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## WWII Veteran Frank Sereno Honored

WWII Veteran Frank Sereno was honored on November 11 at the Mazon American Legion Veterans Day program. Mr. Sereno, now 95 years old, signed up for service in 1945 at the age of 19. Serving for three years as a member of the Army Air Corps, Sereno was assigned to a bomber squadron and flew a B-26. Frank is an active 73-year member of the Mazon American Legion. Formerly of Mazon, Mr. Sereno currently resides in Morris.



## New Info Unearthed About Famous Cardiff Coal Mine Photograph

By Jim Ridings

New information has just been discovered about one of the most famous photographs of the Cardiff coal mine.

The photograph, which was produced as a postcard scene, identifies the people in the picture after more than a hundred years.

Cardiff was located between Dwight and Herscher. It was a booming mining town, from the time coal was discovered in 1899 until the Wabash Railroad stopped buying its coal in 1912. The town declined rapidly after that. Stores were dismantled for the lumber, and houses were picked up and placed on railroad flat cars and moved to a number of places across Livingston County and elsewhere. An entire neighborhood in Kankakee is made of former Cardiff houses.

At its peak, Cardiff had a population close to 2,500 plus two banks, two grain elevators, a large school, a church, a baseball diamond and grandstand (with lights for night baseball), a soft drink bottling plant, a candy factory, dance halls, a bowling alley, meat markets, clothing stores, bakeries, barber shops, a millinery shop, livery stables, general stores, blacksmith shops, a real estate and insurance office, a doctor's office, a post office, an opera house and an automobile dealership in 1902 when there were few automobiles or hard roads.

Cardiff had a pressurized water system, a gas works sys-



tem and an electric light plant. It had a depot where two railroad lines stopped. There was a racetrack behind the livery stable for horse racing. Cardiff had a semi-pro football team. There also was a first class hotel with a cuisine that was said to be the finest between Chicago and St. Louis.

And it had a couple dozen saloons.

Today, a dozen or so houses remain in the area, and one business, Romanetto's Welding. There are still some fragments of cement sidewalks remaining.

Andy Kelleher, a Dwight historian, has acquired a postcard that shows the coal mining operation. The picture is one of

many taken by professional photographers to sell as postcards, in an era when "penny postcards" were a popular form of communication.

The picture shows two women at the top of the hill. Information on the back of the postcard identifies the two women – for the first time since the photograph was taken more than 110 years ago.

The women are Rosie Bertoncello and Margaret Meyers.

Rosie worked at John Mamer's tile factory in Campus. Margaret Meyers was the daughter of Henry Meyers, who owned a saloon and restaurant in Cardiff.

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**ROSIE BERTONCELLO AND MARGARET MEYERS, above.** The two women were recently identified in the top photo, taken more than 110 years ago.

## Dwight Accepts Surplus Property Bids November 12 Dwight Village Board Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty  
madelyfogarty@yahoo.com

Bid openings for five Village of Dwight-owned vacant lots took place at the November 12 meeting of the Dwight Board of Trustees.

The ordinance authorizing the sale of the surplus village property required a minimum \$2,000 bid. Bids were also to include the intended proposed use for the property. The board accepted the high bid on each property as follows:

- 221 E. Waupansie Street – Bid \$2,500; James Fleishman; adjacent property owner (only bid)
- 300 Odell Road – Bid \$2,000; Jarrard Emmons; adjacent property owner (only bid)
- 305 E. Delaware Street – Bid \$3,187; Chris and Kim Frauli; intent to build house (two bids received)
- 411 W. Delaware Street – Adam Christensen; Bid \$2,500; intent to build on lot or extend adjacent property (only bid)
- 1201 S. Union Street – No bids received

An official ordinance to approve the accepted bids is required and will be presented for board approval at the next village board meeting.

In his report, Village President Jared Anderson acknowledged the ten-year anniversary of Heritage Woods in the Village of Dwight. Mayor Ander-

son also noted that Heritage Woods is planning a new 30 bed Alzheimer's and memory loss facility to be built in Dwight. The new facility will be located to the south of the current Heritage Woods location.

"That is very fortunate for Dwight," stated Anderson. "This will serve a very good purpose that is much needed."

Mayor Anderson also reported that a solar farm has been proposed on farmland currently located in Grundy County to the south of I-55 between Dwight and Gardner. Permits have been applied for the approximate 2,700 acre solar farm. Should the solar farm come to fruition, it is expected to have financial benefits for the Dwight School Districts, Fire Protection District, and Library District.

Police Chief Tim Henson noted that 50 - 60 letters have been sent out to area residents as friendly fall cleanup reminders.

"Sometimes we just need a little push," said Henson regarding the notices. "It's all about making our village have a nice presence and look beautiful."

Everyone is also again reminded to always remove keys, lock cars, and keep valuables out of sight of criminals.

Jane Anderson of the Dwight Economic Alliance

provided an update of upcoming DEA-sponsored events. Small Business Saturday has been designated for November 30. Everyone is encouraged to shop local this holiday season. In an effort to encourage local shopping during the slow winter months, anyone who purchases \$50.00 of DEA gift certificates between December 2 - 19 will be eligible for a Value Card offering local business discounts that can be used in January, February and March.

Breakfast with Santa will take place at 9 a.m. on Saturday, December 7 at Cherry Red Roasters. The buffet breakfast will include pancakes, eggs, sausage and a drink. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$7 for children, with children two and under \$3. The event will also include a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus, face painting, and crafts. Tickets are currently on sale at the DEA office, Village Hall, SOCU, Peoples National Bank of Kewanee, and Bank of Pontiac Dwight Branch.

This year's annual Christmas parade will take place on Saturday, December 7, beginning at 6 p.m. Parade entries will begin lining up at approximately 5 p.m. on South Prairie Avenue from Chippewa Street to South Street, heading east on South Street. The parade will head north on Prairie Avenue to West Main street, cross the rail-



**EMS Paramedic Sandy Kokaly was recently recognized for her 37 years of service to the Village of Dwight. Kokaly retired on October 4. Above, Kokaly is congratulated by Dwight Mayor Jared Anderson at the November 12 Dwight Village Board session.**

road tracks at Mazon Avenue then continue down East Main Street. The parade will end at the intersection of East Main and Chippewa Street.

Ordinance Committee

Chairman Jerry Curtis provided a recap of the Ordinance Committee meeting which took place prior to the Village Board session where discussion on several items took place. One

topic was to address the legalization of recreational cannabis in Illinois beginning January 1 and Village zoning and guidelines as it pertains to the sale of (continued on page 14)

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**Tickets Issued by Dwight Police**  
November 9: Brandon N. Dolan, 18, Orland Park, driving 11-14 MPH above limit.  
November 10: Samuel T. Patterson, 20, Galesburg, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Jon McAllister, 45, Wenona, no insurance.  
November 13: Diana M. Padilla, 17, Manteno, operate uninsured motor vehicle.  
November 14: Craig S. Barch, 20, Peoria, fail to stop at intersection.

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

**9 Written Warnings**  
Only one headlight – 3; no registration plate light – 3; improper passing on shoulder – 1; expired driver’s license – 1; speeding – 1.

**Dwight Police Blotter**  
November 8: 7:11 a.m., Dwight Police were dispatched to 104 Watters Dr. for a semi having turned around in the parking lot. The white colored semi destroyed metal and cement post and drove off towards I-55.  
November 10: 7:10 a.m., Dwight Police were dispatched to the 300 block of W. William. Three vehicles had slashed tires; 10:34 a.m., Dwight Police were dispatched to the Amtrak station for a subject removal from an incoming train. The Amtrak conductor asked for a male subject, not having a ticket, and disruptive behavior, to be removed from the train. Arrested for Aggra-

vated Battery and Obstructing Justice was Hakeem Williams of Joliet. He was taken to Livingston Co. Jail.  
November 14: 12:26 a.m., Dwight Police issued civil citations for drug paraphernalia and less than ten grams of cannabis to Craig S. Barch, 20, of Peoria. Barch was stopped for Disobeying a Stop Sign.



**Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS**  
November 8: John St., trauma, refusal; Mazon, medical, Riverside; Mazon, medical, mutual aid from Herscher; Watters, medical, St. James.  
November 9: Seminole, medical, Morris.  
November 10: Mazon, medical, Morris; Mazon, trauma, Morris; Spencer, medical, Morris; John, medical, Riverside; Elm, medical, Riverside; Mazon, trauma, Morris.  
November 11: St. Louis, medical, Morris; I-55, trauma, cancelled, mutual aid to Gardner; I-55, trauma, cancelled, mutual aid to Gardner.  
November 12: Main, medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, St. James; 1330 N. Rd., trauma, St. James, mutual aid to Duffy’s; Limestone Fire, COQ, mutual aid to Limestone; Chaucer, trauma, cancelled, mutual aid to Gardner.  
November 13: Mazon, medical, Riverside; Main, medical.  
November 14: Philmar, trauma, refusal; Mazon, medical, Morris; Mazon, medical,

### Temps - 2019

Nov. 7 – high 32°, low 13°  
Nov. 8 – high 30°, low 14°  
Nov. 9 – high 48°, low 27°  
Nov. 10 – high 48°, low 27° trace snow  
Nov. 11 – high 27°, low 6° 2” snow  
Nov. 12 – high 17°, low 4°  
Nov. 13 – high 26°, low 12°  
**One Year Ago – Nov. 20, 2018**  
high 33°, low 29°

Free Food to Be Distributed November 20

Free food will be distributed to qualifying households in Dwight Township Wednesday, November 20, at 1:00 p.m. at the Pioneer Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin, Dwight.  
The pantry is provided by the Dwight Ministerial Association and Dwight Township.  
There is no Food Pantry in December, only Love Box distribution December 14.

Vermilion Valley ETSB Meeting Nov. 21

The Vermilion Valley Regional E.T.S. Board will meet Thursday, November 21, in the Public Safety Complex 911 Training Room (downstairs), 844 W. Lincoln St. in Pontiac, beginning at 11:00 a.m.  
The next regular meeting of the Vermilion Valley ETSB will be Thursday, January 15, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. in the same location.

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**DRESDEN STATION HONORED VETERANS** on November 11 with a contribution to **Operation Support Our Soldiers**. Dresden Communications Manager Sara Peters, of Dwight, right, presented the check to Carol Dippon, also of Dwight, who has organized care packages and words of encouragement through Operation S.O.S. for local active servicemen and women for more than 17 years. Dresden Station in Morris employs more than 140 Veterans from all branches, including many who began their careers in the Navy working on the country’s nuclear-powered submarines and naval ships.

FEMA Provides \$1.3 Million to Illinois Emergency Management Agency

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security’s Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has announced that \$1,347,216 in federal funding has been made available to the Illinois Emergency Management Agency to launch the Public Assistance Program.  
This grant funding is part of FEMA’s recovery efforts in response to the federal disaster declaration on September 19, 2019. This funding will assist the Illinois Emergency Management Agency and local governments with costs incurred during the administration of the Public Assistance Program and its associated projects. The Public Assistance Program will provide funding for disaster recovery from the severe storms and flooding that occurred between February 24, 2019, and July 3, 2019.  
FEMA’s Public Assistance Program provides funding to local government jurisdictions and eligible private non-profits for the repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster-damaged infrastructure as well as costs incurred for debris removal, disaster cleanup, and emergency actions taken to protect lives or property.

First Day to File Petitions for Grundy Cty. General Primary is November 25

Grundy County Clerk Kay Olson is reminding candidates that the first day to file petitions for the March 17, 2020 General Primary Election, is Monday, November 25, beginning at 8:00 a.m. Filing will continue through Monday, December 2.  
Offices up for nomination are Circuit Clerk, Coroner, State’s Attorney, and County Board Members for Districts 1, 2, and 3. Precinct Committees will also be filing petitions for election at the March Primary.  
Simultaneous filing for the same office, at the 8:00 a.m. filing time, will result in a lottery to determine ballot placement. Petition packets received, through the mail, on the first day of filing, will also be considered filed at 8:00 a.m. Candidates who file on the last day, between the hours of 4:00-5:00 p.m., will also be entered into a lottery to determine ballot placement.  
The County Clerk’s Office is located at the Grundy County Courthouse, 111 E. Washington St., Room 12, Morris. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Clerk’s office will be open until 5:00 p.m. Monday, December 2, for the last day of filing.  
**NOTE: THE COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED NOVEMBER 28 AND 29 FOR THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY.**  
**Dates to remember –**  
• Nov. 25 – First day for candidates of established political parties to file petitions.  
• Dec. 2 – Last day for candidates of established political parties to file petitions, until 5:00 p.m.  
• Dec. 9 – Last day for filing objections to nomination papers of candidates who filed during the Nov. 25 - Dec. 2 filing period.  
• Jan. 16: Last day to file a Declaration of Intent to be a write-in candidate.  
If you have any questions or concerns, e-mail the Grundy County Clerk at elections@grundycyco.org, or call the Clerk’s Office at 815-941-3222.

Livingston Cty. Offices Closed Nov. 28 and 29

All Livingston County Offices will be closed on Thursday, November 28, and Friday, November 29, in observance of Thanksgiving.

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**Millennials May Need to Boost Life Insurance**

If you're a Millennial – born between 1981 and 1996 – you're either in the very early or relatively early stages of your career. It's not too soon to think about a financial issue you may have overlooked: the need for life insurance. Millennials need to ask three key questions:

**When should I purchase insurance?** If you're a young Millennial, perhaps just out of college, single, and living in an apartment, your need for life insurance may not be that great. After all, you may well have other, more pressing financial needs, such as paying off your student loans. But if you're an older Millennial, and you've got a mortgage, a spouse and – especially – children, then you unquestionably need insurance, because you've got a lot to protect.

**How much do I need?** Millennials who own life insurance have, on average, \$100,000 in coverage, according to New York Life's 2018 Life Insurance Gap Survey. But that same survey found that Millennials themselves reported they need coverage worth about \$450,000, leaving an insurance deficit of approximately \$350,000. That's a pretty big gap, but of course, these figures are averages and may not apply to your situation. Still, you should know how much insurance you require. A financial professional can look at various factors – your age, your marital status, number of children, size of mortgage, etc. – to help you arrive at an appropriate level of coverage. Keep in mind, also, that your employer may offer life insurance as an employee benefit.

**What type of life insurance should I get?** There are basically two types: term and permanent. Term insurance covers a given time period, such as 10 or 15 years, and provides only a death benefit. Permanent insurance, offers a death benefit and a savings component that allows you to build cash value. Consequently, the premiums are higher than those of term insurance. Again, a financial professional can help you determine which type of insurance is most appropriate for your needs.

You may also need other types of protection, such as disability insurance, and you may eventually want to explore long-term care insurance. You should at least consider all forms of insurance as part of your overall financial strategy. The future is unknowable – and as a Millennial, you've got plenty of future ahead of you.

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## October Video Gaming

October gambling on video gaming terminals in Illinois took place at 7,121 locations, only 19 more than in September, and on only 32,823 terminals, a reduction of 1,190 machines. That could be a rather ominous reduction in the number of terminals, but the total amount of

money gambled in Dwight during October once again pierced the \$600,000 level on the 50 terminals in the village. Dwight's take also increased, to \$7,666 from \$6,707 a month ago. October results for Dwight locations are below:

OCT.	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI*	State	Dwight
Aly Anne's	\$55,321	42,544	12,776	3,577	638
Cherry Red's	6,399	4,582	1,816	508	90
JT's Saloon	42,750	32,853	9,896	2,770	494
Lila Mae's	84,997	63,545	21,451	6,006	1,072
Love's	147,547	99,288	48,258	13,512	2,412
Mac's	90,407	66,527	23,879	6,686	1,193
Pete's	16,967	14,539	2,427	679	121
VFW	78,440	61,642	16,797	4,703	839
Vic. Lanes	12,654	10,377	2,276	637	113
Virbapa	18,190	13,443	4,746	1,329	237
Willy's	63,571	54,568	9,002	2,520	450
TOTALS:	\$617,243	463,915	153,327	42,931	7,666

## Gardner's October VGTs

OCT.	Funds In	Funds Out	NTI*	State	Gardner
Buddies (3)	1,568	1,141	426	119	21
Marks (4)	26,401	19,491	6,909	1,934	345
TA Op. (5)	31,904	20,718	11,185	3,131	559
TOTALS	\$59,873	41,351	18,521	5,185	926

*\*The State of Illinois and Villages receive a total of 33% of the Net Terminal Income monthly (State 28%, Village 5%). Of the remaining 67%, 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. Gambling problem? Call 1-800 GAMBLER.*



## Dwight Lighted Christmas Parade Entries Due By November 25

The Dwight Lighted Christmas Parade is scheduled for Saturday, December 7, at 6:00 p.m.

The parade will line up on South Prairie Avenue alongside McWilliams Farm Building and on South Street. Parking will be in the Country Mansion

and Prairie Creek Library parking lots.

The parade route is: South Prairie Avenue, left on Chippewa Street over the tracks, right on Prairie Ave. to West Main St., right on Mazon Ave., right on Franklin St. to East Main St. The parade will end at Chippewa St.

The only change in the route is the starting point.

Entries must be in by Monday, November 25. If you would like to be in the parade, contact Dwight Economic Alliance for an entry form at 815-584-1830 or janderson@dwrightalliance.org.

## Dwight Winter, Parking Ban Reminders

The Village of Dwight is reminding its residents of the following snow removal policies: Beginning December 1, overnight parking is prohibited on any street in the Village between 2:00-6:00 a.m. Vehicles parked on streets overnight will be ticketed. The overnight parking ban runs through the end of February, except for the Downtown Business District, where overnight parking is prohibited year round. Village residents are also reminded that parking is prohibited on Village streets anytime

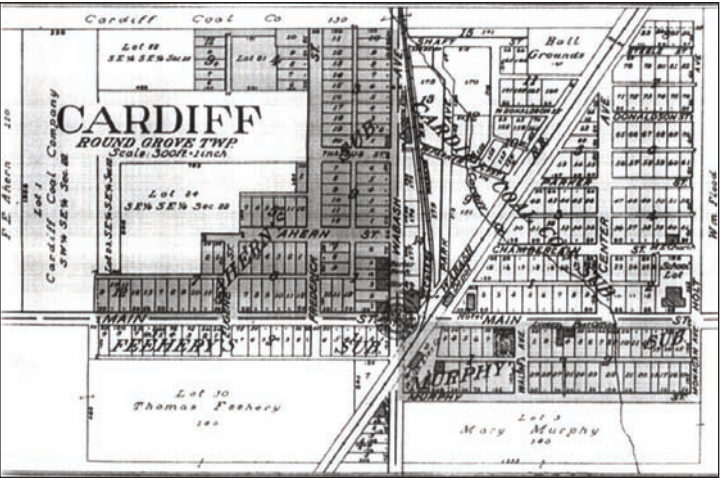
during the day when snow has accumulated more than two inches. Dwight has a goal of clearing all streets within 24 hours after snow has stopped falling, but cars parked on the streets hamper that effort.

Residents are also reminded that it is unavoidable that snowplows will push snow onto their driveways and sidewalks at intersections during snow cleanup. It is the responsibility of the adjacent residential and business owners to aid the Village in removing snow on

berms and sidewalks at the corners.

Commercial property owners are responsible for plowing their own parking lots, driveways, and public sidewalks adjoining their businesses. Residential property owners are also encouraged and reminded to shovel and maintain the public sidewalks adjoining their homes for the safety of pedestrians. Homeowners are also asked to shovel out fire hydrants in and around their property.

## New Info Unearthed About Famous Cardiff Coal Mine Photograph



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But there is more. Most people looking at this picture will never notice there are two other women there. Look at the long steps leading up to the left side of the tippie building. There are two figures on the landing. They are identified as Clara and Rachel Taylor. There was a Ralph Taylor who operated the Hotel Cardiff.

The postcard was sent by Margaret Meyers to her sister, Dr. Mary Urbain, in Hamilton, Ohio. There are descendants of the Urbain family today in Herscher.

The message on the back of the postcard says, "Dear Sis. What do you think of this? Don't I look natural? I didn't intend to have my picture there but I and Rosie B. happened to be at the shaft when it was taken. It is cold here today. We have fire in the hard coal stove. Margaret and I

went to Campus this A.M."

Margaret Meyers' sister, Goldie, married Joseph Roquet in 1906, in the year's top social event that united two prominent Cardiff families. Joseph and Goldie had a daughter, Mary, born in Cardiff in 1912. Mary married Louis McCabe and returned to Cardiff in 2007 for the dedication of the state historical memorial. Mrs. McCabe came back in September 2012 for one last visit when she was dying of cancer. She died on February 18, 2013, at the age of 101.

(Note: this writer published two books about the history of Cardiff and other coal mining towns in Livingston, Grundy, Kankakee and Will counties. The books contain numerous photos, including pictures of the people mentioned here and pictures of Cardiff when it was a big town. A history of Campus is included in the books, which are on sale at Campus State Bank).

## the corner

by Tom Tock

Marijuana. Weed. Pot. What wonderful stuff. What a terrible drug. Medical uses of marijuana have been proven to be of benefit to those suffering from arthritis, epilepsy, glaucoma, multiple sclerosis. But smoking marijuana can lead to breathing problems, especially long-term use: chronic cough, bronchitis, asthma, cystic fibrosis.

I presume most everyone knows that January 1, 2020, just a month and a half away, is the date when lines will allegedly form at locations where recreational marijuana ("smokable, edible, rub-it-on-your-skin-able, drinkable, chewable, whatever," Rex Huppke, Trib) will be legally sold in Illinois for the first time.

The subject of marijuana took up quite a lot of time at an Ordinance, Judicial and Licensing committee meeting preceding the regular Dwight Village Council meeting November 12.

Dwight Police Chief Tim Henson said he was concerned about the additional enforcement of laws that would be necessary if sales were allowed in Dwight.

Dwight wanted to be prepared, and after bringing up the mostly negative aspects of marijuana use, the committee

decided to have a full Council vote at the next regular meeting, Nov. 25, on a motion to not allow the sale of recreational marijuana in Dwight. One out-of-towner to whom I broached the marijuana question replied, "I think you (Dwight) should go for it. As bad off as Illinois is, what difference will it make? You need the money."

A local source: "Half the town has used marijuana, one-fourth of those 18 and up are using it now -- we're surrounded by drinkers and drunks. What's the problem?"

Gov. Pritzker expects \$500-million annually in taxes from his newly-created recreational marijuana industry. Communities can charge a 3% tax on sales. As usual, the Pritzker plan, like video gaming, shorts the towns while the big guy in Springfield pads his budget.

In Chicago, recreational marijuana dispensaries are planned to be all over in the poorest areas, a supposed pay-back for the drug problems that have enslaved the areas. Go figure.

Eleven states have legalized recreational use of marijuana.

In Illinois it is still up to the communities to say yes or no to its sale.

It's Dwight's turn Nov. 25.



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Cora Mae Trainor

A girl!

Noah and Jillian Trainor are happy to announce the birth of their daughter, Cora Mae Trainor.

Cora was born Sunday, October 27, at Summit Medical Center in Hermitage, Tennessee. She weighed six pounds, 15 ounces, and measured 19 1/4 inches.

Paternal grandparents are Chuck and Kim Trainor. Paternal great-grandparents are Clarence and Roberta Simantel.

Maternal grandparents are Kevin and Marsha Murphy. Maternal grandparents are Carolyn Harty and Patrick and Mary Jo Murphy.

Cora came home to her dog-brother, Bond.



Phil and Debbie Becker  
Celebrating 50th Anniversary

Phil and Debbie Becker are celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. The couple was united in marriage on December 6, 1969, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church (old building) by Rev. John Naab.

They are the parents of Timm (Emily) and Todd (Aimee) Becker, and are blessed with grandchildren Griffin, Mary, Chase, Eloise, T.J., and Elija.

Phil and Debbie graduated from Dwight Township High School in 1969 and have always resided in Dwight. Phil operated a service/towing business as Becker Texaco/Marathon and

later built Becker Hot Rod BP. Debbie graduated from Silver Cross School of Nursing and worked at St. Mary's Hospital and Home Health in Streator and Dwight Correctional Center. She later joined Phil as a hands-on partner in their business. They also owned Dwight and Coal City NAPA auto parts stores.

Today, they continue in business as Becker Storage in Dwight.

Phil and Deb enjoy touring the country showing their restored classic vehicles.

The couple will celebrate with a family dinner.

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\*Photos for video tribute must be received by Nov. 13

Sat., December 7, 2019

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Joyce and Dave Nelson

Dave and Joyce Nelson to  
Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Dave and Joyce Nelson are celebrating 50 years of marriage on November 29, and are inviting all friends and family to honor them with an open house celebration on Saturday,

November 23, from noon to 5:00 p.m. at Curley's Tap (114 Depot St., Gardner).

Dave and Joyce were married on November 29, 1969, at the Church of Hope in Gardner.

James Telford  
Celebrates 30  
Years at LSC  
Communications

James Telford at LSC Communications in Dwight (formerly known as RR Donnelley) celebrated 30 years with the company on November 11.

Jim began his LSC career as a Material Handler in the Pressroom. He left Dwight as a Rolltender, then rejoined the company in 1995 at the Greely plant, as an Assistant Press Operator. In 2006, Jim transferred to Mendota as a Press Operator, where he worked until 2012. Jim came back to Dwight in October of 2017 as an Assistant Press Operator, and was promoted to his current position of Press Operator in June of 2018.

Jim lives in Pontiac with his wife, Inge. He has two children, Amber and Jim, and a stepson, Cody.

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Bill and Sharon Mortensen

### Bill and Sharon Mortensen to Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Bill and Sharon Mortensen will celebrate 50 years of marriage on November 29.

The couple was married in St. Patrick's Church, Dwight, November 29, 1969.

Both are retired from their lifelong careers in Dwight. Sharon worked at Fox Center for 47 years, while Bill worked at The Star & Herald and then The Paper.

Bill and Sharon have four

children: Deb, Kelly, Trisha, and David. Deb and Dave both live in San Diego, CA. Kelly and her husband, Mark Bruce, and Trisha and her son, Landon Mortensen, all live in Dwight.

All friends and family are welcome to join in celebrating this milestone at an Open House Saturday, November 30, from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin St., Dwight.

### Cullom UMC Thanksgiving Service November 28

Cullom Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at Cullom United Methodist Church, 103 East Van Alstyne St., at 4:00 p.m. Thursday, November 28.

Pastors John Lyons and Gaberal Baumgardner will be presenting the service.

All are welcome to attend.

### Janet Brady, 4 To Go to Entertain at Night on the Town in Sibley

The Sibley Business and Historical Association (SBHA) will host its Night on the Town Saturday, December 7, from 5:00-8:00 p.m. and will present the women's barbershop quartet 4 To Go – featuring Dwight resident, Janet Brady.

4 To Go will delight attendees with a variety of holiday favorites in Sullivan Township Hall, 125 E. Ohio Street, in retail shops, and on the renovated main drag.

The quartet, affiliated with

the Vermillion Valley Show Chorus, is bass – Beth Kuntz Russell, a Strawn native and Fairbury resident; tenor – Rhonda Hornstein, Gibson City; lead – Janet Brady, Dwight; and baritone – Debbie Lopez, Fairbury native and

Normal resident.

The group has sung together for 3½ years and performed for events and private parties throughout Central Illinois.

This free event launches the holiday season for young and old.

### Prairie Singers to Present 'Hallelujah, I Believe'

This year marks Prairie Singers' 32nd Christmas concert series, and they are inviting everyone to hear them at the following locations:

- **Prairie Creek Library, Dwight – December 5, 6:30 p.m.**
- **First Presbyterian Church, Morris – December 7, 7:00 p.m.**
- **Trinity Lutheran Church, Ottawa – December 8, 2:00 p.m.**
- **First United Methodist, Streator – December 14, 7:00 p.m.**

- **St. Patrick Catholic Church, Seneca – December 15, 2:00 p.m.**

The Prairie Singers have selected carols that reflect the joys and beliefs of the Holiday season.

This year, enjoy "Hallelujah, I Believe" with the Singers.

The Dwight Public Library concert is open to the public and free of charge. The church concerts will have a free will offering.

### Emmanuel Lutheran Church Christmas Bazaar Dec. 7

Emmanuel Lutheran Church, at the corner of Routes 17 and 47 in Dwight, will host its annual Christmas Breakfast and Bazaar Saturday, December 7, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

A hot breakfast will be served for a nominal donation beginning at 8:00 a.m. until

sold out.

Handmade gift items, homemade candy and cookies, and homemade baked goods will be available for sale.

In addition, the Dwight Woman's Club will have their annual Festival of Trees in the church's Bowman Hall from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

### ESSEX LIONS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

**Sunday, November 24 • 7- Noon**

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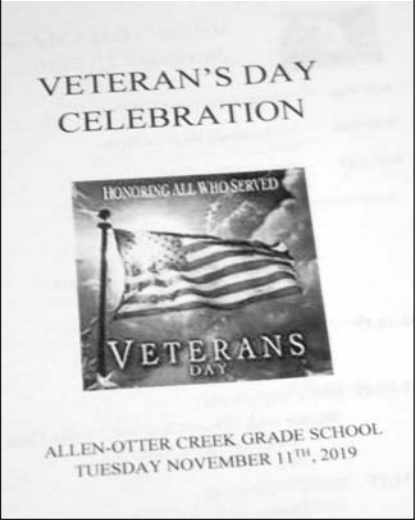
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STUDENTS AT RANSOM GRADE SCHOOL hosted a Veterans Day Breakfast in the gym. Veterans, students, and family members enjoyed pancakes, sausage, juice, milk, and coffee. Dr. Mary Pat Baima, at left, stands and speaks in front of a flag of paper chains made by the children.



BILL OSBORN is pictured with Bernie Jenkins and Jim Corcoran at the breakfast.



ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2019

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by December 1, annually. Individuals wanting to review this Annual Statement of Affairs should contact:

Allen-Otter Creek CCSD 65

School District/Joint Agreement Name

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Also by January 15, annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2019, will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website@ [www.isbe.net](#).

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2019

		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	1,067,573	141,938	104,889	65,334	41,479	0	27,384	43,846	27,256
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	87,157	0	0	76,860	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	71,875	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		1,226,605	141,938	104,889	142,194	41,479	0	27,384	43,846	27,256
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		1,369,544	147,907	105,208	161,466	34,075	0		39,442	0
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances - July 1, 2018		552,563	67,840	69,805	52,104	17,631	0	195,286	59,564	3,194
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances June 30, 2019		409,624	61,871	69,486	32,832	25,035	0	222,670	63,968	30,450

SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

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GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

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GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999
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Payments over \$2,500, excluding wages and salaries.

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AMANDA ESGAR	6,588	KROGER'S	2,814
AMTRUST NORTH AMERICA	7,292	LAURA MENTGEN	13,014
THE ATLANTA NATIONAL BANK	105,208	L.E.A.S.E.	28,338
THE BABY FOLD	91,253	T.W.A.P.T. INC	60,030
BARBECK	8,075	LOSTANT COMM UNIO SD 425	13,966
BRAD COUGHLIN	7,229	MACK & ASSOCIATES	6,495
CDW GOVERNMENT	7,847	MARCO INC	7,655
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CARD MEMBER SERVICES	23,227	NEXTERA ENERGY SERVICES	11,142
ERIN MARCONI	4,685	NICOLE HALL	7,987
FICEK ELECTRIC & COMM	35,743	NICOR	6,195
GRAND RIDGE CCSD #95	10,188	NIUNET	5,400
THE HARTFORD	32,311	PRAIRIE FARMS, PEORIA DIV	4,235
HOUGHTON-MIFFLIN	15,494	RAMZA INSURANCE GROUP INC	12,634
ILL EDUCATION ASSOC	7,425	REVOLVING FUND	11,568
IFIBER	8,400	SCHOOL SPECIALTY INC	4,060
IL DEPT OF REVENUE	38,938	STREATOR ELEM SCHOOLS	42,872
ILLINOIS CENTRAL SCH BUS	90,593	SUPPLYWORKS	3,569
ILL MUN RET FUND	18,031	THRUSH SANITATION	5,590
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	12,590	TEACHERS RETIREMENT	77,357
JERRY SCHMITT	3,100	THIS FUND	17,887
JOHN'S SERVICE & SALES	4,523	SHERI LEROY	28,733
KOHL WHOLESALE	16,058	WALTER J ZUKOWSKI & ASSOC	6,920

REPORT ON CONTRACTS EXCEEDING \$25,000 AWARDED DURING FY2019

In conformity with sub-section (c) of Section 10-20.44 of the School Code [105 ILCS 5/10-20.44], the following information is required to be submitted in conjunction with submission of the Annual Statement of Affairs [105 ILCS 5/10-17].

1. Total number of all contracts awarded by the school district:	5 (Enter Number Above)
2. Total value of all contracts awarded:	178,928 (Enter \$ Amount Above)
3. Total number of contracts awarded to minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, businesses owned by persons with disabilities, and locally owned businesses:	2 (Enter Number Above)
4. Total value of contracts awarded to minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, businesses owned by person with disabilities, and locally owned businesses:	97,009 (Enter \$ Amount Above)



OBITUARIES

Lois Gertrude Vigna

GARDNER – Lois Gertrude Vigna, 81, of Gardner passed away peacefully Thursday, November 14, 2019 at the Joliet Area Community Hospice Home in Joliet.



Funeral services will be Wednesday, November 20, at 10 a.m. in the United Lutheran Church, 309 Jefferson St., Gardner.

Interment will follow in Gardner Prairie Cemetery, Gardner.

Visitation was Tuesday, November 19, from 4 until 8 p.m. at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home, Braidwood.

Lois was born January 20, 1938 in Dwight, daughter of Joseph and May Johnson Sandeno.

She was known for her hard work ethic. She was first employed with Illinois Bell, then worked for the Gardner Bank, and eventually retired from RR Donnelley in Dwight.

She was an active member of the United Lutheran Church in Gardner, where she also played the organ and was the choir director. She was the President of the Gardner Prairie Cemetery Board and an officer for several organizations, including music and athletic boosters.

Lois also helped establish the Junior Women’s Club in

Gardner. She was a wonderful cook who enjoyed delivering meals to the field and hosting holiday dinners for her family. She was a caretaker for family members and friends. Lois greatly enjoyed spending time with her family, but most of all loved watching her grandchildren at their sporting events, and she recently looked forward to visits from her great-grandchildren. She was also an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Surviving are her husband of 61 years, Bernard Vigna of Gardner, who she married November 30, 1957; two sons: Dean (Melissa) Vigna of Coal City and Dale (Pam) Vigna of Dwight; three grandchildren: Brianna (Chris) Schreiner, Cal Vigna, and Allison (Justin) Anderson; three great-grandchildren: Logan and Brooklyn Schreiner and Payton Anderson; two sisters: Delores (Bill) Huston of San Diego, California, and Elaine Stonemark of Dallas, Georgia; and numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in her name may be directed to the United Lutheran Church or the Joliet Area Community Hospice Home.

To sign her online guestbook, log on to: [www.rwpatersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpatersonfuneralhomes.com) or on facebook.

Diane McWilliams

DWIGHT – Diane Clement McWilliams, 64, of Dwight passed away November 17, 2019 at Heritage Health in Dwight.



Cremation rites were accorded.

A visitation will be held from 9 a.m. until the 11 a.m. service Thursday, November 21, at Hager Memorial Home in Dwight. Father Chris Haake will officiate at the service.

Burial in Oaklawn Cemetery, Dwight, will follow the services.

Diane was born October 5, 1955 in Streator, daughter of John and Marilyn Fletcher Clement. She married James A. McWilliams, Jr. October 15, 1988 in the First Congregational Church of Christ in Dwight. He survives in Dwight.

Also surviving are brothers:

John (Deb) Clement of Carlock; Kurt (Sue) Clement of Nixa, Missouri; a sister, Barb (Brad) Wilkinson of Missouri; a cousin, Mary Fletcher of Thorn-dale; six nieces and nephews: Jessica Von Rohr, Nathan Clement, Jonathan Clement, Katelynn Baer, Masha Ellis, Anya Wilkinson; and one great-nephew.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Diane graduated from Dwight Township High School and worked for State Farm Insurance for 23 years as a Life & Health Insurance underwriter.

Memorials may be made to the Livingston County Humane Society and online condolences may be left for the family at: [www.hagermemorial.com](http://www.hagermemorial.com)

Additional Obituaries appear on pages 10 and 13.

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

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AND USE OF NEW VOTING SYSTEM

NOTICE is hereby given that at the General Primary Election to be held on March 17th, 2020 in the County of Livingston and State of Illinois, a new electronic voting system, Unisyn OpenElect will be used.

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11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON – PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
VICKIE S. SPORRER A/K/A VICKIE S. PETRI; AND UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS.  
Defendants,  
No. 18-CH-57

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Inter-county Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. in Livingston County Abstract Company, 309 North Mill Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:  
THE SOUTH 60 FEET OF THE WEST HALF OF LOT 2 AND THE SOUTH 60 FEET OF LOT 3, ALL IN BLOCK 1 IN M.E. COLLIN'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF PONTIAC, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.  
PIN: 15-15-27-226-002.

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The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgage shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Ms. Kimberly S. Reid at Plaintiff's Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 134 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580.

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Popeye's Sandwich

I very much enjoy food, I think I've said that in previous columns, so I'm going to continue with the topic.

This time it's a different fast food establishment, not McDonald's, but Popeye's Louisiana Chicken. There's been a lot of talk surrounding it lately due to the lines it's caused, the chaos it's caused, and it's honestly been putting the workers that are employed there in less than desirable working conditions.

Workers say they're not prepared for the masses that are coming to eat this chicken sandwich. Their main competition in the fast food chicken sandwich race is Chik-Fil-A and basically them and them alone. There's probably someone else that I'm forgetting that also makes a decent sandwich.

I think the Popeye's sandwich is the best one I've had from a fast food establishment. It's better than Chik-Fil-A. It just is. I like my sandwich to have a little more breading on it and for it to be a little bit thicker.

I think Chik-Fil-A's is a lot more straight chicken patty and not as much breading which is fine. I just like mine to have all the breading. I like it a lot.

The actual chicken quality of the two sandwiches is probably about the same. I don't think either really has a distinct advantage there.

If you haven't had it yet I would suggest at least trying it if you're a fan of chicken sandwiches. I've also now had both the spicy and the regular version and I think the non-spicy version is a little bit better.

If we're judging just the sauces I like Popeye's a little bit more too.

I think Popeye's takes the cake in the most categories and would very much suggest it. It has my vote of confidence.

I do not condone it as a healthy food choice however.

Go, Bears.

Aaron J. Boma  
2016 ISU Grad

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

First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation,  
PLAINTIFF,  
vs.  
Richard W. Higbie Jr. a/k/a Richard Warren Higbie Jr.; et. al,  
DEFENDANTS.  
No. 2019CH19

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 10/18/2019, the Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois will on December 18, 2019 at the hour of 10:00 AM at New Law & Justice Center 110 N. Main Street Pontiac, IL 61764, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Livingston and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:  
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PIN: 07-07-04-355-005

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If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-19-03620.

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Robert H. Lowe

C A B E R Y – Robert H. "Bob" Lowe, 85, of Cabery passed away at 10:36 a.m., Thursday, November 14, 2019 at Tjardes Health Center of Evenglow Inn, Pontiac.



Bob also trucked for G. Howard Trucking for a number of years. For 18 years, he worked at RR Donnelley in Dwight before retiring in 1992.

Bob was a member of the Kempton United Methodist Church and was a Broughton Township Trustee for many years. He liked reading, doing jigsaw puzzles, paint by number, and playing euchre. He enjoyed meeting for early morning coffee with his friends. Bob was an avid Chicago Cubs fan.

Most of all, Bob loved his family and spending time with them. He will be missed and remembered for being an excellent husband, dad, grandpa, great-grandpa and friend.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Monday, November 18, in the Kempton United Methodist Church with Rev. Herb Thompson officiating.

Burial in Broughton Cemetery, rural Emington, followed the services.

Visitation was held two hours preceding the service Monday in the church.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kempton United Methodist Church.

Condolences may be sent to the family at: [calvertmemorial.com](http://calvertmemorial.com)

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of Dwight Township will hold a Public Hearing on December 3, 2019 at 6:30 PM in the Dwight Township Hall, 201 N. Franklin St., Dwight, Illinois to discuss the proposed 2020-2021 Tax Levy Ordinance for Dwight Township Road District, as required by Public Act 82-102; Truth-in-Taxation for the State of Illinois. All persons desiring to be heard shall have an opportunity to present testimony concerning said Levy.

Dated: November 20, 2019

Patricia S. Rosenbaum  
Dwight Township Supervisor

Janice M. Masching  
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## Veterans Day Assembly Held at Tri-Point High School

For Veterans Day, the Tri-Point National Honor Society conducted a school-wide charity activity and assembly.

Like the previous year, the students of Tri-Point gathered and cut plastic bags. These bags were then donated to a group that spends their time making sleeping mats for homeless veterans.

The students also worked in groups to create tie-blankets that will be donated to the Manteno Veterans Home.

In addition to the community service portion of the program, Devan Hindman, a 2008 Tri-Point graduate and Army veteran, spoke to the staff and students about his experiences. His speech touched on the importance of gratitude, as his time in the service laid light to many individuals far less fortunate.



TRI-POINT STUDENTS cut bags to donate to make mats for homeless veterans.



DEVAN HINDMAN speaks to the students of Tri-Point and community members.

## Dwight Grade School District Prepares 2019 Tax Levy November 13 DOE Actions

by Madelyn Fogarty  
madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

The Dwight Common School District #232 Board of Education met on November 13 when District Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek gave a financial presentation which included the projected 2019 EAV and recommendations for the upcoming tax levy.

According to Livingston County assessors, the projected 2019 EAV for the Dwight Grade School District is expected to have risen approximately \$8 million over last year for an 8.60 percent increase and a projected EAV of \$100,970,100. At the time of the meeting, official Grundy County assessment numbers were still pending. Using an inflated 3.09 percent Grundy County EAV over last year, Dr. Jancek put together his best “guesstimate” for his recommendation to the board.

Using a 2019 total EAV estimate of \$126,970,100, Dr. Jancek presented his recommendations for the 2019 tax levy rate and extension. The recommended 2019 tax rate is \$3.2004 with a projected extension of \$4,063,497. Dr. Jancek explained that while this is a .07 cent tax abatement of the overall rate, with this recommended scenario the extension would be projected to increase by approximately \$191,972 or 4.96 percent due to the increased EAV. So, while taxpayers would see a .07 cent decrease in the tax rate from the school district, due to the increased EAV, tax bills could still increase. The 2018 tax levy rate was \$3.2756 with an extension of \$3,871,525.

“We are very healthy now,” Dr. Jancek told the board. “This is the healthiest we have been in a long, long time and a long time since we have had these kind of fund balances, so we want to make sure that is protected and we stay healthy.”

No action was taken. Once final EAV numbers are received from Grundy County and applied, adjustments may be necessary. The BOE will review and discuss any adjustments to the tax levy proposal before adopting the final 2019 Tax Levy at its December meeting.

In other financial business, it was reported that the State of Illinois has now made all of its mandated categorical payments for the 2018-19 school year. To date for the 2019-20 school year, the state owes the district \$57,016.17.

In another matter, School Resource Officer Gary Beier was present to provide observations from a recent ALICE training that took place at the school and to discuss the school safety drill, procedures and next steps. The group talked over any weaknesses noted during the drill and ideas for improvements. Proper ways to barricade classroom doors, classroom concealment, window egress options, and the front door entry system were areas of discussion.

In his report, Dr. Jancek informed the board of a proposed solar farm that could have a significant financial impact to the district if it comes to fruition. Nearly 2,700 acres of current farm land has been designated for the solar farm, which would be located in Grundy County between Dwight and Gardner. The largest proposed solar farm in Illinois, it could potentially bring \$300,000 of new money to the Dwight Common School District each year after any agreed upon tax abatements are gone. Environmental studies are being conducted and tax abatement agreement proposals are being discussed.

Dr. Jancek also reported that an additional \$5,850 in Pre-K Grant money has been received which may be used to purchase interactive technology boards.

Insurance renewal rates for 2020 were discussed with Dr. Jancek noting that an unusually high number of employee medical insurance claims has caused provider Health Alliance to increase its renewal rate by 30 percent. Rate relief is being investigated. With contract negotiations pending, Dr. Jancek is also working with the negotiating team members of both school boards and the negotiations committee to look at options for offering financial support for all staff to lessen the burden of the significant rate increase.

Assistant Principal Julie Schultz noted that Grandparent and Other Special People Days will be held on November 25 and 26.

“We are looking forward to this event and opening our doors to our greater school community,” stated Mrs. Schultz.

Principal Brandon Owens reported that approximately twelve new students have recently enrolled in the district pushing the total enrollment to nearly 550 students. The district is looking at adding a paraprofessional at the Junior High level to help meet student needs.

Moving to other business, the circle driveway project was again discussed. Last month, the BOE approved improvements to the circle driveway with regard to rock that currently sits between the asphalt and the sidewalk. However, new concerns, including drainage, have been brought forward causing the BOE to place the project on hold until spring while other options are investigated.

The BOE also:

- learned that the school has earned a ISBE/ESSA 2019 Report Card Summative Designation of “Commendable”.
- affirmed an accelerated tenure status for teacher Chuck Butterbrodt.
- affirmed employment of Jennifer Boudreau, long term Special Education Substitute.
- approved Lili Ferrari, Volunteer Volleyball Coach.
- affirmed Cathy Burke, FMLA Substitute Teacher.
- approved IASB dues of \$950.
- heard a report on paper copy / printing analysis.
- discussed IASB Press Plus Board Policy Updates.
- discussed ComEd/Engie billing issues.
- affirmed a two year contract with Twin City Energy Services , Natural Gas, for 36,000 Therms @ .30 for a savings of \$4,320.

The next meeting of the Dwight Grade School Board of Education will be 6 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11 at the school. Meetings are open to the public.

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# SPORTS



IVC CHAMPIONS! THE 8TH GRADE GSWB LADY TIGERS defeated Dwight 39-19 November 14 to win the IVC Tournament. Pictured, front row, from left, are Ava Schultz, Bella Vyce, Lana Lomalie, Addi Fair, Eva Henderson, Mary Clare Phillips; back row, Coach Fair, Aspen Lardi, AJ Pumfrey, Addy Serena, Grace Wright, Bri Graefen, and Coach Lenzie.

## GSWB Beats Dwight in IVC Championship

Thursday, November 14  
GSWB vs. Dwight  
8th Grade -  
IVC Tournament

The eighth grade Lady Tigers of GSWB are the IVC Champions, following a big 39-19 victory over #1-seeded Dwight November 14. The Lady Tigers were led by Addi Fair, who paved the way with 22 points. Mary Clare Phillips added seven points, while Aspen Lardi provided four of her own. Eva Henderson, Ava Schultz, and Bri Graefen each scored two points. A cold night of shooting hurt the Lady Red-

birds in their effort to secure the IVC title. Leading Dwight in scoring was Sophie Crutchfield and Kassy Kodat with seven and six points, respectively. Njomza Asllani put in four points, with Mia Buck scoring two. “Coach Fair and I are so proud of how hard these girls have worked this season,” stated GSWB’s Coach Lenzie after the win. “They’re a fun, dedicated group of girls and we enjoy coaching them so much.” Dwight drops to 14-7 on the season and 6-1 in the conference.



## DCS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

Monday, November 11  
Dwight vs. Manteno  
6th Grade -

Dwight’s sixth graders were in Manteno November 11, falling 29-20. Leading the Redbirds was Evan Cox with 12 points, seven steals, and two rebounds. Asher Kargle added a three-pointer and one steal, with Jake Wilkey adding three points and five boards. Joey Starks had a free throw, five steals, four rebounds, and three blocked shots. Christian Kennon had one point, six boards, and three swipes.

“B” - In the “B” game, Dwight lost 13-3. Jackson Launius led with two points and six rebounds, while Maddox DeLong connected on a free throw.

Tuesday, November 12  
Dwight vs. Ransom  
6th Grade -

In sixth grade basketball action November 12, the Redbirds hosted Ransom, prevailing 30-4. Joey Starks was high scorer with 14 points to go with 11 rebounds, five steals, and two blocks. Asher Kargle added six points, five steals, with Evan Cox putting up four points, eight steals, three blocks, and two assists. Jake Wilkey contributed four points and four swipes, while Maddox DeLong

scored two points. Dwight is now 4-1 overall.

“B” - Dwight came up short in the “B” game, 23-22. Jack Statler led with nine points, seven boards, two steals, an assist, and a blocked shot. Jackson Launius provided six points, seven rebounds, and two blocks. Maddox DeLong added three points and four steals. Gavin Leach (4 rebounds) and Mikey Groves each scored two points. Ethan Pakula pulled down five boards.

Thursday, November 14  
Dwight vs. Shabbona  
6th Grade -

Dwight lost to Shabbona on the road, 23-21, on November 14. Joey Starks led the Redbirds with 11 points, seven rebounds, four steals, and three blocks. Evan Cox chipped in with six points and four boards, while Christian Kennon added two points and six rebounds. Jake Wilkey contributed two points, three rebounds, while Asher Kargle had four steals. Dwight’s record is now 4-2 overall.

“B” - The “B” team won 6-0 over Shabbona. Jackson Launius had four points, two rebounds, two blocked shots, and a steal. Jake Wilkey put up two points and

four boards. Jack Statler grabbed four rebounds, with Zander Tarnowski getting six steals. Ethan Pakula had three swipes, with Mikey Groves grabbing one. Gavin Leach provided a rebound and two steals, with Maddox DeLong directing the offense and snagging a rebound.

Dwight vs. Ottawa  
Shepherd  
7th Grade -

Dwight was blanked in both the second and fourth quarters, leading to a 24-16 loss to Ottawa Shepherd November 14. “It’s hard to win when that happens,” admitted Coach Conroy, “plus, we had 30 turnovers. Our defense kept us in the game until the end.” Gallet led the Redbirds with ten points, six rebounds, and two steals. Brown put up four points and one rebound, while Larkin added two points, 13 boards, two steals, and an assist. Anderson provided four rebounds, four steals, and one assist, with Jensen contributing a rebound, a steal, and an assist.

8th Grade - The eighth grade Redbirds took a tough 24-20 loss to Ottawa Shepherd. Connor Telford and Jack Groves each had six points to lead Dwight, which is now 2-2 on the year. Ryan Hilt and Tristan Chambers each scored four points.

# 2019 Trojan Tip-Off Night, Feed the Kids Fund-raiser November 22

On Friday, November 22, Dwight Township High School will host its 2019 Trojan Tip-Off Night, in conjunction with the Feed the Kids Fund-raiser. The night will begin with the freshman/JV game at 5:10 p.m. The DTHS Winter Pep Band performance will follow at 5:50 p.m., preceding the 6:10 p.m. match-up between the JV

and varsity squads. The DTHS Winter Cheer-leading Exhibition will be held at 6:50 p.m., with the 3-Point Contest following at 7:00 p.m. The varsity game will begin at 7:45 p.m. All games will have two ten-minute halves with a running clock when there are two

minutes remaining. In addition, donations will be accepted upon entry – money or non-perishable food items accepted. The “Friends of Rachel”-sponsored bake sale will also be held during the festivities, with all proceeds going to Feed the Kids.



## DCS LADY REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

Dwight vs. MVK  
7th Grade -  
IVC Tournament

The seventh grade Lady Redbirds were beaten by MVK, 31-18, in IVC Conference Tournament action in Mazon November 11. Makayla Wahl led with five points, followed by four each from Sophie Buck and Leah Larson. Ella Legner and Ava Meister had three and two points, respectively. Dwight is now 6-13 on the season. Dwight vs. Elwood 8th Grade - IVC Tournament

Dwight’s eighth grade girls earned a spot in the IVC championship by defeating Elwood, 28-10. The Lady Redbirds used tenacious defense to shut out Elwood in both the second and third quarters. Lily McKelvey was leading scorer with 12 points – going 2-2 from the charity stripe. Njomza Asllani scored six points, including a three-pointer. Kassy Kodat and Sophie Crutchfield had four points each, with Crutchfield shooting 2-2 from the line. Mia Buck scored two points.



## GSWB LADY TIGERS BASKETBALL

GSWB vs. Morris Saratoga  
8th Grade -  
IVC Tournament

The eighth grade Lady Tigers beat Morris Saratoga in round two of the IVC Tournament, by a score of 37-21. Addi Fair dominated the offense with 24 points, going 10-11 from the free throw line. Mary Clare Phillips put in five points, followed by three each from Aspen Lardi and Bella Vyce. Addy Serena added two points.

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Just pick the winners of this week's games featured in this ad and drop off your entry form at any of the locations on the footballs to the left.

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Have Fun! Play all 17 weeks. Good Luck!  
**This week's entry is due November 22nd by 5 p.m.**

Winner announced in the Wednesday, December 4, edition.

\* Official Paper Bowl rules: One entry per drop box location per person every week. Entries only accepted at drop box locations and will not be accepted at The Paper office, unless otherwise noted. All entries must be on an official entry blank. No photocopies. Entries must be completely filled out, legible and to the drop box points by Friday at 5 p.m. each week. Judges' decisions are final. Winners will be announced each Wednesday in The Paper. Employees of The Paper and their family members are not eligible for Paper Bowl XIX.

OBITUARIES

Gloria J. Haley

ODELL – Gloria J. Haley, 75, of Odell passed away Friday, November 15, 2019 at her home.  
Visitation will be from 3 until 6 p.m., Saturday, November 23, at Duffy - Baier - Snedecor Funeral Home in Pontiac, with her service at 6 p.m. James Haley will officiate.  
Cremation rites will be accorded after the service with burial at a later date.  
Gloria was born March 11, 1944 in Bloomington, daughter of William B. and Charlotte Shippe Mardis. She married Samuel H. Haley June 9, 1963 in Bloomington. He passed away February 27, 2019.  
Surviving are her children: John E. (Kenna) Haley of Pontiac and James E. (Sue) Haley of Odell; grandchildren: John (Carrie) Haley of Springfield; Graham (Sarah Stalter) Haley and Ashleigh (Josh Anderson) Haley, both of Pontiac; and a great-granddaughter, Sophia Haley.  
She was also preceded in death by her parents; brothers, Bill Mardis and Bob Mardis; and sisters: Judy Mardis in infancy, Louise Warnken, Bernice Chambers and Maxine Frye.  
Gloria initially attended Dwight High School, and then graduated from Bloomington High School. She was a secretary at William Fox Developmental Center in Dwight.  
She was a member of Authentic Church in Pontiac.  
In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Authentic Church, 902 W. Custer Ave., Pontiac, IL 61764.  
Online condolences may be made to the family at: duffyfuneralhome.com or visit facebook.

Vernon L. Arnold

WILLIFORD, ARKANSAS – Vernon L. Arnold, 78, of Williford, Arkansas and formerly of Carbon Hill, passed away November 15, 2019 in Batesville, Arkansas.  
Funeral services will be held Wednesday, November 20, at 10 a.m. in Reeves Funeral Home, Coal City. Rev. Brad Shumaker will officiate.  
Burial will be in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery.  
Visitation was Tuesday from 4 until 8 p.m. at the funeral home.  
Vernon was born February 10, 1941 in Steele, Missouri, son of George and Bessie Rogers Arnold. He moved to Carbon Hill at the age of six months.  
Vernon married Donna J Ferrara March 25, 1961. He was employed at Testa's IGA for 46 years, retiring in 2005. After retiring, he moved to Williford, Arkansas.  
He is survived by one daughter, Deidre Haff of Mazon; one son, Brian (Stephanie) Arnold of Black Rock, Arkansas; eight grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren, with one expected in April; one sister; one sister-in-law; two brothers-in-law; and many nieces and nephews.  
Also surviving are his son-in-law, grandchildren and special friends.  
Preferred memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice.  
The guestbook may be signed, photographs uploaded, or Vernon's memorial page shared at: [www.ReevesFuneral.com/notices/Vernon-Arnold](http://www.ReevesFuneral.com/notices/Vernon-Arnold)

THE DWIGHT WOMAN'S CLUB FESTIVAL OF TREES isn't just about trees. You can find lots of other holiday décor, including this hand-painted shovel. All items will be raffled off at the festival on December 7, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dwight. All proceeds are given to charities and not-for-profit organizations.

AT THE ANNUAL DWIGHT WOMAN'S CLUB Festival of Trees December 7, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dwight, you can bid on this "REEL" tree celebrating the Dwight Harvest Days Short Film Festival. This tree features blue lights, real film reels in shades of blue and tan, a glitter gold film reel star, 11 photo frames with screenshots from films shown at the 2019 fest (which you can replace with your own photos), a full package of movie theater butter microwavable popcorn, and actual movie film used as garland. Proceeds go towards Harvest Days events.

THE DWIGHT WOMAN'S CLUB FESTIVAL OF TREES

12.7.19

ANY DOOR OR DECOR WILL BE MORE WELCOMING this holiday season with the addition of this wreath. This item, and many others, will be raffled off at the DWC Festival of Trees December 7 at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dwight. Proceeds from this wreath will benefit United Way of Livingston County.

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# PAPER BOWL

## Week 10

### Sponsors Standings

Sponsor	Record
Jerry Danko State Farm	8-2
Prairie Creek Wealth Advisors	7-3
Aly Anne's	7-3
Dwight Country Club	7-3
Dairy Queen	6-4
McDonald's	3-7
Berkot's	1-9

Did you know that every location that hosts Paper Bowl entry forms competes against each other? Each week, the sponsors, listed above, participate in the same challenge that the public can participate in.

In a tough Week 10, Aly Anne's (6) defeated Danko State Farm (DNP), Dwight Country Club (7) beat Dairy Queen (6), McDonald's (DNP) won by default against The Paper Bot, and Prairie Creek (3) defeated Berkot's (DNP).

Thanks for playing!

*Rep. Tom Bennett Reports*

### Health Insurance Open Enrollment

Get Covered Illinois health insurance open enrollment now underway. The open enrollment period for the Get Covered Illinois health insurance marketplace is underway from now until December 15.

The marketplace is the official exchange where Illinoisans can go to purchase coverage or to apply for federal subsidies to lower costs. After the December 15 deadline, potential customers will not be able to make purchases through the exchange unless they have had a "qualifying life event" such as having a child or losing their existing health care coverage.

There are over 140 health insurance plans available on the exchange. Automatic re-enrollment in the same plan or a similar plan from the same insurer will be available for anyone who previously enrolled in a plan through the marketplace. More information is available at: <https://getcovered.illinois.gov>

We also passed legislation to help those with diabetes obtain life-saving insulin. Too many of us have heard stories of friends and neighbors struggling to pay for the insulin which they depend on. The legislation we passed this week will help get those costs under control.

READ. Know what's happening around you!

### Pet of the Week

Hi friends! It's me again! Gizmo!

I am a 1-year-old Chihuahua / Pomeranian mix! I love to sit in laps and go for walks! I'm such a good boy and am even pretty good at the whole pottyng outside thing! I like the other 4 leggeds, but I do need some time to warm up! I'd love a family of my own to walk me and sleep on the couch with me!

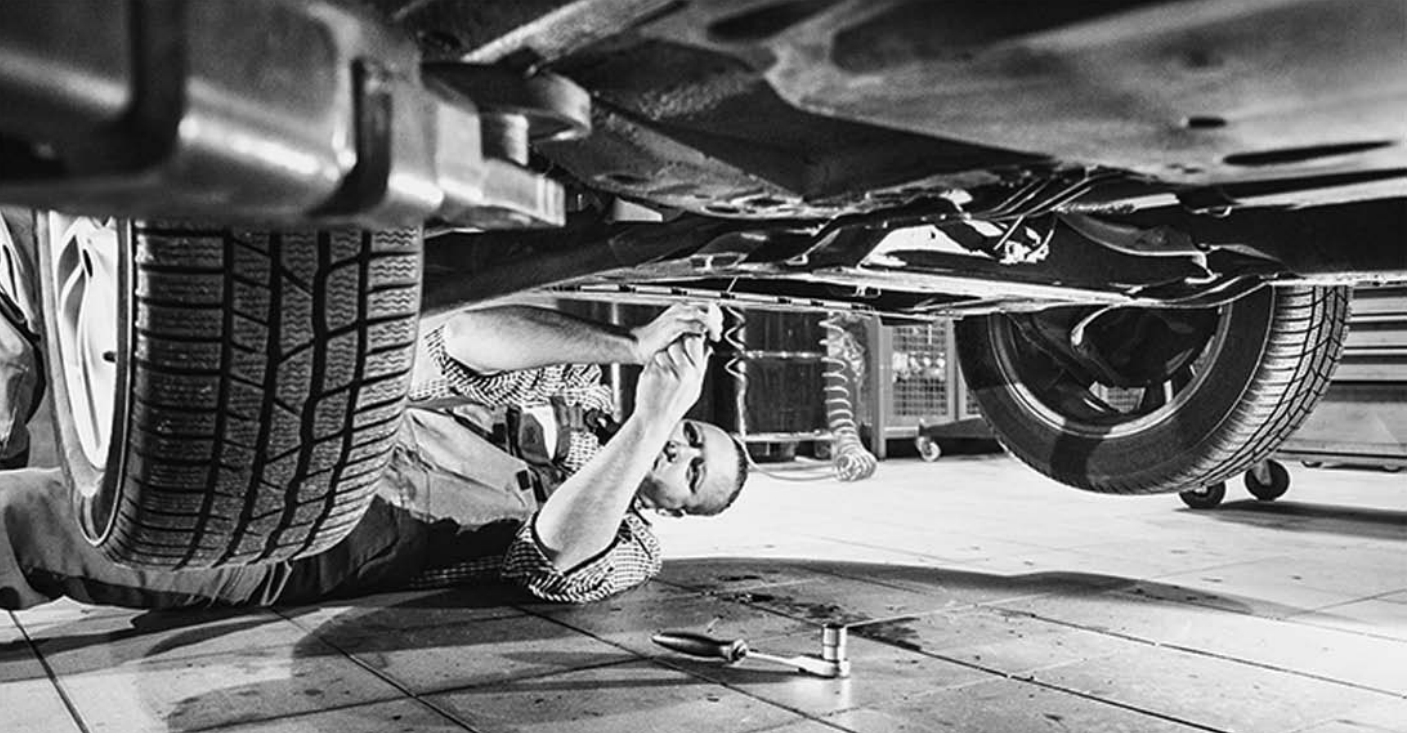


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### The Importance of Routine Vehicle Maintenance

Owning a car is a big responsibility. Drivers who plan to keep their vehicles for the long haul must emphasize maintenance if they want to keep adding miles to their odometers. In fact, the automotive information site CarAdvice says that routine maintenance may be the most important thing drivers can do for their vehicles.

A vehicle needs consistent care if it is to run efficiently. Maintenance also reduces the risk of roadside breakdowns and costly repairs. Here's a look at some of the benefits of staying on top of maintenance.

- Saves money: Even though maintenance costs money, sticking to a consistent maintenance schedule can save big bucks in the long run. For example, the cost of rotating and aligning tires is considerably less than repairing a car after a major blowout and paying for a tow and tire replacement.
- Improves performance and efficiency: Routine maintenance includes oil changes, filter changes and fluid top-offs. Such tasks keep engines running smoothly. Ignoring this routine maintenance can put engines in jeopardy of breaking down and adversely affect vehicle performance, diminishing fuel economy and leading to a sluggish ride.
- Identifies safety issues: Routine inspections and work performed by reputable service stations help drivers stay abreast of recalls or issues that can affect the safety of the vehicle.
- Maintains a maintenance record: When the time comes to sell the vehicle, having a log of routine maintenance indicates to potential buyers that the vehicle was well cared for.
- Keeps compliance: Vehicles covered under manufacturer's warranties typically need to be maintained in adherence to factory-recommended maintenance schedules. This ensures that the vehicle is in compliance and will be covered in the event of a warranty claim.

Routine vehicle maintenance is important for a variety of reasons. Drivers can work with a trusted and reliable mechanic to develop a schedule that keeps their cars and trucks on the road.

Make sure YOUR Car is well cared for during the difficult winter months.



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

First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation, PLAINTIFF,

vs.

Richard W. Higbie Jr. a/k/a Richard Warren Higbie Jr.; et. al, DEFENDANTS.

No. 2019CH19

NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 10/18/2019, the Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois will on December 18, 2019 at the hour of 10:00 AM at New Law & Justice Center 110 N. Main Street Pontiac, IL 61764, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Livingston and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

PIN: 07-07-04-355-005

Improved with Single Family Home

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Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in “AS IS” condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee’s attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-170(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff’s attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-19-03620.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON – PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,

vs.

VICKIE S. SPORRER A/K/A VICKIE S. PETRI; AND UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS. Defendants,

No. 18-CH-57

NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above entitled cause Intercounty Judicial Sales Corporation will on Wednesday, December 11, 2019, at the hour of 2:00 p.m. in Livingston County Abstract Company, 309 North Mill Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

PIN: 15-15-27-226-002.

Commonly known as: 606 S. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

The improvement on the property consists of a single family residence. If the subject mortgaged real estate is a unit of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit other than a mortgage shall pay the assessments required by subsection (g-1) of Section 18.5 of the Condominium Property Act.

Sale terms: 10% down by certified funds, balance within 24 hours, by certified funds. No refunds. The property will NOT be open for inspection.

For information call Ms. Kimberly S. Reid at Plaintiff’s Attorney, Marinosci Law Group, PC, 134 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602. (312) 940-8580.

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## LEGAL

### NOTICE OF INTENTION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 75, GRUNDY COUNTY, ILLINOIS TO ISSUE \$600,000 WORKING CASH FUND BONDS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that on the 13th day of November, 2019, the Board of Education (the “Board”) of School District Number 75, Grundy County, Illinois (the “District”), adopted a resolution declaring its intention and determination to issue bonds in the aggregate amount of \$600,000 for the purpose of increasing the Working Cash Fund of the District, and it is the intention of the Board to avail of the provisions of Article 20 of the School Code of the State of Illinois, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, and to issue said bonds for the purpose of increasing said Working Cash Fund. Said Working Cash Fund is to be maintained in accordance with the provisions of said Article and shall be used for the purpose of enabling the District to have in its treasury at all time sufficient money to meet demands thereon for expenditures for corporate purposes.

A petition may be filed with the Secretary of the Board (the “Secretary”) within thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice, signed by not less than 71 voters of the District, said number of voters being equal to ten percent (10%) of the registered voters of the District, requesting that the proposition to issue said bonds as authorized by the provisions of said Article 20 be submitted to the voters of the District. If such petition is filed with the Secretary within thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice and on or before the 16th day of December, 2019, an election on the proposition to issue said bonds shall be held on the 17th day of March, 2020. If such petition is filed with the Secretary within thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice and after the 16th day of December, 2019, an election on the proposition to issue said bonds shall be held on 3rd day of November, 2020. The Circuit Court may declare that an emergency referendum should be held prior to either of said election dates pursuant to the provisions of Section 2A 1.4 of the Election Code of the State of Illinois, as amended. If no such petition is filed within said thirty (30) day period, then the District shall thereafter be authorized to issue said bonds for the purpose hereinabove provided.

By order of the Board of Education of School District Number 75, Grundy County, Illinois.

DATED this 13th day of November, 2019.

Beth Fatlan  
Secretary, Board of Education,  
School District Number 75, Grundy County, Illinois

Jennifer Williams  
President, Board of Education,  
School District Number 75, Grundy County, Illinois

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OBITUARIES

Michael S. Barfield

CULLOM – Michael S. Barfield, 63, of Cullom died Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 5:00 a.m. at Accolade Healthcare of Pontiac.

Cremation rites were accorded.

Michael was born August 18, 1956 in Phenix City, AL, a son of Lester James and Alma Jean Black Walker.

Survivors include his fiancé, Chantell Watenpugh of Cullom; seven children: Victoria Wright of Orange Beach, GA; Donovan Lawrence of Phenix City, AL; James Barfield of Georgia; Rose Cude of Phenix City, AL; Alexandria Barfield of Alabama; Breann Watenpugh and Cheyenne Barfield, both of Cullom.

Nine grandchildren; two sisters: Sheila Cobb of Phenix City, AL, and Gail Barfield Strickland of Peachtree City, GA; two brothers: Daniel Barfield of Smiths, AL, and Charles Barfield of Montgomery, AL; his adopted mother, Sybil Barfield, also survive.

Michael was preceded in death by his father, his adopted father: Sonny Barfield.

Michael served his country in the US Air Force and the US Marines.

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

Calvert & Martin Funeral Home, Cullom, is handling the arrangements.

His guestbook may be signed at: [www.calvertmemorial.com](http://www.calvertmemorial.com)

MORRIS – Lillian A. Johnson of Morris passed away Sunday, November 17, 2019 at Heritage Health in Dwight.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, November 20, from 1 until 2 p.m. at U. C. Davis - Callahan Funeral Home, 301 W. Washington St., Morris.

At 2 p.m., a Celebration of Lillian's Life will be officiated by Pastor Laura Wilson of the First United Methodist Church.

Burial: Evergreen Cemetery.

Lillian was born December 8, 1926 in Morris, the daughter of Harry K. and Rose Hroback Johnson.

Raised and educated in Morris, she remained in the

David M. Maskel

MORRIS – David M. Maskel, 80, of Morris passed away Saturday, November 9, 2019 at Park Pointe Healthcare and Rehabilitation in Morris.

Committal services with full military honors will be held Wednesday, November 20, in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, 20953 W. Hoff St., Elwood, at 9:30 a.m.

Born July 10, 1939 in Streator, David Michael was a son of Joseph and Anna Mueller Maskel. He was raised and educated in Morris, graduating from Morris High School in 1957. He served honorably in the United States Army from 1958 to 1961, and on March 2, 1963 married Phyllis Elaine Brooks in the Church of Hope in Gardner.

He was employed by Federal Paperboard paper mill in Morris for 20 years, and later by Stepan Chemical Company for another 20 years until he retired. David was a member of the American Legion Post #294 in Morris, as well as the Dwight Country Club. He was an avid golfer, and in retirement would try to golf seven days a week if he could.

David lived and breathed Morris High School Redskin Football, and was a devoted season ticket holder. He would often go for long walks along the I & M Canal, always wearing radio headphones listening to the WCSJ radio station.

A hard worker and self-taught handyman, he took it upon himself to rehab both homes he and his family lived in over the years.

He and his wife, Phyllis, looked forward to taking trips, especially to Branson, Missouri. He was a simple man who loved his family and al-



ways tried to put others' needs before his own.

Surviving are his three children: David (Marilyn) Maskel of Dwight; Jim (Ashley) Maskel of Morris; and Dennis (Kristen) Maskel of Minooka; seven grandchildren: Jeffery Maskel, Elliot Gerentz, Jacob Maskel, Kaylea (Tyler) Mann, Cooper Maskel, McKenna Maskel, and Madyson Maskel.

Also surviving are one great-grandson, Axel Mann; one sister, Patricia (Joe) Misener of Morris; three sisters-in-law: Joyce Cobler of Marseilles, Faye Lynn (Bill) Malek of Lake View, Arkansas; and Barbara Brooks of Gardner; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Phyllis E. Maskel on September 3, 2019; four brothers: Dick (Betty) Maskel, Emmett Maskel, Edward (Judy) Maskel, and Patrick Maskel; brother-in-law, William Brooks; and sister-in-law, Jean (Bob) Fischer.

Per David's wishes, cremation rites were accorded.

The family received friends for a memorial visitation Thursday, November 14, at Reeves Funeral Home, Morris, from 3 until time of a memorial service at 7 p.m.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in David's memory to Saint Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, Tennessee 38105.

Family and friends may sign the online guestbook, upload photographs, or share David's memorial page by logging onto: [www.ReevesFuneral.com](http://www.ReevesFuneral.com)

Esther M. Krug, 85, of Dwight peacefully passed away Saturday, November 16, 2019 at Heritage Health in Dwight under hospice care.

Per her wishes, cremation rites have been accorded.

A memorial service will be held in Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Kinsman, on Saturday, November 23, at 11 a.m. Father Stanley Drewniak will officiate.

Visitation will begin one hour before the services.

Esther was born February 19, 1934 on a farm in Verona, the daughter of Joseph and Mary Kleinberg. She attended Dwight Township High School and was a member of the graduating class of 1952.

On May 17, 1952 she married the love of her life, Robert J. "Bob" Krug in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Kinsman. They met when he played Santa Claus for the one-room schoolhouse she attended in the country. She was in 8th grade and he was a sophomore at Dwight Township High School. They were married the night of her senior prom, as Bob was preparing for Army deployment to Korea. After graduation, she worked for a short time at the Veterans Home (now Fox Center) in Dwight as a dietary aide, delivering trays to the recuperating veterans.

Upon Bob's return from Korea, they resided in Texas until his Army discharge. They returned to Illinois, where Bob returned to his job at Caterpillar and she began her new career as a housewife. Together they raised three children until his passing on February 21, 2008. They would have celebrated their 56th wedding anniversary in May of that year.

As a couple they loved to



travel and camp. They were members of Atom Sams Camp Club and the Caterpillar Camp Club. In their later years they became "Winter Texans," taking their camper to Texas from the end of December until the middle of April. Together they accomplished traveling to all 50 states, as well as parts of Mexico and Canada.

Esther was a member of St. Patrick Catholic Church in Dwight. She was known to be a "good cooker" by her grandchildren, and loved trying new recipes and collecting cookbooks. She enjoyed feeding people and if you ever came to visit she always wanted you to eat something. She was greatly loved and will be deeply missed by family and friends.

She is survived by two daughters: Mary (Paul) Quigley of Reedsburg, Wisconsin and Janice (Gerald) Earing of Dwight; one daughter-in-law, Peggy Krug; four grandchildren: Bridget (Brandon) Stych of Dwight; Amy (Cory) Hall of Morris; Jessica Earing of Dwight; and Brian (Megan) Krug of Eureka; six great-grandchildren: Tanner and Madison Stych; Willa and Zephy Hall; and Jackson and Charlotte Krug; one sister-in-law, Marjorie Pfeifer; and several nieces and nephews.

Awaiting her arrival in heaven is her husband; parents; son, Richard F. Krug; son-in-law, Kenneth L. Sigler; father-and mother-in-law, Herman and Luella Krug; several aunts, uncles, cousins, and in-laws.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in her name may be directed to Kankakee Valley Hospice, 482 Main St. NW, Bourbonnais, IL 60914.

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**DWIGHT**  
**Dwight United Methodist Church**  
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[Dwightumc.org](http://Dwightumc.org)  
Pastor: Michael Ebersohl  
• NOV. 20: 2 p.m., Kids Klub/Real Kids; 6:00 p.m., Choir practice; 7 p.m., Cantata practice; REAL & IGNITE.  
• NOV. 21: 9 a.m., Bible Seekers; 4 p.m., Scouts #1906; 5 p.m., Scouts #4877; 5:30 p.m., Praise Band rehearsal.  
• NOV. 23: 7 a.m., Men's Bible Study at Route 66, Dwight, and Cafe 110, Odell.  
• NOV. 24: 8 a.m., Early Worship; 9:15 a.m., Sunday School; 9:30 a.m., Praise Band rehearsal; 10:30 a.m., Late Worship; 2 p.m., Heritage Health Service.  
• NOV. 25: 6:30 p.m., Bible Warriors; 7 p.m., UMM meeting.  
• NOV. 26: 8:30 a.m., Hens Bible Study; 6:00 p.m., Choir practice; 7 p.m., Cantata practice.

**Emmanuel Lutheran Church LCMS**  
325 E. Mazon Ave.  
584-3433 church  
584-1291 fax  
Rev. John F. Mueller, Pastor  
• NOV. 20: 4:00 - 5:15 p.m., Catechism classes; 4:15 p.m., Choir; 5:00 p.m., Hand Bells; 6:00 p.m., Wednesday Devotions with Holy Communion.  
• NOV. 24: 9 a.m., Sunday School/Adult Bible Class; 10 a.m., Worship with Holy Communion.  
• NOV. 26: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., "Sew Blessed."  
• NOV. 27: NO Catechism Classes; 6 p.m., Thanksgiving Eve Service.

**First Baptist Church**  
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• NOV. 20: Wednesday

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• NOV. 24: Sunday School for all ages, 9:45 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 10:45 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m.  
• NOV. 27: Wednesday Evening Service & King's Kids Children's Program, 7 p.m.

**First Congregational United Church of Christ**  
200 W. Delaware St.  
584-1260 church  
Rev. Grant Speece  
• NOV. 24 – *Christ the King Sunday*: Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sermon title: "Our True King."  
Holy Scripture Readings:  
Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Colossians 1:11-20  
Luke 23:33-43  
• Community Thanksgiving Service at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 7 p.m. Rev. Mike Ebersohl preaching.  
\* "Feed the Kids" program – Donations welcome.

**New Life Assembly of God**  
903 S. Old Route 66  
Victor J. Randle Jr., Pastor  
• NOV. 20: 7 p.m., Bible Study.  
• NOV. 21: 7 p.m., Worship practice.  
• NOV. 23: 10 a.m., Decorate float for Parade.  
• NOV. 24: 9 a.m., Life Lesson Study; 10 a.m., Main Service and Communion; Kids Church, ages 3-11, and nursery; 5 p.m., X-treme Youth Group.  
• NOV. 25: 7 p.m., Prayer Night.  
• NOV. 26: 7 p.m., Celebrate Recovery.  
• NOV. 27: NO Bible Study.  
• NOV. 28: NO Worship practice.  
• NOV. 30: 9 a.m., Church decorating.

**St. Patrick Catholic Church**

**Mazon Ave. at Prairie**  
815-584-3522 Office  
Father Chris Haake, Pastor  
• NOV. 23: 9:00 - 10 a.m., Reconciliation; 4:30 p.m., Mass.  
• NOV. 24: 10:30 a.m., Mass; 7 p.m., Dwight Community Ecumenical Service, here.

**St. Peter's Lutheran Church**  
326 W. Chippewa St.  
815-584-1199  
Pastor Chrissy Salser  
[email:chrissytherev@att.net](mailto:email:chrissytherev@att.net)  
• NOV. 21: 12 noon, Women of St. Peter meet in Odell at Cafe 110.  
• NOV. 22: NO Bible Study; 8 p.m., AA.  
• NOV. 24 – *Thank Offering Sunday*: 9:15 a.m., Fellowship Breakfast; 9:30 a.m., Faith Development for all ages; 10:30 a.m., HC Worship; 7 p.m., Dwight Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Service at St. Patrick Church with Dwight Methodist preaching.  
• NOV. 25: No quilting this month.  
• NOV. 26: No quilting; 4 - 6 p.m., Salvation Army and Compassion Ministry.  
• NOV. 28: *Happy Thanksgiving*.  
• NOV. 29: NO Bible Study; 8 p.m., AA.  
• NOV. 30: 9 a.m., Decorating church for Christmas.

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**Braceville United Methodist Church**  
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815-483-9343 Cell  
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Pastor Karen Fabian  
• 10:30 a.m., Sunday Service.

**CULLOM**  
**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
*North American Lutheran Church*  
Pastor: Gaberal Baumgardner  
• Saturday night service, 5 p.m.

**• Sunday School, 8:45 a.m.; Worship at 10 a.m.**

**EMINGTON**  
**Emington Congregational United Church of Christ**  
103 Division Street  
Rev. Grant Speece  
• NOV. 24 – *Christ the King Sunday*: Worship, 8:45 a.m. Sermon title: "Our True King."  
Holy Scripture Readings:  
Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Colossians 1:11-20  
Luke 23:33-43

**MAZON**  
**Mazon United Methodist Church**  
509 7th Street  
815-448-5677 Church  
815-483-9343 Cell  
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Pastor Karen Fabian  
• Sunday Service, 9 a.m.

**ODELL**  
**St. Paul Catholic Church**  
200 S. West St.  
Father Chris G. Haake, Pastor  
• NOV. 20: Reconciliation following 8:15 a.m. Mass.  
• NOV. 24: 8 a.m., Mass.  
• NOV. 27: Reconciliation following 8:15 a.m. Mass.

**RANSOM**  
**St. Patrick Catholic Church**  
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## St. Patrick Church, Ransom, CCD Students Participate in Five Parish Family Mass

St. Patrick Church, Ransom, CCD students of Brad Coughlin, DRE, Caity Talty, and Nolan Coughlin, read a reading and a petition along with other CCD students from the five linked parishes at the 10:30 a.m. Five Parish Family Mass November 17 at St. Joseph Church, Marseilles, with Fr. Augustin Kassa, SMA, Parochial Vicar, officiating.

During Mass, CCD students took up to the altar donated items for the food pantry. A pizza party was held in the parish hall following Mass. Deacon Ron Wackerlin and Deacon Mike Evers, along with input from Fr. Ghislain Inai, SMA, Pastor, gave a presentation on vocations featuring written questions from the CCD students.

## Gas Prices For This Week

Here are more important items to think about so you and your car or truck are ready for winter driving. Make sure your headlights are clear and replace any burned out bulbs. This will ensure that oncoming traffic and traffic behind you can see you. Have your battery checked to make sure it is at full charge. To prevent overheating make sure your antifreeze/coolant is at full level. Having a full tank of gas will prevent water build up and allow you to run your car if you do become stuck.

City/Village	Nov.20	Nov.13
Dwight	\$2.48	\$2.48
Kankakee	\$2.65	\$2.70
S. Wilmington	\$2.58	\$2.58
Streator	\$2.49	\$2.51
Odell	\$2.55	\$2.55
Pontiac	\$2.49	\$2.49
Gardner	\$2.55	\$2.55
Braceville	\$2.54	\$2.54
Morris	\$2.47	\$2.47
Herscher	\$2.54	\$2.65
Chicago	\$3.08	\$3.00
Illinois	\$2.67	\$2.68
U.S.	\$2.61	\$2.63

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### November 12 Dwight Village Board Actions

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recreational cannabis. Chief of Police Tim Henson provided input from a police standpoint outlining enforcement concerns and how a local dispensary might task current police personnel. After much discussion, the committee will recommend to the Board not to approve or allow a recreational cannabis dispensary, or related business, to locate in Dwight.

"I see more potential problems than it is worth," stated

Curtis.

The committee also discussed concerns regarding the tearing down of downtown buildings and losing the integrity of the downtown area should tear downs continue. Business district design guidelines for downtown storefronts were also discussed with sample ordinances from other communities reviewed. Guidelines for Dwight will be established and recommended to the board.

A party request for the 100 block of Susan Drive for July 4, 2020 was discussed by the board. Among other things planned, the block party would include stage entertainment, food truck and kid bounce house or slide. Some questions and concerns were raised that will go back to the requester for

clarification before the request comes back to the board for approval.

The board also approved:

- payment of bills totaling \$198,647.45
- transfer of \$299,800.00 from Water Fund (51) to Water Bond Fund (41) for the purpose of paying interest and principal on a bond.
- transfer of \$430,732.50 from Referendum Fund (36) to the Referendum Bond Fund (47) for the purpose of paying interest on a bond.
- transfer of \$158,900.00 from the General Fund (01) to the Capital Expenditure Fund (38) for the purpose of paying invoices from a past construction project (\$93,900.00, Pine Cone Path); and setting aside money for a future ambulance

(\$30,000.00); and setting aside money for a future squad (\$35,000.00).

- transfer of \$51,714.93 from the Sewer Fund (52) to Sewer Replacement Reserve Fund (33) for the purpose of paying interest and principal on a bond.
- an intergovernmental agreement with Grundy County Emergency Telephone System Board allowing an antenna on the North Water tower to assist the Fire Protection District.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board will be at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, November 25, in the Public Services Complex. Meetings are open to the public.



**Dwight Ecumenical Service Sunday, Nov. 24, at St. Patrick's**

An Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be held in St. Patrick Catholic Church, corner of Mazon and Prairie Avenues, Sunday, November 24, at 7 p.m.

Rev. Mike Ebersohl of the Dwight United Methodist Church will be preaching to the ecumenical group.

The service is held each Thanksgiving season by the Dwight Ministerial Association.

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11/15 - Chris & Jim Myers, Dwight.....	\$50
11/16 - Kim & Patti Drechsel, Dwight.....	\$25

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