballenger and Alex Martin, friends of the groom. Groomsmen were Alex Residori, Wes Olson, Weston Brooks, and Eric Gibson. Justin Phelps, the bride’s brother, was an usher. Flower girl was Tess Prairie and ring bearer was Andon Regas, cousins of the bride. A reception was held at St. Peter’s Parish Hall in Clifton.

Tim Halloran Celebrates 35th Anniversary at LSC Communications

Tim Halloran at LSC Communications in Dwight (formerly known as RR Donnelley) celebrated 35 years with the company on January 27. Tim began his Donnelley career on October 3, 1983, as a Material Handler in the Pressroom. He separated from the company in January of 1984, returning in May of 1984. In January of 1985, Tim was promoted to Production Control Clerk, spending time in both the Directory and Tabloid Pressrooms. Tim was promoted to Customer Service Repre-

sentative in February of 1987, and then to Platemaker in February of 1992. He transferred to the Pontiac Plant in January of 1994 as a Customer Service Representative, and was promoted to Manufacturing Supervisor in November of 1997. Tim transferred back to the Dwight Plant in October of 2003, and is currently Manufacturing Supervisor in the Dwight Bindery. Tim and his wife, Sarah, reside in Dwight. They have two children, Michael and Tyler.

New Hope Presbyterian Church Serving ‘Breakfast for Dinner’ Feb. 9

“Breakfast for Dinner” will be the theme of New Hope Presbyterian Church’s fund-raiser Saturday, February 9, from 4:30-6:30 p.m. in the church’s Fellowship Hall, 80 N. Garfield St. in Coal City (across from the library). The menu includes pancakes, biscuits and gravy, egg casserole, hashbrown

casserole, sausage, dessert, and beverages. A drive-up service will also be offered on 1st Street, in addition to carry-outs if you would like to go in. A fee applies, with kids ages five to 12 receiving a discount and children four and under eating for free. There will also be a gift card raffle. All are welcome.

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Odell Tip Top 4-H Breakfast February 10

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‘Transposing Color’ Gallery at Pontiac Art Center in February

The February Gallery Show, “Transposing Color,” at the Pontiac Community Art Center has opened in the Joe Bailey Gallery and will run through the end of the month. It features the work of artist Christine Bennett-Weber and includes a variety of media, including watercolor, pastels, photography, ceramics, and needle felting. The show opening reception will be Saturday, February 9, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The Art Center and Gallery is located at 209 W. Madison St. in Pontiac, and is open Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 4:00 p.m. There is no admission fee and the public is welcome.

Vermillion Players Offering February Entertainment

Join five talented vocalists as they explore the trials and tribulations of dating, falling in love, marriage, and starting a life together in the romantic musical comedy *I Love You, You’re Perfect, Now Change*. This two-act series of musical vignettes directed by Sarah Bertram and starring Melissa Barton, Colton Cottrell, Anthony Gullo, Meghan Harper, and Brittany Roper is a tribute to those who have loved and lost, to those who have fallen on their face at the portal of romance, and to those who have dared to ask ‘what are you doing Saturday night?’ Tickets are still available for purchase for Vermillion Players’ next dinner theatre at The Eagle Performing Arts and Conference Center, *I Love You, You’re Perfect, Now Change*. You have six opportunities to be entertained:



DESPITE THE UNPRECEDENTED SNOW DAYS delaying St. Paul School’s annual Catholic Schools Week celebration, the first through eighth grade students were happy to make it to school February 1 – just in time for their traditional bowling trip, which normally ends Catholic Schools Week. Because of the cancellations, students will be making up their activities February 4-7, including dress-up days, Camp Read-a-Lot, a spelling bee, line dancing, a trivia contest, and prayer partner lunch with bingo.

School Board for Tri Point Meets

A one-hour closed session took up much of the Tri Point Schools monthly meeting January 28. Closed session may be used for: A. Appointment, employment, discipline, performance of specific employees B. Special education program or matters relating to individual students C. Student discipline in accordance with 5ILCS 120/2 (c) and (1) and (2) of the Illinois Open Meeting Act. Motions were also made to:

- Authorize the Superintendent to prepare a financial analysis including the high school in a renewal of the Community Eligibility Provision for lunch programs
 - Approve and adopt a revised Superintendent Evaluation Instrument
- The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

OSF Saint James Requesting Public to Limit Visits

To protect patients, family members and staff during this time of increased seasonal flu activity and other upper respiratory illnesses, OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center in Pontiac is asking the public to limit visits as a precautionary measure. These guidelines are based on recommendations from the Illinois Department of Public Health. Effective February 4, it is requested that: Visitors should be at least 18 years of age and older. This will minimize exposure of patients to children, who are known to be high risk for transmission of viral infections, and will protect children from contracting an illness while visiting the hospital. Do not visit hospitalized patients if you are not feeling well, particularly if you have had flu-like symptoms during the past seven days. Symptoms include a fever of 100 degrees Fahrenheit or higher, cough, and/or sore throat. Remember to cough and/or sneeze into your arm or shoulder or use a tissue. The spread of germs can be reduced by coughing into your clothing. Avoid covering your mouth with your hands, as the germs can easily be passed through direct contact with surfaces or people. To assist in limiting the spread of disease, please wash your hands with soap and water or use an alcohol-based hand foam/gel when entering and leaving a patient’s room. For tips on staying healthy during flu season, visit <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/protect/habits.htm>.

Thank you for coming to my 90th Birthday party, also for the phone calls and visits.

A special thanks to my children and family who planned it all. You made my day very special.

Marge Bellot

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN (Never known to fail)

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

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

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ISABEL NAYELI MORENO IBARRA and PABLO MORENO IBARRA, Both Minors,
and
BRENDA RUIZ IBARRA a/k/a BRENDA IBARRA and FRANCISCO JAVIER RAMIREZ MACIAS, Petitioners,
and
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Case No.: 2019-AD-1

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Oppose the Potential Detention Center Development

I am writing to you tonight to express my opposition of a potential federal detention center for immigrants in Dwight, Illinois. Not only are these centers often a money-making gimmick for those in charge of them, on the tax payers' dime, but more importantly, these (often traumatized) human beings should not be incarcerated on simple misdemeanor charges. The vast majority of these immigrants are merely undocumented, and are not common criminals, let alone a threat. Studies have shown that immigrants often have lower rates of criminal behavior than the average American, while being offered less than the basic rights that we are given as citizens, if they are detained; not to mention those that should rightfully be given asylum instead of being imprisoned. I ask you to publicly oppose this possible development as well.

Best regards,
Madison Caise
Bourbonnais

Human Rights

Immigration Centers of America (ICA) is the company pitching this proposal to Dwight, Livingston County.

I have come across several links concerning this company and its inspections by governing agencies concerning its compliance with current laws/regulations of operation requirements. These inspections indicate serious and validated violations of said laws. This information is provided to assure the county has legitimate and pertinent information.

I have watched ICA also pitch a proposal in Ionia, Michigan. They attempt to portray themselves as a college campus or summer camp type atmosphere which cannot be true because the inspections show a huge problem with human rights violations as well as the death of a detainee. It appears that approximately 10 percent of the population is on a suicide watch! This just does not add up.

Regardless of the politics involved concerning immigration status in this country today, there is a higher importance of our society as a city, county, state and nation. We have to consider all of the ramifications to locking up undocumented people due to a failure on the part of Congress to pass laws concerning comprehensive immigration reform. The people that this directly impacts (the undocumented) cannot vote or participate in any government activity.

The detention of people living in this country being imprisoned having committed no crime is a violation of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights adopted by the United Nations General Assembly on December 10, 1948 and signed by the United States.

Kim Bacon, Bourbonnais

‘This Ought To Be Concerning’

It has recently come to my attention that the Village of Dwight is considering plans to partner with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to build a private facility within Dwight to process and detain undocumented immigrants. In short, the Village of Dwight seeks to profit from the immigration crisis. This ought to be concerning.

I live in Chicago and learned about Dwight because of the amazing yearly “Basset Waddle.” I have gone twice now and invited many friends who had never heard of Dwight before.

By nature, this prison would be taking people from the Chicagoland area, placing them far away from the livelihoods and families they’ve established, in order to wait out the judicial process in Dwight. Surely we don’t want the only visitors to Dwight to be

bereaved families and friends of the imprisoned.

There are numerous arguments that could be enumerated in opposition to building an ICE facility in Dwight. I simply ask that it be a transparent process where the entire town (and those of us who care outside of Dwight) are able to have a fair and meaningful voice. This cannot be left solely to a Mayor or Trustees acting in their own interest.

The people of Dwight can do far greater than stake their livelihoods on a prison; they can do better than inviting immense and expensive controversy into this town. And your leaders, if they are truly good, should know that. I simply ask that the great citizens of Dwight look into their hearts and summon the moral courage to question this obscene proposal.

Joseph Storm
Chicago

Knowledge is Power

Today’s society punishes success and rewards mediocrity.

Because you were smart enough to start a million dollar business, employ thousands of people, you must now GIVE US ALL YOUR MONEY! Instead of punishing success why don’t we just demand we cut spending and EVERYONE GETS TAXED LESS! Wow, what a thought, keeping that money you work so hard for.

Most companies aren’t

out to exploit workers, they are trying to earn your money. Subsidies and regulations destroy new innovation with the crony capitalism we have now. Get government out of the way and let the free market do what it does best and EDUCATE YOURSELF ABOUT WHAT YOU BUY. Knowledge is power.

Janae Wise
IL Valley Libertarian Chair
Kinsman

OBITUARIES

Paul ‘Jim’ Hines

COAL CITY – Paul “Jim” Hines, 83, of Coal City passed away Friday, February 1, 2019 at Heritage Health in Dwight.



Funeral services will be Wednesday, February 6, at 10:30 a.m. in Reeves Funeral Home, 75 N. Broadway St., Coal City, with Rev. Bradley Shumaker officiating.

Burial: Braceville-Gardner Cemetery, Braceville.

Visitation was Tuesday from 4 until 7 p.m. at the Funeral Home.

Paul James was born December 22, 1935 in Morris, son of Daniel and Catherine Sadie Hines. He was raised and educated in Coal City, and graduated from Coal City High School in 1953.

On October 2, 1955, Jim married JoAnn Schimandle in Assumption Catholic Church, Coal City.

He served in the United States Army from 1956 to 1958, and following military service was employed by Anderson Auto for 20 years and Demert & Daugherty for 16 years. He was a member

of the Dwight Country Club and the Coal City Emergency Squad. When he wasn’t working, Jim enjoyed spending as much time as possible golfing with his buddies.

Surviving are his three children: Perry (Lori) Hines of Coal City; Jeff (Patti) Hines of Gardner; and Brian Hines of Coal City; four grandchildren: Matt Hines, Aaron (Toni) Hines, Jennifer (Terry) Memmel, and Kyle Hines; two great-granddaughters: Avery and Addelyn Hines; three brothers: Mike (Bonnie) Hines of Coal City; Rob (John) Hines of Portland, Oregon; and Bill (Rhonda) Hines of Braceville; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents; and his wife, JoAnn on March 19, 2018.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Jim’s memory to the family for their distribution.

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

William Fritz

BUCKINGHAM – William “Bill” Fritz, 92, of Buckingham died Friday, February 1, 2019 at Amita St. Mary’s Hospital in Kankakee with his family by his bedside.



A 10 a.m. Funeral Mass will be Wednesday, February 6, in St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Herscher. A visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the time of Mass.

Burial will immediately follow in Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery in Bonfield.

Visitation was held Tuesday from 4 until 8 p.m. at Schreffler Funeral Homes, Kankakee Chapel.

Bill was born September 11, 1926, son of George and Emma Hebekeuser Fritz in Buckingham. He married Elsie Roe June 2, 1949 in St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church in Herscher.

He started Fritz Electric, now Fritz Electric & Grandsons, in 1956 in Herscher.

He served on the Herscher Fire Department for 40 years, attaining the rank of Assistant Fire Chief. He served as an officer of the Herscher Sportsman’s Club and was a member of St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church.

He enjoyed watching the Chicago Cubs, Chicago Bears and Western movies. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing and snowmobiling.

Bill is survived by his wife of 69 years, Elsie Fritz of Buckingham; three daughters: Karen (Jerry) Stam of St. Anne; Mary Kay (Steve Warriner) O’Brien of Wilmington; and Alice (Dave) Scott of Gilbert, Arizona.

Nine grandchildren: Tony (Michele) Rattin of Herscher; Glenn (Leticia) Keasey of Lowell, Indiana; Dana (Julie Berryhill) Rattin of Bonfield; Jerika (Rob) Williamson of Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Katie (Doug Warriner) Wiens of Custer Park; Kristin (Josh) Burmeister of Herscher; Lynn (Dane) Lynch of Gilbert, Arizona; Chris (Jessica) Norman of Manteno; and Jennifer (Ben) Gaballa of Clarksville, Tennessee survive.

Nine great-grandchildren with twins due in August; two great-great-grandchildren; and siblings: Mardelle Spears of Florida; Francis (Ann) Fritz, Edwin Fritz, and James (Ann) Fritz, all of Kankakee; and Katherine Lovell of Cincinnati, Ohio survive.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers-in-law, one sister-in-law and one great-grandson.

Memorials may be made to the wishes of the family.

You may sign Bill’s online guestbook at: www.schrefflerfuneralhomes.com

More Obituaries appear on page 7.

Our hearts are full of gratitude when we say many thanks to family members, friends and neighbors for all acts of kindness and sympathy: Food, flowers, donations, cards, visits and kind words spoken to our family regarding the recent passing of our Mother, Grandmother and Great-Grandmother, Janice Tambling.

We want to express special appreciation to Pastor Jan Chandler and Patty Littrell for their comfort and beautiful service given in her honor. She was known as the nurse of Gardner and will always be remembered for her kindness and her passion for caring and serving others.

Also a special thank you to the women of the Church of Hope for the wonderful dinner served.

With sincere gratitude,
The family of Janice Tambling

THE DWIGHT VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES will meet next at 6:30 p.m. Monday, February 11.

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Darlene Schall

ROBERTS – Darlene Elizabeth Schall, 98, of Roberts passed away January 30, 2019 at the Piper City Rehab & Living Center.



Visitation will be from 3 until 6 p.m., Sunday, February 10, at Knapp-Redenius Funeral Home in Gilman.

A Funeral Mass will be held at 11 a.m., Monday, February 11, in St. Peter’s Catholic Church in Piper City. Rev. Marek Herbut will officiate.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery, Piper City.

Darlene was born January 20, 1921 in Piper City, daughter of Earl and Leah Kurtenbach Hummel. She married Vernon Joseph Schall November 5, 1941 in Piper City. He preceded her in death on December 21, 1996.

She was also preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Durwood and Jimmy; one sister, Elvira Eppelheimer; and one granddaughter, Ruth Ann Schall.

She is survived by two sons: Norman Schall of Melvin and Michael (Suzanne) Schall of Cullom; a daughter, Marlene (Robin) Strufe of Rocky Mount, NC; eight grandchildren: Joseph (Darla) Schall, Melanie (Jerry) Stokes, Renee (Lee) Rucks, Erica (Rick) Bottoms, Scott (Lori) Strufe, John Schall, Rachel Schall and Daniel (Laura) Schall; ten great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and one brother, Raymond (Darlene) Hummel of Gilman.

Mrs. Schall was a member of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Roberts and a former CCW member. She graduated from Piper City High School and was a homemaker and farm-wife for more than 50 years. She enjoyed playing cards and going to basketball games. She was an avid Cubs fan.

Memorials may be made to the donor’s choice. Please share a memory of Darlene at: knappfuneralhomes.com

OBITUARIES

Darline F. Scott

BRAIDWOOD – Darline F. Scott, 92, of Braidwood passed away Thursday, January 31, 2019 at Conway Regional Hospital in Conway, AR with her daughter, Debbie, by her side.



Visitation will be at the RW Patterson Funeral Home Saturday, February 9, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m., with funeral services at 11 a.m. Rev. Dale Tolly will officiate.

She will be laid to rest in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood.

Darline was born August 3, 1926 in Canton, Illinois, daughter of Ercell and Oma Ford Shriver. She was an avid reader and enjoyed crocheting many afghans. She loved working with her hands and creating many embroidered pictures, pillow cases and quilts.

Darline is survived by two daughters, Diana (Leon) Opyd of Diamond and Debra (the late Dale) Smith of Conway, AR; five grandchildren: Tonya (Jeff) Johnson, Paul (Brooke

Baker) Opyd, Joseph (Melanie) Opyd, Clayton (Rachel) Smith, and Chad (Kari) Smith. Eleven grandchildren: Aspen and Tyler Johnson; Birdie, Gracie and Jelenie Opyd; Maya White; Kinsley Opyd; Kennedy Smith; and Jordan, Skylar and Spencer Jamieson; five sisters-in-law: Yvonne Shriver, Rosemary Shriver, Dorothy Deirdorf, Ina Mae Wilkinson and Alice Vawter; and several nieces and nephews survive.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, David Scott, in 2008; son-in-law, Dale Smith in 2017; and two brothers, Kenneth Shriver and Delbert Shriver.

Memorial donations in her name may be directed to Hospice Home Care, 821A North Creek Drive, Conway, AR 72032.

You may sign her online guestbook at: www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com or on facebook.

Joyleane Ann Miller

FAIRBURY – Joyleane Ann Miller, 83, of Fairbury died at 10:20 p.m., Saturday, January 26, 2019 at Good Samaritan Home, Pontiac.



Joyleane was born March 26, 1935 in Campus, a daughter of Eugene M. and Laura R. Cook Richie. She married Herbert F. Miller March 4, 1956 in Campus. He preceded her in death on July 15, 2018.

Surviving are three sons: Eugene R. (Terri) Miller of Fairbury; Marvin L. (Darlene) Miller of Pontiac; and Randall A. (Julie) Miller of Chenoa; six grandchildren; one step-grandchild; and two step-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; husband; one brother, John Richie; and two sisters, Imajean Anderson and Dorothy Ulrich.

Mrs. Miller was a mem-

ber of Trinity Lutheran Church, Fairbury. She was a beautician and a farm wife, taking many trips to and from the Weston Elevator hauling corn and beans; working with livestock; and tending her garden.

Her funeral was Saturday, February 2, at 10 a.m., at Trinity Lutheran Church, Fairbury, with Pastor Edward Hudelson officiating.

Burial: South Graceland Cemetery, Fairbury.

Visitation was Friday from 5 until 7 p.m. at Duffy-Pils Memorial Home, Fairbury, and 9 until 9:45 Saturday at the church.

The family suggests memorials be given to SEL-CAS (Southeastern Livingston County Ambulance Service.)

A guest registry is available at www.duffypilsmemorialhome.com

Norma J. Slattery

DWIGHT – Norma J. Slattery, 88, of Dwight passed away at 11:23 p.m., Friday, February 1, 2019 at Heritage Health in Dwight.

Her Memorial Mass will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, February 7, in St. Patrick Catholic Church, Dwight. Visitation with the family will begin at 10 a.m., also in the church.

Cremation rites have been accorded and burial in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Dwight, will follow the Mass.

Norma was born July 20, 1930 in Goodfarm Township, daughter of Everett and Elsie Kelch Gantzert. She married Francis Slattery in Sacred Heart Church, Kinsman. He preceded her in death.

Surviving are three children: Doug (Gracie) Slattery of Brenham, Texas; Joyce

(Glenn) Markham of Chicago; and Jane (Joe) Fijak of California; a sister, Carole (Terry) Page of Hillsboro; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Francis; and sister, Marian Holloway.

Norma was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dwight and the Altar and Rosary Society. She volunteered at the local schools and the nursing home.

Memorials in Norma's name may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

Condolences to the family may be sent to: hagermemorial.com

Hager Memorial Home, Dwight, is in charge of arrangements.

Naomi C. Poll

GARDNER – Naomi C. Poll, 81, of rural Gardner, passed away peacefully Sunday, January 27, 2019 at home.



She was born April 27, 1937 in Overton County, Tennessee, the daughter of Eulis and Johnnie Bilbery Carter.

Naomi married Billy Lee Poll March 27, 1964. He preceded her in death in 2000.

She enjoyed attending her grandchildren's games, traveling with her friends and family, and listening or attending country music concerts.

Surviving are her children: Janet (Craig) King, Bonnie (Anthony) Walker and Karen (Robert) Buis; grandchildren: Michael King, Joshua (Melanie) King, Andrew (Ashlen) King, Trevor and Brandon Walker, and Chase and Lexie Buis; great-grandchildren: Kayahna and Kaedyn

King; a sister, Sue Jones; brothers, Owen Carter and Eulis Carter; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her parents; one sister, Emogene Fletcher; brother: Avon Carter; Paul Carter and Manhue Carter.

A Celebration of Naomi's Life was Saturday, February 2, at 10:30 a.m. in the New Community Christian Church, Morris. Pastor Andrew King officiated.

Burial: Evergreen Cemetery.

A visitation was held Friday from 4 until 7 p.m. at the U.C. Davis-Callahan Funeral Home.

Preferred memorial contributions may be made in Naomi's name to OSF Hospice or Grundy Community Volunteer Hospice.

Online condolences may be directed to the family at www.ucdaviscallahan.com

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. JOSEPH L. KIEFER, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants) No. 18-CH-230

NOTICE

Notice is given you Defendant, JOSEPH L. KIEFER, 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. This case is set for Mandatory Mediation on April 5, 2019 at 1:00 PM at the LaSalle County Courthouse, 119 W. Madison St., Ottawa, IL 61350.

Consequently, unless you, JOSEPH L. KIEFER, 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 March 15, 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 29th day of January, 2019.

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

More Obituaries appear on page 6.

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. Unknown heirs of WILLIAM R. TAYLOR and HELEN M. TAYLOR, Special Representative of William R. Taylor, Deceased, Special representative of Helen M. Taylor, Deceased, PAMELA D. ROGERS, heir, DENISE LIKES, Heir, SUSAN SECHREST, heir, STEPHANIE L. MILLER, Heir, NICHOLAS CARTER, heir, SEAN CARTER, heir, ALLISON CARTER, heir, RYAN CARTER, heir, CHAD CARTER, heir, TIANNA CARTER, heir, CECILIA CARTER, heir, NOLAN CARTER, heir, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.) No. 18-CH-97

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 508 Out St., Streator, IL 61364.

C. The legal description of the real estate is:

Lot D in Wilson's Subdivision of Lots 3 and 4 in Block 5 in the Plumb's Fourth Addition to Streator, except coal and minerals and the right to mine and remove the same. SITUATED IN LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN: 33-36-224-014

Commonly known as: 508 Out St., Streator, IL 61364.

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

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

F. The date, time and place of the sale are: February 20, 2019 at 10:00 A.M., in the lobby of the LaSalle County Governmental Complex, 707 Etna Rd., Ottawa, IL 61350.

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.

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DONALD R. McCLAREY, Attorney for
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What's New

My favorite football team, for the time being at least, won yet another Super Bowl, an improbable 6th Super Bowl. They are now tied with the Pittsburgh Steelers for the most Super Bowls for a franchise.

I'm in the process of converting to Bears fandom, but that is a multi-leveled development which would take too long to explain.

Instead, the end of the football season now brings us into one of the best times of the year for sports, and that's spring-into-early summer.

For starters, the Cubs are back, opening day is less than two months away and they're the favorites again to win the NL Central, which should come as no surprise. The Bulls, although terrible all season are hanging on nicely to the top lottery odds and a chance to land Zion Williamson. Then you have the NCAA tournament which is the best postseason sporting format out of all the ones that currently exist.

While football Sundays are far and away my favorite day of any to consume sports for eight hours on end, the end of it does bring us into some great spring sports. Even my Illinois State Redbirds are currently in first place in the Missouri Valley Conference and would have the #1 seed in their tournament if the season ended today.

I am heartbroken, but also very satisfied with football being over, but now it is time to pave way for a Redbird Conference Championship, a Cubs Division Title, and the Bulls landing the number one pick, and I couldn't be more ready for all 3 of those things to take place.

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff, vs. TIMOTHY ROE, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.) No. 19-CH-7

NOTICE

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

Parcel #2 of a Plat of the West 41 feet of Lot 6 in Block 44 in the Original Town of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois, as per plat of Roland C. Block, Registered Land Surveyor, No. 1847, recorded in Plat Book 9 at Page 90 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds, Livingston County, Illinois, said Parcel #2 being described as follows: Beginning at a point on the South line of said Lot 6, said point being 18.19 feet East of the Southwest Corner thereof. From said Point of Beginning, thence East 22.81 feet along said South line to the East line of the West 41 feet of said Lot 6, thence North 120.64 feet along said East line, said East line forming an angle to the right of 90 degrees 06 minutes with the last previously described course to the North line of said Lot 6, thence South 81.22 feet along said extension and along said centerline, said extension and said centerline forming an angle to the right of 90 degrees 12 minutes with the last previously described course to the centerline of a 12 inch East-West building wall, thence West 2.01 feet along said centerline, said centerline forming an angle to the right of 269 degrees 54 minutes with the last previously described course to the centerline of a 12 inch North-South building wall, thence South 39.43 feet along the centerline of a building wall and its Southerly extension, said wall and said extension forming an angle to the right of 89 degrees 52 minutes with the last previously described course to the Point of Beginning.

PIN: 15-22-402-014
Commonly known as: 315 W. Madison St., Pontiac, IL 61764

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is TIMOTHY ROE. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on April 1, 2014 and recorded on April 2, 2014 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 628277. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 19-CH-7 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before March 8, 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.



THE GSW HIGH SCHOOL PANTHERETTE SPIRITLINE traveled to their IHSA sectional January 19, held at Normal Community West High School. There, the girls placed fifth and advanced to the IHSA State Contest for the third time in school history. On January 25, the team performed at Grossinger Motors Arena in Bloomington against the best 30 1A teams in the state. “The team had an excellent performance on Friday,” stated Coach Nicole Leigh, “and represented their school well. I’m extremely proud of the team for their performance and all their hard work this season, and am looking forward to the rest of their competitive season.” Pictured, front row, are Ava Siano, Kristin Tramutolo, Zoe Klingberg; second row, Taylor Bartels, Dezarie Wampler, Emma Fisher, Paige Patterson; third row, Ashlyn Wallerich, Avery Lenzie, Abigail Ozee; fourth row, Coach Leigh, Katelyn Farris, Ella Sandeno, and Molly Conger.



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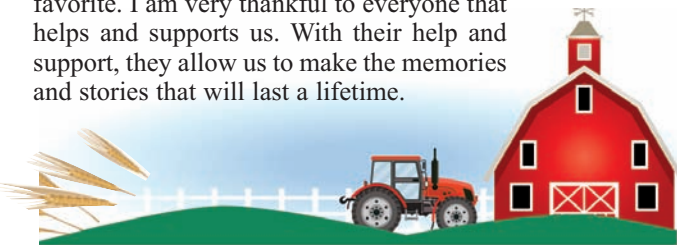
WHY DID YOU BECOME A FARMER? I knew at a young age that I wanted to farm. Working with my father every day and listening to his stories and lessons fueled the passion to farm. His lessons taught me about how to care for the land and crops, while his stories helped me learn about why we take pride in what we do. These are stories and lessons that I hope to pass down to my children so no matter what they do, they will have the tools to be successful people.

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FRANK LEGNER, above right, farms corn and soybeans with his father, Frank Sr., center, in Odell. Below: Weston and Rowan Legner, Frank Jr. and Jessica's boys.



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DAN’S OLDEST SON, JOHN, and Lee Patten are shown on an IH 656 tractor that Lee bought in the late 1960s in this 15-year-old photo. The family still uses the tractor on the farm.

THE FARM: Patten Farms is the combination of approximately 1,400 acres that we currently farm. These farms range in size from 60 to 480 acres. It is a mixture of owned and rented farmland. We are located south and west of Dwight, mostly within seven miles of the town.

THE FAMILY: My dad, Lee, and I farm this land together. I have a wife, Julie, and our sons are John, 19, and Dean, 16.

THE CROPS: We raise corn, soybeans and seed beans.

HISTORY: My family has farmed in the Dwight area for many generations. My dad began farming in the late 1970s when my grandfather (Irwin Patten) retired. Grandpa had farmed with his dad and grandfather in the same location. Most of my years growing up, I helped my dad and Uncle Jimmy farm many of the same farms we have today. Dad still lives in the house where he and Mom raised my four siblings and me. Uncle Jimmy lives a mile to the east and

Dan Patten, Patten Farms, Dwight

still helps us in the spring and in the fall since he retired several years ago. Our family has been fortunate over the years to work cooperatively with several landowners. These long-term relationships have allowed our business to succeed.

WHY DID YOU BECOME A FARMER? Farming is what I always wanted to do. I think farming is the perfect occupation. It is a profession that allows me to change and improve our business each year. It is an excellent combination of all other businesses. As a farmer, I have the opportunity to work with and be rewarded by grain marketing, knowledge of agronomics, the use of technology and

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DAN PATTEN WITH SON DEAN and Grandpa Lee in the backhoe.

machines, making capital improvements to the land, and building relationships with people. A wide variety of work is involved, which is both physical and mental. It is a profession with risk, but with that risk, there can be reward. Each year is different, and farming is an evolving profession.

WHAT DO YOU MOST LOVE ABOUT BEING A FARMER? I love the seasonality. Being a farmer is not day to day, but year to year. If I had to pick one season that is my favorite, it would be planting. After the winter, I am most anxious to get back out to the field. We always start a new year with unlimited potential. It is enjoyable to see the crops change through the different growth stages. Farming allows you to be involved in all aspects of production from start to finish. Harvest is the summary of the year, which allows you to quantify all that went well and all that didn't.

FAVORITE MEMORY ON THE FARM: I have too many good memories to name just one. I have been fortunate to enjoy mostly great days. Every day you get to do what you love and is a gift!

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**Facts About
Illinois
Farming**

Agriculture has always been an important part of the Illinois economy. Although the number of farms continues to decline, farmland still covers about 75 percent of the state.

In 2017, the U.S. Department of Agriculture counted 72,200 farms in Illinois, with just over 75,000 farm operators. More than 90 percent of Illinois farms are still family farms.

Most Illinois farmers are over age 50, and nearly half hold additional jobs off the farm.

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THE FARM: We operate Sientop Farms with my parents. They live near Ransom and we live near Gardner. We farm in Grundy, Livingston and LaSalle counties. We raise corn and soybeans. My wife Cassie and I own and operate Sientop Showpigs which has 15 sows: Poland China, Hampshire and Crossbreds.

THE FAMILY: Me, my wife Cassie, our 2 ½-year-old twins Gwen and Abi, and my parents Jim and Pam.

HISTORY: Jim and I are fifth and sixth generation farmers, respectively. My father lives on the original Sientop farm, west of Dwight. He and I are both graduates of the University of Illinois and returned home to farm after college.

WHY DID YOU BECOME A FARMER? Both grandpas farmed, both of my parents grew up on farms, my dad as well as my maternal uncle and cousin are or were area farmers. Cassie’s dad farms with his brothers in the Dwight area as well. It’s always been in my blood and I’ve been an active participant as long as I can remember. After coming home from college, my grandfather Henry Sientop was ready to retire so I started farming his ground. During my time at U of I, I was on the livestock judging team. That reignited my passion for livestock so after returning home, I started my small showpig operation. Both of my grandfathers raised Hampshire hogs so that’s one breed on which we focus.

WHAT DO YOU MOST LOVE ABOUT BEING A FARMER? I love that my flexible and seasonal schedule allows me to be a very involved dad to my twins. I look forward to raising my kids in a similar farm environment in which I was raised. We also look forward to raising and showing hogs as a family all over the country.

FAVORITE MEMORY ON THE FARM: We raised commercial hogs when I was growing up. I always enjoyed hauling hogs to the sale barn or to market. That usually meant a stop at Casey’s for coffee and donuts (or Mountain Dew and Gummy Worms).

My favorite Sientop Showpigs memory was winning champion Poland China Boar and Gilt at the 2017 Illinois State Fair. Cassie and I both drove gilts in the champion drive while Papa “Siedy” (Jim) pushed the then 1½-year-old twins napping in the stroller. He also fed them ice cream to keep them happy while Mom and Dad were showing.



DAVID SIEDENTOP, above, showing his prize pigs. Below, daughter Abi with a piglet.




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The state is consistently a national leader in both corn and soybean production, but Illinois farmers also produce a variety of specialty crops, often leading the nation in pumpkin and horseradish production. While livestock is not as common as it once was, Illinois also ranks in the top five in the United States in hog production.
Illinois is also a leader in food manufacturing, ranking first in the nation with \$180 billion in processed food sales. The food and fiber industry in Illinois employs nearly 1 million people.
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Technology Saves Money, Increases Yields

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Never in a million years would our forefathers believe the Farmers’ Almanac would be replaced by an iPad.

But that’s exactly what’s happening at Next Era Ag Solutions in Dwight, where owner Eric Scheuer is using next generation technology to help farmers increase yields and maximize profit. They accomplish that with product placement and planting plans, in-season nitrogen and fertility management, yield analysis and more..

The Dwight business is located at 107 N Franklin St. in Dwight, inside wife Andrea’s salon, Shear Beauty. And what he does is pretty incredible.

He started Next Era Ag Solutions in 2015, one year after DuPont Pioneer launched the Encirca program, and took it full-time in 2017 with digital services and real-time insight. In just a short time, he has grown a steady clientele of 25 farmers along the State Route 47 corridor, from Fairbury north to Yorkville as one of only about 40 Encirca representatives in the state.

Take a look:

FIELD PLANNING: One of the first things Scheuer will do is drive a UTV out into the field and, with the use of an iPad, divide the land into 2 ½-acre square grids. An 80-acre field, for instance, might be broken up into 30 to 35 zones. This allows him and clients to pay more attention to individual grids and their particular needs, as opposed to a huge section of land.

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Once grids are in place, Scheuer uses an automatic soil sampler to probe the soil in different zones and send it to a lab for analysis. Soil sampling is extremely important because farmers make a lot of decisions -- often expensive ones -- based on those samples.

FERTILITY SERVICES: Soil sampling helps manage soil fertility to hit yield targets with advanced soil type classifications along with multi-year yield history.

PLANTING: Scheuer said that different seeds are planted at different rates per acre. Corn, for instance, is often planted at 34,000 seeds per acre. But with technology, they can determine what zones might benefit from, say, 40,000 seeds for a better yield. Farmers often spend \$120 an acre on seed. Variable rate seeding can often lead to a better return on investment.

GPS: GPS has become an increasingly utilized tool for farmers and Scheuer. It allows him to create a map, which can then be used in a tractor cab. They can then determine, for instance, the amounts of NPK needed throughout the field. Some zones may need more nitrogen, phosphorus or potassium, others less.

Furthermore, using GPA, Scheuer takes a daily photo

of the field which is useful data that tells farmers how healthy their crops are. It uses light reflection and green mass.

While many farmers are wising up to technology, Scheuer said this can still be a tough sell at \$8 for soil sampling and \$13 per acre for the other services. Can a computer model of their farm practices tell farmers what they really need to get good crops?

His experience, as well as recent surveys, points to yes. “The reality of it is when they invest into it, they make money back,” Scheuer said. One example is producing more corn using less nitrogen, which he said can typically cost about \$100 an acre. Scheuer has seen an average increase of six bushels of corn per acre with nine pounds less nitrogen per acre. That’s appealing to today’s conservation-conscious farmers.

He also cites a four-year farm-scale study conducted by Farm Journal field agronomist Ken Ferrie that showed that services like Encirca would increase overall profits up to \$100 per acre.

It’s almost like a type of insurance, giving farmers peace of mind that they’ve done all they can to raise the highest quality yield outside of Mother Nature’s realm.

Matt Boucher, of rural Dwight, is one of Scheuer’s successful clients. He farms 800 acres of corn, beans and



ERIC SCHEUER WORKS WITH THE ENCIRCA program at Next Era Ag Solutions in Dwight. Below, he’s shown on the job taking soil samples out on a farm.

wheat and the technology has allowed him to get the right amount of fertilizer on the right plots of land, without over- or under-applying. And it’s all automatic. When running machinery, the dispenser will actually turn off when driving over areas that don’t need fertilizer, then turn back on when going over ground that needs it.

“It’s saving us money on fertilizer and seed as well, and helped us increase our yield potential,” Boucher said.

It’s quite incredible, when you think about it. But it’s just the start. Technology has come so far Scheuer predicts a time in which it can accurately predict yields to within 10 percent.

“That day is coming, and probably sooner than people think,” he said.



ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on January 22, 2019, 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 MINOOKA DIAGNOSTICS & REHABILITATION, located at 158 E. MAIN ST., DWIGHT, IL 60420.

Dated this 22 day of JANUARY, 2019.

Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
MICHAEL J. KENNEDY, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.

No. 2019CH9

NOTICE

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

Lot 6 in Block 22 in Fell’s Second Addition to Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois.
PIN: 15-27-129-013
Commonly known as: 701 S. Vermillion St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is MICHAEL J. KENNEDY. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on June 18, 2003 and recorded on June 23, 2003 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 546443, a modification of mortgage executed on July 26, 2013 and recorded on July 31, 2013 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 624514, a modification of mortgage executed on August 25, 2015 and recorded on September 1, 2015 at the Office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois as document No. 2015R-636014, and a modification of mortgage executed on July 27, 2016 and recorded on August 1, 2016 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2016R-03032. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 2019CH9 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before March 8, 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.

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

To all owners and occupiers of lands lying within the boundaries of the Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District, notice is hereby given that an Annual Meeting and Election will be held on the 25th day of February 2019 at the Grundy County Soil & Water Conservation District Office located in the USDA Service Center, 3605 N IL Rt 47, Suite B, Morris, Illinois at 5:00 p.m. Two directors will be elected to serve the Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District of the State of Illinois.

All persons, firms or corporations who hold legal title or who are in legal possession of any land within the boundaries of the Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District are eligible to vote at said election, whether as lessee, renter, tenant or otherwise.

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Alan Hill, Chairman
Grundy County Soil and Water Conservation District

NOTICE OF SALE

of Property Owned by the Village of Braceville and Invitation to Bid Thereon

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT the Village Board of the Village of Braceville will receive sealed bids for the purchase, under the successful bid, of the fee simple interest in the following real property:

Lots 22, 23, 24 and 25 in Block 31 of Mitchell’s Addition to Braceville, Township of Braceville, County of Grundy, State of Illinois (PIN # 09-26-285-019)

which property is generally located on the North West corner at the intersection of South Mitchell Street and State Route 129, and is currently devoted for Municipal purposes.

Bids for the purchase of the aforesaid interest in the above-described property are hereby invited and will be received by the Village Clerk at the Village Hall, 300 S. Mitchell Street, Braceville, Illinois between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. until March 6, 2019 and shall be opened at the Village Board meeting identified below, Said Proposals shall be addressed to:

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And shall bear the legend “PROPOSAL-SALE OF S. MITCHELL ST. PROPERTY” and the name and address of the bidder.

All bids received will be publicly opened and read aloud at the regular meeting of the Village Board of the Village of Braceville at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 6, 2019.

A contract may be awarded to the highest bidder or any bid determined to be in the best interest of the Village of Braceville. The Village Board of the Village of Braceville reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities or irregularities in the bidding. The Village Board of the Village of Braceville further reserves the right to review and study any and all bids and make a contract award within 30 days after the bids have been opened and publicly read.

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,
vs.
DACIA E. HUDDLESTON a/k/a DACIA E. PEREZ, MIDLAND FUNDING, LLC, a Delaware Corporation, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.

No. 19-CH-6

NOTICE

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

Lot 9 in Block 1 in A.W. Cowan’s Addition to the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 15-23-152-008

Commonly known as:
817 E. North St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is DACIA E. HUDDLESTON a/k/a DACIA E. PEREZ. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on June 26, 2009 and recorded on June 26, 2009 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 595435. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 19-CH-6 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before March 1, 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.

REGIONAL CHAMPIONS! The eighth grade Dwight Redbirds were victorious over Joliet Laraway, 39-32, when they squared off in regional play February 4 -- full stats in the February 13 edition of The Paper. Dwight is in action for a sectional bout with Riverdale Washington Wednesday, February 6, at 6:30 p.m. at Burr Ridge Middle School.

SPORTS



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Tigers Top Redbirds in Regional Semis

**Thursday, January 24
GSWB vs. Dwight
7th Grade -
Regional**

The seventh grade Tigers had fallen short to Dwight two times earlier in the season – their most recent loss coming on a nail-biter in the IVC Tournament a few weeks back. However, GSWB was able to take control and come out with a 54-40 win over the Redbirds in the regional semifinals January 24 – advancing to the regional championship.

The Tigers jumped out to a quick lead early – leading 14-10 after the first quarter.

Dwight would battle back, though, and take a 24-23 lead into the half.

The third quarter was all GSWB, as they dominated defensively – holding the Redbirds to just four points and taking a 41-28 advantage into the fourth.

Bennett Grant, Gabe McHugh, and Cale Halpin would sink some clutch free throws down the stretch to keep the game out of reach of Dwight. The Tigers also hit ten threes in the contest, which helped their winning cause.

Halpin finished with 20 points and six boards, while Grant added a double-double with 19 points, 12 rebounds, and five assists. Quinn Walsh provided five points, with his biggest contribution being on the defensive end. McHugh had four points, six assists, followed by Cole Hampson and Cree Croy with three and two points, respectively.

For the Redbirds, Conner Telford led all scorers with 27 points to go with five rebounds, a steal, and one assist. Terry Wilkey (2 rebounds) and Jack Groves (1 rebound) added six and four points, respectively. Jacob Weissmann had two points, four boards, while Andrew Gartke hit a free throw. Ryan Hilt pulled down three rebounds.

“This one hurts,” admitted Dwight head coach Tom Conroy, “but we ended a successful season at 14-5.”

GSW LADY PANTHERS BASKETBALL

**Friday, February 1
GSW vs. Illinois Lutheran
Varsity -**

The Lady Panthers moved to 21-4 overall with a 43-22 win over Illinois Lutheran on February 1.

Abby Beck led GSW with 18 points, while Kaitlynn Kavanaugh added nine points in the victory.

**Saturday, February 2
GSW vs. St. Anne
Varsity -**

GSW won against St. Anne, 48-23, on February 2 – earning themselves a share of the conference championship in the River Valley Conference with the victory.

**GSW vs. Momence
Varsity -**

In game two of the day, the Lady Panthers defeated Momence, 32-28 – finishing the regular season with a record of 23-4 overall and 11-1 in the RVC.

DGS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

**Friday, February 1
Dwight vs. Grant Park
8th Grade - Regional**

The Dwight Redbirds used some stifling defense to dominate in a regional win over Grant Park, 49-18, on February 1.

Reid Legner led the way with points, three steals, and a rebound. Brayden Long (8 rebounds, 7 steals) and Jace Gall (2 rebounds, 2 steals) added ten and nine points, respectively. Dawson Carr put up six points, three

steals, and a rebound, while Clayton Peck provided four points, four boards, and four steals. Parker Miner (3 rebounds, 1 steal) and Trey Downen (2 rebounds, 1 steal) each scored two points, with Michael Gamble contributing a free throw, a rebound, and a steal.

The 16-3 Redbirds were in regional action versus Joliet Laraway Monday night and came away with a victory.

DTHS LADY TROJANS BASKETBALL

**Friday, February 1
Dwight vs. Watseka
Varsity -**

In their regular season finale February 1, Dwight fell to SVC foes, Watseka, 62-27.

Mel Stewart led the way with 12 points and five

boards. Scoring four each was Chloe Butterbrodt and Rishell Galbraith. Nellie Rieke added three points, with Kayla Kodat and Rylee Farris each making a basket.

The Lady Trojans are 12-12 overall.

GSW PANTHERS BASKETBALL

**Friday, February 1
GSW vs. Beecher
Varsity -**

The GSW Panthers are 17-8 following a big 45-42 victory over Beecher on February 1.

“We had to fight for 32 minutes tonight,” commented Coach Wills afterward. “Both teams fought their tails off.”

Despite the Panthers lacking in rebounding and free throw shooting, they were able to hold off the Bobcats.

Nathan Wozniak led with 14 points, three rebounds, two assists, and a steal. Chris Bexson had 12 points, including two in the clutch at the end, to go with three rebounds, three assists, and two steals. Connor Steichen put up six points, two boards, an assist, and a steal. Nate Wise (10 rebounds, 2 assists, 2 steals) and Jaylon Sims (4 rebounds) provided four points each.

SENECA FIGHTING IRISH

**Friday, February 1
Seneca vs. DePue
Varsity -**

The Irish got a 63-54 win over DePue February 1.

Sam Grushkin led all scorers with 19 points, while Connor Greve and Brody Baudino each scored ten each. Nate Ambrust had nine points, with Owen Barnett scoring seven. Cody Carey contributed six points. Riley Punke made a bucket.

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FOUR DWIGHT TROJANS ARE HEADED TO SECTIONALS following their qualifying action in the 1A regional held in Seneca on Saturday. Pictured, from left, are Daniel Gutierrez, Dillon Sarff, Cameron Klingler, and Cade Enerson.



DTHS TROJANS BASKETBALL

Dwight vs. GSW JV -
The JV Trojans topped the Panthers of Gardner-South Wilmington by a score of 51-39.
Leading scorer for Dwight was Brandon Ceylor with 17, followed by ten from Abe Rieke. Caden Schroeder and Andrew Harsh each chipped in six points.
Friday, February 1 Dwight vs. Watseka Varsity - SVC Tourn.
The Dwight Trojans got a huge upset over the SVC Tournament's #2-seed, Watseka, 44-40, on February 1.
Lane Thompson had a

team-high 14 points, followed by 11 from Logan Graham, who connected on three threes. Cal Schultz followed with six points, while Dakota Wahl and Dane Rodosky each put in four points. Colton Holm hit a three, with Brandon Ceylor hitting a bucket.
Saturday, February 2 Dwight vs. PBL Varsity - SVC Tourn.
Dwight played one of its best games of the season on Saturday, but fell in the Sangamon Valley Conference Tourney to PBL, 57-52.
Dakota Wahl led all scorers with 17 points. Colton Holm had 13 points, including three treys. Logan

Graham added two three-pointers, while Cal Schultz was good for five points. Dane Rodosky and Lane Thompson each scored four points, with Brandon Ceylor nailing a three.
Dwight vs. Clifton Central Varsity -
In the third place game of the SVC Tournament – and the Trojans' second game of the day – Dwight was dealt a 57-21 loss to the Comets.
Dakota Wahl hit for six points, including a trifecta, followed by five each from Tyler Masching and Bryson Connor. Logan Graham made a three, with Brandon Ceylor contributing two free throws.

4 Trojan Wrestlers Advance to IHSA Sectional Feb. 8

Saturday, February 2 Dwight at 1A Regional
The Dwight Trojans competed at the IHSA 1A regional in Seneca February 2, and after some entertaining and grueling bouts – four Trojans fought their way through one of the toughest regionals in the state to qualify for sectional action.
Both Daniel Gutierrez and Cade Enerson finished second in their respective weight class, and will move on to sectionals.
Cameron Klingler and Dillon Sarff each earned a first round bye at sectionals for finishing as the regional champion for their weight class.
All four Dwight wrestlers will be competing at the Pontiac 1A sectional Friday, February 8, with wrestling beginning at 4:30 p.m. at Pontiac High School.



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At the Churches

DWIGHT
Dwight United Methodist Church
701 S. Columbia
584-3420 church
Dwightumc.org
Pastor: Michael Ebersohl
• FEB. 6: Kids Klub/Real Kids, 2 p.m.; Handbell Choir, 5:30 p.m.; Kids Klub Meet, Greet & Eat, 6:30 p.m.; Choir rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.; Real & Ignite, 7 p.m.
• FEB. 7: Scouts #4877, 5 p.m.; Praise Band rehearsal, 5:30 p.m.
• FEB. 9: Men's Bible Study at Rte. 66, Dwight, and Cafe 110, Odell, 7 a.m.; AA meeting, 9 a.m.
• FEB. 10: Early Worship, 8 a.m.; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Praise Band Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m.; Late Worship, 10:30 a.m.
• FEB. 11: Pre-School Screening setup, 3:30 p.m.; Bible Warriors Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.
• FEB. 12: Pre-School Screening, 7 a.m.; Hens Bible Study, 8:30 a.m.
• FEB. 13: UMW meeting, 8:30 a.m.; Kids Klub/Real Kids, 2 p.m.; Handbell Choir, 5:30 p.m.; Choir rehearsal, 6:30 p.m.; Real & Ignite, 7 p.m.
Emmanuel Lutheran Church
325 E. Mazon Ave.
584-3433 church
584-1291 fax
Rev. John F. Mueller, Pastor
• FEB. 6: 4 p.m. - 5:15 p.m., Midweek Classes; 4:45 p.m., Handbells; 5:45 p.m., Choir; 7 p.m., Midweek Service.
• FEB. 7: 6:30 p.m., Parish Council meeting.
• FEB. 10: 9 a.m., Sunday School/Bible Class; 10 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion.
• FEB. 12: Preschool screening in Dwight, birth to 5 years of age. Call 815-584-6278 for appointment.
• FEB. 13: 4:00 - 5:15 p.m., Midweek Classes; 4:45 p.m., Handbells; 5:45 p.m., Choir; 7 p.m., Midweek Service.

Pontiac; 8 p.m., AA
• FEB. 10: 9:15 a.m., Fellowship Breakfast; 9:30 a.m., Faith Development for all ages; 10:30 a.m., Worship/HC; 2 p.m., Heritage Health; 3 - 5 p.m., Parish Council at American LC in Gibson City; 4 - 6 p.m., Confirmation at Gibson City.
• FEB. 12: 7 p.m., Church Council; 4 - 6 p.m., Salvation Army and Compassion Ministry.
• FEB. 15: 9:30 a.m., Bible Study at Cheryl Hudelson's in Pontiac; 8 p.m., AA
Trinity Lutheran Church "Goodfarm" LCMS
515 E. Stonewall Rd.
Rev. William Mitschke
815-725-1341
• Holy Communion first and third Sundays.
BONFIELD
Grand Prairie United Methodist Church
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• 10:30 a.m., Sunday Worship.
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World Day of Prayer, March 1 at 10 a.m.

EMINGTON
Emington Congregational United Church of Christ
103 Division Street
Rev. Grant Speece
• FEB. 10: Worship, 8:45 a.m.
Department meetings after church service.
• FEB. 17: Council meeting, 8 a.m.
February Food Pantry Collection: Pasta Sauces (Tomato, Alfredo, etc.)
March "Mission of the Month" – One Great Hour of Sharing/OGHS

ESSEX
Essex United Methodist Church
114 Waverly St.
• SUNDAY, 9 a.m., Children Sunday School; 9:30 a.m., Adult Bible Study; 10:30 a.m., Sunday Service. Services led by Lay Servants Terry Goodwin and Linda Michel.
GARDNER
Church of Hope Presbyterian Church (USA)
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815-237-8312
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United Lutheran Church ELCA
309 E. Jefferson St.
815-237-2227
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815-426-2262
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• Services with Holy Communion:
Saturdays, 5 p.m.
Sundays: 8:30 a.m.

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Sunday Service, 11 a.m.

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church
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• Saturday Mass, 5 p.m.
• Sunday Mass, 10:30 a.m.
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• Saturday confessions, 4:15 p.m.

First Baptist Church
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Pastor Dan Woodward
• FEB. 6: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.
• FEB. 10: Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.
• FEB. 13: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.
First Congregational United Church of Christ
200 W. Delaware St.
584-1260 church
Rev. Grant Speece
• FEB. 10: Worship, 10:30 a.m.
Guest Speaker: Rev. Eric Quinney-Burnard.
Holy Scripture Readings:
Isaiah 6: 1-13
1 Corinthians 15: 1-11
Luke 5: 1-11
• FEB. 13: Women's Guild meeting, 7 p.m.
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New Life Assembly of God
903 S. Old Route 66
Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor
815-584-3430
• FEB. 6: 7 p.m., Picking up the Mantel Study.
• FEB. 7: 7 p.m., Worship practice.
• FEB. 10: 9 a.m., The Good Way Study; 10 a.m., Main Service; Kid's Church and Nursery; 12 noon, Yearly Business meeting and carry-in lunch; 5 p.m., X-treme Youth Group.
• FEB. 12: 7 p.m., Stampin' Up Group.
• FEB. 13: 7 p.m., Puzzle of Ancient Man Study; Wise Ways to Think of Money.
• FEB. 14: 7 p.m., Worship practice.
St. Patrick Catholic Church
Mazon Ave. at Prairie
815-584-3522 Office
Father Chris Haake, Pastor
• FEB. 9: 9 a.m. - 10 a.m., Reconciliation; 4:30 p.m., Mass.
• FEB. 10: 10:30 a.m., Mass.
St. Peter's Lutheran Church
326 W. Chippewa St.
815-584-1199
Pastor Chrissy Salser
email:chrissytherev@att.net
• FEB. 6: 2 p.m., bingo at Heritage Health.
• FEB. 8: 9:30 a.m., Bible Study at Cheryl Hudelson's in



DGS LADY REDBIRDS VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, January 24 Dwight vs. Pontiac 8th Grade -
The eighth grade Lady Redbirds lost 25-20, 25-16 to Pontiac January 24 – dropping to 0-3 overall.
Cheyanne Congreay led with 19 points, including seven aces. Erin Anderson (2 aces, 2 kills, 1 dig) and Hailey Heath (2 aces, 3 kills, 1 block, 1 dig) each had four points. Kira Bean added three points, with two aces and two digs. Emelia Eitenmiller put up two points. Mikalah Bregin chipped in with one ace, with Maya Green adding one kill.

Friday, February 1 Dwight vs. Peotone 6th Grade - Gardner Tournament
The sixth grade Lady Redbirds defeated Peotone 25-18, 20-25, 15-8 in volleyball action February 1 during the Gardner Tournament.
Leah Larson led with ten points, including two aces, while Brynn Connor followed with nine points, with two aces and a kill. Ella Legner added seven points, with Kiah Handzus (1 ace) and Maci Johnson (3 aces) providing five points each. Samantha Harsh had four points, including two aces.

Saturday, February 2 Dwight vs. St. Mary's 6th Grade - Gardner Tournament
Dwight suffered a 3-25, 23-25 loss to St. Mary's in Gardner Tournament play February 2.
Leah Larson had nine points, with two aces, to lead the Lady Redbirds. Kiah Handzus had three points, with Samantha Harsh chipping in one point.

Dwight vs. GSWB 6th Grade - Gardner Tournament
In a match-up with the hosts from GSWB, the Lady Redbirds came from behind

to get a 19-25, 25-16, 15-8 victory over the Lady Panthers – good enough for third place in the tournament.
Maci Johnson led the team with 12 points, including two aces. Brynn Connor (2 aces, 3 kills) and Samantha Harsh (1 ace) each scored six points. Leah Larson contributed five points, with one ace, while Ella Legner put up four points, including an ace. Kiah Handzus came up with three points and one kill in the win.
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 Group, Wednesdays, 6
 p.m.

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 ing 8:30 a.m. Mass.

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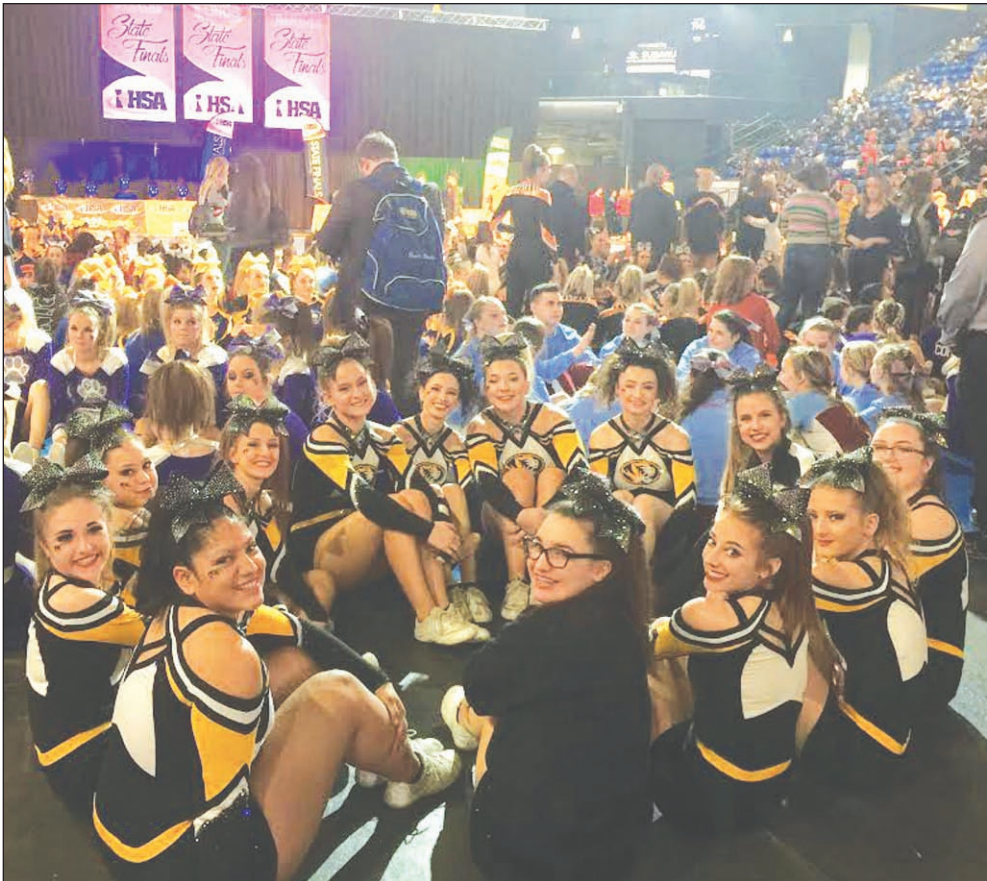
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DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL’S cheerleading team finished second at the Illinois High School Association’s state finals on February 2 in Bloomington.
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