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~ 2020 in Review ~



Pastor Mary Arnold and her husband, Paul Arnold



Earl McCoy

(continued from Jan. 6, 2021)

July

Futures Unlimited Celebrates 50 Years of Helping Disabled

On July 3, non-profit Futures Unlimited, based in Pontiac, celebrated its 50th anniversary.

The community-based organization was originally the idea of a group of Livingston County parents wishing to establish work and training opportunities for adults with a variety of physical, developmental and mental disabilities.

In July of 1970, the Pontiac Chamber of Commerce organized a Board of Directors – and Futures Unlimited, Inc. was established.

Dwight Director of Public Works Retires

After 30 years as a Village of Dwight employee, Public announced his intent to retire, effective July 1.

Kinkade had been Director of Public Works since March 2015.

Robbery Suspects Apprehended

Following a robbery that occurred in Dwight on June 13, two male suspects – Kyle (28) and Matthew Anderson (32) were eventually arrested in Decatur for allegedly robbing two businesses in Decatur.

They were arrested in a black Chevrolet Cobalt - originally reported as the suspect vehicle in Dwight.

This was part of a string of robberies that also included thievery in Joliet, Plainfield, and Bloomington.

Dwight Celebrates 4th of July With 'Drive-In Fireworks'

Dwight celebrated the 244th

Works Director Steve Kinkade birthday of the United States with "Drive-In Fireworks" in its usual setting - along the banks of Gooseberry Creek behind Dwight Common School.

> To properly social distance, the public was asked to park their vehicles on adjacent village streets and admire the show, safely, from their rides.

UMC Welcomes Pastor Mary Arnold

United Methodist Church in Dwight welcomed a new pastor July 5 - Rev. Mary Arnold, who grew up in Loraine and came to Dwight from East Peoria First United Methodist Church.

Arnold, who replaced retiring Pastor Michael Ebersohl, has been ministering for nearly 30 years.

Earl McCov Installed as 83rd President of **Dwight Rotary Club #3167**

Earl McCoy (Vice-President Bump in Downtown Dwight

and Division Director of LSC Communications, Dwight) was installed as the 83rd President of the Dwight Rotary Club #3167 by the Rotary International District #6490 Governor via a virtual ceremony.

Poco a Poco Music Festival in Streator Continues With the Help of **Eden and Iris Beier**

A bright spot among all the COVID-19 shutdowns was the continuation of the Poco a Poco music festival in Streator.

The local nonprofit was able to continue its musical instruction by utilizing Zoom to conduct lessons online.

Area students involved include Dwight Township High School students, Eden and Iris

An overview montage video is available via YouTube.

History and Business Get a

Both the Dwight Historical Society and Dwight Economic Alliance moved to new locations – after the DEA moved from the Historic Depot downtown to the historic Bank of Pontiac building, leaving the depot all to The Society.

Jenny Allsworth Named **EMS Director**

Jenny Allsworth was appointed as the new EMS Diretor for the Village of Dwight.

Allsworth has four years of full-time experience as a paramedic for the village, along with previous part-time experi-

Dwight Lions Start Cleaning Up at Lions Lake

On July 11, several members of the Dwight Lions Club, along with volunteers from the community, joined together and started the huge project of cleaning up Lions Lake.

The former borrow pit was

given to the Village of Dwight with the stipulation that the name remain Lions Lake. Community members can take leisurely walks, fish off the docks, or sit on the benches and enjoy nature at its finest.

Trojan Football to Move From SVC to VVC in 2021

The Dwight Trojans' football team will be making the switch from the Sangamon Valley Conference to the Vermilion Valley Conference in 2021.

"We are very grateful that the VVC has allowed the SVC teams to join their conference,' Dwight head coach Luke Standiford stated. "I think this was the best case scenario for all the SVC teams that were kind of scrambling, trying to figure out what conference they were going to end up in."

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Please Welcome...Studio 134 to its New Home ~ 146 East Main Street, Dwight

Article Submitted by Dwight Economic Alliance

Studio 134 Co-Owners Angela D. Turner and Jodi Livingston Baldouf, along with their colleague Jillian Cambic, are so excited to welcome everyone to their new location on East Main Street, Dwight, IL. This journey has been a labor of love, for sure, but so worth it in reaching the final

destination. What began as a small business partnership between two young entrepreneurs from Dwight 24+ years ago, has transformed into a full-service premier salon eager to welcome everyone to its new loca-

This new journey began as a "conversation" with Deb Karch, who also serves as Economic Development Director for Dwight Economic Alliance (DEA). Both owners expressed a desire to obtain new space for their growing business. Part of Deb's role with the DEA is to connect entrepreneurs with potential investors to help small Jodi. Still today, you can visit

business owners realize their Studio 134 at its new location full potential in small business ownership.

Deb reached out to local investor Max Sulzberger, whose passion is to partner, mentor and invest significant capital with small business owners to help sustain a vibrant economy in Dwight. When Deb "pitched" the idea to Max, he immediately agreed to meet with the dynamic duo of Angela and Jodi. The rest is history.

Speaking of history, Angela shared she is a fourth generation small business entrepreneur, in addition to her partnership with Jodi of 24+ years. Many of you remember Turner's Barber Shop, started by Angela's great-grandfather Roy Turner, along with her grandfather, Don "Taco" Turner, in addition to her father, Larry Turner, who also was a barber in Dwight before making a career as a welder at Caterpillar. These great men influenced Angela's decision to start her own business with

and view a piece of family history with a history of its own. The beautiful wooden antique bench in the current Studio 134 was located in Angela's greatgrandfather's first shop at least 70 years ago and originally sat in one of Dwight's older post offices, pool hall and sandwich shop. Just imagine the stories that bench could tell...it is more than 90 years old and clients can still sit on it today. It is a "must-see" when visiting the new shop.

Both Angela and Jodi support other local small business owners, crafters and artisans, too. Everywhere you look in the new salon, you will see historic reflections of small business owners who also call Dwight home.

The sale décor exudes appointed furnishings complete with a showcase reflective of a modern art gallery. As you can see in pictures included with this article, from the moment you enter the salon, with the Studio 134 sign above the en-(continued on page 3)



STUDIO 134 Colleague Jillian Cambic and Co-Owners Angela D. Turner and Jodi Livingston Baldouf, welcome you to their new location, 146 East Main St., Dwight.



It's History...

FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

January 2: Jonathan J. Shefton, 26, Redclift, KY, fail obey stop sign.

January 3: Daryl R. Martin, driving under influence of alcohol, transp./carry alc. liq./driver; Crystal J. Smith, 19, St. Louis, MO, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

January 7: Tyler J.E. Konetski, 22, Chebanse, transp./carry alc. liq./driver.

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

2 Written Warnings Only one headlight -2.

Dwight Police Blotter

January 2: 9:42 a.m., Dwight Police spoke with a resident in the 300 block of E. James in reference to damage to their vehicle from a fallen tree limb; 2:30 p.m., Dwight Police took a report of Unemployment Fraud.

January 3: 1:48 a.m., Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop on Mazon Ave. Arrested for DUI and Illegal Transportation of Alcohol was Daryl Martin, 50, of Bourbonnais. His vehicle was towed and impounded. He was taken to Dwight Police Dept. where he was processed, given paperwork, and released.

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Gas Prices For

This Week

highest in 10 months. Pump prices have in-

creased despite gas demand falling. The

average is six cents more than last week

but, still less than last year by 27 cents.

This year-over-year deficit, combined with lower production is pushing crude and gas

January 11

\$2.33

\$2.47

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The national gas price average is at its

January 4: Dwight Police took two reports of Unemployment Fraud.

January 5: Dwight Police took a report of Unemployment Fraud; 5:14 p.m., Dwight Police were dispatched to Eisenhower Dr. for a report of a damaged window.

January 6: Dwight Police took two reports of Unemployment Fraud.

Accident Report

Monday, January 4, 5:30 a.m., an accident was reported at Union and Mazon involving a 2008 Chevrolet CLD., driven by Pamela Villagomez, Bourbonnais, which struck a 2020 Kia Soul, driven by Delmar Holm, Dwight, after failing to yield. There were no injuries.



Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

December 31: Franklin, trauma, Morris.

January 1: Delaware, medical, St. James; Mazon, medical, Morris; I-55 SB, trauma, two refusals.

January 2: Bannon, trauma, refusal; Northbrook, medical, Morris; William, trauma, St. James; Mazon, medical, River-

January 3: Mazon, medical, Morris; William, medical, St.

January 4: Mazon, medical, Riverside; Jefferson, medical, cancelled, mutual aid to Gard-

January 5: Bannon, medical, no patient.

January 6: Mazon, medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, Mor-

January 7: Main, trauma, St. James; Franklin, medical, Mor-

Temps - 2020-21

Dec. 31 -high 30°, low 17° Jan. 1 – high 33°, low 27° 2.5" snow

Jan. 2 – high 33°, low 28° 1" snow

Jan. 3 – high 32°, low 23° Jan. 4 – high 32°, low 23° Jan. 5 – high 31°, low 26°

Jan. 6 – high 36°, low 20° One Year Ago-Jan. 13, 2020 high 37°, low 13°

Dwight Police Department Assists in **Pontiac Drug Bust**

Livingston County Sheriff Childress advised, on January 6 at 3:19 p.m., the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit conducted an execution of a search warrant in Pontiac.

During the search warrant, Substance.

During the search, seven grams of prepackaged cocaine, an ounce of cannabis, numerous drug paraphernalia, and prepackaging items were located and \$484.00 U.S. currency was seized.

Department.

Kankakee County 2020 Vital Records Statistics

Dan Hendrickson, Kankakee County Clerk, has released vital statistics for Kankakee County for 2020.

As of January 6, 2021, there were 1,232 births registered in

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ALDI; Blain's Farm & Fleet; Nelson's Home Furnishings; Slammer's Bar & Grill

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January 4

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\$2.39

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\$2.39

the county for 2020. This is 207 fewer than were registered in 2019. The most popular names for boys were Liam and Noah. The most popular names for girls was Amelia and Harper. More children were born in the month of May (129) in Kankakee Cty. than in any

The County Clerk's Office issued 531 marriage licenses in Kankakee Cty. in 2020, three fewer than were issued in 2019. The oldest groom was 79 years old, while the oldest bride was 75. The youngest groom was 18 years of age – the youngest bride, also 18.

For the fourth year in a row, October was the most popular month to get married.

There were 1,410 deaths in Kankakee Cty. last year, an increase of 185 deaths from 2019.

was built in 1891.

Markie Lockett was taken into custody for Possession with intent to Deliver a Controlled

The agencies involved in the search warrant were the Livingston County Pro-Active Unit, Livingston County Patrol, Pontiac Police Department, and Dwight Police

Illinois State Police Adopt NAACP

THE NELS MICKELSON HOME, located on North Clinton St. (Ray Hopp home), Dwight,

In keeping with Illinois State Police values of "Integrity, Service and Pride," on January 6, the ISP joined the Illinois National Association for Advancement for Colored People (NAACP) and the Illinois Association of the Chiefs of Police in adopting the "Ten Shared Principles."

"The principles that the ISP share with the NAACP are the values that all good people who another," said ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. "At the heart of these values is the trust that is essential to good policing, safe communities and a just nation."

"It's a great day in Illinois for Police Reforms. I am proud that Director Kelly and the ISP are joining with the Illinois NAACP in promoting these historic reform principles. We have been successful in keeping incidents like Ferguson and Kenosha from happening in Illinois. With the backing of the

ISP, hopefully, other states will implement similar programs," Illinois NAACP President Teresa Haley said.

'Ten Shared Principles' on Police Reform

"This is great news for all of law enforcement in Illinois to have the ISP totally endorse and affirm what the Illinois Chiefs have been doing to build relationships of trust with communities of color," said IACP Pres. James R. Black, Chief of Crystal Lake Police Departact in good faith share with one ment. "It's a priority of mine as IACP President to get more Ten Shared Principles, and so, I am very grateful to Director Kelly."

On March 22, 2018, the NAACP Illinois State Conference and the IACP agreed to share a set of principles designed to build mutual trust between law enforcement and the community. On Jan. 6, 2021, ISP Director Kelly and ISP Command Staff joined the effort and adopted these Ten Shared Principles: https://www. ilchiefs.org/shared-principles.

The ISP leadership has already taken steps to live out these principles within the agency. These include:

Ongoing quarterly training for ing skills.

Troopers to reinforce that every person should be treated with dignity and respect.

 Adding training to include deescalation techniques to peacefully resolve situations that are dangerous to both the community and law enforcement. • Appointing the most diverse

command staff in ISP history with men and women from varied backgrounds and communities with seven of 14 in top command from minority backgrounds. These Colonels and agencies on board with these Lt. Colonels possess more than a century of collective law enforcement experience that will take the agency into the future. Building a diverse agency by actively recruiting cadets from different backgrounds and ethnic groups to attend the ISP Academy and grow into leaders

> • Developing a duty to intervene policy in accordance with federal law.

within the agency.

· Maintaining a robust and evolving wellness program focusing on Officer mental health after repeated exposure to trauma to maintain and strengthen empathy, good judgment, and 21st Century polic-

2021 Meeting Schedule for Reddick FPD Board

The Reddick Community Fire Protection District Board of Trustees will hold meetings on the following dates at 6:30 Meeting Room at 210 E. Main vember 16; December 21.

St., Reddick: January 16; February 16;

March 16; April 20; May 18; June 15; July 20; August 17; p.m. in the Board of Trustee September 21; October 19; No-

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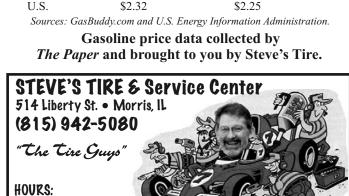


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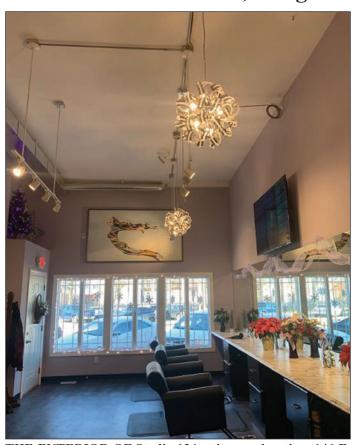
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THE ENTERIOR OF Studio 134 at its new location, 146 E. Main St., Dwight.

(continued from page 1) tryway created by local entrepreneur Stephan Connor of ConMan Painting, one can see the pride these two entrepreneurs take in being small business owners. Above the front picture window is a premier creation by local artist Cat Clausen, who is also famous for her commissioned paintings of President Abraham Lincoln. Marla Kinkade's metal artwork adorns the salon, too, showcasing her talents from Metals by Marla.

Angela and Jodi also invest in other cosmetologists great talents. Their colleague, Jillian Cambic, offers full salon services including manicures and pedicures.

Everywhere you look, pieces of Dwight history are part of the tapestry weaved into this business venture. From four generations of one family, to two local entrepreneurs who soon will celebrate 25 years of professional service to the Dwight community, a local businessman willing to make capital investments in small business owners and the community organization (DEA) promoting these businesses it's a formula to offer the best chance for small businesses to thrive in Dwight.

Visit Studio 134 at 146 East Main Street, Dwight, or call 815-584-9747 to make an appointment.

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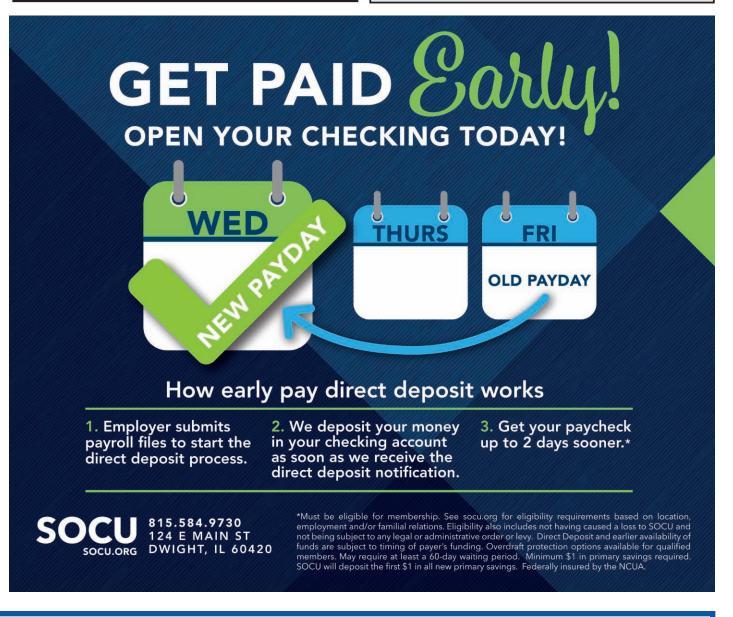
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Applications for Marjorie J. Martin **Scholarship Now Being Accepted**

Scholarship trustees have announced that applications for or the Odell Grade School Disthe 16th annual Marjorie J. Martin Scholarships are now being accepted. Applications are available at Odell Public Library, Odell Bank, Dwight Township High School, and Pontiac Township High School.

To be eligible for the scholarships, students must live in the area currently served by the Odell Public Library District, trict. Completed applications are due March 1, 2021.

The scholarship was established by Marjorie J. Martin, a lifelong resident of Odell and a teacher in the Odell public schools for 32 years who died March 31, 2004. She stipulated that scholarships be granted to

Bank, Livingston County Cancer Fund, IHR, American Red

Cross, The Salvation Army -

Pontiac, MS, Cullom Senior

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Society, and Cullom Beckman

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Memorial Library.

The Marjorie J. Martin Odell Fire Protection District, high school graduates seeking continued education at an accredited college or university in the fields of liberal arts, music, science, nursing, business, or engineering.

> In 2020, the trustees awarded \$54,000 to 17 students from Odell. Scholarships were awarded in recognition of academic and extracurricular excellence.

Area Students Make WIU Dean's List

A total of 1,313 undergraduate students enrolled at Western Illinois University were named to the Fall 2020 Dean's List (includes 140 students at the WIU-Quad Cities campus), including the following area students:

Braceville: Joseph R. Svoboda (sophomore).

Dwight: Maggie S. McCoy (senior); Kirsten P. Oelschlager (sophomore); Lucy T. Rieke (senior); James L. Soto (ju-

Mazon: Makayla Flickinger (senior). Odell: Madelyn C. Doran (sophomore).

Verona: Kylie Winsor (junior).

To receive this award, an undergraduate student must earn at least a 3.6 grade point average on a scale of 4.0, which equals an A in a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded courses; pass-fail hours are not counted (e.g., student teaching, internships).

humbling. Our location in the uni-

verse is more clear if you study the illustration below of the solar system to which we

Donald, you're fired.

Have you ever taken time

to think about where we are in

universal space? It's rather

the corner

Earth is shown among the other planets in our combined journeys around the sun.

by Tom Tock

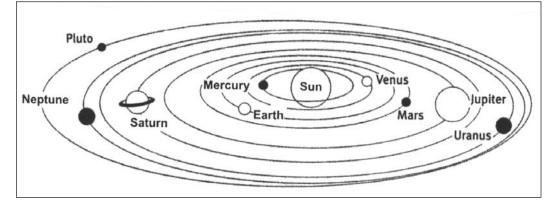
It looks like a person might be in danger of falling off the earth, but of course there is an invisible force called gravity holding us on.

It's the same force that keeps the sun and other planets in their places. But you know all that.

We measure the amount of our individual gravitational force every time we weigh ourselves.

It would seem that being a little overweight could even provide some extra "stickability," so don't worry about having gained a pound or two over the holidays.

Happy, Healthy, Peaceful



Unit 122 Community Fund of Sullivan Twp. Totaled \$3,060 in 2020 Donations

The Unit 122 Community Fund of Sullivan Township, a project sponsored by Skinner Trost Auxiliary Unit 122, a 501(c)(3) charitable organization, received donations totaling \$3,060.00 for the year ending December 31, 2020.

The organizations benefiting from these donations are: Livingston County Heart Fund, American Red Cross Blood

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and Marsha Haag extended their thanks to everyone for their generosity.

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Rezin Officially Named Deputy

State Senator Sue Rezin (R-Morris) has officially been Designate Dan McConchie's (R-Hawthorn Woods) Senate Republican Leadership Team

Rezin, who has served in the Illinois Senate since 2010, previously served in leadership Assistant Republican

The appointment will take

Minority Leader

chosen to serve on Leaderas Deputy Leader.

effect at the start of the 102nd General Assembly, which is scheduled to begin Wednesday, January 13.

Livingston County SWCD General Election Jan. 21

Due to COVID restrictions, the Livingston County Soil and Water Conservation District is not hosting an Annual Meeting. However, the District is holding a General Election for the purpose of electing two persons to each serve a two-year term on the SWCD Board.

The SWCD General Election will be held Thursday, Jan- the SWCD office at 815-844uary 21, at the USDA Service 6127, ext. 3.

Center, 1510 W. Reynolds St., Pontiac. Voting will take place from 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Persons must be at least 18 years of age and only owners or occupiers of land, or both, lying within the district are eligible to vote in SWCD Director Elections.

For further information, call

5 More Sleeps 'Til Christ-

New Books at Odell Library

Adult Fiction

Active Defense by Lynette Eason; The Arctic Fury by Greer Macallister; The Art of Violence by S. J. Rozan; A Castaway in Cornwall by Julie Klassen; The Coffee Corner by Amy Clipston; Eddie's Boy by Thomas Perry; The Lies You Told by Harriet Tyce; Troubles in Paradise by Elin Hilderbrand; Without a Brew by Ellie Alexander.

DVD

A to Z: How Writing Changed the World; Ava; Battle of the Bulge: Winter War; Bobbleheads: The Movie; Christmas Oranges; The Craft: Legacy; Doom Patrol, Season One; Frosty the Snowman; Infidel; The Irishman; Mulan; The New Mutants; Noel Holiday Collection: 4 Movies; The Secret: Dare to Dream; Tenet; The Tudors: Season 2; The Tudors: Season 3; The War with Grandpa.

Adult Nonfiction

A Cat's Tale by Paul Koudounaris; Cosy: British Art of Comfort by Laura Weir; The Last Days of John Lennon by James Patterson; World of Glass by Jan Greenberg.

Easy/Juvenile

mas by Jimmy Fallon; After Squidnight by Jonathan Fenske; Cat Kid Comic Club by Dav Pilkey; Crossing the Current by Jane Yolen; Dog Diaries: Curse of the Mystery Mutt by James Patterson; Dozens of Doughnuts by Carrie Finison; Drawing on Walls by Matthew Burgess; Federico and the Wolf by Rebecca Gomez; Hans Christian Andersen by Heinz Janisch; Hello, Neighbor by Matthew Cordell; Keep an Eye on Ivy by Barroux; Little Owl's Bedtime by Debi Gliori; Marie's Ocean by Josie James; My First Kitten by Alyssa Satin Capucilli; Pajama Day! by Margaret McNamara; Pirate Stew by Neil Gaiman; Prairie Days by Patricia MacLachlan; Selena: Queen of Tejano Music by Silvia Lopez Shirley Chisholm Is a Verb by Veronica Chambers; Simm at the Art Museum by Christina Soontornvat; Snow Birds by Kirsten Hall; Sprouting Wings by Louisa Jagger; Stay Curious by Kathleen Krull; Tad by Benji Davies; There's a Superhero in Your Book by Tom Fletcher; The Thirteenth Fairy be Melissa De La Cruz; A Thousand Glass Flowers by Evan Turk.

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

The Person must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted.



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How to Respond When Risk Tolerance Is Tested When you begin investing, you'll generally assess your comfort with risk, as your investment choices will be guided

at least partially by your risk tolerance. But once you actually experience the ups and downs of the market, this tolerance Risk tolerance may appear less bothersome in the abstract but seem quite different in reality. For example, you

might initially think you wouldn't be fazed by short-term market downturns, no matter how severe. However, when the financial markets really decline, as happened when the COVID-19 pandemic struck last March, you might find yourself being more concerned than you thought you would be.

Before you change your investment strategy, it's important to understand the potential tradeoffs. By limiting your downside risk by investing less aggressively, you may also limit your upside potential. You might need to change your strategy in other ways, such as saving more or working longer. That said, the tradeoff involved in reducing your downside risk may be worth taking, if it helps you cope better with wild market swings, as the best strategy may be one you can stick with through the inevitable ups and downs of the markets.

Because market fluctuations are a normal part of investing, here are some additional suggestions that may help you focus on your long-term strategy.

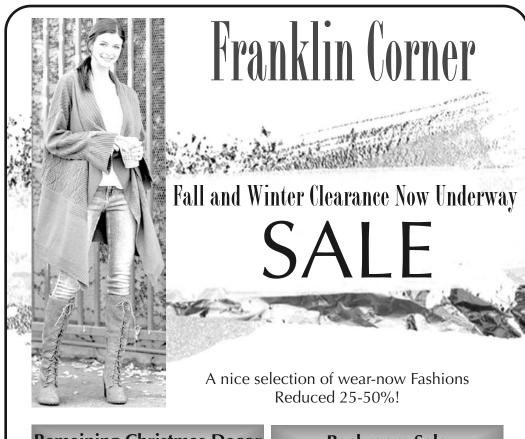
· Look past the immediate event. While the market's pandemic-driven fall was sudden, its recovery was also fairly quick. Eight months after its March meltdown, the market had regained all the lost ground and reached a new record high. During the midst of what appears to be a real threat to your investment portfolio, it can be difficult to anticipate a more favorable environment. Yet, while past performance can't guarantee future results, every historical market decline has been followed by a recovery.

 Understand that the Dow isn't your portfolio. When the Dow Jones Industrial Average and the other major market indexes such as the S&P 500 fall precipitously (or shoot up), it makes headlines. But the Dow and the S&P 500 only track the performance of large U.S. companies - and while their performance may be an indication of the U.S. economy, they aren't going to track the results of your portfolio, which should ideally include a personalized mix of large-company stocks, small-company stocks, international stocks, bonds, government securities and other investments.

• Keep your emotions out of your investment moves. The market will fluctuate constantly - but you should always try keep your emotions in check. Excess exuberance when the market rises, or extreme despondency when the market falls, can lead you to make poor decisions. Specifically, we may buy when we feel good (when the markets are up) and sell when we feel badly (when markets are down). Your heart and your emotions may drive your financial goals - creating a comfortable retirement, sending your kids to college or leaving a legacy for your family - but when you invest for these goals, you should use your head.

Your risk tolerance is a key part of your investment strategy. But by taking the steps described above, you can gain a broader understanding of how risk fits into your overall picture - and a better understanding of yourself as an investor.

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Dwight LSC Closing at End of Year

LSC Communications in Dwight, formerly R.R. Donnelley, announced it was shutting its plant at the end of 2020.

LSC Dwight employed 390 and was one of Dwight's top employers.

"We are certainly sad that this day had to come," Village Administrator Kevin McNamara said. "LSC and Donnelley changed this community in 1969 when they came to Dwight -- for the better."

The impact of LSC closing will be felt by gas stations, stores and restaurants patronized by employees. The village will lose out on water and sewer funds and property taxes. The village's portion of their tax bill is \$17,500, according to McNamara.

The company had recently celebrated 50 years in Dwight in 2018.



vest Days has been cancelled, another victim of the coronavirus pandemic. "We've been working since

October 2019 on this," said organizer Randy Irvin. "It just wasn't feasible to have Harvest Days."

The decision was made July 27, after careful consideration for public health and safety.

"We are looking toward 2021 and will make 2021 even better," Irvin said. The dates are September 16-19.

DCS Welcomes Jeremy Jenkins, Assistant Principal, AD

Mr. Jeremy Jenkins joined the administrative staff at Dwight Common School District #232. The DCS Board of Education approved the recommendation to hire Mr. Jenkins at a joint meeting on July 15.

Mr. Jenkins' role is that of the Assistant Principal and Athletic Director for DCS. His responsibilities include discipline, PBIS, scheduling and supervising the athletic and activity programs and also supporting Principal Schultz with school.

August

Dwight Girl Recognized for Lifesaving Actions

Heroes come in all shapes, sizes and ages as shown by the brave and quick thinking actions by a ten-year old Dwight girl that undoubtedly saved the life of another person.

Marissa Krolak was presented a life-saving award by Dwight Police Chief Tim Henson – in honor of her efforts on May 31 that saved the life of her babysitter.

Krolak placed a 911 call, describing the situation to the 911 Operator and providing her address and other critical information. Upon arriving at the scene, officers determined the adult babysitter was having a diabetic emergency. Dwight EMS and Fire were disptached to the residence and tended the patient – administering the lifesaving treatment needed.

The Good Times Roll **Despite Odell Days** Cancellation

Even with the annual Odell Days celebration having been cancelled, the citizens of Odell still continued to enjoy their summer - in a socially distanced manner - with a Cup In Hand Kickball tournament being held, in addition to an Ice Cream Social Distance Party hosted by 66 Licks. They also had their annual Poker Run and scheduled a Senior Day.



Lindsey Jensen Featured Author in Upcoming Book

Lindsey Jensen, Dwight Township High School's Academic Dean and 12th grade Enlish Teacher, added a new title

the everyday operations of the to her resume: published author. Jensen's work was featured in the book titled Flip the System US: How Teachers Can Transform Education and Save Democracy.

The driving idea behind the book is to demonstrate that the U.S. education system must be driven by the collective expertise of the teaching profession in order for American democracy to be healthy. Her chapter specifically focuses on closing the rural opportunity gap.

Dwight Schools Welcome New Band Director

Eric Hall was named the Dwight Common School and Dwight Township High School Band Director.

He joined Dwight schools following a teaching position at Prairie Central.

Clean-Up Continues After Derecho

The Dwight Public Works Department continued its clean-up efforts after a derecho wreaked havoc from Iowa to Indiana - slamming Dwight and other nearby towns during the middle of it.

"We were hard hit," said Cory Scoles, Dwight Public

Scoles said the department had more than half a dozen workers picking up limbs and brush, two guys on the chipping crew and three in tractors picking up heavy loads. They brought in Lovell Excavating of Dwight to help with the clean-up.

Detention Center Thwarted –ICE Drops Plans

The ICE immigration detention center proposed for Dwight was finally laid to rest, after Immigration and Custom Enforcement canceled search for a location.

ICE had eyed Dwight for several years as the site for a controversial privately owned and operated detention center, calling for a 127,000-squarefoot center that was to house up to 1,000 male and female detainees.

ICE said it canceled its search because it "did not have a viable offer and will not be awarding a contract."

The center was thwarted in 2019 when Gov. J.B. Pritzker

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TRACTOR SUPPLY CO. opened in Dwight, September 2020.

signed into law a ban of private detention centers.

Old Route 66 Restaurant Earns Accolades from **Tripadvisor**

Tripadvisor awarded Old Route 66 Restaurant, Dwight, with a 2020 Travelers' Choice Best of the Best Award - putting them in Tripadvisor's top ten percent of restaurants worldwide.

Owner Maria Ahmedi said "I was pretty surprised. I did a double take on the e-mail." She was notified on August 14.

Each year, Tripadvisor combs through reviews, ratings, and saves from travelers everywhere, and uses that info to award the very best.

<u>September</u>

Vietnam Veteran **Terry Misener Awarded Quilt of Valor**

Retired Sergeant Terry Misener was awarded a Quilt of Valor from the Quilts of Valor Foundation. Illinois Valley Quilts of Valor representatives made the presentation to Mr. Misener on September 10.

Misener was just 19 when he was called to service. A member of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War, Terry was drafted on August 20, 1967, achieving the rank of Sergeant before he was honorably discharged on July 28, 1969. He marked his 21st birthday in Vietnam.

Tractor Supply Officially Opens New Store in Dwight

Tractor Supply Company was excited to bring a new store to serve and meet the needs of the Dwight community - officially opening its doors in September 2020.

The rural lifestyle retailer provides essential, everyday products like animal feed, pet food and supplies, propane, fencing, garden supplies, home supplies, and more.

TSC opened with adjusted hours due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

No Smoking in the Parks

A group of Dwight Township High School health education students, self-named Teens Terminating Tobacco, focused their efforts on advocating for a tobacco/vape-free policy for Dwight's public parks and baseball fields.

The group, led by DTHS health education teacher, Mitch Thompson, and Livingston County Health Department's Health Education and Marketing Director, Erin Fogarty, participated in a number of activities, most notably the clean-up of Renfrew Park, collecting signatures and letters of support, and attending several Dwight Village Board meetings, in an effort to achieve their goal.

The project, including signage posted in Dwight parks, was funded by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

GSW's Dusty Manietta Named Commended Student in 2021 National Merit **Scholarship Program**

Gardner-South Wilmington High School announced September 24 that senior Dusty Manietta was named a Commended Student in the 2021 National Merit Scholarship Program.

A Letter of Commendation from the school and the National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the program, was presented by GSW principal, Mr. John Engelman.

Local Artist Cat Clausen to Appear on "Backstory with Larry Potash"

Local artist Cat Clausen was set to be featured on "Backstory with Larry Potash" – a show that explores history, and the stories that connect us to the experiences of those who came before us.

The segment, which was featured on the October 10 episode, explored Abraham Lincoln and the politics of his time, and showed Clausen adding finishing touches to various Lincoln paintings, and discussing elements of her unique style as she paints.



Little Free Library Opens in Herscher

Cindy (Stearns) O'Connor started The Adventures of Bizzy & Bee Bop Little Free Library in Herscher to encourage reading and literacy in both children and adults in the community.

The name is based on a book that O'Connor is in the process of writing. Bizzy and Bee Bop are the nicknames of two of her many grandchildren.

The library plans to hold various events and book readings. You may donate items, if you wish, in the specified donation container.

For more information, email Bizzy.BeeBopLittleFree Library@gmail.com or visit their Facebook page.



Larry Potash and local artist, Cat Clausen. photo by Mark Battrell

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'18 Escape SE, 13K, FWD	\$18,900
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OBITUARY

Venus Frances 'Fran' Allen

Venus Frances "Fran" Allen, age 94, of South Wilmington, IL passed away Friday, January 8, 2021 at Heritage Health in Dwight, IL with her loving family by her side.

Born June 23, 1926 in Essex, IL, she was the daughter of the late Frank and Dee (nee Atkinson) Huber. She married Lester Allen on June 15, 1947 in Essex and devoted her entire

life to her family. A lifelong member of the South Wilmington United Methodist Church, she taught Sunday School for many years. Fran was an active member of the Star Club and enjoyed swimming and crocheting.

Surviving are her daughters, Marcia (John) Cacello of South Wilmington; Francine (Ralph) Hillman of South Wilmington; and Mary (Stan) Guilinger of Sandwich, IL; son, Rich (Jen) Allen of South Wilmington; 11 grandchildren: Chris (Gena) Hillman of MN; Angela Tjelle of South Wilmington; Chad (Kate) Hillman of Batavia, IL;



South Wilmington; Ethan Gubbins of South Wilmington; and Tyler Gubbins of South Wilmington; 14 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and

Preceding her in death were her husband, Lester Allen (May 12, 1978); and son, Lester Jon Allen.

Funeral services will be private. Interment will follow in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery in Braceville.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be directed to the South Wilmington United Methodist Church or South Wilmington Fire Department.

For more information and to visit her online guestbook you may log on to www.rwpatter sonfuneralhomes.com or find them on Facebook.

Doug Patterson Named SOCU CEO

A Streator native, Doug Patterson, will lead the Streator Onized Credit Union as of February 1, 2021.

He will replace Kathy Lucas, a 35-year employee of SOCU, who, for the last 15 years has led the team at SOCU to enhance the lives of its members and communities in which it serves. She will retire from the credit union on February 1.

SOCU's Dwight office is at 124 E. Main Street, while its home office is in Streator.

Patterson has 23 years of banking experience. His focus has been on commercial and consumer lending.

The four members of the Executive Team are: Cheryl Davis, chief financial officer; Mandi Albert, chief lending officer; Angie Kusnerick, chief operations officer; and Andrew Threadgill, chief information

Serving on the Board of Directors are: Mike Ralph, Harry Godfrey, Nathan Darrow, Tony Miles, Robert A. Lee II, Don-

ald Luckey and Scott Bulthuis. Scott Carpenter, Ty Eshleman, Ron Schmitt, Beckie Chismarick, Patrick Montgomery and Kevin Vickers make up the Supervisory Committee.

Did you know?

According to the World Health Organization, an estimated 250 million preschool children are vitamin A deficient. That's a significant concern, as children who are not getting enough vitamin A are at greater risk for severe visual impairment and blindness. Vitamin A deficiency also increases a child's risk of severe illness, and even death, from common childhood infections, including diarrheal disease and measles.

The WHO notes that breast milk is a natural source of vitamin A and urges mothers of infants to breastfeed to ensure children get ample amounts of vitamin A.

Parents of older children can look to various healthy foods to make sure youngsters are getting enough vitamin A. The National Institutes of Health notes that foods such as sweet potatoes, carrots and fortified cereals typically contain substantial amounts of vitamin A.

The U.S. National Library of Medicine reports that various animal products, including meat, fish, poultry, and dairy products, also contain significant amounts of vitamin A.

Parents can speak with their children's pediatricians to determine the healthiest, most effective ways to ensure their youngsters are getting enough vitamin A.

The mind is everything. What you think, you become. Buddha



NOTICE TO BID

The Village of Saunemin is soliciting bid proposals for garbage/recycle pickup. Garbage pickup will be on a weekly schedule. Recyclables picked up at least once a month. There are approximately 155 pickups on the route.

If further information regarding specifics and duties of garbage collector is needed, feel free to contact Village Clerk, Nancy Haag at 815-832-4334 – leave a message and she will get back to you.

Bid proposals must be placed in a sealed envelope addressed to Village of Saunemin, P O Box 283, Saunemin, IL 61769 and marked clearly on outside of the envelope, lower left-hand corner "Sealed Bid Garbage/Recycle". Please include a Certificate of Insurance. Dead line is Monday, February 5, 2021.

Bids will be opened Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at the regular Village Board meeting. If Village Board has questions in regards to your bid, you will be contacted. Final decision will be made at the Tuesday, March 9, 2021 Village Board meeting.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

'How Fortunate We Are...'

have such caring people in Dwight. The year 2020 has been like no other in my life. COVID took so many things away that I enjoyed at the holidays. When I called the Lutheran Church, who for years has provided a Christmas meal to those who were in need, I was not surprised when they stated that they were not providing it this year. My heart saddened as I thought OK, one more thing that COVID has taken away. Participating in this event each year for the last 20+ years was a special part of my holiday celebration. It gave me the ability to give to others selflessly, which to me is the true meaning of Christmas.

The lovely lady on the phone told me that if I contacted The Paper, they were coordinating the meal this year with two local restaurants. My spirits were lifted and I called immediately. I was told that they were looking for volunteers to deliver meals and we quickly volunteered. Later I found out there was a family in need and called to see if meals could be provided for them. I was told that the cut-off date to call in for meals was December 18th. I thought, OK, I will just make a meal after deliveries are over on Christmas day. We could then package them up and deliver them.

On Christmas day we arrived in front of The Paper office. There were several other volunteers to deliver in line

How fortunate we are to with us. We were given our first two deliveries and instructions on how the pick-up and delivery system worked. Off we went and were greeted by wonderful volunteers at the restaurant. They delivered the number of meals we needed and off we went. The joy on people's faces as we delivered these delicious packages was a gift in and of itself.

We continued to repeat the process until all the meals were delivered. To our surprise we were given a card for the three meals that we had requested but were told it was too late. When we went to pick them up they gave us six, instead of three meals. We delivered the three meals and then took the extra three meals to a location that we had previously delivered to and told that there were others living in the complex that could use a meal. The joy we saw when we delivered these last six meals was overwhelming. At one location I was near tears as was the recip-

Thank you The Paper staff, the owners of Route 66 and Station 343, and all the other volunteers it took to pull off this event. It makes me so proud to call Dwight my home town. I am enclosing a donation so that this event can continue...Citizens of Dwight I hope you do the same. This is truly what Christmas is all

Paul and Mary Quigley

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Pet of the Week

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Marvel(ous)

In the midst of living through what is seemingly a major historical event every other week I decided to make this column about something a little more trivial, to avoid the hot button issues, of which we are all aware.

This month I'm embarking on something very important. I'm attempting the task of watching every single Marvel movie that has been released.

I'm watching them in actual time frame order, and not in the order they were released. I've received flack from friends that this is not the right way to go about it, but that's the route I'm going, so to those against it, you're just going to have to deal

Chronologically speaking, the first one up is Captain America: The First Avenger. This takes place during the World War II era. Then next, it's followed by Captain Marvel and two Iron Man movies.

Coming into this I have seen a handful of these movies, such as Black Panther, The Incredible Hulk, and all of the Avenger movies. But this is the first time I'm really sitting down and understanding how some of these characters became who they are in the Avenger movies.

My early ranking is Iron Man 1, Captain America; The First Avenger and then Captain Marvel (sorry Captain Marvel.) The back stories, on Captain America and Iron Man, are just more compelling, to the point where I'm really looking forward to the next installments of those movies. I know they've already been released, but having not seen them I am looking forward to them with great interest.

I'm not sure how long this process is going to take, but once I finish, and possibly along the way, I will be updating the rankings. As of now there are only three, so it doesn't make for much of a list.

Iron Man holds the top spot for now. Stay tuned for fu-

Go..... Blackhawks? I don't even know at this point, they all

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Notice is further hereby given that a public hearing on said elearning plan will be held on Zoom at 6:45 P.M. on the 20th day of January 2021.

Time: Jan. 20, 2021, 6:45 P.M. Central Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting: https://us04web.zoom.us/j/79752795511 ?pwd=TkdPM01VU1dPNG15OFl0cW53MHpQdz09

Meeting ID: 797 5279 5511 Passcode: YZh1h1

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Tips for Winter Travelers

Because of the pandemic, fewer Americans are taking to the skies, but a significant number likely plan to hit the roads to visit friends and family during the winter months. Whether a few towns over or a couple states away, many drivers will travel interstates, which are major logistics corridors often dominated by commercial

According to the United States Census Bureau, there are approximately 3.5 million people working as truck drivers in the U.S. From keeping grocery store shelves stocked to delivering those next-day packages, professional truck drivers impact lives with the freight they move and serve an important role in keeping the economy running.

Professional truck drivers are also experts when it comes to planning travel. From mapping out a route to maintaining their vehicles and even practicing a healthy diet, many truck drivers are road trip experts.

Caron Comas is a professional truck driver for Variant, a subsidiary of U.S. Xpress, one of the nation's largest trucking companies. Highly trained, she's driven trucks for 17 years and her expert insight can aid the average automobile driver planning to hit the roads

"It's important that the aver-



age driver give trucks plenty of space on the road," Comas said. "People can forget we're generally handling 75 feet of tractor and trailer, which can weigh 80,000 pounds. We can't stop on a dime like automobiles, so increase distance when merging in front of trucks and avoid slamming on your brakes."

Comas suggests following these tips on the road and before you travel:

Don't follow trucks too closely. If you can't see a tractor trailer's mirrors, the driver can't see you.

Schedule vehicle maintenance before your trip. Have your oil changed and ask the

experts to check your tire pressure and other important fluids to help assure you're driving safely and efficiently.

* Carefully plan your route. If driving through big cities, consider fluctuations in rush hour traffic. For more remote locations where there may not be regular food or gas, plan for when you'll need to stop along the route.

* Stay hydrated and nourished. Before setting out, eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water. For the drive, pack healthy, non-perishable snacks like granola, fruit or nuts along with bottled water. For longer trips with kids, consider a small

cooler for sandwiches, string cheese or yogurt.

* Be overly prepared. Keep a few blankets, a flashlight, a first-aid kit and an extra pair of shoes in your car. If you experience car trouble, make sure you can stay warm until help arrives.

Keep in mind the global pandemic. Check each state's quarantine requirements that you'll be traveling to or through, wear a mask when in public and follow the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's guidelines when traveling.

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As beautiful as snow-covered landscapes can be, winter presents unique hazards, notably slippery roads and surfaces. Chilly temperatures also can put people at risk if they spend prolonged periods outdoors unprotected.

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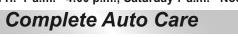
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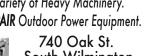
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Herscher	1,855	188	
Gardner	1,362	155	
Odell	1,387	125	
Mazon	1,023	113	
Essex	753	102	
Braceville	1,024	101	Numbers
S. Wilmington	539	71	as of
Cullom	663	60	•
Buckingham	502	53	01/11/21
Reddick	583	53	Statistics via:
Saunemin	697	40	
Verona	367	35	dph.illinois.gov
Ransom	441	30	
Cabery	357	27	
Emington	237	25	
Kempton	282	23	
Blackstone	156	18	
Campus	228	13	
Union Hill	79	12	
Kinsman	130	7	
County	Tested	Cases	Deaths
Kankakee	145,943	11,146	163
LaSalle	100,383	8,955	191
Grundy	33,559	4,167	50
Livingston	51,554	3,390	56
Iroquois	32,237	2,503	51
Ford	19,155	1,327	39

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Gassman, 589; Michael King,

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