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# 'Early Retirement' for Area's 2 Nuclear Plants?

Exelon Files to Close Braidwood, Dresden

By Rachael Reynolds-Soucie rachaelthepaper@gmail.com

Exelon may close three of their Illinois plants early -including the Braidwood and Dresden generating stations, according to a February filing with the Securities & Exchange Commission.

Now State Senator Sue Rezin, R-Morris, and State Representative David Allen Welter, R-Morris, want to meet with Exelon to discuss any closures, which would threaten hundreds of highpaying jobs and the region's energy infrastructure.

Exelon also filed with the SEC to close the Byron plant southwest of Rockford.

"The news of a potential shutdown of two of our nuclear power plants is extremely concerning to me and no doubt to the individuals and families who would be directly impacted," said Sen. Rezin in a press release. "Not only do these facilities stimulate Illinois' labor income and employment, but they also provide huge amounts to the local property tax base.'

Together, the Braidwood and Dresden plants produce 4,189 megawatts of energy, enough to power more than 4 million homes. They also contribute \$51.3 million in annual taxes for schools, roads and other public services in Grundy, Kankakee

and Will counties. All three plants licensed through the 2040s, but Braidwood and Dresden have power commitments through 2021, the earliest they could close, according to the release.

Just two years ago Illinois legislators gave Exelon a multibillion-dollar incentive package to keep its nuclear plants open in the Quad Cities and Clinton, Welter pointed out.

In the SEC filing, Exelon stated increased signs of economic distress at Braidwood, Dresden and Byron plants could lead to an early retirement "in a market that does not currently compensate them for their unique contribution to grid resiliency and their ability to produce large amounts of energy without carbon and air pollution."

# Klingler Brings Home 5th Place at State for Trojan Wrestling



FOUR DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL wrestlers competed for the first time in the Trojan wrestling program's history at the 2019 IHSA State Finals in Champaign on Saturday. They earned a total of eight wins between them, led by senior Cameron Klingler, above right, who won four matches to a fifth-place medal and a trip to the Championship podium for the 170 lb. weight class. Read more on Page 9, and turn to Page 16 to find out about the Dwight Redbirds basketball team claiming fourth at state.

Photo/J7 Photography

# **Economic Alliance Auction Saturday**

By Rachael Reynolds-Soucie rachaelthepaper@gmail.com

The Dwight Economic Alliance is anticipating a packed house at its 5th annual dinner auction.

Destiny Connor, who has chaired the event for four years, said all but 20 tickets had been sold for the dinner, scheduled 5 p.m. Saturday, February 23 in Station 343's new banquet room in Dwight. Tickets are \$40 and include dinner.

There will be plenty to bid on. There is an 8x10 autographed photo of country music star Chris Janson; skybox tickets for Chicago Bulls and Blackhawks; an original \$20 bill from First National Bank; and seven days accommodation in County Cork, which lies on the southern coast of Ireland.

Another unique experience is an hour-long private tour of George Washington's Mount Vernon by Tom Smith, who grew up in Dwight and is the senior history interpreter for the historic estate.

The silent auction has more than 100 items, and the live auction about a dozen, Connor said.

The dinner auction is the DEA's largest fundraiser. It not only raises money for the DEA, but also a special cause each year. The Paper requested information about how much has been raised during previous auctions, but did not get an answer from Deb Karch, director of Economic Development.

She did say that the primary goal and focus of of the dinner auction is the Fund A Need program. Last year, \$46,000 was raised to get a new K-9 dog, Spyke. This year, funds are being raised to buy the Dwight Fire Protection District new extrication equipment.

Chief Paul Johnson said new "jaws of life" are needed to replace the 20year-old pair they currently use. They are currently working with gas-driven models that have a 100-foot hose, and require about \$2,000 in maintenance each year on the generator and hydraulics.

New battery-operated equipment will cost about \$15,000 for a "cutter" and "spreader," Johnson said. Cordless models are stronger, lighter and



A killer whale wood carving by Tom Heinrich, of Dwight, is among the items up for auction Saturday at the Dwight Economic Alliance dinner at Station 343.

faster when every second counts. They can be used in fires to open doors to houses and businesses and in building collapses. And because there are no hoses to deploy or pumps to turn on, firefighters have the flexibility to go into fields and embankments or other hard-to-reach places where victims need help. In a practice run, the new cordless model shaved seven minutes off an extrication that typically takes 20.

"They are unbelievable," Johnson said.

Tickets may still be available. For information or to reserve a spot, call the DEA at 815-584-1830. The DEA has one full-time position, Karch, and one part-time position, Jane Anderson, coordinator of economic development. They are governed by a board of nine volunteer members. Memberships range from \$100 to \$4,000, according to its website.

# <u>Commentary</u>

# The Paper: 20 years . . . and counting

That was a fast 20!

It was in February of 1999 when the newspaper you are reading began its existence in Dwight due to the persistence of Mark and Mary Boma.

Last week The Paper celebrated its two decades of weekly publication . . . some 1,040 editions.

The Paper was originally composed each week on the second floor of the Keeley building. That location provided good exercise, but some of us who spent time there were pleased that Mark and Mary soon moved The Paper operation into larger quarters on the ground floor at 204 E. Chippewa, which became available when another newspaper, the Dwight Star & Herald, quit publishing around the turn of the century.

The Paper caught on, being sent free to some 10,000 mailboxes in Dwight and in 20 surrounding communities. **Each Monday, news** and ads that funnel into *The Paper* 

during the previous week are transformed into pages of headlines, text, photos and advertisements — it's an exercise in jigsaw puzzling using words and pictures and spaces.

Those pages become printed and folded newspapers after being transmitted electronically every Monday evening to faraway presses. 10,000 papers are trucked back to Dwight early Tuesday morning where they undergo a mailing process and then are sent on a final journey to local and surrounding post offices for Wednesday delivery to residents and businesses.

None of this would happen without the teamwork of

Marcia, Vanesa, Rachael, Dan, Barbara, Madelyn, photos by J7 and Shayla, Ein, Aaron, Caleb, Louise, Tom, publishers Mark and Mary of course, and the support of many news contributors from Dwight and surrounding communities.

Dwight and its environs need a local newspaper. We trust The Paper will continue to be a vehicle that offers not only a communication service to the thousands who receive it, but a publication that stimulates orderly discussion and development in all of the communities in which it circulates.

Readers are welcome to share their thoughts. Thank you all for your support of The Paper through the

past and future years.

-- Tom Tock



# FOR THE RECORD

### **Tickets Issued** by Dwight Police

February 8: Noah E. Paraday, 20, Clifton, driving under influence of drug; Fritz Jose E. Chandler, 43, Hinsdale, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

February 9: Christina M. Mitsdarfer, 45, Bonfield, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Ronald J. Hill, 76, Grand Ridge, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

February 10: Mya E. Nelson, 21, Streator, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

February 11: Claire C. Mikrut, 22, Manteno, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

February 12: Louis G. Scarlati, 24, Downers Grove, disorderly conduct: Samantha J. DeWitt, 22, Dwight, regis. plate/decal/3+ subq, 1 year; Dayton William T. Coyle, 22, Marseilles, expiration of registration.

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

> 3 Written Warnings Speeding -3.

### **Dwight Police Blotter**

February 8: 8:01 a.m., Dwight Police were dispatched to the 400 block of W. South St. The property owner advised two doors on a rental property had been damaged, as well as other areas inside the residence. The owner told DPD they had recently evicted former tenants.; 1:51 p.m., Dwight police were flagged down by the driver of another vehicle. The driver advised he believed a subject driving a black Ford, east on Rt. 17, may be impaired. Dwight Police arrested Noah Paraday, 20, of Clifton, for suspicion of DUI drugs. Paraday was processed, given a court date, and posted bond.

February 12: 3:03 p.m., Dwight Police were notified by a business owner in the 100 block of S. Old Rt. 66 of an unruly solicitor. Arrested was Louis Scarlati, 23, of Downers Grove, for disorderly conduct. Scarlati was given a court date and post-



### Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

February 7: 5:49 p.m., Chippewa, unfounded, no pt.

February 8: 4:50 a.m., James, medical, refusal; 2:32 p.m., South, trauma, refusal; 4:01 p.m., I-55 North, trauma, refusal, mutual aid to Gardner; 4:01 p.m., I-55 North, trauma, Morris.

February 9: 9:05 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, no transport; 10:41 a.m., Julie, trauma, refusal; 12:53 p.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 2:24 p.m., Chicago, trauma, Pontiac.

February 10: 10:45 a.m., Union, medical, Morris; 4:18 p.m., I-55, MVC, returned, mutual aid to Gardner; 12:05 p.m., Mazon, medical, Morris; 8:24 p.m., Prairie, standby, no pt.

February 11: 12:20 p.m., Spencer, medical, cancelled; 5:23 p.m., Mazon, medical, Morris.

February 12: 8:29 a.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 10:11 a.m., I-55, fuel spill; 10:42 a.m., Julie Dr., medical, St. James; 6:56 p.m., I-55, fuel spill.

February 13: 7:16 a.m., Rt. 17, trauma, St. James; 1:19 p.m., Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; 2:04 p.m., Union, trauma, Morris, mutual aid from DFD; 2:30 p.m., Mazon, medical, Pontiac, mutual aid from DFD; 6:13 p.m., William, medical, Pontiac; 6:41 p.m., Seminole, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner.

February 14: 9:45 a.m., Old Mazon Rd., medical, no

# AMPRITURE DAMINETER

**Photo/Dwight Fire Protection District** 

# No Injuries in Press Fire at LSC Communications

One of the presses accidentally overheated and caused a fire Saturday night at LSC Communications in Dwight, said Deputy Fire Chief Justin Dyer.

There were no injuries and everyone in the building had evacuated by the time Dwight Fire Protection arrived on the scene around 7 p.m. They found a large, two-level printing press in flames with fire venting through the roof on the south side of the building. The sprinkler system was activated when crews arrived and they were able to contain the fire

to the press units and roof area in about 20 minutes, Dyer said. They were on the scene for less than two hours.

The exact cause of the fire was not known at presstime but an initial investigation ruled out foul play. Estimated loss is also unknown. A call to plant manager Earl McCoy for more information was not returned.

Dwight was assisted by the Gardner, Odell, Mazon, Pontiac, Limestone and Emington-Campus fire departments and Dwight EMS and Duffy Ambulance.

# **Dwight Man** Gets 5 Years for Dealing Crack

On February 14, a Livingston County judge sentenced Josh M. Newell, 26, of Dwight, to five years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Newell pled guilty after being arrested back in January of 2018, to the charge of Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance with Intent to deliver (crack cocaine).

Newell also pled guilty to the charge of Domestic Battery, after being arrested

# 2 Arrested On Cocaine Charges

On February 10, the Dwight Narcotics Unit, along with the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit, conducted a narcotics investigation that resulted in a search warrant at the residence of 409 E. Delaware St. in Dwight.

During the search, police seized numerous items with cocaine, crack cocaine manufacturing items, baggies used for the sale of cocaine, electronic scales, and other drug

paraphernalia. As a result of the items seized, Cheryl L.

Dewey, 51, of Dwight, and Billy D. Alltop, 66, of Dwight, were both arrested and charged with felony drug charges. Both were transported to the Livingston Co. Jail to await a bond hearing from a judge.

**House Passes** 

Minimum Wage

**Increase** 

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# transport.

**Dwight Permits Issued** 

Kempton Fire Department

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Saturday, February 23

12/10/18 - Mary Ann cial Electrical. Sorenson, 112 W. Seminole Street, Electrical; Love's Travel Stop, 12 W. Northbrook Drive, Commer-

12/19/18 – Love's Travel Stop, 12 W. Northbrook Drive, Commercial Electriagain in February of 2018.

# January Video Gaming

Funds In Funds Out NTI\*

10,963

31,290

76,845

45,945

49,797

42,897

8,379

9,546

47,896

465,737

17,858

32,834

50,692

\*The State of Illinois and Villages receive a total of 30%

of the Net Terminal Income monthly (State 25%, Village 5%).

Of the remaining 70%, Scientific Games receives 0.7275% of

the NTI as compensation for building and maintaining the

Central Communications System, which is monitored by the

Illinois Gaming Board. The remaining income is divided

equally between the terminal operator and location.

by TomTock

Video gaming in Dwight during January took another hit from the previous month's funds gambled, dropping some \$30,000 from December's total of \$634,257.

December, in turn, was down almost \$33,000 from the amount gambled in of 25 locations. November.

Aly Anne's \$52,070 38,480

36,635

95,937

61,750

61,435

54,139

10,252

11,345

<u>66,101</u>

24,253

42,172

\$66,425

**Gardner's January VGTs** 

Funds In Funds Out

Gambling problem? Call 1-800 GAMBLER.

139,664 103,696

Cherry Red's 14,174

**TOTALS:** \$603,502

JT's Saloon

Lila Mae's

Vic. Lanes

Virbapa

Willy's

Marks (4)

TA Op. (5)

**TOTALS** 

Love's

Mac's

Pete's

VFW

One more gaming termiinal was added in December at the Veterans of Foreign Wars, raising Dwight's total to 49 machines.

Statewide, there w video gaming m added during Januar new total of 30,845 establishments, an

Dwight results be

3,397

802

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4,772

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NTI\* State Gardner

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<u>2,334</u>

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151	which would raise the
were 151	statewide minimum wage
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<b>Dwight</b>	new structure, Illinois would
_	have the highest minimum
679	wage in the Midwest and
160	would be tied with
267	California and New York for
954	the highest in the nation.

106th District Representative Tom Bennett stated, "After a great many conversations with residents of the 106th district in the last few weeks, as well as many calls and e-mails, I decided to oppose this legislation. Local businesses expressed their concerns that this law would make it necessary for them to either raise their prices or lay off employees, or both.

"It would be especially harmful to family farmers, already struggling with high expenses, who cannot raise their prices to produce extra funds. Our already financially-stretched local governments and school districts will also be impacted by this legislation."

said he will sign the legisla-

Governor Pritzker has

# *Temps - 2019*

Feb. 7 – high 39°, low 5° trace snow Feb. 8 – high 15°, low 5° Feb. 9 – high 25°, low 5° Feb. 10 – high 27°, low 22°

1" snow Feb. 11 – high 32°, low 26° .62" freezing rain

Feb. 12 – high 32°, low 11° trace snow

Feb. 13 – high 35°, low 11° One Year Ago-Feb. 20, 2018 high 65°, low 28° 1.25" precip.



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# The Right Insurance Can Meet Both Short- and Long-term Needs

If you're going to achieve your important financial goals, you'll need to build an appropriate investment portfolio. But that's only part of the story - because you also need to protect what you have, what you earn and what you'd like to leave behind. That's why it's a good idea to become familiar with the various types of insurance.

For starters, consider life insurance. You may have important long-term goals, and may be able to fulfill some of these through the death benefit on your policy.

You can also purchase life insurance to help fill the gap between the amounts you have saved and what your family would need if you died unexpectedly. Insurance can pay for liabilities, education expenses and final expenses associated with your passing.

Next, consider disability insurance. If you were injured or became ill and couldn't work for a while, the loss of income could be a big problem for your family members. Your employer might offer short-term disability insurance, and that could be enough. To protect your income if you were out of work for an extended period, you might need to supplement your employer's coverage with your own long-term disability policy. Long-term disability insurance, may pay you for a designated time period or until your reach a certain age, such as 65. Longterm disability insurance likely won't replace your entire income, but it can go a long way toward helping you stay "above water" until you recover.

You may also want to think about long-term care insurance. Despite its name, a long-term care policy could meet either short- or long-term needs. On the short-term end, you might need the services of a home health care aide. On the other end of the long-term care scale, you might someday need an extensive stay in a nursing home, which isn't typically covered by Medicare. You might be able to benefit from a long-term care insurance policy, or possibly a long-term care rider attached to a life insurance policy. And the earlier you take action,

This list of insurance policies should give you an idea of just how important the right insurance coverage can be for you - at almost any stage of your life.

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DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS dressed to the nines for winter ball this past weekend. Meet the court: Front row, from left, sophomore Faith McInerney; future queen and king Olivia Turner and Brady Marques; freshman Rachel Heath; and junior Addison Bean. Back row, from left, are seniors Cassie Holmes and Tim Western; sophomore Lucas Kisner; queen Kat Harms and king Hunter Sulaica; seniors Max Bean and Rishell Galbraith; and junior Payton Sulaica.

Photo/Shayla Loring Photography

March 2, 23 and 30

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TUESDAY April 2 -- 6

a.m.-7 p.m. through April 2

Additional election infor-

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www.livingstoncountyil.gov

Smythe (815-842-9318)

Clerk,"

(Grace registration only)

# Candidates Slated for April 2 Election

On April 2, voters in the consolidated election will elect officials of school boards, municipalities, park districts and villages. Here is a look at our local races.

Dwight Village Trustee incumbents Randall Irvin and Marla Kinkade face challengers Gloria Piccioli, Charles Butterbrodt and Bernie Baldauf.

Dwight Common School Board has one incumbent, Cathy Ferguson, running unopposed for a two-year term. For a four-year term, nonpartisan newcomers Eric Scheuer and Mark Christenson face off against incumbents Marc Ellis, Michael Cornale Eugene Mortensen.

In the Dwight Township High School District, Betty Gantzert runs unopposed for a two-year term. Four-yearterms at the high school have incumbents Paul Warner and Kevin Berta running unopposed.

Cullom village trustee: Newcomers seeking a fourvear term include Richard Brad Wallrich, Lindsey Pickman and Carl Krause III (all Independent). Jeff Meister is unopposed for a two-year term.

Odell's acting mayor Brian "Bubba" Mills is running unopposed for a twoyear term. Incumbent village

**Free Food** 

to be **Distributed** 

February 27

holds in Dwight Township

Gothic Church, 201 N.

the Dwight Ministerial Asso-

The pantry is provided by

Franklin, Dwight.

Free food will be distributed to qualifying houseIndependents. Saunemin School District 438 Board of Education has Helen Brown, Mary Ludwig and William Stevenson running. In Herscher, four nonpar-

Rodney Morris and Thomas

Grade School District 435,

Jacob Negray, Kimberly

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tisan candidates are on the ballot. Incumbents Sally A. Sullivan, David M. Emling and Jason W. Hastings are being challenged by Jacqueline Reick.

In the race for Tri-Point board of education, nonpartisan incumbents Theodore W. Conkling, Kristine Haag and Sharon Mogged stand unopposed for another fouryear term.

EARLY VOTING

Early voting, vote by mail, and grace registration will be conducted prior to the April 2 election at the

trustee Brian Verdun faces Livingston County Clerk's office, 112 W. Madison St. in Pontiac.

> What is early voting? Early voting ends April 1. This process allows any registered voter in Livingston County to use the above location to cast their ballot prior to election day. Early voters must be registered Livingston County voters. No excuse or reason is necessary to apply.

Vote by mail continues through March 28. A person may request a vote by mail ballot by USPS no later than March 28 without specifying a reason. In order to be counted the ballot must be postmarked by midnight or returned in person by 7 p.m. to the County Clerk's Office on April 2.

Grace registration and voting begins March 6 and continues through April 2. This is for new registrants and those who have transferred or moved and did not update their voter registration before March 5. Voting takes place at the same time registration is made in the county clerk's office.

Early voting hours are: MONDAY-FRIDAY -- 8 a.m.-4 p.m. through April 1. WEDNESDAY -- 8 a.m.-6 p.m. through March 20 SATURDAY -- 9 a.m.-noon

# Junk In The Trunk Event in Morris April 28

Due to Easter being on April 21, the Junk In The Trunk event in Morris, located at 100 Commercial Drive, is scheduled for Sunday, April 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Setup time is set for 8:30 a.m.

The events will be held on the third Sundays of the Wednesday, February 27, at remainder of the year, on the following dates: May 19, June 1:00 p.m. at the Pioneer 16, July 21, August 18, September 15, and October 20.

> The September JITT at Honest Abe's Restaurant has not been verified. This is the Saturday of the Grundy County Corn Festival.

Contact Ken Willis at 815-942-2032 or willis 824@ ciation and Dwight Town- comcast.net.

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# **Basic Severe Weather Spotter Program** in Coal City April 1

Basic The Weather Spotter Program was created by the National Weather Service (NWS) to improve warning services, as they need real-time reports of hail size, wind damage, flash flooding, heavy rain, tornadoes, and waterspouts to effectively warn the public of inclement weather.

Even as new technology allows the NWS to issue warnings with more lead time, spotters will always be needed as links between radar indications of severe weather and ground truth.

Storm Spotter volunteers serve as severe weather spotters for the NWS and local

Severe emergency management programs, and generally have two things in common - an interest in the weather and a desire to serve their community.

This two-hour program, taking place in the Auditorium of Coal City High School, 655 W. Division St., Monday, April 1, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., is presented by the National Weather Service. Grundy County residents will be able to obtain preparedness information before and after the event.

Download the free app for Grundy Co. EMA in the Apple or Google Play stores.

# Mobile Food Pantry in South Wilmington Feb. 25

On Monday, February 25, at 4:00 p.m., Catholic Charities' Mobile Food Pantry will be distributing food at St. Lawrence Church, 135 Rice Rd. in South Wilmington, in the church parking lot (snow, rain, or shine).

Catholic Charities and the Northern Illinois Food Bank have partnered to deliver nutritious food (meat, produce, and nonperishable items) to people in need.

Participants are asked to take bags, laundry baskets, or boxes to transport food and grocery products to their vehicles. Shopping carts will be available. A representative from Catholic Charities will be available at this event to explain additional services provided by the agency.

You do not have to be Catholic to participate. For more information about Catholic Charities, visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org.

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# Alpha Beta Chapter Learns **About Local Sustainable Farming**

by Carol Hughes, Roanoke

On February 9, Alpha Beta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met at the Chenoa Family Restaurant.

Local farmer Marty Travis explained how the Spence Farm, the oldest farm in Livingston County, is now a sustainable farm that produces many types of vegetables and food products. Along with 25 other small farms, Spence Farm provides food for chefs in Chicago suburbs and other restaurants in the Peoria area. Millions of dollars have been brought back into Livingston Co. because of the food products produced on these smaller farms. Travis said that their sustainable farming is "not about competition but cooperation," and they have formed a wonderful relationship with the chefs who purchase from them.

President Nancy Wier (Eureka) shared a note requesting Alpha Beta's further support of the Mom and Me Camp project by donating picture books that would be available in Lincoln and Correctional Centers when children visit their mothers. Wier also shared that member Amy Van Fleet (Chenoa) received a check for \$500 from the DKG International Emer- credentials, and perform gency Fund because of the fire caused by a winter storm at her home.

Communications and Publicity Chair Carol Hughes (Roanoke) encouraged members to attend the Lambda State Convention on April 26-28 at the Decatur Conference Center and Hotel. If a member cannot attend for the weekend, she should consider going on Saturday. Volunteers are needed as greeters, table

hostesses, and conveners. Membership Chair Louann Harms (Fairbury) announced the yearly project awarding four to six grants of \$100 each to early career and non-tenured educators. Members will be distributing the forms in local schools. Deadline for applications is April 1.

Legislation Chair Lou Ann Jacobs (Normal) stated that the Illinois Education Association initiated a bill to repeal the 3% salary limit law that shifts the state's cost of paying for an educator's pensionable earnings to local school districts, institutions of higher education, and local property tax payers. This proposed bill is meant to ease the teacher shortage in Illinois since districts are refusing to reward teachers who earn master's degrees, obtain additional

extracurricular duties like coaching teams.

Barb Baumann (Minonk), Immediate Past President, is seeking volunteers for the chapter table at the convention bazaar which will sell chances on collections of gift cards. She has received some gift cards but still needs more. Baumann also announced that the Creative Arts Retreat will be held June 28-30 at Allerton Park, Monticello.

The next meeting will be held at the Chenoa Family Restaurant at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, March 9. Featured will be a purse auction with a local auctioneer to raise funds for a variety of local, state, and international projects supported by Alpha

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is an organization for key women educators that promotes professional and personal growth and excellence in education. The Society has chapters in 17 countries and serves over 70,000 members by providing grants for educational projects, scholarships, leadership training, mentoring, and global networking opportunities.

For more information, visit www.dkg.org or call Carol Hughes at 309-923-

**Carb Counting** 

ST. PAUL SCHOOL, **ODELL** RECENTLY HELD TWO CONTESTS. The first was the annual school spelling bee, with the sixth grade class dominating - taking all of the top three places. Spelling champion **Emerson Peters of Dwight,** left; second and third place went to Tru Connor, Dwight, and Sam Pugh, Blackstone, respectively. The second was a trivia contest, with teams comprised of students from different grade levels who had to work together to answer questions. These students, who named their team G.O.A.T., took first place in the schoolwide trivia contest. Winners below left to right are Cadence Murphy, Natalie Davis, Caleb Peters, Graham Wolf, and Noah Bennett.



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Taught by a registered dietitian, the class is a basic introduction to carbohydrate counting and provides information on healthful eating about "foods that fit" and how diet impacts blood sugar control.

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

Governor Thomas Ford Chapter met for a regular meeting on a foggy February 4, at the Villas of Holly Brook in Gibson City.

Members wore red in honor of the Go Red campaign for heart health. In addition, the hostesses gave each member a red dress pin and brochure about heart health and a Valentine box of candy – heart shaped and

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area, the members held their opening ritual before being invited to the dining room for lunch.

**Governor Thomas Ford Chapter Meets** 

Reassembling in the theater, Chaplain Martha McGraw led the Welcoming Ceremony for two new members, Gail Anliker and Janice Johnson. Membership Chair Joyce Schmale gave them new

member packets. Regular reports were given by the officers and chairmen. American History Chair Carol George reported via e-Addison Kerchenfaut, sixth grade GCMS, and Erica Harrel,

eighth grade Tri-Point, were chapter and district winners in the American History Essay contest.

Junior American Citizen Chair Pam Bork announced that there were 16 chapter winners in the four categories of the JAC Contest -Poster, Stamp Design, Photo Essay, and Poetry. The winners from CHMS were Kate McCall, Hadley Doman, Emma Roberts, Hayden Tjarks, Steven Morris, Lily Breeden, Tate Jeckel, Natalie Aberle, and Evan Landers Kristensen; from Tri-Point were Frankie Tuttila, Rosmon Prisock, Drake Condon, and Katelyn Poe; and from PBL were

Gavyn Shinker, Lauren Sawyer, and Devani McClatchey.

Sherri Kenner for Project Patriot, Leann Wilcoxen for DAR School, and Lena Nickrent for Service for Veterans all reminded members to continue saving and taking coupons, box tops for education, and cancelled stamps for their respective projects. For Literacy Promotion, Martha McGraw donated ten books about George Washington to be given to second grade classrooms at PBL, GCMS, and

Tri-Point. Joyce Schmale and Sherri Kenner were elected as delegates to the Illinois State Conference to be held in Bloomington April 26-28. Honorary State Regent Pam Bork and Vice Regent Carol Camp are also delegates.

The program "Insignia" was presented by Joyce Schmale, who took a helpful and thorough poster with the dos and don'ts of how and when to wear the official NSDAR insignia and additional pins. She also had a dressmaker form dressed in a suit with the appropriate insignia and pins. In addition, Joyce had taken shadowboxes with several campaign pins from past Presidents General and past state regents.

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# Remote Learning Brings Avenues of Flexibility Along with Concerns

# **Dwight Grade School February BOE Actions**

by Madelyn Fogarty madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

Remote learning, also called e-learning, was one of several topics of discussion when the Dwight Grade School Board of Education met on February 13.

Dwight Public Schools took the chance to utilize some flexibility recently offered by the State of Illinois as it made momentous change to its expectation regarding cancelled school days. The changes come from the Evidence Based Funding for Student Success Act of 2017 where State Education funding moved from being based on daily attendance to student enrollment.

Per the new direction, cancelled school days can be counted without being made up on site provided there is assigned work and learning taking place at home on the cancelled day. With three emergency weather days already on the books and needing to be made up, Dwight schools capitalized on the new opportunity and designated remote learning days for five additional emergency days used when more severe weather set in during late January. School administrators acknowledged that there had been limited time to prepare, but indicated overall feedback was positive. However, concerns were also raised.

"I'm just concerned that, as a tax payer, we are not getting the professional services that our students require from the teachers in this elearning session," said board member Michael Cornale, indicating that he feels emergency remote learning days should be limited in use.

Asking for feedback from the board, Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek proposed the possibility of using Good Friday and Easter Monday this year, currently designated as school holidays, as remote learning days in an effort to eliminate two of the current makeup days which would otherwise extend the end of the school year. Dr. Jancek explained that large summer projects, such as the planned cooling project at Dwight Grade School, could be adversely impacted by prolonging the school year. The suggestion raised concerns including travel plans already in place by some families.

"I want to encourage parents to do the best they possibly can, in the event of an emergency day like we just had, to support their children at home and help them home school," said BOE member Nick Stipanovich. "But to ask them to do this over a break, I wouldn't want to wear out parent's enthusiasm of this idea ."

No action was taken and the concept will be discussed with the DTHS board on February 20 as both districts would need consensus on the matter. Dr. Jancek did note that, due to some pushback, additional changes are expected to be directed by the State regarding the new remote learning / e-learning policy meaning remote learning could look different next year.

In new business, the board discussed a concept to create a permanent teacher substitute position. Dr. Jancek presented the idea to the BOE noting that last year there were only two days without at least one substitute in the school during the 175 student attendance days. 2018-19 year-to-date reflects only four school days without a teacher substitute in the building.

A current substitute teacher at Dwight schools earns \$85 per day with a long term sub earning \$200 per day after ten days. With the cost of a full time permanent teacher substitute suggested at somewhere in the middle, the cost estimate is \$25,200 per year plus benefits for the proposed posi-

The challenge of securing a qualified substitute teacher on a daily basis is among the arguments for hiring a permanent position. While some board members strongly supported the idea, others thought increasing the daily wage is necessary to strengthen and build the current substitute teacher pool and could eliminate any need for a permanent posi-

"One full-time sub puts a bandaid on the issue," said BOE member Joel Funk.

More data around substitute statistics was requested by the BOE and will be provided at the March meeting where more discussion will take place.

In reports to the board, Dr. Jancek informed the BOE of a Public Hearing on February 19 before the Dwight Planning Commission regarding an annexation proposal for a prospective Federal Detention Center. A status update was also given by Dr. Jancek on repairs taking place regarding a building issue that occurred over winter break when wind damage to the roof resulted in extensive water damage

inside the building's southwest wing from rain. It was also reported that the Special Ed Co-op, having outgrown its current location in Pontiac, is considering the purchase of a property in Flanagan.

In other reports, Principal Mr. Brandon Owens recognized the PTO for purchasing new indoor recess equipment for the K-4 students.

Assistant Principal Mrs. Julie Schultz noted that two PBIS events will be happening on February 21 and 22. Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports is a set of ideas and tools that schools use to improve the behavior of students. Classrooms that have earned the positive behavior incentive for the 2nd trimester will be bowling at Victory Lanes. The cost of bowling is covered by the PBIS committee. Also, students K-3 will have the opportunity to spend their Redbird bucks earned for positive behavior while raffles will be held for

grades 4-8. The BOE also:

- amended the 2018-19 Teacher Seniority List to include the school's social worker.
- approved payment of bills as presented.
- discussed board policy 5:60 with regard to travel expenses.
- approved a "Resolution expressing official intent regarding certain capital expenditures to be reimbursed from proceeds of an obligation to be issued by the District" (re: air conditioning project).
- approved selection of First Midstate Inc. to issue p.m. - Preparing for a Job District's General Obligation Bonds.

The next meeting of the reserve a spot. Funded by the Dwight Grade School Board Grundy Livingston Kankaof Education will be 6 p.m. kee Workforce Board.

# **Voter Registration** Deadline for Livingston Co. **Consolidated Election is March 5**

The in-person and mailin registration deadline for the April 2 Livingston Consolidated County Election is Tuesday, March 5, which includes new registrations as well as changes of address or name.

Livingston County Clerk Kristy Masching will have her office open Saturday, March 2, from 9:00 a.m. to noon, for in-person voter registration.

In order to register to vote: You must be a U.S. citizen; must have been a resident of the precinct at least 30 days prior to Election Day and at least 18 by

### Election Day. Know the facts about voter registration:

- All voters must be registered to the correct physical address before casting a ballot (this includes changing apartments in the same building).
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### sites. To register to vote or update your address or name online through Sunday, March 17:

- Must have a driver's license or state ID with current address.
- Go to www.elections.il.gov · Click the "Voter" icon at the top of the page.
- To begin, click "Online Voter Registration" and follow the instructions.

• When completed, the

Illinois State Board of Elections will electronically submit your application to the County Clerk's office.

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Day. Avoid Election Day Lines with Vote by Mail, available February 21-

- March 28: Go to www.livingstoncounty .il.gov
- · Click on the following tabs: County Services, County Clerk, Elections, Emailable Vote by Mail Ballot Application Request form.
- Ballots will mail out beginning February 21.

The County Clerk's office is located at the Historic Courthouse at 112 W. Madison St. in Pontiac. For further details, contact Kristy Masching at 815-842-9313 or Elections Deputy Gail Smythe at 815-842-9318. Visit their website for sample ballots and additional election information and forms.

# Monday, Feb. 25 @ 7:00 p.m. Ruby Lu's Pub, Odell

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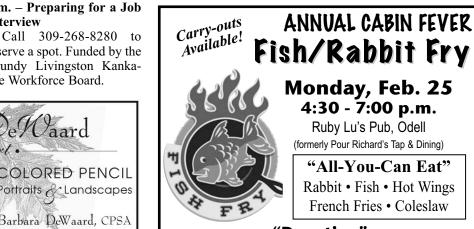


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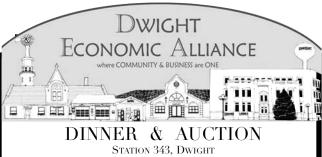
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The event is "All You Can Eat," and tickets may be purchased at the door. Carryouts will be available.

A Big R gift card raffle will be held, with tickets available at Odell Bank, Odell Food Mart, Ruby Lu's Pub, Rentz's Tap, and from members. Tickets will also be available at the door. The first name drawn will win a

gift card valued at \$500.00, with the second name drawn winning a card valued at \$300.00. Winners do not need to be present to win. More prizes will be added.

The club members will also host a 50/50 raffle, with proceeds from the event going toward the support of scholarship programs, the annual Kid's Fishing Derby. NWTF Wheelin' Sportsmen program, and monetary donations to local organizations.

For more information, contact secretary Bonnie Bolen via e-mail at doubleb 10@frontier.com.

# 'Herscher Style' **BBQ** Chicken Dinner March 2

The Herscher United Community Center, 102 S. Methodist Men's Club will host a "Herscher Style" BBQ Chicken Dinner (1/2 or 1/4 chicken dinners). Saturday, March 2, from 4:30-7:00 p.m. at the Legion

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April 2

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Join the Kankakee Area Chapter to volunteer for their next build day, February 22 and 23, where they will build 30 more beds to ensure "no kid sleeps on the floor in our town!"

February 24, they will be delivering beds to children in need.

To sign up to build or deliver, find them on Facebook -Sleep in Heavenly Peace Kankakee Area Chapter.

Thank you to all our family and friends for the cards, phone calls and gifts we received for our 60th wedding anniversary. They were all much appreciated.

Alvin and Mary Austin

# Breanna Rodriguez On St. Francis Dean's List

Breanna Rodriguez of Dwight, daughter of Ranae Bovelle and Nathan Rodriguez, earned Dean's List honors at the University of St. Francis in Joliet for the first semester of her junior

Rodriguez double majors in Psychology and Substance



# Harvest View **Celebrating** A Decade of Service

In celebration of their tenyear anniversary, Harvest View, Herscher is hosting an art contest open to all students ten years of age.

The contest is open to all local public, private, and home-schooled students, and participants are encouraged to create artistic pieces that represent Harvest View's ten-year anniversary celebration. Entries' dimensions must be no larger than 11x14 inches. No three-dimensional entries are accepted.

Entries must be delivered to Harvest View no later than March 15, and only one entry per student is allowed.

The winner will be announced April 3.

On the back of the entry, include: name of child, birthname of parent/guardian, street address, city/state/zip code, phone, and e-mail.

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Early Voting, Vote by Mail, and Grace Registration will be conducted on the following dates prior to the April 2, Consolidated General Election. Voter Registration closes on Tuesday, March 5, 2019.

\*See the Livingston County Website for additional registration and voting deadlines information.

February 21 - April 1	112 W Madison St – Pontiac	8:00 AM to 4:30 PM
SATURDAY March 2, 23, & 30 Noon	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W Madison St – Pontiac	9:00 AM to 12:00
WEDNESDAY March 20 (Extended Hours Voting)	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W Madison St – Pontiac	8AM-6PM
TUESDAY	Livingston County Clerk's Office	6:00 AM to

What is Early Voting? Early Voting starts February 21 and ends April 1, 2019. This process allows any registered voter in Livingston County to use the above location to cast their ballot prior to Election Day. Early voters must be registered Livingston County voters. No excuse or reason is necessary to apply.

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Vote by Mail Voting: Starts Thursday, February 21 and continues through Thursday, March 28, 2019. A person may request a Vote by Mail ballot by USPS no later than March 28 without specifying a reason. In order to be counted, the ballot must be postmarked by midnight or returned in person by 7 PM to the County Clerk's Office on April 2.

Grace Registration and Voting begins March 6 and continues through April 2. This is for new registrants and those who have transferred or moved and did not update their voter registration before March 5. Voting takes place at the same time registration is made in the County Clerk's Office.

Additional election information, as well as Applications for Ballots and Sample Ballots may be obtained from the Livingston County website at: www.livingstoncountyil.gov (Click on "County Services", "County Clerk", and "Elections").

If you have any questions regarding voter registration, or the above information, contact County Clerk Kristy Masching (815-842-9313)

or Election Deputy Gail Smythe (815-842-9318)

# **Austin Nelson Earns Dean's List Honors** from Heartland

Austin Nelson, the son of the 2018 fall semester. Karen Stadel and Bill Nelson, received a 4.0 GPA from Heartland Community College in Bloomington for Science major at HCC.

Austin is a 2017 graduate of Dwight Township High School and a Computer

# **Justin Fox Makes University of Wisconsin** Platteville Dean's List

Justin Fox, the son of Susan and Aaron Fox of Emington, has achieved Dean's Honor List status in who attain a grade point the College of Business, Industry, Life Science and having completed 12 or Agriculture, for the fall 2018 semester.

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# **Genoveva Scheid Celebrates** 25th Anniversary at LSC Communications

Genoveva Scheid at LSC 2014, and rehired to her cur-Communications in Dwight (formerly RR Donnelley) celebrated 25 years with the company on February 19.

Genoveva began her Donnelley career February 19, 1994, as a Material Handler in the Bindery. Genoveva was promoted to Book Repair in May of 1998, and Assistant Platemaker on June 19, 1999. Genoveva was separated from RRD in May

rent position as Platemaker in the Plateroom department on July 8, 2016.

Genoveva and her husband, Jason, reside in Dwight. Genoveva has three children: Samantha, Jessica, and Jordan Green. She also has a stepson, Jaron Scheid, daughter-in-law Tori Scheid, and grandson Rylen Richard Scheid.

# Local Cardiologist Says Be Aware of Heart Attack Warning Signs

Physical activity done along the inside of arteries outside on a cold day, like shoveling snow, can literally be a killer for those at risk of heart attack.

Although heart attacks occur during every season of the year, Dr. Syed Ahmed, board-certified cardiologist with Morris Hospital Cardiovascular Specialists, says the combination of strenuous exercise and breathing in cold air makes winter prime time for cardiac events.

Winter heart attacks occur more frequently even in more temperate climates, such as Los Angeles, where Researchers say the holidays might add to winter streswhen sors. manv overindulge in food and drink, abandon their exercise routines and delay seeking medical treatment for symp-

Dr. Ahmed says heart pressure and attacks result from blockages in the coronary arteries. Plaque composed of cholesterol, fat and other sub-

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Dr. Ahmed says the most common symptom of a heart attack is discomfort, pain or pressure in the chest that lasts more than a few minutes. The feeling might leave and return.

Pain might also occur between the shoulder blades or in the neck or jaw, in one or both arms or in the stomach. Some people having a about their personal pond. heart attack feel no pain at He will also cover maintethere is a 33% increase com- all. They might become pared to summer months. weak, lightheaded, short of breath, nauseated, or break out in a cold sweat.

symptoms might be confus-

physician check-ups that include cholesterol, blood diabetes screenings.

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**Troy Anthony Masching** 

# A Boy!

Kyle and Brittany Masching of Odell are happy to announce the birth of their Anthony Troy Masching, who was born January 18, 2019, weighing seven pounds, five ounces, and measuring 20.5 inches.

Maternal grandparents are Mark and Cheryl Hilleary of Odell. Maternal great-grandparents are Ken and Karen Norwid of Odell, and the late Floyd and June Hilleary of Reddick.

Paternal grandparents are Kevin and Joni Masching of Odell. Paternal great-grandparents are Ray and Jo Ann Hoegger of Odell, and Edward and Lucille Masching of Pontiac.

Troy is also welcomed by his uncle Matthew Hilleary and aunt Brianna Hillearv. and numerous extended family - who all intend on loving and spoiling him over the

# Grundy **County SWCD Pond** Seminar March 5

The Grundy County Soil & Water District, along with the Kendall County SWCD, will be holding its Annual Pond Seminar Tuesday, March 5, at 6:00 p.m. at the Grundy Co. Farm Bureau office - located north of Morris on Route 47.

The featured speaker will once again be Rob Miller, who is the District Fisheries Biologist from Silver Springs State Park in Yorkville. Miller is informative about fish and pond care, and will answer any questions someone may have nance of retention/detention ponds for subdivisions or businesses.

The seminar is open to Dr. Ahmed says the everyone and is free of charge.

If you plan to attend, call He also advises regular their office at 815-942-0359, ext. 3, by Friday, March 1, to reserve your place.

# Euchre **Tournament** in S. Wilmington March 9

South Wilmington Grade School Parent Teacher Club is sponsoring a Euchre Tournament Saturday, March 9, at Rury's, 365 Lake St. in South Wilmington.

Registration begins at 5:00 p.m. A fee applies. The tournament will begin at

The night will also include cash prizes, a 50/50 raffle, and raffle baskets.

For questions, call 815-791-5372 or 815-693-0952.

# **Creative Caregiver Support Group**

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### **OBITUARIES**

# Gary Morris

GARDNER -Gary Morris, 76, of Gardner passed away Tuesday, February 5, 2019 Surprise, Arizona.

Gary Lee was born January 12,

1943 in South Wilmington, son of Raymond and Margaret Christensen Morris. He was raised and educated in Gardner, and on December 29, 1962 he married Charlotte Bergera in Braidwood.

In 1962 he gained employment with Caterpillar Tractor Company, where he continued to work until his retirement in 1997.

Gary was a member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington and Gardner Volunteer Fire Department. He served as past president of the Gardner Fire District, as well as the Christensen Family Reunion. In his free time, Gary enjoyed hunting, fishing, and gardening.

Surviving are his wife of 56 years, Charlotte; two children: Nick Morris (Doug Wold) and Penny (Robert) Hague; seven grandchildren: Jedd (Miranda) Morris,

Jillyan Morris, and Andrew, Emma, Mary Hague; two great-grandchildren, Cooper Raymond and Emmett Lee; one

sister, Donna (Art) McBeath of Mason, Ohio; two sisters-in-law, Tonita Koslowski and Linda Clark; several nieces and nephews, and numerous cousins.

Gary was preceded in Dalton death by his parents; his father-in-law and mother-inlaw, Tony and Barbara Bergera; and one sister-inlaw, Pat Bergera.

Cremation rites were accorded in Arizona.

A Memorial Mass was celebrated by Rev. John Hornicak Saturday, February 16, at 10 a.m. in St. Lawrence Catholic Church, South Wilmington.

A memorial visitation was Friday, 3 p.m. until 7 p.m., at Reeves Funeral 77, of Gardner Home, Gardner.

Family and friends may sign the guestbook, upload photographs, or share Gary's memorial page at:

www.ReevesFuneral.com/n otices/Gary-Morris

# Richard Bydalek

SUMMERVILLE, S.C. – Richard Bydalek, 61, passed away Wednesday, February 6, 2019 in Summerville,

Cremation rites have been accorded. Services will be at a later date in Beaufort National Cemetery, Beaufort, S.C.

He was born November 8, 1957, son of Leonard and Martha Bydalek of Kankakee.

married Denise Boma. His children are:

daughter, Michelle Strausberger of Summerville; sons: Andrew (Jessica) Bydalek of Kennewick, Washington and Bryan (Samantha) Bydalek of Seattle; a sister, Julie (Tom) Finn of Ipswich, Mass.; and six grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his father, Leonard; and in-laws, Ted and Jo

Richard served our country in the U.S. Air Force.

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# Julie Marie Keegan-Kaufman

SARASOTA. FLORIDA - Julie Marie Keegan-Kaufman, 61, of Sarasota, Florida passed away February

A Memorial will be Friday, February 22, at 9:30 a.m. in St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 2506 Gulf Drive, Sarasota, Florida 34231. Immediately following the Mass there will be a Celebration of Life

in the Spirit Center. She was born January 19. 1958 in Pontiac, daughter of Francis and Janice Merdian Keegan.

Julie moved to Sarasota in 1989 from Dwight. She worked in sales and was a member of St. Thomas More Catholic Church. She loved traveling and spending time with her family and friends. She was very supportive of her children's activities and nurtured them with tremenof 30 years, Dr. Ken

Kaufman; son. Nick Kaufman; daughter, Beth Kaufman, all of Sarasota: sig ter, Christine Burkett and her husband, JB, of Kingwood, brothers: Dan Texas; Keegan and his wife, Gail, of Marco Island, Florida;

and John Keegan and his wife, Maureen, of Morris, Illinois. In addition to her parents, Julie was preceded in death

by her brother, Kevin, and

her mother-in-law, Maire. Memorial contributions may be made in Julie's honor to the Greater Junior Sarasota Golf Association at www.thefirstt eesarasota.org/

Memories and condolences may be placed online at www.MaloneyFuneralHo meCares.com

# **Diabetes Support Group Meeting at OSF Saint James**

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The next meeting of the contact Sherri Schlatter, HealthCare Saint Diabetes Educator, at 815-OSF James - John W. Albrecht Medical Center Diabetes Support Group will be Tuesday, March 5, from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the first floor conference room.

This month's program will be "Be A Savvy Shopper," presented Carly Zimmer, Registered Dietitian at OSF Saint James. Carly will explain how healthy eating begins at the grocery store. With so many options, making healthy food choices can sometimes be overwhelming. Zimmer will share tips for choosing healthier foods on a budget.

No RSVP is required and the program is free of charge.

For more information,

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# Ronald E. Christensen

TALLAHAS-SEE, FL - Ronald Anna, Lilly and E. Christensen of Tallahassee, Florida died Saturday, January 5, 2019.

No formal service will be held. He will be interred in the Tallahassee National

Christensen.

Cemetery at a later date. Ron was born May 20, 1938 in Pontiac, son of and Beatrice

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1957 and proudly served until 1961. He married Madeline Kay Clapp January 20, 1962 in Dwight. In 1996 they moved to Tallahassee, Florida to be

closer to their daughter,

Debra Kay Christensen



(Laura Towne) daughter, and Christine Hill (Richard), as well as their granddaughter, Zoie Hill.

His brother, Donald, preceded him in

death.

Ron retired from Publix Supermarkets in 2011 after 15 years of employment.

He was a big fan and enjoyed watching White Sox baseball and Chicago Bears football. He also enjoyed being on the beach and watching the dolphins at St. George Island.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Alzheimer's Association in memory of Ron.

# Lyle C. Johnson

GARDNER Lyle C. Johnson, passed away unexpectedly Thursday morning, February 14, 2019 at his home.

Cremation rites have been accorded and a memorial service will be held at a later date.

Lyle Cornelious, son of Lloyd Cornelious and Thelma M. Mortvedt Johnson, was born July 19, 1941 on the family farm in Goodfarm Township, Grundy County. He attended Goodfarm School and graduated from Gardner South Wilmington High School in 1959.

On February 14, 1962, Lyle married Sandra K. Brown in the Dwight Methodist Church.

Lyle farmed his entire life in Goodfarm Township and for more than 20 years worked part-time, when he wasn't farming, at RR Donnelley in Dwight. He

was currently serving as a Trustee for Goodfarm Township. He is sur-

vived by his wife; children: four James Lyle (Tara) Johnson of Solano

Beach, California; Donald Lee (Colleen) Johnson of Bellingham, Washington; William Paul Johnson (Angie) of Gardner; and Julie Ann (Allen) Dix of Sumner, Washington; several grandchildren; and one sister, Evelyn (Lester) Lydigsen of Dwight.

Lyle was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Haven Johnson; and one son, Edward Johnson, in 2011.

Lyle will be laid to rest in Gardner-Prairie Cemetery, Gardner.

Family and friends may sign the guestbook or share Lyle's memorial page at: www.ReevesFuneral.com/n otices/Lyle-Johnson

# More obituaries on page 14.

Family members of the deceased, please instruct the Funeral Home to send information to:

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Thank you to our many friends for the cards and notes of sympathy, Mass cards, kind words, time spent with our family at the visitation, and the generous donations made in memory of our Mom.

We are blessed to have had so many friends reach out to us in support, sympathy and friendship.

Your kind expressions of sympathy have been a source of comfort during a time of sadness and we thank each of you for keeping us in your thoughts and

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE VILLAGE OF DWIGHT, LIVINGSTON AND GRUNDY COUNTIES, ILLINOIS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held before the President and Members of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dwight, Illinois with respect to the Tentative Annual Budget for the Fiscal Year commencing April 1, 2019 and ending March 31, 2020 for the Village of Dwight. The Public Hearing shall be held on Monday, March 11, 2019 at the Hour of 6:00 P.M. at the Public Services Complex, 209 South Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois.

Copies of the Tentative Annual Budget are available for public inspection commencing Monday, February 18, 2019 at the Office of the Dwight Village Clerk, Public Services Complex, 209 South Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois 60420 during regular business hours

At the time and place of the Public Hearing on the Tentative Annual Budget, all interested parties are invited to attend and make their views known, either orally, in writing, or by a representative.

After the close of the Public Hearing, the President and Members of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Dwight shall vote on the Annual Budget Ordinance for the above Fiscal Year, either as presented or as modified after the Public Hearing.

For further information, contact the Village Administrator as set forth above during regular business hours.

> Kevin McNamara 209 S. Prairie Avenue Dwight, Illinois 60420 PH#: 815-584-3077





### **Concerts This Week**

A few weeks ago I wrote about how my goal this year was to get out and attend more live shows. That was goal #1 above all else. (At least I think I wrote this, maybe I just thought this, a lot of times my thoughts and this column just intertwine and I began to lose track of them on a week to week basis.)

Anyway, this past week, I attended two shows, both different in venue size, location, and artists. One of the shows I attended was to see an artist by the name of Rich Jones, who I think would best be described as a hip-hop artist with a lot of jazz and rock influences in his music, so much so I almost wouldn't label him as a hip-hop artist, but our brains like to put labels on things, so that's what I'm going with here.

His show was at a brand new venue called "Chit Chat". This was a very "hole-in-the-wall" lounge that at max capacity probably holds about 50 people. It was a perfect spot for his performance. It had a very lounge feel to it, and his jazz-influenced music fit perfectly with the aesthetic of the room. Would definitely consider heading back there for a future perform-

The other performance I caught was one of my favorite artists, and probably at times, if you were just counting replay value, he's my favorite. Anderson.Paak This show was a sold out show at the Riviera, I think the capacity there is somewhere between 2000-2500 or so, and it was every bit of that on Saturday night.

While I would also consider him to be in the hip-hop sphere of music, he also draws a lot of influences from rock, jazz, and pop music, and creates music that is very influenced by all of the genres. One of the coolest parts of the show, which he did for about half of, was he played the drums while also being the lead singer, simultaneously.

The amount of brain coordination that must take to play the drums and also belt out great vocals just doesn't register in my head. It's incredible to watch. The rest of his band was great as well, they were very cohesive, and everything that came from it was great. It exceeded any and all expectations I had for the show. Anyone who really enjoys live music would really like one of his shows.

I can't wait to attend more as the year continues, but these two were both great in their own right!

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BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking ) Corporation, Plaintiff,

) No. 18-CH-230 JOSEPH L. KIEFER, and unknown owners ) and non-record claimants, Defendants )

# **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

# **Odell Board Discusses Goals** for Repair and Maintenance

Five Village of Odell Board Members were present at the Monday, January 14 regular board meeting in the Village Hall Council Room.

Village Attorneys Ed Legner and Nick Ehrgott attended along with Sgt. Mitchell and Tom Russell.

After Acting Mayor Brian Mills led the Pledge of Allegiance, Trustee Brian Verdun moved to approve the minutes from the December 10 board meeting and all approved.

The Treasurer's Report for the month ending December 31, 2018 was not available, and would be submitted at the February 11 meeting.

Trustee Mills moved to approve payment of all bills due in January, between meeting paid bill list, plus the bill from Trost Tree Trimming for \$6,650. Tourism invoices were paid out of Tourism, but in the system were run through the

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General Cash in All Funds account. Joan Bullard seconded the motion, and all

Sgt. Mitchell reported 44 calls for incidents in the village during the month of December.

The Finance Committee reported they are still in the process of updating the employment policy.

Under old business, discussion took place on setting goals for repairing and maintaining issues in town.

Mills reported that the lift station generators have been ordered.

In other old business, attorneys have prepared the ordinance adopting the updates to the Village's Sexual Harassment Policy pursuant to Public Act #100-0554. This was discussed at the October 2018 meeting.

Verdun moved to adopt the Ordinance and Joan seconded. All Bullard approved.

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### ment to Village insurance policy on employees was tabled until the February meeting.

Mills reported that the dump truck bed is rusted from hauling salt. He has received a bid from Giovanni for \$3,150 to repair the bed; however, the issue was tabled until next month.

Rich Ribordy, water operator, presented results from the recent IEPA inspection. He will obtain bids from contractors who do water tower inspections.

Trustee Jamie Johnson moved to donate \$300 to Show Bus; second by Verdun, and all approved.

No new miscellaneous business was brought up for discussion.

At 8:03 p.m., Trustee Mills moved to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing Personal Issues, re-entering regular session at 8:27.

Trustee Mills moved to hire Joe Bolen as a full-time employee; second by Joan Bullard; approved with "yeas" from Verdun, Lisa Lambert, Bullard and Mills. Jamie McPeek cast a dissenting vote.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

# **Dwight Senior Citizens Duplicate Bridge Results**

Duplicate Bridge was played February 14 at the Prairie Creek Library. North/South:

- 1. Darlene Drechsel/Mary Ann McNamara
- 2. Janet Kresl/Judy Cashmer 3. Nancy Evers/Janyce Gross East/West:
- 1. Joan Francis/Evelyn Lydigsen
- 2. Peg Watters/Glenda Kutos 3. Norma Rodosky/Thelma

The next duplicate play will be Thursday, February

# by Madelyn Fogarty

The Dwight Village Board of Trustees met in regular session on February

madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

A Village of Dwight 2018 building permit recap presented to the board shows new construction in Dwight stagnate. In 2018, one new residential single family home building permit was issued by the Village of Dwight, thereby matching 2017 and making it only the third new residential permit issued since 2014. Since 2005, a year when residential single family home growth in Dwight climbed with 13 permits issued, residential home growth has shown a dramatic decline with just 11 total new residential permits issued since Overall Building Permits in Dwight for 2018 totaled 93 with the total value of these permits at \$895,565.66 including one new residential permit totaling \$150,000; 65 residential permits for alterations/additions totaling \$318,010.00; zero new commercial permits; and 27 commercial permits for alterations/additions totaling \$427,555.66.

In new business, the board approved village ordinance changes to be made with regard to traffic where the definition of Dwight's Central Business District will be amended to include E. Delaware Street from Franklin Street Gooseberry Creek and E. Chippewa Street from Franklin Street Gooseberry Creek. With regard to snow removal, the ordinance will be amended to clarify its applicability to residential streets reading:

February 11 Board Updates "It shall be unlawful to park any vehicle on any residential street in the Village at any time within twelve hours after a snowfall of two (2) inches or more has occurred or until such snowfall has been removed by the Department of Public Works. Any vehicle so parked shall be ticketed and towed as specified in

**Dwight Continues Sluggish Growth Trend** 

10.506. In reports to the board, Mayor Jared Anderson congratulated DTHS Cheerleaders for their 2nd place finish in the IHSA State finals on February 2. He also acknowledged the DGS 8th Grade Boys Basketball team as they move on after making it to the Final Four in the IESA Class 2A tournament; DTHS Wrestlers Dillon Sarff, Cameron Klingler, Daniel Gutierrez and Cade Enerson after qualifying for the IHSA State Finals; and Kayla Kodat competing at Sectionals in a basketball three-point contest.

"We have some good things going on with the kids around Dwight," stated Anderson.

A reminder to all, the Dwight Economic Alliance Fifth Annual Dinner and Auction will be held on February 23 with tables still available. The event will be held at Station 343 in Dwight with doors opening at 5 p.m. Contact the DEA at 815-584-1830 for more information.

Chief of Police Tim Henson noted in his report that the rescheduled Opioid Addiction Awareness program hosted by STEMM Dwight was held on February 13 at Dwight High School. Also, new police recruit, Alex Butts, is currently attending the police

academy.

Trustee Randy Irvin brought forward a concern regarding the crossing area at Dwight Grade School and other concerns with traffic during drop-off and pickup times and suggested that rumble strips in the area might help. It was discussed that various changes, including additional police presence, have been made over the years in efforts to improve safety, but traffic congestion is an ongoing problem, inherent with the limited space.

The Keeley Resolution was approved as required annually with regard to distribution of money used for sidewalk and street repairs. The Keeley Trust has been in place since 1912.

The board also approved: • payment of January 28 bills totaling \$122,421.38.

• payment of February 11 bills totaling \$119,776.73.

Present at the February 11 session were Mayor Jared Anderson and Trustees Randy Irvin, Marla Kinkade, Jennifer Johnson and Justin Eggenberger. Absent were Trustees Jerry Curtis and Jim Mixen.

An Administration Committee meeting was scheduled for Monday, February 18, to review street reconstruction/repair project plans which have been under development for Dwight's downtown area and James Street. Various budget items were also slated to be discussed at that time.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board will be Monday, February 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the Public Services Complex.





HERITAGE WOODS of DWIGHT Queen Laura Forsyth and King Truman Eltrevoog were crowned as this year's royalty for the facility's 2019 Valentine's Day celebration.



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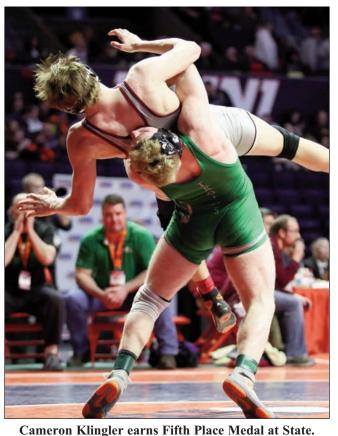
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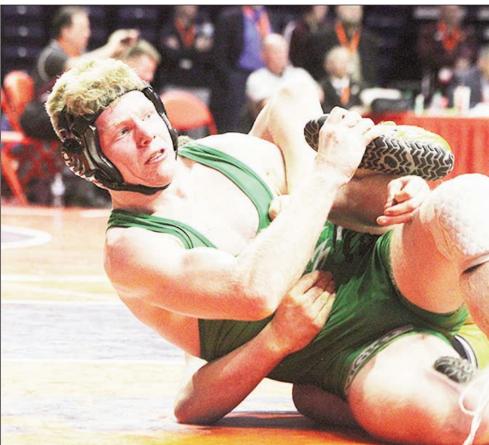
# Trojan Wrestlers **Show Out at State Finals**



At the 2019 IHSA State Finals in Champaign, four wrestlers competed for the first time in the Dwight Trojan wrestling program's history.

Freshman Dillon Sarff, juniors Cade Enerson and Daniel Gutierrez, and senior Cameron Klingler all battled for state supremacy, with Sarff, Enerson, and Klingler each securing their first career State Final victory in the opening round - while Gutierrez bounced back in his second match, earning a pin and the first State Final win of his career.

The Dwight wrestlers earned a total of eight wins between them, led by their senior leader, Klingler, who won four matches - on his way to a fifth place medal and a trip to the Championship podium for the 170 lb. weight class.



Cameron Klingler won four matches on his way to a Fifth Place State Medal.



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# **DGS Lady Redbirds Volleyball**

### Monday, January 14 Dwight vs. Saratoga 6th Grade/"B" -

The Lady Redbirds defeated Saratoga 25-16, 25-23 at home January 14, with the "B" team also getting their first win, 25-22, 25-20. Individual stats are as follows:

Brynn Conner led with 12 points, including five aces. Maci Johnson had nine points, with three aces, while Leah Larson added seven points, including two aces. Taylor Frobish chipped in six points, with five aces, followed by five aces from Sophie Buck. Kiah Handzus and Ryan Bean each had three points, with an ace each. Ella Legner, Madison Bailey (1 ace), and Sarah Parker scored two points each. Taylor Heath and Brooke Johnson each added a point.

### Friday, February 1 Dwight vs. Peotone 6th Grade -**Gardner Tournament**

In Gardner Tournament action February 1 versus Peotone, the Lady Redbirds moved to 2-0 with a 25-18, 20-25, 15-8 win.

Leah Larson led with ten points, with two aces, followed by two aces, one kill, and nine points total from Brynn Conner. Ella Legner scored seven points, while Kiah Handzus (1 ace) and Maci Johnson (3 aces) added 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 its first loss of the season, 3-25, 23-25, to St. Mary's February 2, as part of the Gardner Tournament.

Leah Larson's nine points, with two aces, led the team. Kiah Handzus provided three points, while Taylor Heath had two points, including an ace.

Samantha Harsh had one point. Dwight vs. Gardner 6th Grade -

**Gardner Tournament** The Lady Redbirds defeated the Gardner of Tournament, GSWB, 19-25,

25-16, 15-8, in their second match of the day - taking third place in the tourney. Maci Johnson had 12 points, with two aces, followed by

Brynn Connor (2 aces, 3 kills) and Samantha Harsh (1 ace) with six points each. Leah Larson added five points, with one ace, while Ella Legner contributed four points, including an ace. Kiah Handzus chipped in with three points and a kill. Taylor Heath added a point.

### Monday, February 4 Dwight vs. Peotone 6th Grade/"B" -

Dwight took on Peotone February 4, with the "B" team falling 13-25, 25-22, 8-15, and the sixth graders winning 25-22, 25-13. Individual stats are as follows:

Brynn Conner led with 12 points, an ace, and a kill. Sophie Buck put up ten points. while Leah Larson added eight points, with three aces. Maci Johnson had six points, one kill, with Makayla Wahl chipping in five points, including an ace. Samantha Harsh provided three points, followed by Taylor Heath with two. Kiah Handzus, Ella Legner, Lily Walkup, and Sarah Paker put up a point each. Dwight vs. St. Mary's 8th Grade -

### **Livingston County Tournament**

Dwight's eighth graders kicked off the Livingston County Tournament against St.

Mary's – falling 12-25, 9-25. Mikalah Bregin led with two points, including an ace. Hailey Heath had a point and five kills, while Cheyanne Condreay dished five assists. Erin Anderson put up a dig and a kill. Maya Green had one kill,

with Addy Harms contributing one assist.

### Dwight vs. Woodland 8th Grade -**Livingston County** Tournament

In Livingston County Tourney play, the Lady Redbirds defeated Woodland 25-23, 25-21.

Cheyanne Condreay had ten points, with an ace and four assists, to lead the squad. Erin Anderson followed with nine points, including three aces, three kills, and two digs. Mikalah Bregin had five points, with three aces and a dig, while Hailey Heath had three aces. seven kills, and two digs. Addy Harms dished three assists in the win, with Maya Green adding one point.

### Wednesday, February 6 Dwight vs. Mazon 7th Grade -

**IVC Tournament** 

The seventh grade Dwight Lady Redbirds won over Mazon February 6 in the IVC Tournament – taking third place

Megan Livingston led with eight points, including three aces. Kaitlyn Streit and Kassy Kodat each scored five points. with Sophie Crutchfield (1 kill) and Claire Robison scoring four points each.

### Thursday, February 7 Dwight vs. St. Mary's and Woodland 7th Grade -

Dwight's seventh grade girls lost to both St. Mary's and Woodland February 7, despite battling in both games.

Megan Livingston tallied 16 points in the contests, including eight aces and a kill. Kassy Kodat came up with 13 points, with eight aces and one block. Claire Robison and Avery Scheuer each scored three

### Dwight vs. Seneca 8th Grade -

**IVC Tournament** 

The eighth grade Lady Redbirds traveled to MVK to take on Seneca in IVC Tournament action, falling 10-25, 12-25.

Erin Anderson (1 ace, 2 digs) and Cheyanne Condreay (3 assists) each led with three points. Mikalah Bregin added one point. Hailey Heath and Kira Bean chipped in three and two kills, respectively. Maya Green had a dig.

Dwight is 3-7 overall and 0-3 in the conference.

### Monday, February 11 Dwight vs. Bishop Mac 6th Grade/"B"

Dwight's sixth grade girls lost to Bishop Mac 17-25, 12-25, with the "B" team coming from behind to pick up a 19-25, 27-25, 15-9 victory. Individual stats are as follows:

Ryan Bean led with eight points, followed by isx points (3 aces) from Brynn Connor. Coming up with five points, three aces, and a kill was Taylor Heath, followed by four points from Taylor Frobish. Ella Legner and Sophie Buck each contributed three points, while Kiah Handzus and Leah Larson (1 ace) scored two points each. Samantha Harsh, Maci Johnson (1 ace), Madison Bailey (1 ace), Sarah Parker (1 ace) and Dori Wilson each had one point. 7th Grade -

The seventh grade Lady Redbirds lost to Bishop Mac in three sets, 25-23, 23-25, 15-25.

Megan Livingston led with nine points and three assists. Sophie Crutchfield added eight points, with five aces and three kills. Kassy Kodat (2 aces, 6 digs, 1 kill) and Briana Cuaya scored six points each. Olivia Folders added three points, including two aces, while Kylee Salamome chipped in with a point.

In the eighth grade meeting, Dwight suffered a 23-25, 22-25 loss to Bishop Mac - dropping to 3-8 overall.

Mikalah Bregin had nine points, with two aces, to lead the team. Erin Anderson put up eight points, with three aces, five kills, and three digs. Kira Bean, Cheyanne Condreay (1 ace, 8 assists), Maya Green (1 kill, 1 dig) and Hailey Heath (3 aces, 4 kills) all had three points.

# Lattin, 126 lbs.

Pontiac/Dwight fell to Shabbona, 42-66. Aiden Scholwin won at 65 lbs., while Boden Brooks, 95 lbs., Andrew McDormand, 145 lbs., and Delaney Thoman, 145 lbs., all added wins.

Wrestling Warriors Fall to

Seneca, Shabbona

On February 13, Pontiac/Dwight's Wrestling Warriors

Winners for the Warriors were Aiden Scholwin, 65 lbs.,

Gunnar Heikkila, 85 lbs., Boden Brooks, 95 lbs., Jackson

Crawford, 126 lbs., Mateo Casillas, 215 lbs., Zander

Tarnowski, 75 lbs., Kyler Durham, 112 lbs., and Carlito

# Mankowski and Wilkerson Earn 8th Place, Vikings Take 4th at Dubuque Open

The Augustana Vikings the 3000 with a time of track and field team participated in the Dubuque Open February 15 in Dubuque, IA, son (Tri-Point HS/Stelle) taking fourth in the eightteam field with a score of 85

Pontiac/Dwight vs.

Seneca and Shabbona

lost to Seneca 42-43.

Junior Mike Mankowski (Gardner-South Wilmington HS/Gardner) took eighth in

Senior Brandon Wilkerplaced eighth in the mile, running a time of 4:26.28.

The Vikings compete in the CCIW Championships in Naperville February 22-23.

# Millikin Baseball **Kicks Off 2019 Season**

The Big Blue from Millikin U. will welcome back an experienced squad on the baseball field in 2019, which includes 26 letter winners - four of whom are starters in the field, and they nearly have their 2018 pitching staff back in its entirety.

Head Coach Brandon Townsend, former Dwight Township High School baseball player and graduate, is back at the helm, and he expects the depth in his pitching staff, in addition to the team's experience, to be the Big Blue's strengths.

Coach Townsend says he sees a more balanced approach at the plate and on the bases, but believes his team has worked hard improving on the defensive

Senior Luke Azzarelli, Herscher High School grad and former baseball standout, will see a lot of time behind the plate. He boasted a .367 average with five doubles, four homers, and 22 RBI in 2018.

Righty Brandon Viken, a senior from Mazon and graduate of Seneca High School, is also on the Big Blue's roster, pitching and playing the infield.

Millikin's 2019 campaign is already underway, and they will be in double-header action at Knox College in Galesburg March 2. Their home opener at Sunnyside Park against Dominican University is March 16.

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### Wednesday, January 23 **GSWB** vs. Coal City 7th Grade -

The seventh grade Lady Tigers had a rough start against Coal City January 23, losing the first set 9-25.

They stepped back onto the court in the second set, however, looking like a different team.

With better passing and tough serving, they were able to win the second and third sets,

25-17, 25-15, to improve to 5-1 overall.

In the eighth grade meeting, GSWB struggled from start to finish and weren't able to show what they are truly capable of, according to their coach, Stacy

8th Grade -

"It happens sometimes," stated Faletti, "and ends up working out for the best. This

> always have, and come back stronger.' The Lady Tigers are now 5-1 on the season.

group will handle it, just as they

### Thursday, January 24 GSWB vs. Saratoga 7th Grade -

GSWB pulled off a win in two sets over Saratoga, 25-14, 25-23 - overcoming seven missed serves in the match and still coming out on top.

"Their serving needs to be more consistent moving toward the postseason." Coach Faletti commented, "but their passing is definitely improving. 8th Grade -

The eighth grade Lady

Tigers earned a 25-8, 25-18 victory - missing six serves, but making up for it with 13 kills in the match.

**GSWB Lady Tigers Volleyball** 

'We are starting to see the improvement that we had been hoping for at this point in the season with both teams," says Faletti.

### Friday, January 25 GSWB vs. Elwood 7th Grade -

In a match-up between two separate packs of Lady Tigers, GSWB got a 27-25, 25-20 win over an Elwood team boasting some stellar servers.

"The girls are learning how to adjust to that and make things happen," says Faletti. 8th Grade -

Elwood gave the eighth graders some problems, pushing GSWB to three sets, but the Lady Tigers prevailed, 25-9, 16-25, 15-4.

Both squads are 5-0 in conference play.

Saturday, January 26 **GSWB** at Saunemin **Round Robin Tournament** 

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The Lady Tigers competed for the first time at Saunemin in a round robin tournament held January 26.

The seventh grade girls went 3-0 for the day, taking out Saunemin, Pontiac St. Mary's, and Dwight - tallying 16 kills and 48 aces during play.

"They are starting to learn to communicate and pass the ball much better," commented Coach Faletti.

The seventh graders improve to 10-1 overall.

8th Grade -Coming out of the day 2-1 were GSWB's eighth grade Lady Tigers, as they posted wins against Saunemin and Dwight, but would fall to a

tough Pontiac St. Mary's team. "St. Mary's is a solid team," admitted Coach Faletti, "and in order to beat teams like that, you have to get your serves over and in and find the court

with your hits.' GSWB missed seven serves, while committing 11 hitting errors. On a positive note, they had 29 hitting attempts in two sets, which Faletti states is a step in the right direction.

### Friday, February 1 **GSWB** at **Grand Ridge Tournament** 8th Grade -

The Lady Tigers took part in the Grand Ridge Tournament February 1 and 2, winning their first match against Streator Woodland on Friday, 25-17, 25-

"Serving is usually one of our best qualities," said Coach Faletti, "however, we didn't bring the right stuff, missing ten serves in two sets.

The team racked up ten kills and 15 aces on the night.

### Saturday, February 2 **GSWB** at **Grand Ridge Tournament**

8th Grade -GSWB would Flanagan February 2, stepping

up their game and missing just four serves, while tallying 18 aces and 19 kills in the match winning 25-8, 25-12. After a long wait, the Lady

Tigers took on the hosts from Grand Ridge in the championship – earning the win in two sets, despite a very tight contest from start to finish. Collectively, GSWB had 19

aces and 12 kills - en route to taking home the hardware. The eighth grade Lady

Tigers are now 11-0 overall and 5-0 in the conference.

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# **GSW Panthers Clinch RVC Championship** on Senior Night

Friday, February 15 GSW vs. IL Lutheran Varsity -

It was Senior Night in Gardner February 15, and the Panthers defeated Illinois Lutheran in impressive fashion, 56-29, to clinch the River Valley Conference championship.

"This was a nice Senior Night," stated Coach Wills, "with all six seniors scoring. The entire team played hard tonight."

Nathan Wozniak led the way with 17 points, seven boards, two assists, and two steals. Chris Bexson added 12 points, eight rebounds, an assist, and a steal, while Jaylon Sims (5 rebounds, 2 steals) and Chris Bement (8 rebounds, 1 assist) scored eight and six points, respec-

GSW is now 21-9 overall with an 11-1 conference record.



# **GSW Panthers Basketball**

Tuesday, February 12 **GSW** vs. Herscher Varsity -

The GSW Panthers had a ten-point advantage heading into halftime of their February 12 showdown with Herscher, but they would be outscored 29-15 in the second half - resulting in a 48-44 loss.

"We did not play well tonight," admitted Coach Wills. "Even with a tenpoint lead at half, we still did not play good. It was sloppy

on both ends and then we just could not get anything going in the second half."

Leading the now 20-9 Panthers in scoring was Nate Wise with ten points to go with three boards and two steals. Chris Bexson (3 rebounds, 1 assist) and Chris Bement (4 rebounds, 1 assist, 1 steal) each had eight points, with Nathan Wozniak following with seven points, four boards, two assists, and a steal.



THE DWIGHT TROJAN VARSITY CHEERLEAD-ERS hosted a "State Runner-up Sweetheart Cheer Camp" for girls in kindergarten through fourth grade on February 11. The following evening, the campers performed at the home Trojan basketball game against Tri-







# DTHS Trojans Basketball

Tuesday, February 12 **Dwight vs. Tri-Point** Varsity -

Dwight took out Tri-Point 74-61 to capture their third victory in a row.

Nine Trojans scored in the contest, with Logan Graham leading the pack with 22 points, including four three-pointers – with 20 of those points coming in the second half.

Dakota Wahl had 15 points, with two threes and a 9-10 showing at the line. Colton Holm hit two threes, en route to 12 points on the night. Lane Thompson provided nine points, while Tyler Masching (2 threepointers) and Dane Rodosky contributed six and four points, respectively. JC Santos, Andrew Curl, and Bryson Connor added two points each.

For the Chargers, Conor Cardenas led with 19 points, including three treys. Chace Cathcart (1 three-pointer) and Bobby Mogged chipped in with 11 and ten points, respectively. Brian Curling put up eight points, with

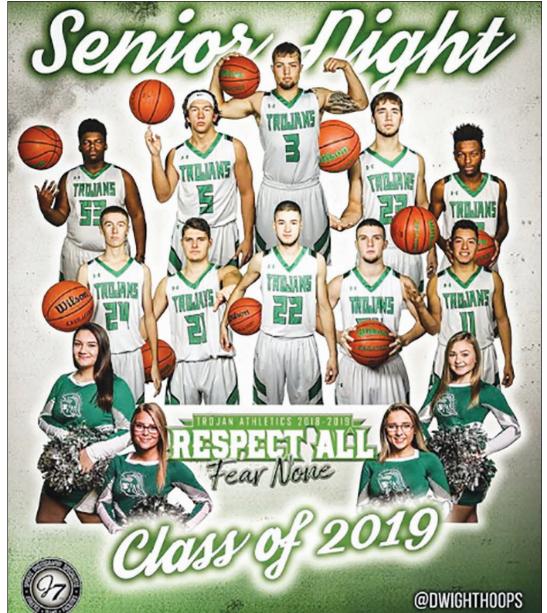
Hayden Lane hitting for seven points. Tyler Platz added six points.

Friday, February 15 Dwight vs. Watseka Varsity -

The Trojans extended their winning streak to four, and their late-season surge, defeating SVC foes Watseka, 62-53 – finishing the conference season with a record of 3-3.

Logan Graham had 17 points, including two threes and 8-11 shooting from the charity stripe. Dakota Wahl followed closely with 15 points, hitting two threepointers and going 9-11 at the line. Lane Thompson provided 7 points, while Andrew Curl nailed two treys. Cal Schultz and Colton Holm (1 three-pointer) had five points each, while Brandon Ceylor, Cole Hahn, and Bryson Connor put in two points each. JC

Santos made a free throw. Dwight was in regional action at home against Woodland Monday night.





**SENIOR NIGHT** was held at DTHS February 15. Pictured at left are senior basketball members: back row, I to r, Kevin Phillips, Cal Schultz, Logan Graham, Dakota Wahl and Randall Phillips.

Front, l to r: Andrew Curl, Colton Holm, Cole Hahn, Dane Rodosky and JC Santos.

Senior Cheerleaders pictured, from left, Gabby Cassani, Riley Connolly, Reece Mortensen and Sofie Swink.

# Victory Lanes, Dwight League Results

Wednesday Afternoon **Bowlers** 

HSG: Tom Hill, 150 -Joyce Fox, 177. HSS: Joe Petry, 279. Forneris, 395 – Joyce Fox, Brandon 500. HHG: Ron Gosteli, 215 - Mary Delheimer, 228. 1029. HSS/HHS: Victory HHS: Ron Gosteli, 618 -Sha H Holohan, 630. HSG: League Standings Foxy Ladies, 463. HSS: Foxy Ladies, 1349. HHG: Splitters, 490. HHS: Foxy

Ladies, 1349. League Standings Pin Pals 12 8 9 B Double S 11 10 Foxy Ladies 10 Alley Cats 10 10 10 Lucky Strikers 10 **Splitters** 

### **Commercial League Bowlers**

HSG: Bosco Gassman, 266 - Kasey Strachan, 192. HHG: Blaine Wilkey, 279 – Kasey Strachan, 243. HSS: Bosco Gassman, 678 – Sarah Delong, 445. HHS: Blaine Wilkey, 721 – Kathy Howard, 613. HSG/HHG: Mike's, 1090. HSS/HHS:

Mike's, 3183. League Standings L Mike's 13 3 12½ 3½ Victory Lanes Aly Anne's 12½ 3½ Coleman/Son 10 6 10 Pinkie's Out 6 Willy's Pub 7 Dwight Printing 9 7 9 MMS Ent. 10½ **A&S** Exteriors 5½ You Can't Hang 41/2  $11\frac{1}{2}$ 2 DQueens 14

### Sportsman League **Bowlers**

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# **Gas Prices For** This Week

Gas prices saw a drop this week in some areas and remained the same in others. Kankakee is the highest in the area. The lowest price is Mazon.

City/Village	February 20	February 13
Dwight	\$2.12	\$2.24
Seneca	\$2.18	\$2.28
S. Wilmington	\$2.29	\$2.29
Streator	\$2.18	\$2.18
Odell	\$2.23	\$2.29
Saunemin	\$2.19	\$2.14
Cullom	\$2.29	\$2.29
Pontiac	\$2.19	\$2.19
Gardner	\$2.29	\$2.29
Braceville	\$2.25	\$2.29
Mazon	\$2.11	\$2.29
Morris	\$2.13	\$2.14
Herscher	\$2.29	\$2.29
Kankakee	\$2.32	\$2.26
Chicago	\$2.89	\$2.45
Illinois	\$2.33	\$2.38

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# **Agriculture Breakfast** February 27

Anyone involved in agriculture, personally or professionally, is invited to a casual breakfast, catered by Nan's Catering, where individuals from different organizations, businesses, and companies can mingle together and discuss their current events and issues.

The breakfast, hosted by the Grundy County SWCD, will be held Wednesday, February 27, from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. in the basement of the Grundy County Farm Bureau, 4000 N. Division St. in Morris.

Registration is due by includes a small fee per person to attend. Call 815-942- will be on May 29. 0359, ext. 3.

Victoria will talk about what's next for Farm Bureau, with the combination of the Grundy and Kendall County offices. There will also be some time to give a farewell to John Davis, U of I Extension youth educator, as his last day is February 28.

The morning will be concluded by 8:30 a.m. There will be a table available for flyers, brochures, and business cards. They encourage anyone attending to bring items that they would like to share with everyone.

An invitation is extended Tuesday, February 19, and to anyone who may be interested. The next breakfast

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

### Request for Proposals to Acquire **Village Owned Real Estate** Village of Gardner, Grundy County, Illinois

The Village of Gardner, Grundy County, Illinois (hereinafter the "Village") owns a parcel of real estate located at the Northwest Corner of Illinois Rte 129 and County Hwy 29, Gardner, Illinois (PIN #12-04-351-002) (the "Property") (legal description of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A") which is within the corporate boundaries of the Village and located in of the Village of Gardner Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District (hereinafter the "TIF District").

The Illinois Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act (hereinafter the "TIF Act") authorizes the conveyance of municipal owned real estate in a manner and at such price as the municipality determines is reasonable and necessary to achieve the objectives of the TIF Redevelopment Plan and Project (65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-4).

The TIF Act further provides that said conveyance may be made only after approval of an ordinance by the corporate authorities and after public disclosure of the terms of such disposition and all bids and proposals received in response to the Village's Request for Proposals.

Therefore, it is authorized by the Village President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Gardner, Grundy County, Illinois, as follows:

- 1. The Village intends to convey the Property (as described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto) for the purpose of commercial development and is hereby accepting proposals from any party interested in acquiring the Property for the purpose of constructing a commercial building thereon. Any conveyance of such real estate is subject to approval of the Village Council.
- 2. Any party that is interested in acquiring the Property shall submit a written proposal for said acquisition to Pat Malinowski, Gardner Village Clerk, Village Hall, 302 N. Center Street, PO Box 545, Gardner, Illinois 60424. Any such proposal must be submitted on before Thursday, March 7, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.
- 3. Proposals shall be in writing and contain: an offered price, proposed terms of acquisition, type of commercial development to be constructed thereon, approximate square footage of the building to be constructed on the Property, approximate total project cost, a site plan for the commercial project and any other information relevant to
- 4. The Village Board of Trustees will consider any and all proposals submitted in response to this request for proposals at its regularly-scheduled Board of Trustees Meeting on Monday, March 11, 2019.
- 5. The Village Board of Trustees will give preference to those proposals that include a multi-use commercial development including a fuel station with attached restaurant and convenience store and that will generate substantial new and additional revenue streams for the
- 6. The Village retains the right to select any Proposal received in accordance with the requirements of the TIF Act, to waive any requirements or formalities, and further to reject any or all Proposals received.

By order of the Village of Gardner, Illinois Pat Malinowski, Village Clerk February 14, 2019

### EXHIBIT A LEGAL DESCRIPTION

# PARCEL I:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 4, Township 31 North, Range 8 East of the Third Principal Meridian; thence due north along the west section line of said Section 4 for a distance of 105.10 feet; thence South 83° 24' 00" East for a distance of 332.70 feet to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence North 22° 18' 00" East for a distance of 600 feet; thence South 83° 24' 00" East for a distance of 400 feet to a point on the westerly right-of-way line of State Route 129; thence South 22° 18' 00" West along the said westerly right-of-way line of State Route 129 for a distance of 600 feet; thence North 83° 24' 00" West along the northerly right-of-way line of State Aid Route 29 for a distance of 400 feet to the point of beginning, located in the Southwest Quarter of said Section 4, Township 31 North, Range 8, East of the Third Principal Meridian, County of Grundy, Illinois.

# PARCEL II:

Commencing at the Southwest Corner of Section 4, Township 31 North, Range 8, East of the Third Principal Meridian; thence due north along the west section line of said Section 4, for a distance of 105.10 feet, to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence continuing north along the west section line of said Section 4, for a distance of 30 feet to a point; thence South 83° 24' 00" East for a distance of 100 feet; thence South parallel with the said West section line of Section 4 for a distance of 30 feet; thence North 83° 24' 00" West along the northerly right-of-way line of State Aid Route 29, for a distance of 100 feet to the point of beginning, located in the Southwest Quarter of said Section 4, Township 31 North, Range 8 East of the Third Principal Meridian, County of Grundy and State of Illinois.

PIN: 12-04-351-002

Property is vacant and located at the Northwest Corner Of Illinois Route 129 and County Highway 29 in Grundy County, Illinois



Dwight Scholastic Bowl team: Seated are Kathryn Berta and Andrew Myzia. Standing, from left, assistant coach Clark Reamer, Eden Beier, Brenden Sullivan, Emily Scott, Elizabeth Brown and head coach Kathy Wiemken.

# **Dwight Scholastic Bowl Takes 2nd Place in Illinois Masonic Academic Bowl Sectional**

On February 16, the Dwight Scholastic Bowl team took second place at the Illinois Masonic Academic Bowl sectional held at Somonauk High School.

The Trojans' only loss came to Flanagan-Cornell in the championship match.

In morning pool play, Dwight defeated GSW (230-90), Leland (170-130), Tri-Point (260-140), and Iroquois West (260-130).

"We kept a steady, aggressive stance during all seven rounds of the tournament," said head coach Kathy Wiemken. Led by senior captain Andrew Myzia, who tallied 33 toss-

up questions on the day to pace the team, the Trojans pulled

away late in the semi-finals to defeat Newark, 150-110. In a back and forth championship match, the teams were tied at 80 at the midpoint of the match, but Flanagan-Cornell

was able to take a lead and hold on, 130-90. Myzia's 33 toss-ups on the day were joined by six from Emily Scott, three each from Kathryn Berta and Brenden Sullivan, two from Eden Beier, and one from Elizabeth

The Illinois Masonic Academic Bowl was founded in the 1980's and is the second largest academic high school quiz tournament in the state, behind the IHSA state series. The Grand Lodge of Illinois has provided over \$1 million in awards to Illinois scholastic programs over the years and

Coach Wiemken expressed her gratitude by saying, "This was a great day and we really want to thank the Dwight Masons for their support."

local lodges sponsor the entry fees for teams.

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,

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

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

PIN: 15-22-402-014

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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.



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BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,

MICHAEL J. KENNEDY, and unknown owners and nonrecord claimants, Defendants.

No. 2019CH9

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Lot 6 in Block 22 in Fell's Second Addition to Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 15-27-129-013

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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-

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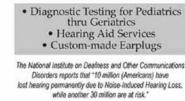
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# **OBITUARIES**

# Gail Clapp



CABERY – Gail Clapp, 84, of Cabery passed away at 4:50 a.m., Sunday, February 17, 2019 at Miller Rehabilitation in Kankakee.

A memorial service will be held at 3:00 p.m., Sunday, February 24, in the Cabery United Methodist Church with Denise Runyon officiating.

A dinner will follow the service at the church.

According to her wishes, cremation rites were accorded.

Private inurnment will be at a later date in Mount Hope Cemetery, Cabery.

Gail was born February 8, 1935 in Eli, Kentucky, a daughter of Delno G. and Lura Stephens Meece. She married Stephen Clapp on October 14, 1956 in the Campus Methodist Church. They were married for over 62 years. Stephen resides in Cabery.

resides in Cabery. Also surviving are her daughter - inlaw, Cindy Clapp of Cabery; her grandchildren: Natalie (Aaron) Cox, Allison (Alex) Benoit, Phillip Amanda Clapp, McWhorter, and Emily Clapp; her great-grandchildren: Elliott and Easton Cox; and two additional great-granddaughters; one sister, Gretta (Bob)
Giacometti of
Cabery; one brother,
Jim (Sandi) Meece
of Floyds Knob,
Indiana; one brotherin-law, Jerome Joyce
of Reddick; one sister-in-law, Beverly
Meece of Kankakee;
and many nieces and

Gail was preceded in death by her parents; one brother, Jack Meece; two sisters: Lynelle (Don) McGinnis and Janet Joyce; and two sons: Scott and John Clapp.

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Gail was a graduate of Reddick High School and Silver Cross School of Nursing. She enjoyed spending time at the beach, reading, writing, and traveling, especially her sisters' trips. She was a retired registered nurse. She was a lifelong member of the Cabery United Methodist Church and was active there. She also volunteered with the food pantry by delivering the church's donations, always willing to lend a helping hand.

Most of all, Gail loved her family and spending time with them. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her as wife, mom, "Mema," great-grandma, sister, aunt, and friend.

Memorial contributions may be made to her church, Cabery United Methodist Church.

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# James P. Hammond, Jr.

DWIGHT – Hammond,
Jr., 58, of Dwight
and formerly of
Kankakee, passed
away Sunday,
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Morris. He was born in Kankakee June 1, 1960, the son of James P. Sr. and Rosalie DiPietra Hammond. James had been profoundly disabled from infancy. He was sustained throughout his lifetime with unwavering love and support provided by his family and the staff at Fox Developmental Center.

Surviving are his mother, Rosalie

Kankakee; his father, James Hammond, Linda (Larsen) of Bourbonnais; his sister, Cynthia Hammond Keast of Kankakee; his half-Shelly sister, Hammond of Arizona; his halfbrother, James R. Hammond of Bourbonnais; his Danielle nieces, Keast of San Diego and Stephanie Keast of Chicago; and his half-niece, Kaitlyn Arce of Arizona.

His funeral mass will be at St. John Paul II Catholic Church (West campus), formerly St. Martin's.

# More Obituaries appear on Page 7 of The Paper today.

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

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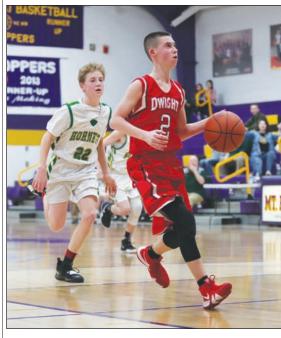
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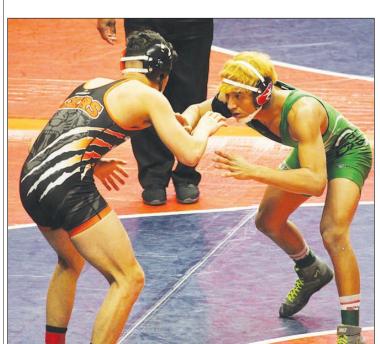
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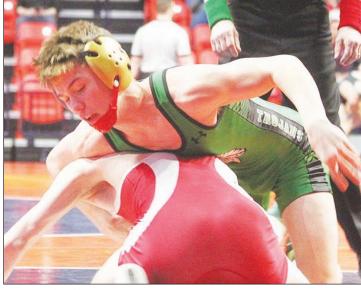
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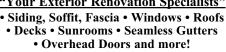


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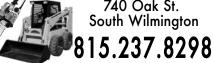
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- Night. • FEB. 24: 9 a.m., The Good Way Study; 10 a.m., Main Service and Communion; Kid's Church and Nursery; 5 p.m., X-treme Youth

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• FEB. 27: 7 p.m., Puzzle of Ancient Man Study: Wise Ways to Think of Money. • FEB. 28: 7 p.m., Worship practice.

Group.

St. Patrick Catholic Church Mazon Ave. at Prairie

• MAR. 1: 10 a.m.,

Heritage Health

Ministry.

- 815-584-3522 Office Father Chris Haake. Pastor
- Methodist Church • FEB. 23: 9 a.m. - 10 a.m., Reconciliation; 4:30 p.m., Mass. • FEB. 24: 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. 20: Office hours: 8 a.m. - 12 noon; Worship Team/ Staff meeting, 3:45
  - FEB. 21: Office hours: 8 a.m. - 12 • FEB. 22: 9:30 a.m.,
  - Bible Study at Cheryl Hudelson's in Pontiac; 8 p.m., AA. • FEB. 23: 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Council Retreat in Cornell (for St. Peter's only) and for

all committee heads,

staff.

- FEB. 24: 9:15 a.m., Fellowship Breakfast; 9:30 a.m., Faith Development for all ages; 10:30 a.m., Worship/HC with Pastor rotation.. • FEB. 25: Office hours, 8 a.m. - 12 noon; 9 a.m., Quilting; 5:45 p.m., CYF (Children, Youth,
- hours, 8 a.m. 12 noon; 4 p.m. - 6 p.m., Salvation Army, Compassion. • FEB. 27: Office hours, 8 a.m. - 12

Ministry)

- **Trinity Lutheran** Church "Goodfarm" **LCMS** 515 E. Stonewall Rd. Rev. William Mitschke
- 815-725-1341 • Holy Communion first and third Sundays. **BRACEVILLE Braceville United**
- 106 W. Goold St. 815-237-8512 Church 815-483-9343 Cell bracevilleumc.com Pastor Karen Fabian • 10:30 a.m., Sunday

# READ The Paper!

Worship. · Wednesday Youth Groups: Jam & Edge, 3 p.m.; Static, 6 p.m. World Day of Prayer, March 1 at 10 a.m. Alice Creech's 90th

### Birthday Celebration, March 17, 12 noon. **EMINGTON** Emington Congregational **United Church**

of Christ 103 Division Street Rev. Grant Speece • FEB. 24: Worship, 8:45 a.m. Sermon title: "Joseph and His

Holy Scripture

Readings: Council members, and Genesis 45: 3-11, 15 1 Corinthians 15: 35-38, 42-50 Luke 6: 27-38 • FEB. 26: Bible Study, 10 a.m. at First Congregational, Dwight (weather permitting)

Brothers'

- February Food Pantry Collection: Hamburger, Chicken and Tuna Helper. March "Mission of the Family & Music Month" – One Great Hour of Sharing/ • FEB. 26: Office **OGHS** 
  - **Methodist Church** 509 7th St. 815-483-9343 Cell mazonmethodist.com Pastor Karen Fabian • Sunday Worship, 9 a.m.; Sunday School,

<u>ODELL</u>

**MAZON** 

**Mazon United** 

Church 200 S. West St. Father Chris G. Haake, • FEB. 24: 8:00 a.m., Mass. • FEB. 27:

Reconciliation follow-

ing 8:30 a.m. Mass.

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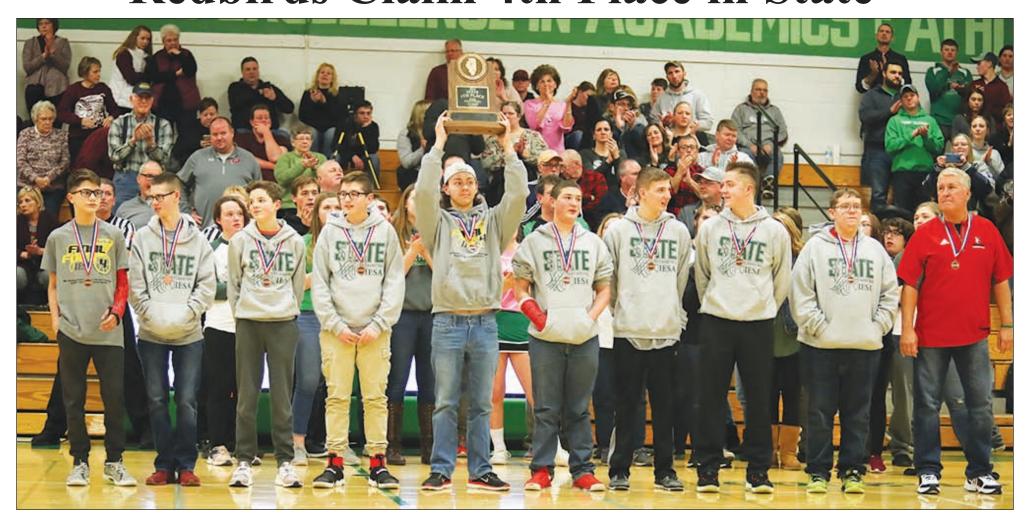


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# Redbirds Claim 4th Place in State



Thursday, February 14 Dwight vs. Brown County 8th Grade -

The eighth grade Dwight Redbirds had their season ended February 14, following a 42-38 loss to Brown County.

However, the Redbirds still finish the 2018-19 season with an overall record of 19-5 and a fourth place finish in the state of Illinois.

It looked good in the first quarter, as Dwight got out to an early lead. After taking a 19-5 advantage into the second quarter, the Hornets fought back to cut the Redbirds' lead to eight

before the break.

The trouble came in the third when Dwight was only able to muster two points, while Brown Co. piled on 15 – giving them a 34-29 lead heading into the fourth.

The Redbirds battled in the final frame, trading buckets with the Hornets – but they could not recover.

Clayton Peck led the way for Dwight with 12 points, followed by Brayden Long and Jace Gall with nine and eight points, respectively. Parker Miner put in six points, with Reid Legner providing three.



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