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## Dwight Prepares for Budget Shortfall Due to Pandemic

### April 27 Board of Trustee Actions

By Madelyn Fogarty  
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With social distancing guidelines still in place due to the ongoing pandemic, the Dwight Village Board of Trustees met for its April 27 session via a telecommunication meeting with all board members present. During the current health crisis across the nation, Section 6 of Governor Pritzker's Executive Order 02020-07 declaring all counties in Illinois as a disaster area alters the open meetings act and suspends the requirement for physical presence.

Despite a \$3.3 million balanced budget passed just weeks ago, Village Administrator Kevin McNamara outlined an-

anticipated shortfalls due to the COVID-19 pandemic. In March, McNamara had told the board, "While revenues remain stagnant, the Village's fiscal solvency is heavily reliant upon external factors we do not control. COVID-19, I'm afraid, is going to play havoc on municipal budgets, especially on the revenue side."

Currently, a 75 percent decrease in motor fuel tax funds is projected for the year. At Love's Travel Stop, a 70 percent decrease in gasoline sales tax with a 30 percent drop in sales tax from diesel has been realized. Retail sales tax is projected to be down 50 percent. And, with video gaming bringing in approximately \$7,500 (continued on page 3)

## Dwight Residents Again Urged to Complete 2020 Census

### Online and Phone Options Available

With the 2020 census underway, Dwight Village Administrator Kevin McNamara continues to remind and urge Dwight residents to complete the census. As of April 27, 68.6 percent of local households had completed the survey leaving Dwight tied at 173rd for municipality responses and Livingston County at 22nd in the State.

Information regarding the completion of the 2020 US Census was mailed to all area residences. Census numbers, gathered every ten years, are critical in providing the basis for government funding available to local communities. While a very small number of paper forms were mailed, the expectation is residents will

complete the census online. With Dwight's Village Hall now closed to public entrance due to the coronavirus restrictions, residents needing assistance may still call the village hall with questions regarding completing the census. In addition, a call-in option has been made available for completing the census. To complete the census over the phone, simply call 844-330-2020. Planned door to door census canvasses are currently not taking place due to the pandemic and the time-frame from completing the census had been extended.

Information provided for the census is 100 percent confidential. Visit [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov) for more information.

## Important Notice from The Paper

The Paper was introduced over 20 years ago with the premise that small towns have an essential newspaper to provide local news, promote schools, and connect the community in general. In addition it allows advertisers a vehicle to reach every household in their market. The model is, that business supports a free publication, delivered free to every home.

It goes without saying that the business climate has changed over the last few weeks and may never be again the same. Many businesses have temporarily closed and all are conducting themselves under a new set of rules, which are evolving by the day.

To help offset some of these developments, The Paper will be making some operation adjustments over the next few weeks.

On a temporary basis, a paper will only be delivered to postal mail boxes for which a preprinted flyer is included, such as Berkot's, Aldi, Hard-

ees, etc.

However, The Paper will be available to view online by everyone through our website, [thepaper1901.com](http://thepaper1901.com). This allows us the ability to maintain our mission of keeping the area informed and also provides a method for advertisers to reach every home via the web.

As we learn what process works best, we will make adjustments accordingly.

Most of all, keep safe, and support local business whenever possible.

Any feedback you may have is appreciated and can be emailed to [thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net](mailto:thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net).

The following towns will not receive a mailed copy of The Paper on May 13:

- Kinsman
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- Blackstone
- Emington
- South Wilmington
- Union Hill
- Campus
- Cullom

## Shhh! This is One Surprise You Don't Want to Ruin Mom Plans Graduation Parade for Dr. Kailyn

By Rachael Reynolds-Soucie  
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If you can't keep a secret, then STOP READING right now and turn the page. Cindy Schultz doesn't want you to ruin her daughter's doctoral graduation surprise.

Cindy's daughter Kailyn has spent the last eight year in college and she "graduates" May 16 with a doctorate in general dentistry.

But like many other schools and universities, there will be no formal commencement for Kailyn and fellow graduates of the University of Illinois Chicago. That doesn't mean all that hard work will go unrecognized.

Cindy texted family and friends and is planning a SURPRISE car parade on Friday to celebrate Kailyn's success.

"We're all very proud of her," said Cindy, of Gardner.

Kailyn was born and raised in Gardner and graduated from Gardner-South Wilmington High School. Cindy said she's wanted to become a dentist since junior high school.

Part of the reason is because her father, Pete Schultz, suf-



Dr. Kailyn Schultz

fered from ALS. He had to use a BiPap machine and it affected his teeth. He always said if she graduated from dental school he wanted Kailyn to fix his

teeth. He died six years ago at age 52.

Pete would surely be proud of his daughter. Cindy said she and Pete have another daugh-

ter, Chelsea, 25, who is also studying dentistry at UIC.

Kailyn, 26, spent the last eight years earning her degree. (continued on page 8)

## Dwight Baptist Church Plans to Re-Open May 17 Federal Judge Upholds Governor's Stay-Home Mandate

By Rachael Reynolds-Soucie  
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After nearly seven weeks, people are getting restless with Governor J.B. Pritzker's stay-at-home mandate, and one church plans to begin holding public worship next week.

Dwight Baptist Church, 401 N. Clinton St., will be opening its doors on Sunday, May 17, for in-public worship, according to an email from Eric Bryant, assistant pastor.

First Liberty Institute, a non-profit public interest law firm, sent a letter to Pritzker on Friday, May 1, on behalf of Northwest Bible Baptist Church (NBBC) in Elgin, which leads a coalition of nearly 50 churches from across Illinois -- including Dwight Baptist Church.

Churches across the state contend the governor's executive actions are discriminatory against religious practices. The NBBC believes they have a religious obligation to meet in-person and questions the authority of the state to direct them to refrain from meeting.

But they may not have the law on their side. Beloved Church, in the northwest town of Lena in Stephenson County, filed a federal lawsuit last week against Pritzker's order -- and a judge sided with the state.

A federal judge Sunday ruled the stay-at-home order constitutional. In the 37-page decision, U.S. District Court Judge John Z. Lee said the court is mindful that religious activities permitted by the order are "imperfect substitutes" for in-person services. "Still, given the continuing threat posed by COVID-19, the Order preserves relatively robust avenues for praise, prayer and fellowship and passes constitu-



tional muster," Lee wrote.

The upcoming in-person Baptist services are in defiance of Pritzker's stay-at-home order that was put in place March 21 in an attempt to flatten Illinois' curve in the COVID-19 pandemic. As of press time, 62,000 Illinoisans have tested positive for the virus. More than 2,600 have died.

Bryant and head Pastor Daniel Woodward would not answer questions from The Paper, referring inquiries to First Liberty Institute lawyers.

On Thursday, April 30, a revision was made in the governor's order, adding "free exercise of religion" as a permitted essential activity -- but limits religious gatherings to 10 people or fewer.

It's unclear if the Baptist churches, including Dwight, will adhere to the 10 or less mandate. And even if they don't, Village Administrator Kevin McNamara said the village will not enforce the governor's mandate.

"We're not getting involved in church and state," he said, also noting that things could change by May 17.

According to the letter First Liberty Institute sent on behalf of the the NBBC, churches in-

fered to follow very strict guidelines for safely conducting in-person services, exceeding those recommended by the CDC.

"Churches across Illinois and the nation have respectfully submitted to governmental restrictions on social gatherings throughout the pandemic," said Jeremy Dys, special counsel for Litigation and Communications for First Liberty Institute. "NWBBC is grateful for government officials who have worked to protect citizens but now believes it is time to begin responsibly returning to in-person services immediately."

"Beyond Sunday mornings, nearly 30 critical ongoing ministries of NWBBC have been forced to pause for over a month," Dys said. "Ministries forced into a state-imposed hiatus include religious service to the Kane County Jail, NWBBC's food pantry, nursing home services, special needs ministries, and Reformers Unanimous, an addiction recovery program. Such ministries provide critical social relief and compassionate services to the local community. The longer these ministries are forced to remain in lockdown, the greater their need be-

comes—especially in this time of increased isolation."

Dys said his agency would be ready to sue if necessary.

"Our client recognizes this may place NWBBC at odds with your most recent Stay-at-Home Order ... This would be regrettable and unnecessary," he said. "NWBBC hopes reason and the measures articulated herein will render any concerns by your office, or potential enforcement, moot. Should you decide to take any enforcement action against NWBBC, however, we are prepared to assert any and all defenses available under the U.S. Constitution and applicable law, including the Illinois Religious Freedom Restoration Act."

As NWBBC resumes in-person church services, churches intend to employ the following measures for the safety and health of its members and the local community:

- Those who are elderly (65+) or in at-risk categories will be encouraged to stay home and participate via live stream.

- Any individual who is over age 2 and able to medically tolerate a face-covering shall be required to cover their nose and mouth with a face-covering.

- Signs will be posted at all entrances refusing entry to any individuals exhibiting any flu-like symptoms. Signage will be placed throughout the building to encourage people to prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses.

- Those entering will be scanned for a fever with non-touch thermometers by screeners wearing appropriate PPE. Those exhibiting a fever of 100 or higher will be denied entry. (continued on page 8)



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**Tickets Issued by Dwight Police**

April 23: Daveion D. Barber, driving during suspension, obstructing an officer, no valid regis./1st and 2nd.

April 24: Austin D. Gutierrez, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

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

**Dwight Police Blotter**

April 23: 8:24 a.m., Dwight Police met with a subject at Dwight Police Dept. The 29-year old male wanted to discuss a domestic situation; 10:32 p.m., Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop for disobeying a stop sign. Arrested was Daveion Barber of Chicago for No Registration, Obstructing Justice, and Suspended Driver's License. He was taken to Dwight Police Dept. and given his citations and paperwork. He was released on an Individual Bond. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

April 24: 3:52 p.m., Dwight Police were called to 12 W. Northbrook for a scam. The unknown subject left in an unknown direction.

April 28: 10:20 p.m., Dwight Police were advised of a drive-off from 11 E. Northbrook Dr. It was determined there had been a problem with the credit card, and it did not enter properly.



**Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS**

April 23: Mazon, medical, Morris; Emington, refusal; Prairie, refusal.

April 25: Prairie, medical, Morris; Scott, trauma, Morris; Union, trauma, refusal.

April 26: Karen Dr., odor investigation.

April 27: Mazon, fire call; Mazon, fire alarm; Prospect, trauma.

April 28: Aldi, trauma, Morris; Susan, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Gardner; South St., odor/fire.

April 29: East, medical, St. Joe's, mutual aid to Gardner; Hadden, medical, Morris, mutual aid to MVK; Mazon, odor/fire; Mazon, medical, Morris; 3000 N. Rd., medical, Riverside; Wilmac, medical, Morris.

**Masonic Lodge Sponsoring Blood Drive May 11**

Livingston Masonic Lodge #371 of Dwight is sponsoring an American Red Cross blood drive to be held Monday, May 11, from 12:30-5:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish Hall.

Donors must call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit redcrossblood.org to make an appointment or for more information. A blood donor card or driver's license, or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Eligible donors must be at least 17 years old, or 16 years old with a signed Red Cross parental/guardian consent form where state permits, must weigh at least 110 pounds, and



**American Red Cross**

be in general good health.

The American Red Cross is a major supplier of blood to the hospitals in the area.

The Red Cross medical staff and donors must follow all CDC guidelines for the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The medical staff will wear masks and gloves, practice enhanced disinfecting, and social distancing. Donors must wear masks and are encouraged to take their own masks, otherwise, one will be provided. Donors must use provided hand sanitizer and may be asked to wait in a designated area or their car. Guests of donors will not be able to attend the blood drive.

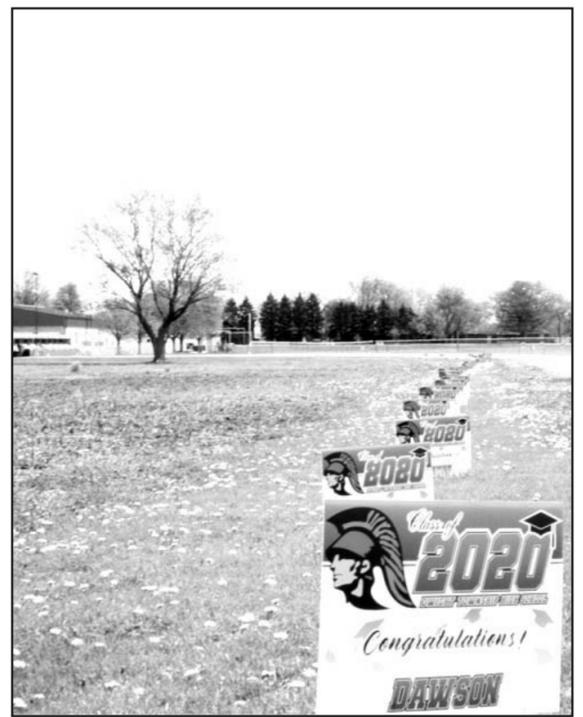
**Mobile Food Pantry in South Wilmington May 11**

On Monday, May 11, at 4:00 p.m., Catholic Charities' Mobile Food Pantry will be distributing food at St. Lawrence Church (135 Rice Road in South Wilmington) in the church parking lot (rain or shine).

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

in need. Participants are asked to stay in their cars. The Mobile Food Pantry will use a "drive thru" method to distribute pre-packed groceries to ensure that all participants are safe during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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



**DTHS GRADUATE SIGNS RUN ALONG TROJAN DRIVE** as tribute to the seniors who were not able to hold a graduation ceremony. Cathy Ferguson, Jill Haacke, and Superintendent Richard Jancek placed the signs on Friday morning.

Provided by the Dwight High School Board of Education acknowledging each of the students in the graduating class of DTHS 2020.

**Are You Unemployed and Need Job Assistance?**

If you find yourself faced with the reality of being laid off whether or not due to the COVID-19 pandemic, now may be the time to think about whether or not you are on the career path you desire.

Livingston Workforce Services is the local American Job Center which can link you to free resources to explore your career options, get connected with a certificate or short-term training if necessary, review your resume, provide job search tips, assist with the application process, practice your interviewing skills, and more.

The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Dislocated Worker program provides individuals who have been laid off, as a result of COVID-19 or not, with scholarships for training in demand occupations. Scholarships are awarded up to \$10,000 tuition, plus \$2,500 per year for books and training related fees and supplies. Gas reimbursement is also available for travel to classes. Individuals who have been awarded unemployment insurance will not lose their benefits if they choose to earn a certificate or degree under WIOA training. Individuals who choose to job search with-

out any training can still receive job seeker services virtually with job search tips, resume review, interview techniques, etc.

Not sure what you want to do? Many free online assessments are available to help match your skills to careers suitable for you. You simply answer questions in the assessments based on your preferences and receive results of what occupations you would be a good fit for. For more information on these assessments, check out the Skills Interest and Surveys article on [www.illinoisworknet.com](http://www.illinoisworknet.com).

All services offered by Livingston Workforce Services are free under the WIOA grant. Funding is provided by the Grundy Livingston Kankakee Workforce Board.

For more information, visit [livingstonworkforceservices.weebly.com](http://livingstonworkforceservices.weebly.com) or e-mail: [livingstonworkforceservices@gmail.com](mailto:livingstonworkforceservices@gmail.com)



**Temps - 2020**

- Apr. 23 - high 65°, low 45° trace precip.
- Apr. 24 - high 54°, low 41° .77" precip.
- Apr. 25 - high 46°, low 40° 1.91" precip.
- Apr. 26 - high 62°, low 38° .02" precip.
- Apr. 27 - high 64°, low 43° .10" precip.
- Apr. 28 - high 76°, low 50° .85" precip.
- Apr. 29 - high 53°, low 46° 1.2" precip.
- One Year Ago - May 6, 2019 high 64°, low 41°

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# Dwight Prepares for Budget Shortfall Due to Pandemic

## April 27 Board of Trustee Actions

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each month, current loss of revenue from video gaming stands at approximately \$22,500. It was also noted that ambulance calls are down and no late fee penalties will be assessed to the first installment of Livingston County taxes due in June. To help offset some loss of revenue, the Village is currently stopping all planned tree removal and alley repairs, slated for this summer. The board discussed road repair work to a portion of W. James Street, off Rt. 66, including a two foot widening, mill and overlay, and curbing at the W. James and Lincoln Street intersection. No decision was made regarding moving forward.

**In new business** and citing the budget shortfalls, Mayor Anderson advised proceeding cautiously with regard to contributions. With this in mind, the board approved a payment of \$10,000 to the Dwight Economic Alliance instead of its total \$40,000 annual request. In a like manner, the board approved payment of \$2,126 to the Greater Livingston County

Economic Development Council in lieu of its \$2.00 per capita contribution for an annual total of \$8,504. The board will review and evaluate each request quarterly, along with the village budget, before making additional payments.

**In other business**, as the Village of Dwight continues to staff its ambulance service, the Board approved the employment of two EMS employees. Hired was full-time Paramedic Trace Conover and part-time Basic Medic Bailey DePeoesta. Dwight took over operations of the village's ambulance service effective April 1.

**In other matters**, after reducing hours due to the pandemic, Dwight's Village Hall has returned to a more normal schedule with office hours from 8 am to 4 pm Monday - Friday. However, the Public Services Complex remains locked. For assistance, the village hall can be reached by calling 815.584.3077 during business hours. As a reminder, a payment box for water bills is located at the north side of the

building. Public Works continues to ensure all essential city services are operational and has resumed yard waste pickup on Mondays. Yard waste, in appropriate yard waste kraft-style bags, should be out at the curb by 6 a.m. for pickup.

**The Board approved** a continuation of Ordinance #1439 Pertaining to a Local State of Emergency. The ordinance is a precaution and necessary in emergency situations which allows Dwight's Village President, Jared Anderson, certain additional powers and authority should emergency actions and resources become necessary.

Mayor Anderson and Trustee Randy Irvin commended village residents and businesses on their cooperation and response to the pandemic and government directives to combat the spread of the virus.

"The Village of Dwight has reacted to this in a very professional way," said Trustee Irvin.

Mayor Anderson agreed and encouraged everyone to continue following directives. "Everyone is doing a great

job," stated Anderson.

**The board also approved:**

- payment of April 13 bills totaling \$51,678.44.

- payment of April 27 bills totaling \$58,266.40.

- FY end 2020 payment of bills totaling \$29,930.90.

- the March 2020 Treasurer's report.

- a fund transfer of \$51,982.50 from the Referendum Fund to the Capital Referendum Bond Fund.

- a fund transfer of \$11,950 from the Water Fund to the Water Bond Fund.

- a transfer of \$51,714.93 from the Sewer Fund to the Sewer Replacement Reserve Fund.

- IDOT Motor Fuel Tax Resolution 2020-04.

- a comprehensive amendment to the Dwight Zoning Ordinance.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board of Trustees is tentatively scheduled as a telecommunications meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m., Monday, May 11. Please check Village of Dwight postings regarding how this meeting will be conducted.

## Date Meets Zip

The Paper will publish a weekly "Letter Search Contest" leading up to the Date Meets Zip festivities, in which a picture of a local sign or building showing one letter from the word DWIGHT will be printed each week - continuing through the final answer in the Wednesday, June 3, edition. Participants should fill out the entry form, identifying the sign and including your name and phone number. Entries

should be submitted by taking a picture of your entry form and e-mailing it to dhs1854@yahoo.com by Monday of the following week. A \$10 prize will be awarded each week to one winner. In case of multiple correct entries, the winner will be pulled randomly from the group. On week five, Letter H, there are multiple signs to identify and a \$50 prize will be awarded to one winner that week.





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### Letter Search Entry Form

Letter "I"

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Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit your entry by taking a picture of the completed form and e-mailing the form to dhs1854@yahoo.com by Monday, May 11.**

## Dwight Schools Post Information Regarding Meal Delivery/Food Assistance

With the school year drawing to a close, Dwight Public Schools have announced that May 11 will be the final day for its meal delivery program.

Support groups for food assistance in Dwight are:

- DEA Food Pantry - 815.584.1830 - Located at the Old Train Depot,

Downtown Dwight, Open 2-4 p.m. 24/7.

- St. Peter's Lutheran Church - 815.584.1199 - 1st Monday of the Month,

- Gothic Church Food Pantry - 815.584-1959 - 4th Wednesday of the Month, 1-2 p.m.

### Week 2 // " W " - Renfrew Park:

In 1897, David McWilliams donated 20 acres to be designated for a village park. The park was designed by Ossian Cole Simonds, a renowned landscape architect, who also designed the expansion of Graceland Cemetery in Chicago. When completed, the park was named after Baron Renfrew, the alias the Prince of Wales used when visiting Dwight on a hunting trip in 1860. The Prince of Wales later became Edward VII King of England.



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All proposals are to be received by Gardner-South Wilmington THSD #73 at 500 East Main Street, Gardner, IL 60424 on or before 2:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 24, 2020, and will be opened at time specified.

Josh DeLong  
Superintendent

Hallie Sippel Inducted Into PTK Honor Society

Hallie Sippel, Cabery, was one of 35 Kankakee Community College students inducted into Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society during the spring 2020 semester (between December 2019 and April 2020).

Phi Theta Kappa is an international academic honor society for community college students.

In most years, KCC holds induction ceremonies for new PTK members each fall and spring semester. This spring's event was planned for April 24, but was canceled due to the

coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Phi Theta Kappa has recognized academic achievement at associate degree-granting colleges since 1918. The society offers opportunities for scholarships, intellectual enrichment, and personal development through programs based on the society's hallmarks of scholarship, leadership, service, and fellowship.

To be eligible, students must have a 3.5 grade point average or better on a 4.0 scale.

Odell Proclaims May 1 as Art Leach Day



PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the residents of the Village of Odell have a long tradition of recognizing great deeds conducted by its fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, during a time of great need, many of its citizens met the call of the nation to fight overseas against a great evil during the many battles of World War II, and;

WHEREAS, fellow citizen Art Leach answered this call most fervently, taking to the skies to repel the unjust attacks of foreign powers, and;

WHEREAS, the residents of the Village of Odell wish to acknowledge and celebrate the patriotic and dutiful service selflessly provided by Art Leach; and

WHEREAS, on May 1, 2020, the Village of Odell wishes to take note of Art Leach's sacrifices and proclaim to the world that we are

proud to call ourselves a fellow citizen of this war veteran; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Odell, in a token of proudly supporting Art Leach and its many veterans, wishes to show its steadfast commitment by dedicating a day in his honor; then

THEREFORE, be it resolved that, I, Mayor Brian K. Mills, on behalf of the Village of Odell, do hereby proclaim **May 1, 2020** as **ART LEACH DAY** in Odell, Illinois, and urge all citizens to join in participation of honoring this war veteran.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused my signature as Mayor to be affixed to this Proclamation on this 1st day of May, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty.  
Brian K. Mills, Mayor  
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TWIN BROTHERS GARRETT AND GRIFFIN BRUNNER, both seniors at Pontiac Township High School, have signed to play tennis at D-II McKendree University in Lebanon. Their grandparents are Ivan and Shirley Brunner, rural Herscher, and Henry and Diana Eggenberger, Saunemin.



Pictured, front row, are Gary Brunner (father), Garrett, Kristina Brunner (mother); back, Griffin (brother), and Nick Vogt (head tennis coach).



Pictured, front row, are Gary Brunner (father), Griffin, Kristina Brunner (mother); back, Garrett (brother), and Nick Vogt.

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## GSW Color Guard Awarded

Gardner-South Wilmington High School recognized members of its Color Guard team, that includes sophomores Edith Ochoa, Melissa Traver, and Madison Wells; juniors Vada Crawford and Ash Holloway; and seniors Jordan Buck-Noble and Jack James. Receiving the Most Improved award was Holloway, while seniors Buck-Noble and James earned Co-MVP awards.

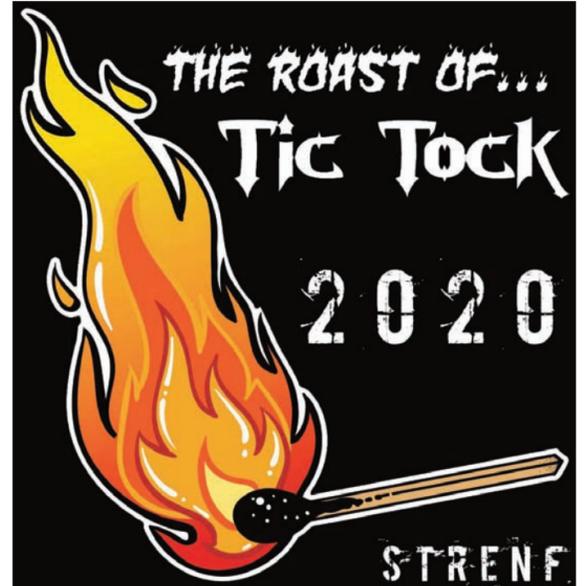
In addition to these awards, the team took first place in the A Tall Flag category at the IDTA State Final held in Springfield on February 15. "We are State Champs!" exclaimed Color Guard Coach Patricia Boaz.

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## First Baptist Church of Dwight Updated Schedule

First Baptist Church of Dwight is now offering the option to watch and listen to all of its services *live* on Facebook.com/fbcdwight, Twitter.com/fbcdwight, and YouTube by searching for First Baptist Church of Dwight. You can also listen on the radio on WGVD 97.3 via the airwaves of their app. Just search for "WGVD radio" in the App Store.

The FBC updated schedule is as follows:  
 • **May 6:** King's Kids Children's Program, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.  
 • **May 10:** Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 5:00 p.m.  
 • **May 13:** King's Kids Children's Program, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.

• **May 17:** Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 5:00 p.m.  
 • **May 20:** King's Kids Children's Program, 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Evening Service, 7:00 p.m.  
 • **May 24:** Sunday School for all ages, 10:00 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service, 5:00 p.m.

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### Smart Moves for Women Business Owners

Mother's Day is upon us. If you're a mother, you'll enjoy the recognition you get from your family on this day. And given the health concerns caused by the coronavirus, your appreciation of family may be even greater this year. As we all know, mothers have a difficult job. And many mothers also run their own businesses – another demanding task made even more difficult these days. What special challenges do women face who embark on careers as business owners?

Of course, motherhood itself presents a major challenge. As a society, we have not achieved gender equity yet, in terms of family responsibilities, so mothers – even busy business owners – still face time constraints and interruptions from work to care for children. And it's not just children, either – the vast majority of caregivers for elderly relatives are women, according to a study from Northwestern University. So, many women business owners may be coping with multi-generational family issues.

You can't change the demographic pressures you may face, but, as a business owner, you can take some steps to help improve your financial outcomes. Here are a few ideas:

**Seek networking opportunities.** You can find useful, and empathetic, allies in other women business owners, who may be able to direct you to valuable resources. To illustrate: Women's businesses often lack financial support to a greater degree than men's, and it is unfortunately not uncommon for women to be denied loans because of gender and cultural biases. But if you become active in a network of women business owners, you could find some leads to financial institutions that have showed themselves to be free of gender-based prejudices.

**Be extra aware of investment risks.** Everyone should always be aware of investment risk, of course, but if you have most of your assets tied up in your business, you may need to be extra diligent. You're already taking a fair amount of risk by just having a business, so you may need to balance this risk in your investment portfolio by choosing the mix of investments that can help you move toward your goals without subjecting you to excessive market volatility.

**Establish a retirement plan for yourself.** Have you established a retirement savings plan for yourself? About one-third of business owners haven't, and 40 percent are not confident they can retire before 65, according to data compiled by SCORE, a nonprofit organization that works with small businesses. Fortunately, you have several good retirement plan options, including an "owner-only" 401(k), a SEP-IRA, a SIMPLE IRA or even a solo defined benefit plan, which functions like a pension.

**Create a succession plan.** You may need a strategy for transferring or selling your business. Do you want to keep the business in the family? If so, who do you want to take it over? Or would you prefer to simply sell it to someone else? Your decisions, whatever they are, will affect your financial picture and possibly that of your family, so you will want to consult with your tax, legal and financial advisors to arrive at a plan that works best for your needs.

You've got some twists and turns ahead of you on the road to financial security. But planning ahead, considering various possibilities and seizing your opportunities can help you smooth out the journey.

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In ancient Rome, brides carried or wore flower garlands because the Romans believed flowers signified hope, fertility and new beginnings.  
In the Middle Ages, brides did not carry flowers, but rather strong-smelling spices and herbs. The rationale was that the herbs and spices would drive away bad luck and evil spirits.  
Flowers also served another practical purpose. In eras when bathing was a luxury, different flowers and herbs helped mask body odors. It wasn't until the Victorian era, when flowers were used to symbolize romantic love, that they became part of wedding ceremonies, according to Modern Weddings magazine.



Joonkyung (David) Chi and Jennifer Renee Paputsa

**Chi, Paputsa Married in Joliet**

Jennifer Renee Paputsa and Joonkyung (David) Chi were married December 27, 2019, at New Covenant Community Church in Joliet.

The bride is the daughter of James and Kim Paputsa of Emington. The bridegroom is the son of Kangsook Lee of Seoul, Korea, and the late Seokhoon Chi.

The bride is a graduate of Bob Jones University and is currently employed at BJU. The bridegroom is a graduate of Ajoji University, Seoul, Korea, and is currently a student at Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

The couple resides in Taylors, SC.

**What to do in the wake of canceled events.**

Events have been canceled or postponed across the globe in the wake of the outbreak of COVID-19. This has caused a disruption to not only commercial events like concerts and sporting events, but personal gatherings as well. Any party with a large number of potential guests has to be reconsidered. This includes graduation parties, weddings and birthdays. People facing the cancellation of such events can follow these guidelines.

- Speak to vendors to find out if cancellations can occur with no penalties. Many hotels and other travel services are waiving fees for cancellations, or allowing bookings to be rescheduled at no additional cost.
- Try to think of some alternative dates for events like weddings and graduation parties as soon as possible. There is no way to accurately predict the path that COVID-19 will take, nor put a firm date regular life can resume, but discussing alternative dates with vendors with whom you're already under contract may put you at the top of the list when gatherings are once again allowed.
- Reach out to guests to explain that your plans are fluid. Expect that a good portion of guests, even those who already committed to attend, may not be able to make rescheduled events. Speak with vendors about fluctuating headcounts in the wake of COVID-19.
- Be patient and keep an open mind about events. These are unprecedented times and many people are learning as they go. Rescheduling events when the threat has subsided may cause a bottleneck effect with service providers. Flexibility and patience can help make reschedule less stressful.

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James and Kim Paputsa of Emington are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Anna Jean Paputsa, Emington, to Eli Zechariah Pine, of Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

Eli is the son of Rev. Len and Karen Pine of Bonners Ferry.

Both Anna and Eli graduated from Bob Jones University in 2017. The bride-to-be is employed at Heritage Woods of Dwight. The prospective groom is employed at Community Restorium in Bonners Ferry.

A July wedding is planned.

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**As of May 4, OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center will require anyone entering to wear a mask.** Exceptions will be made for those younger than two years old or those with medical conditions that prohibit wearing a mask.

“Wearing a mask over the nose and mouth helps to contain respiratory secretions and reduces the risk of spreading COVID-19,” said Brad Solberg, President, OSF HealthCare Saint James. “Masking is additional protection which will address asymptomatic and pre-symptomatic transmission of the virus.”

Patients will be given a mask to wear while interacting with medical staff if they don't have one of their own. In addition, visitors and vendors will be asked to wear a personal mask. If a personal mask is not available, a disposable mask will be provided.

All OSF Mission Partners

are required to wear masks in public spaces of the medical center, whether personal or provided by OSF HealthCare. OSF Mission Partners who provide direct patient care are issued appropriate personal protective equipment by OSF.

OSF HealthCare Saint James has strict visitor guidelines in place and will continue to restrict visitors to one per pediatric patient and one per woman giving birth. Special considerations will be made for end-of-life situations.

For more information on novel coronavirus (COVID-19), including frequently asked questions, visit the OSF HealthCare COVID-19 digital health hub: [osfhealthcare.org/covid19/](http://osfhealthcare.org/covid19/).

If you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms and it is not an emergency, **do not** go to a hospital or doctor's office. Instead, use one of the digital care options offered by OSF. You can connect through Clare, a digital assistant available through the OSF website, or by calling the 24/7 nurse hotline at 833-OSF-KNOW (833-673-5669).

## Morris Hospital Seeks Cloth Mask Donations

Morris Hospital is seeking donations of cloth masks sewn by community volunteers. The masks will be distributed to outpatients and visitors going to the hospital or any Morris Hospital location for medical appointments and services who do not have a mask of their own to put on before entering the facility. Donated masks will be laundered before being distributed to patients and visitors.

Volunteers will need to use their own materials and launder the fabric before sewing. All fabric must be new, machine-washable cotton, and come from a smoke-, dust-, pet-, and illness-free environment.

Recommended mask styles can be found at [craftpassion.com/face-mask-sewing-pattern/](http://craftpassion.com/face-mask-sewing-pattern/). Any mask type from this web-

site is acceptable. Adult masks are recommended; however children sizes will be accepted.

Instructions for a sewn cloth face covering can also be found at [cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html](http://cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/diy-cloth-face-coverings.html).

Finished masks should be placed in a closed plastic bag along with the donor's full name, address, and phone number and dropped off at the main entrance of the hospital on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturdays from 8:00 a.m. to noon. An in-kind donation receipt will be available at the time of drop off.

Any questions about the masks can be sent to Contact Us on the hospital website: [morrishospital.org](http://morrishospital.org).

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### 'We Can Endure This Crisis'

These have certainly been difficult times for us all. People are hurting and everyone has been impacted by the coronavirus outbreak and by the government's actions in response. As your state representative I have been working overtime talking with the people of our area and finding answers to your questions about how we are going to get through this emergency.

Moving forward, the legislature is going to have serious challenges to address. We will need to be involved in the re-opening process, as government by executive order can only accomplish so much for so long.

Our first priority upon returning to session should be to pass a balanced budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, one which funds our important priorities and makes sure our health care sector has the support it needs from state government to continue meeting this challenge.

But there are other things we need to do to get the state's economy safely moving again. Health and safety must be our paramount concern, but we must get people back to work as soon as we can.

I have been working with other legislators from our area and around the state to come up with some solutions which we need to act upon. These include enacting a plan to re-open businesses with proper social distancing and other safety measures, creating a business loan program and temporarily deferring collection of sales and payroll taxes to give Illinois businesses access to capi-

tal so they can keep their doors open. We should protect homeowners who have lost their jobs and now face the prospect of losing their homes. We can do this through temporarily stopping late fees on property tax collections and also stopping tax sales during the emergency. This action should be a precursor to real, lasting property tax reform which is long overdue.

We can endure this crisis, help those who have been harmed by the outbreak and its economic consequences, protect our small businesses, and make our state stronger. We can do it if we are willing to work together.

I encourage you to visit my website at [repbennett.com](http://repbennett.com) to sign up to receive e-mail updates with the latest news about the outbreak in Illinois. These updates are usually weekly, but in the present emergency I have been sending them out daily. You will find helpful information about staying safe from the virus, how to find medical help, and also information about assistance for those who have lost their jobs and those who are struggling to stay in business.

If you need assistance from state government, please contact my office in Watseka at 815-432-0106 or Pontiac at 815-844-9179. We will continue this critical fight for you, our district, and the entire state. Please be safe and hang in there!

Sincerely,

Tom Bennett  
State Representative

## Minutes with Boma



### QuaranEats

Quarantine, fun time isn't it? Well no, it's actually not that fun at all. It involves a whole lot of nothing (potentially), but as I touched on in a column a few weeks ago, I think there are definitely good things that can come from it.

I often see people posting about how they've eaten all their quarantine snacks, or how they're just constantly snacking. Honestly, when I first went to the grocery store during the beginning of this, I was right there with them. I bought more junk food than I could've imagined.

I would say my diet prior to me embracing this challenge of beginning to eat healthy would've been a 4/10. I ate healthy at times, but I often dug into some things that were not good for me.

I've dabbled with eating "clean" and diets, but never fully jumped all the way in, until now. It occurred to me there will probably never be a better time to try and instill healthy habits, as there are just far fewer opportunities to come face to face with food that isn't good for you.

This is because, aside from the occasional carry out order, going out and eating food that isn't in your home just isn't convenient. (With this being said, if you choose to completely ignore everything I'm saying in this column, go support local restaurants. They need it.)

I've also cut alcohol, which is just empty calories, out of my diet. For me, drinking is mostly done as a social thing, and well, that's not exactly happening either. It's been fairly easy to avoid that in the last couple weeks as well.

What I'm getting at is, there will likely never be another stretch of time where you have as much direct control, and lack of opportunities to put bad food and extra calories into your diet.

I have lost approximately ten pounds in about a month just from eating a little less, eating healthier, and not drinking.

It can be done. I would advise trying it if you have the means and motivation. I have a lot more energy and just generally feel better since starting this. And if not, snack away. Golden Oreos are so good. I get it.

Go Cubs.

Aaron J. Boma  
2016 ISU Grad

### LETTER TO THE EDITOR POLICY

The Paper welcomes letters to the editor on topics of current local interest. All letters must be signed and include your name, address and phone number. No letters will be published with fictitious names or if unsigned. All letters should be typed or neatly printed and should not exceed 250 words. Letters are limited to one every 60 days per household. Political letters will not run the week prior to an election.

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We welcome your thoughts.

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

On Friday, May 8, 2020 at 10:00 am, an electronic (zoom) meeting conducted by Allen-Otter Creek C. C. S. D. #65 will take place. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the district's plans for providing special education services to students with disabilities who attend private schools and home schools within the district for the 2020-21 school year. If you are a parent of a home-schooled student who has been or may be identified with a disability and you reside within the boundaries of Allen-Otter Creek C. C. S. D. #65, please use the meeting information listed below. This meeting information will also be listed on the Ransom Grade School website. If you have further questions pertaining to this meeting, please contact Dr. Mary Pat Baima at [mpbaima@ransomgradeschool.net](mailto:mpbaima@ransomgradeschool.net).

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### INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Bids will be received by the Gardner Grade School District 72 for "2020 Parking Lot Maintenance" and is further described as follows: The removal and replacement of the existing hot mix asphalt pavement parking lot, preparation of existing aggregate base course, PCC sidewalk removal and replacement, storm sewer installation, and pavement markings.

Bids shall be submitted no later than 2:00 PM at the office of the Superintendent, at Gardner Grade School, 598 North Elm Street, Gardner, Illinois 60424 on Thursday, May 21, 2020. Proposals will be opened and publicly read during a virtual opening at that time.

Plans and specifications may be accessed on-line at: [www.chamlin.com](http://www.chamlin.com)

Full-size plans and specifications are available from Chamlin & Associates, Inc., 221 West Washington Street, Morris, Illinois 60450 at the non-refundable cost of \$30.00 per set.

Bidders are advised that this Contract will be subject to the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act.

The Bid shall be accompanied by a bid bond in the amount of five percent (5%) of the gross amount of the bid.

A mandatory Pre-Bid Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, May 14, 2020 at 1:30 PM at the office of the Superintendent at the Gardner Grade School at 598 North Elm Street, Gardner, IL 60424. No more than one representative from each firm may attend.

Bids may be held by the School District for a period not to exceed 30 days from the date of the opening of Bids for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating the qualifications of Bidders, prior to awarding of the Contract.

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NOTICE is hereby given to creditors of the death of JANE M. RIEGER. Letters of Office were issued on March 3, 2020 to Eric Rieger 307 South Center St., Forrest, IL 61741 and Peggy Vaughan, PO Box 554, Forrest, IL 61741 as independent executors whose attorney of record is James J. Stoller, 15 W. Front St., El Paso, Illinois 61738.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (Ill. Compiled Stat. 1992, C. 755, par. 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed with the office of the Clerk of Court, Livingston County Courthouse, Pontiac, Illinois, or with the representative, or both until November 3, 2020 or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 13th day of April, 2020

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY - IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID H. WIEGAND, Deceased.

Case No.: 2020 P 21

### CLAIMS NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to creditors of the death of DAVID H. WIEGAND. Letters of Office were issued on April 3, 2020 to Ethel M. Wiegand, 204 East Church Street Unit #1, Forrest, IL 61741, as Independent Executor whose attorney of record is James J. Stoller, 15 W. Front St., El Paso, Illinois 61738.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 5/28-4 of the Probate Act (Ill. Compiled Stat. 1992, C. 755, par. 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed with the office of the Clerk of Court, Livingston County Courthouse, Pontiac, Illinois, or with the representative, or both until October 29, 2020 or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 16th day of April, 2020

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## Extraction

**Starring:** Chris Hemsworth, Rudhraksh Jaiswal, Randeep Hooda  
**Director:** Sam Hargrave  
**Genre:** Action, Thriller  
**Rated:** R  
**Rating:** 8.5/10

Since theaters are still closed due to the COVID crisis, it would do movie fans much good to utilize streaming services for a variety of new releases. Extraction, a new Netflix original film, offers a gritty, fast-paced action experience for anyone stuck at home looking for entertainment. Extraction begins with the teenage son of one of the most powerful Indian drug lords who is kidnapped and held for ransom by a rival drug lord of Bangladesh, Amir Asif. As a result, a team of mercenaries is hired by the chief henchman of the Indian drug lord for the dangerous mission of extracting his son from Dhaka, Bangladesh. Among the hired gunmen is Tyler Rake, played by Hemsworth, a man haunted by his past who is responsible for escorting the son, Ovi, to safety. While the mission appears simple enough, it becomes evident that Tyler and the rest of the team are being set up and double-crossed. The extraction quickly goes south, leaving Tyler and Ovi stranded in the city of Dhaka, which is completely under the control of Asif, including the corrupt police force. Asif places a lockdown on the city in order to get the boy back and has every authority searching for him. Outnumbered, struggling with personal choices, and facing increasingly dire odds, Tyler fights to protect Ovi and reach the new extraction point before it's too late.

Attention needs to be given to the breathtaking action scenes filmed by experienced stuntman-turned-director, Sam Hargrave. They are absolutely exceptional, offering stunt choreography

and amazing camerawork to impress any fan of thrilling cinema. It would not be a stretch to say Extraction demonstrates some of the best combat and chase sequences ever captured on film. The standout here is a lengthy 12-minute action scene involving car chases, footchases, shootouts, explosions, and hand-to-hand combat; it is filmed as a "one-take", making it appear as an unbroken shot following the central characters. This scene efficiently conveys the urgency and chaos felt by the characters without making any shots blurry or difficult to follow. Nearly every moment of the film allows the audience to feel closer to the action, as if they are experiencing the same fight for survival. While Extraction generally neglects depth for most characters, Hemsworth and Randeep Hooda, playing the chief henchman of Ovi's father, tend to make up for this by delivering noteworthy performances, adding just enough drama and character development during the few slower moments of the film. Another point of criticism lands on the simple narrative, which feels familiar at times. Fortunately, while it doesn't present anything wholly fresh or original for the action genre, it does give the viewer little time to catch their breath between scenes and does so in stylish fashion. Lastly, it must be said that the film is extremely violent and may turn off some viewers because of it. While I found the brutal style of the action to ground it closer to realism than other movies, I suggest giving it a pass if that aspect doesn't sit well with you. It must be added that while the film is certainly full of clichés, such as the haunted protagonist, endless henchmen, and somewhat predictable narrative, it does little to harm it in the long run. Action fans will likely enjoy the gripping scenes and intense nature of filmmaking demonstrated throughout Extraction.

- Ryan Beier

# Shhh! This is One Surprise You Don't Want to Ruin

## Mom Plans Graduation Parade for Dr. Kailyn

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She graduated from the University of Illinois in Champaign with a bachelor degree in molecular biology.

She walked the stage then, but has been very disappointed that she can't during the pandemic, Cindy said. "She never had a good-bye," she said. In-person classes ended abruptly and Kailyn never had a chance to see friends and teachers before she moved back home to Gardner.

The surprise parade is sure to bring a smile to her face. Cindy said Pete's family has been very supportive of Kailyn's collegiate journey. Her uncle, Shawn Schultz, is driving a tractor in the parade. Friends and family will be decorating their cars in rousing applause. The Gardner Fire Department will also flash lights and horns as they drive a fire truck and ambulance in the parade.

Cindy said she told Kailyn that her boyfriend is going to

come down for a cook-out. When they hear the beeping of some 15-20 cars they'll bring her outside.

Kailyn plans her residency at Masonic Lutheran in Chicago and plans to get an apartment with her sister as she finishes her studies.

Kailyn is the granddaughter of Phil and Mary Ann Alberico, of Joliet, and Emma and the late Jim Schultz, of Gardner.

Watch for photos of the celebration in next week's Paper.

## Dwight Baptist Church Plans to Re-Open

### Federal Judge Upholds Governor's Stay-Home Mandate

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Prior to gaining entry, individuals will be asked a series of qualifying questions including: Have you experienced any of the listed symptoms of COVID-19 in the past 14 days? Have you been in contact with anyone exhibiting the symptoms of COVID19 within the last 14 days? Have you had a fever of greater than 100 degrees in the past 48 hours? Strict social distancing measures will be enforced, including: Closure of child care. Separating the seating of non-family units by a minimum of six feet and only seating individuals every other row for front to back spacing throughout the main floor and balcony of the worship space. Closing off all other portions of the

church facility to traffic.

- Doors will be propped open or manned by volunteers wearing PPE to reduce the number of touched surfaces.
- No hymnals or shared religious materials will be used.
- Attendees will be dismissed by family units or separated by proper social distancing requirements.
- Tithes and offerings will be deposited in a stationary box or offering plate located near the exit.
- No choir (or practice) will meet or perform.
- Handshaking, hugging, and other physical contact will be avoided. Other methods of friendly interaction from physical distance – such as waving, smiling, or yelling "I love you!" – will be encouraged.
- Fellowship closer than six

feet will be prohibited within the church building at all times.

- Multiple hand sanitizing stations will be located throughout the building and signs instructing on proper handwashing will be prominently displayed in the church's bathrooms.
- All common surfaces, including door handles, light switches, and pews will be disinfected before and after all services.
- Masks will be available, as supply allows.
- Other religious meetings, including small groups, Sunday School classes, and church bus ministry, will be cancelled. Only main worship services will be open.
- Communion, if observed, will be distributed in self-contained, sealed packets.

## GSW, Seneca High Schools Receive 2020 Youth Philanthropy Grants

Gardner-South Wilmington High School and Seneca High School were two of five schools that received 2020 Youth Philanthropy Grants. The breakdown is as follows:  
**Gardner-South Wilmington**  
 Catholic Charities – \$2,400 for mobile food pantries in South Wilmington; Special Connections – \$800 for client needs; Guardian Group – \$500 for micro pantries in the Gardner Area; GSW Student Assistance Fund – \$500 for student hardships; We Care – \$400 to benefit people in need; Jump Start – \$400 to serve Grundy

County families.  
**Seneca High School**  
 PADS – \$1,500 for housing needs; IL Valley Industries – \$1,000 for programs and services; TEACH Outdoors – \$1,000 for programs and services; Grundy County Health Department – \$1,000 for mental health services; Big Brothers Big Sisters – \$500 for services in Grundy County.

Other area schools receiving grants were Coal City High School, Minooka High School, and Morris High School.

## DTHS Class of 2020 to Be Celebrated May 22

On Friday, May 22, at 8:20 p.m. (2020 military time), Dwight Township High School will turn on the football stadium lights to recognize and celebrate the senior class of 2020.

The lights will remain on for 20 minutes and 20 seconds. Seniors, parents, staff, and community members are encouraged to drive by the high school, wave at seniors, honk their horns, etc.

There will also be fireworks following the 20 minutes and 20 seconds with the stadium lights on.

## 3 New COVID-19 Cases in Livingston County

Three new cases of COVID-19 have been reported in Livingston County, the health department said -- including a child.

A boy under the age of 18 was among the new cases of coronavirus. The health department said he is recovering at home in isolation.

Two other men, one in his 30s and the other in his 50s, have also tested positive and are recovering at home.

That brings the total number of cases in Livingston County to 23.

As of Monday, May 4, 2020, the LCHD has received 420 COVID-19 test results; 398 tests confirmed negative.

One woman in her 80s died from the disease.

### TIME TO QUIT SMOKING

The Livingston County Health Department wants to remind people who smoke that they may be at a higher risk for complications of COVID-19. Created in partnership between the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) and the

American Lung Association of Illinois, the Illinois Tobacco Quitline is a tobacco cessation program offering a wide range of free resources, including counseling and nicotine replacement therapy. If people need help quitting tobacco, they may contact the Illinois Tobacco Quitline at 1-866-QUIT-YES or visit [www.QUITYES.org](http://www.QUITYES.org).

"Assume COVID-19 is in every community. Because people can be carriers of the virus prior to experiencing symptoms, everyone should be presumed to be carriers of the COVID-19 virus," the LCHD wrote in a press release. "Community members are strongly encouraged to adhere to all of the required precautions necessary to protect their families and the community by slowing the spread of the COVID-19 virus."

### Stay Safe

Stay home except for essential business, regardless of whether a person is experiencing symptoms.

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## Livingston County SWCD Fish/Tree Sale May 13-14

Livingston County Soil and Water Conservation District's Fish Sale has been scheduled for Wednesday, May 13, at noon, while its Tree Sale has been scheduled for Thursday, May 14.

Social distancing guidelines will be followed, and patience is asked.

If you have any questions or would like to place an order, contact the office at 815-844-6127, ext. 3 or [livingstoncountyswcd@hotmail.com](mailto:livingstoncountyswcd@hotmail.com).

## Gas Prices For This Week

Demand is increasing for gasoline which has caused a slight increase in price. It is still \$1.11 less than last year at this time.

Area Counties: LaSalle \$1.75, Grundy \$1.61, McLean \$1.63, Ford \$1.78 and Woodford \$1.69.  
 Safe travels everyone.

City/Village	May 6	April 29
Dwight	\$1.63	\$1.54
Kankakee	\$1.75	\$1.55
S. Wilmington	\$1.74	\$1.76
Streator	\$1.68	\$1.68
Odell	\$1.69	\$1.79
Pontiac	\$1.73	\$1.73
Gardner	\$1.72	\$1.73
Braceville	\$1.79	\$1.79
Morris	\$1.55	\$1.55
Herscher	\$1.65	\$1.65
Chicago	\$2.44	\$2.45
Illinois	\$1.83	\$1.81
U.S.	\$1.77	\$1.79

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

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## Ten Free Non-Credit Classes at KCC

- The Kankakee Community College Office of Continuing Education and Career Services is offering ten free online classes this spring.
- The self-paced courses include a mix of skills for today's changing job market, said Deb Hoyer-Denson, assistant director of Continuing Education and Career Services. The courses are normally offered for \$95-\$115 each. They are:
- "Creating Web Pages"
  - "Creating WordPress Websites"
  - "Fundamentals of Supervision and Management"
  - "12 Steps to a Successful Job Search"
  - "Keys to Effective Communication"
  - "Managing Customer Service"
  - "Marketing Your Business on the Internet"
  - "Personal Finance"
  - "Small Business Marketing on a Shoestring"
  - "Individual Excellence"

Full descriptions of the classes are at [enrole.com/kcc/](http://enrole.com/kcc/). The offer expires June 30 and the course must be started before July 1. To register online, visit [kcc.edu/comejoinus](http://kcc.edu/comejoinus), sign up or login, then find the course, click on the date and add it to your cart. Within the cart, checkout. To register by phone, or for more information, phone 815-802-8207 and leave a message. A staff person will return the call within one business day.

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# SIDEWALK CHALK DRAWING CONTEST



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## Dwight Historical Society Selling T-Shirts to Commemorate Date Meets Zip Event

The Dwight Historical Society is selling t-shirts to commemorate the "Once in a Century" event of Date Meets Zip - June 4, 2020.

The shirts are gray, short-sleeved, 50/50 cotton-polyester blend. Sizes range from youth small through adult 4XL.

Since it was posted on Facebook over the weekend, there has been a big response and many sizes have already sold out. However, they will be ordering another batch of shirts by Saturday, May 9.

Anyone wishing to purchase shirts is encouraged to place their order by e-mail before May 9. To order, e-mail your name, contact information, quantity, and sizes to [dwright60420@yahoo.com](mailto:dwright60420@yahoo.com).



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