





FOR THE RECORD

**Tickets Issued by Dwight Police**  
March 5: Javier Jimenez, 53, Chicago, driving under influence of alcohol.  
March 6: August T. Rieke, 24, Reddick, driving under influence of alcohol/BAC 0.08.  
March 7: Nicholas J. O'Neill, 31, Dwight, driving during suspension.  
March 8: Angela L. Geheber, 43, Dwight, fail obey stop sign.  
March 10: Thomas P. Hilgenbrink, 58, Aurora, improper traffic lane usage, driving under influence of alcohol.

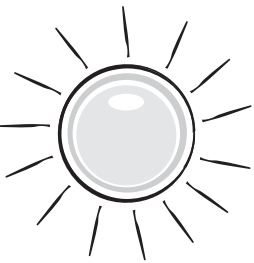
*Persons in the police report are innocent of any charges until proven guilty in a court of law.*

**Dwight Police Blotter**  
March 4: Dwight Officers generated a report for ID Fraud.  
March 5: 9:19 p.m., Arrested for DUI was Javier Jimenez, 53, of Chicago. His paperwork was processed at Dwight Police Dept. Jimenez was transported to Livingston Cty. Jail. His vehicle was towed from the scene.  
March 6: 1:47 a.m., Arrested for DUI was August Rieke, 24, of Reddick. Rieke was taken to Dwight Police Department. His paperwork was processed and he was given a court date. Rieke was able to post bond and was released. His vehicle was towed from the scene.  
March 7: 5:02 a.m., Arrested on Northbrook Dr. for Violation of Order of Protection was Kenneth Smith, 55, of Dwight. He was transported to Grundy Cty. Jail; 11:31 p.m., Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop. Nicholas O'Neil, 31, of Dwight, was arrested for Driving On a Suspended Li-

cense, and a warrant. Due to COVID restrictions, O'Neil was given a court date and released on an I-Bond.  
March 10: 1:35 p.m., Dwight Police were advised of a reckless driver. Arrested was Thomas Hilgenbrink, 58, of Aurora, for DUI. Hilgenbrink was transported to Dwight Police Dept., where he was processed. He was given a court date, posted bond, and released. His vehicle was towed from the scene.  
March 11: 3:49 a.m., Arrested on Northbrook Dr. for Violation of Order of Protection was Kenneth Smith, 55, of Dwight. He was transported to Grundy Cty. Jail.



**Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS**  
March 5: Seminole, medical, Morris; Main St., medical, Morris; Watters, medical, refusal; Locust, medical, RMC, mutual aid – Campus; Mazon, medical, Morris.  
March 6: Prairie, medical, Riverside; Mazon, medical, Morris; Main, medical, St. Mary's.  
March 7: Union, fire; Union, fire.  
March 8: North St., medical, Morris; John St., medical, Morris; Mazon Ave., medical, Riverside, mutual aid from Gardner; Bannon, medical, refusal.  
March 9: Northbrook, medical, Riverside.  
March 10: Prairie, medical, refusal; William, trauma, St. James.  
March 11: Mazon, medical, refusal; Northbrook, medical, refusal.



Temps - 2021

Mar. 4 – high 45°, low 23°  
Mar. 5 – high 47°, low 25°  
Mar. 6 – high 50°, low 24°  
Mar. 7 – high 55°, low 25°  
Mar. 8 – high 67°, low 40°  
Mar. 9 – high 68°, low 41°  
Mar. 10 –high 69°, low 49°  
.06" precip.  
**One Year Ago – Mar. 17, 2020**  
high 42°, low 26°



Dwight Fire Incidents 3/4 - 3/11

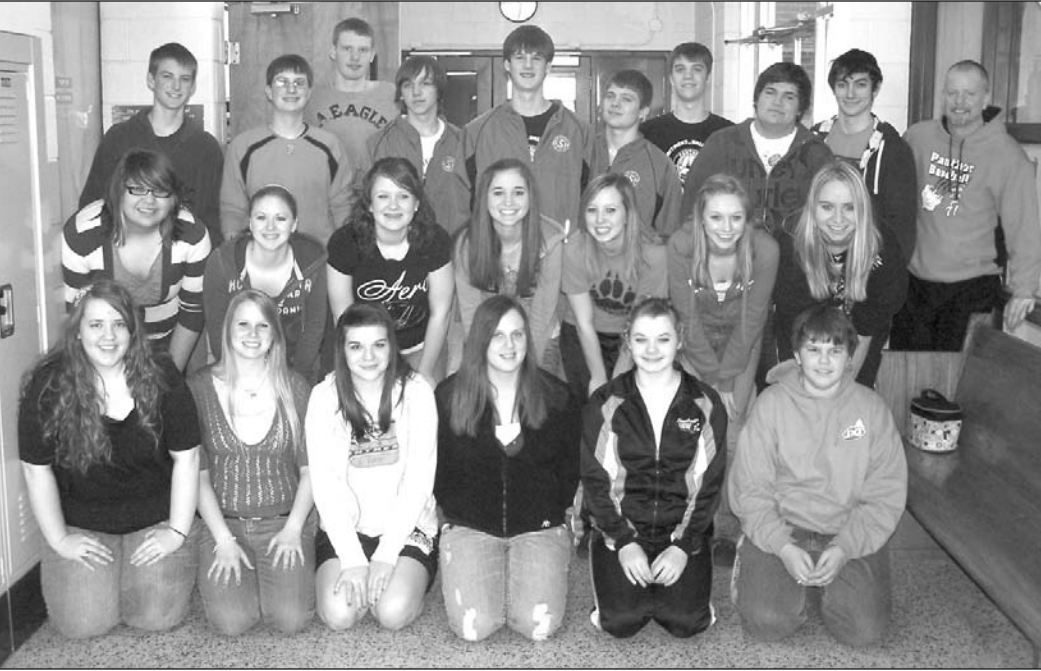
In addition to nine assists with Dwight EMS, Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents:  
March 7: Automatic Fire Alarm X2.  
March 9: Mutual Aid to Pontiac - canceled en route.

Free Food to Be Distributed March 24

Free food will be distributed to qualifying households in Dwight Township Wednesday, March 24, from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at the Old Town Hall, Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin St., Dwight.  
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Gardner South Wilmington High School Student Spotlight March 2010



GARDNER SOUTH WILMINGTON High School is proud to have the students who made its recent "Road to Reality" a huge success in the Student Spotlight this week. The school community congratulates them on their great performances and for making the night possible and memorable for everyone. The event was successful because of these students' dedication and commitment to the school.

Barickman Works With Local Mead Producers to Advance Legislation to Grow Jobs

State Senator Jason Barickman (R-Bloomington) is working to clear red-tape that is holding back businesses that produce mead – a wine-like beverage made from honey.  
"This is about helping our businesses do exactly what we want them to do, which is to grow and add much-needed jobs to our local economies," said Barickman. "It's always an honor to work directly with the people of my district to enact good public policy that can have a positive and immediate impact right here at home."  
Senate Bill 297 allows licensed producers of mead and/or cider to self-distribute up to 5,000 gallons to local breweries that sell their products directly to consumers. The legislation also updates state law regarding the classification of mead.  
The legislation was inspired by Unpossible Mead, a meadery in Dwight.  
"This would allow greater distribution of mead to the public and give brewers an additional gluten free option for customers that are requesting them," said Brian Galbreath of Unpossible Mead in Dwight. "This will help our business to grow and expand and help create additional jobs."  
The legislation unanimously passed the Senate Executive Committee on March 10 and now awaits consideration by the full Senate.

State Rep. Tom Bennett, 106th District

Resolution filed to oppose new graduated tax effort

I am among the co-sponsors of House Resolution 135, which expresses opposition to any effort to bring back the graduated income tax which Illinois voters soundly rejected last fall.  
Last year the General Assembly passed an unbalanced budget based on the expectation of approval of the tax increase along with a federal bailout. Neither of those things happened and we are now seeing the consequences. We should not be basing our budgeting on the assumption of higher taxes. Instead government should live within its means and put together a realistic budget based on actual revenue figures, not illusions.  
Our resolution expresses the belief that an income tax increase is not the solution to our bad budgeting practices and it should not be considered as part of the budget plan for the coming year.  
**Republicans call for a hearing on school re-openings.** This week I joined with the Republican members of the three committees dealing with Education in calling for a public hearing to examine the ways we can get all Illinois schoolchildren safely back in the classroom.  
Medical experts have stated that it is safe to re-open schools with some precautions, and that continuing to keep kids out of school is causing great harm.  
We propose a hearing to get input from school leaders and state policymakers to find out what else needs to be done before we can finally get our schools back open.  
**Revenue was up in February.** The latest report from the Commission on Government Forecasting and Accountability (COGFA) showed that Illinois' revenue position is improving – without higher taxes. The February COGFA report analyzed the impact of the pandemic on state revenues and found that February 2021 was a better month than February 2020, the last month before lockdowns and quarantines disrupted the economy.  
Income tax, sales tax and federal payments for things like Medicaid reimbursements were all up in February compared to the year before. Income tax revenue was up by \$69 million, sales tax collections increased by \$47 million and federal revenues went up by \$242 million. These are positive signs for the state's ability to put together a balanced budget without raising taxes.  
There are still warning signs, however, as segments of the economy like restaurants and hospitality continue to suffer from the lockdowns. A projection from Moody's Analytics suggests that even with the ongoing recovery from the pandemic, Illinois' unemployment rate could still be around 6% at the end of the year. Illinois' economy continues to underperform the rest of the country, and the study finds that we are likely to grow slower than other states over the next few years. Rejecting a tax increase would be a helpful step toward improving conditions, as would enacting a pro-growth jobs creating agenda in the spring session.

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**How much do we owe?** As of the time of this writing, the State of Illinois owes \$5,416,675,379 in unpaid bills to state vendors. One year ago, the backlog stood at \$7.6 billion. This figure represents the amount of bills submitted to the office of the Comptroller and still awaiting payment. It does not include debts that can only be estimated, such as our unfunded pension liability which is subject to a wide range of factors and has been estimated to be more than \$141 billion.

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**Time for Some Financial Spring Cleaning**  
In just a few days, we will experience the vernal equinox – one of the two times in the year when the sun is exactly above the equator. Apart from this astronomical anomaly, though, the equinox is mostly known as the beginning of spring – a fresh beginning and the time to spruce things up. This year, as you tidy up your home and surroundings, why not also consider some financial spring cleaning?  
Here are a few ideas for getting your financial house in order:  
**"De-clutter" your portfolio**  
Over the years, many of us tend to pick up duplicate items that find their way into the nooks and crannies of our homes, gathering dust and remaining unused. Over time, your investment portfolio can also accumulate redundancies – that is, you might own several investments that are essentially similar. It might be appropriate to replace some of these and broaden your holdings.  
**Own your investments purposefully**  
You own certain things for certain reasons – a broom to sweep the floors, a microwave to heat the food and so on. As an investor, you should be following a goal-based strategy that includes the matching of certain investments with certain objectives. For example, you might own stocks or mutual funds to eventually provide the capital appreciation potential you'll need to retire comfortably. But you might also own other vehicles, such as bonds or other fixed-income investments, to provide you with a source of regular income.  
**"Dust off" your investment strategy**  
Over a long winter, your windows can get dirty and grimy, so, when spring arrives, you may want to get out the glass cleaner – and when you're done, you'll be able to see out more clearly. Over time, your investment strategy may get somewhat "dusty," too, especially if you've experienced significant changes in your life, such as a new job, a new child or even a new plan for retirement. By periodically reviewing your investment strategy, you'll be able to clarify your vision for the future.  
**Protect yourself from hidden dangers**  
If you poke around your garage, shed or other storage area, you may well find some objects – gardening tools, paint thinners and engine fluids, leaning ladders and so on – that could be dangerous, either because they aren't stored properly or they're hard to see and can cause trips and falls. As part of your spring cleaning, you'd want to get these objects out of harm's way to safeguard yourself and your family. But when you think of your financial situation, are you also exposing yourself and your loved ones to risk? If something were to happen to you, could your family members stay in their home? Could your children still go to college? To help keep their lifestyle intact if you weren't around, you'll need adequate life insurance. And to avoid burdening your grown children with potentially huge expenses should you ever need some type of long-term care, such as an extended nursing home stay, you may want to talk to a financial advisor about protection strategies.  
By taking some spring cleaning measures, you can brighten your living space for the seasons ahead. And by applying some of the same principles to your financial environment, you can help improve the prospects for meeting your important goals.  
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Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Thomas J. Thomas, AKA Thomas Thomas, AKA Thomas J. Yhomas, deceased; The Acri Company; Home Loan Investment Bank, F.S.B.; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants; Robert Thomas; Angela Thomas; Gina Thomas; Tammy Olita; Connie Bahena; Peggy Gibis; Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Andrew Thomas, deceased; William M. Ejzak, Esq., as Special Representative of Thomas J. Thomas, AKA Thomas Thomas, AKA Thomas J. Yhomas, deceased.  
Defendants.  
Case No. 2019CH44  
107 North Jackson Street, Flanagan, IL 61740

Judge Jennifer Hartmann-Bauknecht

**NOTICE OF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on February 19, 2021, Tony O. Childress will on April 6, 2021, at the hour of 10:00A.M. at the Livingston County Sheriff's Office, The Law & Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

Lot 7 in Block 2 in North Addition to Flanagan, Livingston County, Illinois.  
Commonly known as 107 North Jackson Street, Flanagan, IL 61740  
Parcel Number(s): 13-13-22-258-008  
The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence.  
Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier's or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. The property will NOT be open for inspection.  
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For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 19-025033.  
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EARLY VOTING, VOTE BY MAIL, and GRACE REGISTRATION DATES

CONSOLIDATED ELECTION, APRIL 6, 2021

Early Voting, Vote by Mail, and Grace Period Registration and Voting will be conducted on the following dates prior to the April 6, Consolidated Election in Livingston County. **Voter Registration closes Tuesday, March 9, 2021.**  
(See the Livingston County Website for additional registration and voting deadlines information.)

Dates	Location	Hours
<b>MONDAY-FRIDAY</b> February 25-April 5	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W. Madison St – Pontiac	8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.
<b>SATURDAY</b> March 6, 20, and April 3	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W. Madison St – Pontiac	9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. Noon
<b>TUESDAY</b> (April 6 - Grace Registration and Voting)	Livingston County Clerk's Office 112 W. Madison St – Pontiac	6:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M.

**What is Early Voting?** Early Voting starts February 25 and ends April 5, 2021. This process allows any registered voter in Livingston County to use the above location to cast their ballot prior to Election Day. Early voters must be registered Livingston County voters. No excuse or reason is necessary to apply.

**Vote by Mail Voting:** Starts February 25 and continues through Thursday, April 1. A person may request a Vote by Mail ballot by USPS no later than April 1 without specifying a reason. In order to be counted the ballot must be postmarked by midnight (check local post office house) or returned in person by 7:00 P.M. to the County Clerk's Office on April 6.

**Grace Registration and Voting:** Begins March 9 and continues through April 6. This is for new registrants and those who have transferred or moved and did not update their voter registration before March 9. Voting takes place at the same time registration is made in the County Clerk's Office.

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

If you have any questions regarding voter registration, or the above information, contact County Clerk Kristy Masching (815-842-9313) or Election Deputy Gail Smythe (815-842-9318).

MEET THE CANDIDATES...

Jerry Curtis

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be the head of two different taxing bodies which is the Dwight Fire Protection District and the Village of Dwight. It is difficult to serve two masters. Also, I do not think it is appropriate that the other mayoral candidate, if elected, would be on the village board with their spouse as trustee. In this case, one family gets two votes.

We have many challenges ahead of us with the loss of Dwight Correctional Center, LSC Communications, and declining small business. We need to address the replacement and finance options of the aging Stevenson Swimming Pool. The Village has worked with the Greater Livingston County Economic Development Council to annex the McPart property east of Dwight as an Industrial Zoning District to attract commercial developers. We continue to look at all economic and community development options. I believe the financing to replace Stevenson Pool should be a public/private option. We have pool plan options in place.

Dwight has excellent infrastructure in place to attract future development. We have two railroads, two state highways, two interstate interchanges, and many surrounding properties ready to be developed. We have the Becker/Ambler station and Rt. 66 corridor that attracts over a thousand visitors each year. I am optimistic that development will come. Village administration has been very active applying for and receiving grants to upgrade our amenities and infrastructure.

Other challenges are declining Village revenue and declining population. These are a negative to economic and community development. We need to shop Dwight first so we may encourage other businesses to open. We, as a community, need to be our own diplomats and sell Dwight as the best place to live and raise families to promote growth. We have many great amenities; excellent schools, parks, swimming pool, youth baseball and football programs, golf course, and bowling alley.

The pandemic has caused additional losses to village revenue. With everyone's due diligence, the village has been able to maintain a balanced budget. To ease the pandemic effects on our residents, we did not increase water and sewer fees and lowered the Village property tax rate for the 2021/22 budget year. To address declining village revenues, we need to look at realigning responsibilities among village positions to deliver the same excellent services to residents at a lower cost.

I am a fiscal conservative and I have always been an advocate of the tax payer. When I vote to spend tax payer dollars on purchases or programs, I expect the taxpayer to get a return on that spending investment. If there is no or minimal return on the investment, the spending on those purchases or programs should cease.

I am very optimistic that Dwight's future is bright. I ask for your vote on April 6th so we may work together to navigate through these challenging times to make Dwight the best it can be. It would be an honor and privilege to serve you as Mayor.

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

ESTATE OF:

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No. 2021-P-25

NORMA SIEDENTOP,

:

Deceased.

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CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE is given of the death of Norma Siedentop. Letters of Office were issued on March 1, 2021 to James L. Siedentop, as Independent Executor. The representative's attorney of record is Alan M. Schrock, Blakeman & Schrock, Ltd., 307 West Washington Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764.

Claims against the Estate may be filed in the Office of the Circuit Clerk, Livingston County Law & Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764, or with the representative, or both, on or before September 15, 2021, and any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

JAMES L. SIEDENTOP, Independent Executor

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Read The Paper!

Paul Johnson

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tough conditions. I possess those characteristics and can immediately put them to good use as the mayor.

I am well-versed in obtaining grants and finding alternate funding sources for government agencies. In my six years as the fire chief, I have been able to obtain nearly \$1,500,000 in federal, state, and local grants awards, a direct savings to our taxpayers. I would use my grant-writing skills to benefit our Village.

Over the years, I have forged strategic relationships with businesses, state and federal agencies, and government representatives both locally and in the Chicago metropolitan area. I would tap into those relationships to help bring our town to the forefront of conversations revolving around growth, business opportunity, and future development.

If elected, what will be your main focus as mayor?

The main areas I plan to focus on are generating new revenue and funding sources, accessing more grant funding, keeping taxes under control, ensuring a high level of public safety, and attracting new residents and businesses.

What is your immediate main concern for Dwight and its residents?

Economic and residential growth. Everyone knows that the costs of things continue to go up on an annual basis. Without a growing tax base, there are only two ways to address rising costs. The first is to raise taxes, which is a terrible idea! The second is to reduce services, an equally bad idea. Increasing our tax base can reduce the tax burden on our residents and businesses while at the same time helping to fund infrastructure improvements and capital replacement purchases.

What is your main concern for Dwight's future?

The future of Dwight hinges on the outcome of this election. When talking with residents, they are extremely concerned about the job vacuum that has been created by the loss of our two largest employers over the last 7 years. Our village was able to stay on its feet after taking those two major gut punches. It is starting to stagger after taking a sucker punch to the face from the global pandemic. How much more punishment can this town, its residents, and its businesses take before getting knocked out? The outcome of the mayoral election will dictate whether we continue to be beat up or whether we start fighting back.

Our town needs a mayor who is ready to take on the fight; one that is willing and able to put in the time and effort to move the town forward. It needs someone who is a proven and tested leader; someone whose actions speak louder than their words.

What infrastructure needs are your top priority and where do you see the monies to pay for these coming from?

The top items for infrastructure improvements include upgrades to our water and sewer system, bringing reliable fiber optic high speed internet to all areas of town, and improvements to the parking areas at Renfrew park. Road repairs and upgrades will continue to be necessary. Funding of the water and sewer projects will come from water fees as well as through potential grants from state and federal environmental agencies. COVID lockdowns highlighted the importance of reliable internet for telecommuters, teachers and students, and local government. The number of grants available to improve internet service to rural communities has gone up dramatically over the last year. We would apply for those grants and would also meet with area internet suppliers to try and convince them to bolster their service to Dwight. Street and sidewalk projects would continue to be paid for through sales taxes, but we would work with state and federal Departments of Transportation to attempt to get special project funding directed toward improvements in our area.

What changes would you hope to initiate as mayor?

As mayor, I would work to improve the transparency of village operations, lay out new performance and attitude expectations for employees and hold them accountable for their actions, listen to and prioritize the needs of our residents and business owners, and revise the permitting process while reviewing, revising, and enforcing ordinances. I would also work to collaborate and build partnerships with other municipalities and government bodies to do joint purchasing of large capital items, get better rates on insurance and benefits, and reduce operating costs. I would also meet with property owners in the downtown area and work to find ways to improve their buildings or get them sold to investors looking to set up businesses in the downtown area. That will help revitalize downtown and make it look better.

What do you see as Dwight's greatest strength? And weakness?

Dwight's greatest strength by far is the people who live here. Its greatest weakness is the inability to market the opportunities our town has to offer.

In 2013, we saw the closure of the Dwight Correctional facility;

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON TOWNSHIP BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Township of Odell, in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2021, and ending March 31, 2022, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection by appointment at the Odell Township Supervisor's Office, 208 E. Elk Street, Odell, Illinois from and after 8:00 o'clock A.M. Friday, March 26th, 2021.

NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 7:15 o'clock P.M., Monday, May 10th, 2021, at this Odell Township and that final hearing and action on this ordinance will be taken by the Board of Town Trustees at a meeting to be held at the Odell Township Meeting Room, 208 E. Elk Street, Odell, Illinois at 7:15 o'clock P.M. Monday, May 10th, 2021.

Susan LaBorence, Clerk  
Robert Legner, Supervisor

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON ROAD DISTRICT BUDGET

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Road Purposes of the Odell Township, in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning April 1, 2021, and ending March 31, 2022, will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection by appointment at the Odell Township Supervisor's Office, 208 E. Elk Street, Odell, Illinois from and after 8:00 o'clock A.M. Friday, March 26th, 2021.

NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing on said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be held at 7:15 o'clock P.M., Monday, May 10th, 2021, at the Odell Township Meeting Room, 208 E. Elk Street in this Odell Township and that final hearing and action on this ordinance will be taken at a meeting to be held at the Odell Township Meeting Room, 208 E. Elk Street, Odell, Illinois at 7:15 o'clock P.M. Monday, May 10th, 2021.

Susan LaBorence, Clerk  
Robert Legner, Supervisor

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the legal residents of the Town of Odell in the County of Livingston and the State of Illinois, that the Annual Meeting of said Town will take place on **TUESDAY, APRIL 13th, 2021**, being the second Tuesday of said month.

The Town Meeting for the transaction of miscellaneous business of said Town will be held at the hour of 7:00 o'clock P.M. on said Tuesday at 208 E. Elk Street, Odell, Illinois and a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear and consider reports of officers and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting; and especially to consider and decide the following: presentation of the Supervisor's Annual Financial Reports for all funds, Authorize the sale of old and unused equipment and buildings, set the time of the next Annual Town Meeting, and any other business that comes before the electors.

Susan LaBorence  
TOWN CLERK





THE GARDNER AREA BAND BOOSTERS recently purchased 100 shirts for every band student at Braceville Elementary School, Gardner Grade School, Gardner-South Wilmington High School, and South Wilmington Grade School. The boosters wanted to show their appreciation to the students for their continued hard work and participation in the band program. Pictured, front row, from left, are Haley Balcom, Julianna Moats, Jaci Wilkey; back row, Michael Leone – Band Director, Avah DeYoung, Alexa Dougherty, Isaiah Bouwma, and Case Christensen.

## MEET THE CANDIDATES...

### Paul Johnson

(continued from page 4)  
2020 brought the closure of LSC Communications. What do you think can be done to help sustain Dwight, attract business growth, and add jobs? Throughout this article, I have stated how important economic growth is to our town. I am getting tired of seeing news articles and social media posts bragging about new businesses coming to Morris, Pontiac, Diamond, or Coal City. Our town has better potential for development than several of those mentioned, yet somehow always seems to be left out of the discussion or passed over. This needs to change and we must work to change it together.

The village uses taxpayer money to pay for memberships with the Grundy Economic Development Council, Dwight Economic Alliance, and Greater Livingston Economic Development Council. We need to see a better return on our investment from these groups. Within the first month of being elected, I would request that these organizations meet with myself, the village administrator, and village council to provide answers as to how they plan on doing a better job at making Dwight a priority. At the conclusion of this meeting, it would be made clear that we all should be working together as a team to bring in new development.

We do not just need jobs, we need careers. LSC was a place where several generations built their careers. We need to find the next “career” businesses that will stay here for another forty years; businesses that offer good pay, benefits, and longevity. Our focus should be on “next-generation” businesses such as companies that build electric vehicles, batteries, industrial products, clean energy components, computer/technology-based products, and warehousing/distribution.

We need to do a better job at marketing our town and what it offers regarding tourism and the Route 66 corridor. We should also market the fact that we have two main rail lines coming right through Dwight, an Amtrak station, Interstate 55, Highway 47 and Highway 17. We are literally at the crossroads of Illinois and the crossroads of America. With this type of location and infrastructure, businesses should be lining up to try and come here.

The village and economic development partners need to ensure that current business owners have what they need to continue to operate. We also need to be out recruiting businesses that provide items our residents have expressed a desire for such as a, more grocery and pharmacy options, eye and hearing doctors, a clothing and housewares store, footwear store, lumber yard, additional lawyers options, and a Fed Ex/UPS shipping store.

Dwight has very good schools. But, it also has an aging swimming pool, dilapi-

dated tennis courts, and some would say, limited community recreational opportunities for families with young children or growing families.

**What can be done to make Dwight more attractive to young families? And, how would you foresee paying for your suggestions?**

If money were no option, all of these would be fixed immediately. Unfortunately, we operate on a tight budget and no one wants to pay more taxes. I said transparency is important as well as honesty. So, to be honest, I don’t have the answer for what to do with the pool and the tennis courts. I am not currently the mayor and I do not have access to the specifics on what is wrong with the pool. I do feel that having a pool is important and would work with the board to do everything possible to keep it functioning until other options were available.

One option would be to create a new “park district” in which funds could come from that to pay for updates. Another option is to work with the school district in the future to build a community recreation center which would be accessible to all students and residents. The recreation center could potentially include a fitness area and possibly even a swimming pool. I would research grants and partnerships and leave no stone unturned to come up with funding solutions for these items as well as come up with ways to build and pay for new recreational opportunities such as a splash pad and community dog park.

#### Closing comment.

Dwight is a great little town, but it hasn’t reached its full potential yet. Its residents have great ideas. Now is the time to elect a mayor who is willing to listen to those ideas and actu-

ally act upon them. We need a mayor who will hold people and partner agencies accountable and lead the town toward a better future. We can’t just sit back and hope that things get better. We actually have to do something about it. I am asking you to vote for me, Paul Johnson, for mayor at the consolidated election on April 6th.

If you are interested in finding out more about my plans, please visit my Facebook page-Paul Johnson for Dwight, Illinois Village President.



## Area Easter Egg Hunts

Grab your Easter baskets and attend the following area Easter Egg Hunts being held in *The Paper* communities:

• **Friday, March 26 – 4:00 p.m.** Heritage Health in Dwight will host their Easter Egg Hunt in the front of their location, with their residents sitting outside (weather permitting) to watch. Everyone attending must wear a mask. Kids need to take their own bags for collecting.

• **Sunday, March 28 – 11:45 a.m.** Dwight United Methodist

Church is holding its Easter Egg Hunt outside, weather permitting, for kids walking to 12-years old. Those attending are asked to take a basket.

• **Saturday, April 3 – 10:00 a.m.** A Community Easter Egg Hunt, sponsored by the Reddick Community Auxiliary (RCA), will be held on the grounds of the Reddick Fire Protection District (formerly Reddick Grade School). Attendants are asked to park on the east side of the buildings and take a basket or bag for egg collection.

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Illini and Crowds

Staying true to form with the columns recently i’m going to keep them somewhat connected.

This past weekend my dad and I made the voyage from Dwight IL over to Indianapolis to watch the University of Illinois Fighting Illini take on the Ohio State University Buckeyes.

For starters, this was the first sporting event I’ve attended since either a Bulls or Blackhawks game last February. For someone who really enjoys the atmosphere and everything that comes along with a live sporting event, going an entire year is a long time to be absent from one.

I’d say there was mild trepidation as we’re still dealing with Covid, but cases are plummeting by the day, and more and more people getting vaccinated means the odds of coming into contact with it are also down.

Some takeaways; Illinois is the real deal. They should’ve won the game more handily than they did, but after they blew the lead they built, lesser teams may have rolled over and let Ohio State take the game from them; not these guys. They’re obviously the best Illinois team since the 2005 and while I don’t follow college basketball all that closely outside of the Big Ten, for my money they’re the most complete team in the country right now. It’s chalk, but if you’re asking for my pick it’s them against Gonzaga in the title game. I’ll check back in a few weeks if I’m wrong.

Another takeaway, having any crowd at all (I think this one was at 20% capacity), just adds another element to the game that’s been missing from all the sports over the last year. The piped-in crowd noise works okay for the TV, but there were a few times where the players would turn to the crowd and waive their hands to get the crowd going, and that just hasn’t been possible.

My main takeaway is crowds are good for sports, and this Illini team is the deal.

Go Orange. Go Blue.

Aaron J. Boma  
2016 ISU Grad

Letters to the Editor in *The Paper* should be limited to 250 words. No letters can run two weeks prior to an election.

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BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

SHAWN P. HOLMES, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.

No. 21-CH-5

NOTICE

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

Lot 14 and the East 8 feet of Lot 13 in Block 1 of Peterdorf’s Addition to the Village of Cullom, Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 18-23-385-011

Commonly known as: 303 W. Jackson St., Cullom, IL 60929.

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is SHAWN P. HOLMES. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on January 4, 2019 and recorded on January 8, 2019 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2019R-00070. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 21-CH-5 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before April 15, 2021, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

Dated this 26 day of February, 2021.

LeAnn Dixon, Circuit Clerk  
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit,  
Livingston County, Illinois

OBITUARIES

Linda (Call) Gutel

Linda (Call) Gutel, 72, of Benson, Vermont passed away Friday, February 26, 2021 at her residence where she lived with her son and his family.

She was born August 10, 1948 in Pontiac, Illinois, the daughter of William and Helen (Michaels) Call. After high school, she attended cosmetology school and operated a beauty shop for several years while raising her children.

Linda lived for her children and grandchildren. She enjoyed coffee, singing, playing cards, reading, painting, and visiting with family and friends. She will be remembered for her love for her family, her quick wit, and her sense of humor.

She is survived by her son, Mark of Benson, VT; a daughter, Christina of the US Virgin Islands; and seven grandchildren: Mark, Jr., Ian, Ailani, Braeden, Sarah, Mason and Noah.

She is also survived by two sisters, Beverly (Robert) Parker of Dwight and Kelly (Roy) Tisdale of Shorewood; along with numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Lori Call.

A celebration of life event will be held Saturday, March 20, at 1 p.m. at the VFW Post 2608 in Dwight. Light refreshments and coffee will be offered. Masks will be required.

Felicia C. Emmons

DWIGHT – Felicia C. Emmons, 28, of Dwight passed away March 5, 2021 in the Dwight area.

A celebration of life was held at 8 p.m., Saturday, March 13, 2021 at Hager Memorial Home in Dwight, IL.

A visitation was held from 5 p.m. until the services that same day, also at the memorial home.

Cremation rites have been accorded and memorial contributions in her name may be made to Wings Program Inc., P.O. Box 29309, Chicago, IL 60629 or P.O. Box 95615, Palatine, IL 60095.

Hager Memorial Home in Dwight is handling the arrangements.

Felicia was born in Morris, IL on May 8, 1992, a daughter of Jackie Emmons and Gary Hardwick.

She is survived by her children: Cayden Allen Marinoff, Emily Faith Hall, and Grant Oliver Hall, all of Dwight; brothers: Seth Hardwick of Bondville, IL; Lloyd (Alisha) Emmons of Dwight; Jordan Emmons of Dwight; Emmett Emmons of Dwight; Jarrett Emmons of Dwight; sisters:

Jasmine Emmons of Dwight; Kitrina (Jordan) Fay of Monticello; and Tori Hayner of Dwight.

Also surviving are her biological mother, Jackie (Alan) Marinoff of Virginia; biological father, Gary (Debby) Hardwick of Virginia; adoptive father, Edwin (Amanda) Emmons of Dwight; and adoptive mother, Kimberly Jones-Saltzman of Pontiac.

Felicia was preceded in death by her brother, Alex Shepherd; sister, Kayleigh Emmons; maternal grandparents, Floyd Emmons and Linda Fieldman; and her adoptive grandmother, Patricia Jones.

Felicia graduated from Urbana High School in 2010. She was a devoted mother and daughter. She was a fitness enthusiast and a ray of light to her family and friends. She had a great sense of humor and loved to make everyone smile and laugh together.

This obituary may be viewed and guestbook signed at [www.hagermemorial.com](http://www.hagermemorial.com)

Another Obituary appears on page 8.

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BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

SHAWN P. HOLMES, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.

No. 21-CH-6

NOTICE

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

Lot 68 in First Addition to Westview Subdivision to the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois, as per Plat recorded October 16, 1979 as Document Number 387228 in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 15-16-452-031

Commonly known as: 1304 Nixon Dr., Pontiac, IL 61764.

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is SHAWN P. HOLMES. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on October 22, 2019 and recorded on October 25, 2019 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2019R-04177. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 21-CH-6 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before April 15, 2021 a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

Dated this 26 day of February, 2021.

LeAnn Dixon, Circuit Clerk  
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit,  
Livingston County, Illinois

Area COVID-19 Stats as of March 15

Town	Tested	Cases	Deaths
Dwight	10,022	518	191
Herschher	2,358	210	223
Gardner	1,903	192	66
Odell	2,006	155	79
Mazon	1,416	148	63
Braceville	1,436	130	46
Essex	962	120	
S. Wilmington	781	88	
Cullom	1,015	69	
Reddick	767	62	
Buckingham	636	54	
Verona	585	49	
Saunemin	997	46	
Ransom	644	37	
Emington	376	34	
Blackstone	258	33	
Cabery	511	33	
Kempton	450	32	
Kinsman	181	17	
Campus	327	16	
Union Hill	99	13	

County	Tested	Cases	Deaths
Kankakee	195,336	12,739	191
LaSalle	154,451	11,019	223
Grundy	49,091	5,278	66
Livingston	85,715	4,309	79
Iroquois	42,691	2,802	63
Ford	25,629	1,621	46

Illinois - Confirmed Cases: 1,209,331; Deaths: 20,943; Probable Deaths: 2,263; Total Tests Performed: 19,131,098; Recovery Rate: 98%.

Probable cases are individuals who have been tested and are found to have a positive test result by a local clinic using “rapid” tests that are not, at this time, IDPH-approved tests.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

‘Daylight Saving’

With Spring almost here and Winter fading away, the amount of daylight is increasing. Finally, the dawn comes at a decent hour so I can burn lights for a shorter period of time. But no. We started “Daylight Saving” time so now we have no sunlight until half of the morning is gone.

We need to eliminate this “Daylight Saving” time stupidity and return to the sanity of the 24 hour day and world time zones. The time zones were set so that the East/West center of the zone would be 12 noon when the sun was at its zenith. Easy, simple and made sense. If you buy a new watch, you set it and forget it. Simple, easy, makes sense.

Some are just rebelling against the time change twice a year and are advocating going to “Daylight Saving” time year around. This

makes no sense whatsoever. The original intent of “Daylight Saving” was to save electricity: people would burn lights for less time. Studies have shown that this never happened. The experiment proved useless, yet here we are. Also, the time change year around will mean our children will be going to school in the dark. In the summer, the sun sets well into the night. It is not easy getting a child to sleep when the sun is still shining. It makes our present time zones all out of whack. And worst of all, it makes the phrase “High Noon” meaningless.

Let us return to sanity, simplicity and common sense and just get rid of so-called “Daylight Saving”.

Mark Fessel  
Blackstone

ANNUAL MEETING  
HIGHLAND TOWNSHIP AGENDA  
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021  
AT 6:45 PM

– Call to order

– Pledge of allegiance

– Nomination for a moderator

– Read minutes from last annual meeting

– Approval of minutes

– Give board authority to hire attorney

– Financial statements YTD (town fund, road & bridge, special equipment, special bridge, general assistance)

– Set monthly meeting (date, time, place)

– Old business

– New business

– Salary of moderator

– Adjournment

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, Plaintiff,

vs.

SHAWN P. HOLMES, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.

No. 21-CH-7

NOTICE

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

Lot 89 in First Addition to Westview Subdivision, in the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois, as per Plat thereof recorded October 16, 1979 as Document Number 387228.

PIN: 15-16-451-032

Commonly known as: 1309 Nixon Dr., Pontiac, IL 61764.

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is SHAWN P. HOLMES. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on February 21, 2020 and recorded on February 28, 2020 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2020R-00767, and an Assignment of Leases and Rents executed on February 21, 2020 and recorded on February 28, 2020 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2020R-00768. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 21-CH-7 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before April 15, 2021, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

Dated this 24 day of February, 2021.

LeAnn Dixon, Circuit Clerk  
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit,  
Livingston County, Illinois







OBITUARY

Dale B. DeGrush

Dale B. DeGrush, age 84, of Mazon, IL passed away Friday, March 12, 2021 at Morris Hospital with his family by his side.

Born August 20, 1936 in Mazon, Dale was the son of the late Burnette “Hap” and E. Louise (Misener) DeGrush. He was raised and educated in Mazon, attending Mazon schools and graduating with the Class of 1954.

Dale married Carolyn Hintze on May 27, 1956 in the Mazon Methodist Church. He retired from the Pipefitter’s Local #422 in 2000 and also farmed for many years in Mazon Township before moving to Mazon. Farming was his greatest love.

Dale enjoyed his yard, mowing and being in his garage. He also loved helping his sons whenever he could, but especially loved and enjoyed visits with his grand- and great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn, of 65 years; three sons: Corey (Renee) DeGrush, Paul (Mindy) DeGrush, and Brian (Tina) DeGrush; six grandchildren: Zach and Cody DeGrush; Dalton and Madison DeGrush; and Tristan DeGrush and Regan DeMoraes; seven great-grandchildren: Nash and



Vail DeGrush, Colby Halstead and Kendricks DeGrush, Ashlyn and Callen DeMoraes; and five nieces.

Dale was preceded in death by his parents, Hap and Louise DeGrush; father- and mother-in-law, Paul and Rose Hintze; sister and brother-in-law, Marie and Fred Erickson; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Marie Davis and Betty Walsh; and great-granddaughter, Sawyer DeGrush.

Due to Covid-19, there will be no visitation, and a private funeral service will be held.

Interment will be in Evergreen Cemetery, Morris. Pallbearers will be his six grandchildren: Zach and Cody DeGrush, Dalton and Madison DeGrush, Tristan DeGrush and Regan DeMoraes.

Memorials in Dale’s name may be made to the Mazon Food Pantry.

An online guestbook has been made for the family, which you may sign, share memories and photographs. You can access this by visiting the website: [www.ucdaviscallahan.com](http://www.ucdaviscallahan.com)

Arrangements have been entrusted with U.C. Davis-Callahan Funeral Home, 301 W. Washington St., Morris, IL

More obituaries appear on page 6.



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Seneca FFA Encourages a Slow Down

Seneca FFA has been challenged the past year by a shut-down. Now, they encourage everyone to simply slow down this spring when more farm equipment will be on the road.

In addition to bringing awareness to the slow machinery on the roadways this spring, Seneca FFA is showing its appreciation to the farmers in the area for all they do.

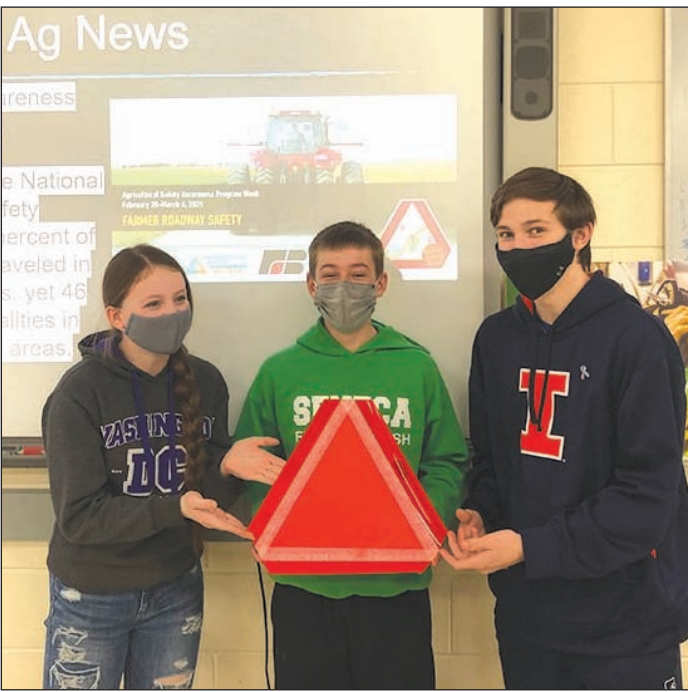
Madison Bromberek, an FFA senior, stated, “We have grown to understand the many risks and responsibilities involved in farming, especially the safety risks that are taken every time a farm implement is on our roads. Therefore, as a token of our appreciation, Seneca FFA will be providing SMV replacement emblems at no cost to any farmer in the Seneca High School district.”

Funds for the SMV symbols come from an “America’s Farmers Grow Communities” grant made possible by the Bayer Fund and received by Seneca FFA as a result of being nominated by Verona area farmer, Mike Sinnott. In addition, a donation from the Great American Insurance Company is being used to offset the cost.

Any farmer wanting the replacement SMV emblems is encouraged to contact Seneca FFA or one of its members.

“We want to share our good fortune with the farm community while keeping our area safe at the same time” said Danny Widman, Seneca FFA officer. “In addition to this, we will have a public awareness campaign that will hopefully encourage people to drive safely on our rural roads.”

Additionally, Seneca FFA has created a roadside display complete with a mock accident that is generating a lot of attention north of Seneca. The display features a car that appears to have run into the back of a disk. Signs encourage drivers to slow down.



SENECA FFA MEMBERS Ashlin Jackson, Zack Sulzberger, and Calvin Maierhofer admire one of the SMV replacement emblems that they are providing at no charge to local farmers. All of the members of Seneca FFA express wishes for everyone to have a safe and successful spring planting season.



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The Role of Technology in Agriculture



agricultural industry employs technology such as robots, temperature and moisture sensors, aerial images, and global positioning systems.

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The NIFA also notes that agricultural technology has reduced waste. For instance, thanks to agricultural technology, farmers no longer have to apply water, fertilizers and pesticides uniformly across entire fields. Technology has shown that farmers can simply target specific areas or even treat individual plants differently. That saves time and allows farmers to use only minimal quantities of water, fertilizer and pesticides. In addition, according to the NIFA, employing agricultural technology in this fashion leads to higher crop productivity and reduces runoff of chemicals into rivers and groundwater, thereby reducing the farm’s impact on local ecosystems.

Modern farms are technological marvels where various technologies are being employed to produce crops more efficiently and safely than ever before.

Modern industry is driven by technology. Advancements in technology have changed how business is conducted, with some industries undergoing dramatic changes since the dawn of the 21st century. While agriculture might not be the first industry people think of when reflecting on the changing nature of industry, The National Institute of Food and Agriculture notes that modern farms are vastly different than those from a few decades ago.

Farmers have long relied on technology to make their operations as efficient, productive and profitable as possible. Precision agriculture, which refers to technological advances designed to propel agriculture into the modern, computerized and information-based world, is helping the agricultural sector become more profitable and efficient while also improving safety and making agriculture more eco-friendly. In addition, the NIFA notes that the modern



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# Watch. For. Slow. Moving. Vehicles



MEMBERS OF SENECA FFA show off their roadside display north of Seneca that includes a mock accident with the signs that read: Watch. For. Slow. Moving. Vehicles.



## DCS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

**Thursday, February 11**  
**Dwight vs. MVK**  
**7th Grade -**

Dwight's seventh grade boys defeated MVK 29-9 on February 11.

"We started out slow offensively but played stellar defense," Coach Conroy stated. "MVK only scored three points in the first half."

Evan Cox (16 points, 10 rebounds, 7 steals) and Joey Starks (10 points, 17 rebounds, 3 steals) each achieved a double-double in the game. Jackson Launius added two points, five boards, and a steal, followed by Asher Kargle with a free throw, a rebound, and two swipes. Jake Wilkey grabbed four rebounds and had two steals.

**8th Grade -**

The eighth grade Redbirds were victorious in their meeting with MVK, 37-22.

Luke Gallet led with 12 points, nine boards, and two steals. Owen Dunlap was next up with nine points, nine rebounds, and four steals. Tristan Larkin added seven points, 11 boards, and six swipes.

Drew Anderson (1 rebound, 3 steals) and Owen Woods (2 rebounds) had four and three points, respectively. Joey Starks chipped in with two points, one steal, and a rebound.

**Friday, February 19**  
**Dwight vs. Seneca**  
**7th Grade -**

In seventh grade basketball action February 19 against a short-handed Seneca squad, Dwight was dominant in its 46-8 win.

Evan Cox (5 rebounds, 6 steals, 2 assists) and Joey Starks (4 rebounds) were high scorers for the Redbirds with 13 and 12 points, respectively. Asher Kargle added ten points, three steals, and three assists, while Maddox DeLong provided six points, two boards, a steal, and one assist. Jake Wilkey had three points, three steals, with Jack Statler scoring two points. Ethan Zappa hauled in three rebounds, with Jackson Launius dishing an assist.

**8th Grade -**

Too many turnovers led to Dwight's 39-29 loss to Seneca.

Luke Gallet was Dwight's high scorer with nine points, adding that to nine rebounds and a steal. Evan Cox had six points, two boards, and two steals, followed by four points each from Joey Starks (5 rebounds, 2 steals) and Owen Woods (2 rebounds). Brayden Jensen (3 rebounds, 1 steal) and Owen Dunlap (2 rebounds, 3 steals) each scored two points, with Cole Boucher (1 rebound) and Tristan Larkin (5 rebounds) each making a free throw.

**Friday, February 26**  
**Dwight vs. Coal City**  
**7th Grade -**

In a match-up with Coal City February 26, Dwight won big, 41-11.

Joey Starks (14 points) and Evan Cox (12 points) led the Redbirds' scoring attack. Asher Kargle followed with six points, while Jake Wilkey scored four. Maddox DeLong and Jackson Launius added three and two points, respectively.

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## Food Brings Everyone to the Table— Celebrate Ag Day on March 23, 2021

Join the virtual event from wherever you are to hear updates from government leaders and honor the contributions of American agriculture.

Food brings everyone to the table. And this year, the virtual Ag Day celebration will bring everyone together to recognize the importance of American agriculture.

The program will include both live and pre-recorded segments with remarks from government leaders on the agriculture industry's economic

growth opportunities and how the future will be shaped by lessons learned during the COVID-19 pandemic.

A representative from the collegiate Ag Day student program will share their experiences and participants will get to hear the winning Ag Day essay as well as view the winning Ag Day video essay.

2021's Outstanding Young Farmers will also be recognized during the event.

The program begins on March 23, 2021, at 8:30 a.m. CST. You can register to attend now.

"Hosting a Virtual Ag Day event has led to some creative ways to celebrate American ag," said Jenny Pickett, President. "The program will include informal thank you videos to farmers from individuals and companies in the industry so even though we can't gather in person, it will still have a personal feel and energy to it."

National Ag Day is organized by the Agriculture Council of America (ACA). ACA is a not-for-profit organization composed of leaders in the agricultural, food and fiber community, dedicating its efforts to increasing the public's awareness of agriculture's role in modern society.

Find more information on Ag Day and helpful tools for spreading the word about the importance of American agriculture at [www.agday.org](http://www.agday.org).

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## March 23, 2021 is National Ag Day

March 23, 2021, is National Ag Day, a time when producers, agricultural associations, corporations, universities, government agencies and countless others across America gather to recognize and celebrate the abundance provided by American agriculture.

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The National Ag Day program believes that every American should:

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- value the essential role of agriculture in maintaining a strong economy.
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plays in providing safe, abundant and affordable products. • acknowledge and consider career opportunities in the agriculture, food, fiber and renewable resource industries.

Agriculture provides almost everything we eat, use and wear on a daily basis, and is increasingly contributing to fuel and other bio-products. Each year, members of the agricultural industry gather together to promote American agriculture. This effort helps educate millions of consumers.

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DCS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

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**Monday, March 8**  
**Dwight vs. Ransom**  
**6th Grade** - In a sixth grade meeting between Dwight and Ransom March 8, the Redbirds ended their 2021 season with a decisive 35-8 win.

Leading Dwight was playmaker Collin Bachand with 12 points, eight steals, and a game-high 14 rebounds. Matt Watchinski added nine points and snagged eight boards, with Blake Thetard contributing four points. Brad Thompson, Trevor Jensen, Carson Sandeno, Graham Meister, and Ethan Marques all scored two points.

“This game was a fantastic way to end our season,” stated Coach Gettinger, “with eight out of nine of our boys scoring. This team has a bright future and ended 2021 with a 4-3 record.”

**Wednesday, March 10**  
**Dwight vs. GSWB**  
**7th Grade** -

Dwight took on IVC foes and rivals, GSWB, March 10, cruising to a 53-17 victory and ending the regular season with a perfect record of 10-0.

“I wish we had more to play –

this team is fun to watch,” Coach Conroy stated afterwards. “They should have a bright future.”

Evan Cox (10 rebounds, 2 steals, 3 assists) and Joey Starks (5 rebounds, 5 steals, 2 assists) led the Redbirds with 17 and 16 points, respectively. Asher Kargle had ten points, two boards, two steals, and two assists. Jackson Launius provided four points, four boards, followed by two points each from Maddox DeLong (3 rebounds, 2 assists), Jack Statler (2 rebounds), and Collin Bachand (3 rebounds, 2 steals, 3 assists). Trevor Jensen dished one assist and pulled down one rebound.

**8th Grade** -

The Redbirds entered the half of their showdown with GSWB down eight points, but a big second half led to a 34-26 win for the eighth graders.

Luke Gallet scored 18 points, grabbed eight boards, and had one steal to lead Dwight. Owen Dunlap followed with nine points, two rebounds, and two steals. Tristan Larkin added three points, seven boards, and two steals, with Cole Boucher (1 rebound) and Drew Anderson (3 rebounds, 3 steals) scoring two points each.



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TROJANS BASKETBALL

## Trojans Win Rivalry Game Versus GSW

**Saturday, March 13**  
**Dwight vs. GSW**  
**Varsity** -

The Trojans held their rivals from Gardner-South Wilmington to single digit scoring in two of the four quarters played March 13 at home – leading to a 61-32 victory.

The Panthers hung with Dwight in the first, trailing by just four points after one quarter. But the Trojan defense would step up in the second and third, holding GSW to six and four points, respectively, in those frames.

In the fourth, the Panthers would outscore Dwight 12-9 – but it was too little, too late.

“Not the way we wanted to end the season,” said GSW head coach Allan Wills afterwards. “Dwight outdid us in every part of the game. Give credit to them – they have our number the last two years.”

For Dwight, Brandon Cey-

lor ignited the rout with a 23-point performance, hitting three three-pointers and going 2-2 from the charity stripe. Trent Tilley and Wyatt Thompson each scored ten points, while Isaac Telford put up eight points (2 3-pointers). Randy Groves and Landon Brown each hit threes, with Caleb Peet and Abe Rieke adding a bucket each.

Connor Steichen was high scorer for GSW with 12 points (3-pointer, 3-4 FT). Kevin Ferrari hit six free throws, followed by five points each from Nate Wise (1 3-pointer) and Brandon States (1-2 FT). Dusty Manietta put in two points, with Garrett Grant and Blake Huston each connecting on a free throw.

“I am still proud of this team,” Wills added. “We won the RVC, which is the main thing we could play for this season.”



DTHS TROJANS BASKETBALL

**Saturday, March 6**  
**Dwight vs. Midland**  
**Varsity** -

The Trojan offense erupted March 6 against Midland, as Dwight earned a 76-65 “W” on the road.

The game was knotted up at 32-32 heading into the second half, then both squads proceeded to trade buckets throughout the entirety of the third quarter.

But in the fourth, the Trojans outscored the Timberwolves 23-8 to run away with the game.

Brandon Ceylor (6-8 FT, 1 3-pointer) and Abe Rieke led with 17 and 16 points, respectively. Isaac Telford hit four three-pointers for 12 points in the contest, followed by ten each from Wyatt Thompson (5-6 FT, 1 3-pointer) and Jeremy

Kapper. Trent Tilley added eight points, including a three-pointer and a free throw. Landon Brown hit a three to round out the Trojan scoring.

**Tuesday, March 9**  
**Dwight vs. Clifton Central**  
**Varsity** -


In a wild road game versus Clifton Central March 9, Dwight came back from being down ten at the half to make it a contest late – but ultimately fell, 65-62.

The Trojans took an 18-14 lead after one quarter, but their second quarter woes continued, as they were outscored 18-4 – leading to the 32-22 halftime deficit.

However, the second half saw Dwight pick it up and cut Central’s lead to just six going into the final frame.

In the fourth, Jeremy Kapper would put up 11 of his team-high 25 points, putting the Trojans in a position to steal the win late – but the Comets proved to be too much in the end.

Kapper’s 25 points (3-4 FT) led Dwight, adding that to eight rebounds. Brandon Ceylor contributed 13 points (1 3-pointer), seven assists, and four boards. Isaac Telford scored eight points (2 3-pointers, 2-2 FT), to go with four assists and two rebounds. Wyatt Thompson (2-2 FT, 12 rebounds, 3 assists) and Trent Tilley (2 3-pointers, 6 rebounds) had six points each. Abe Rieke contributed four points and one board.



GSW PANTHERS BASKETBALL

**Tuesday, March 9**  
**GSW vs. Milford**  
**Varsity** -

The Panthers were dealt a loss at the hands of Milford March 9, 46-36, falling to 9-7 overall on the season.

Nate Wise led with 13 points, hitting two threes and going 3-4 from the line. Caydan Landry added ten points, with a three and a free throw. Connor Steichen and Brandon States (2-2) each scored six points, while Garrett Grant knocked down a free throw.

**Friday, March 12**  
**GSW vs. Cissna Park**  
**Varsity** -

In a showdown with Cissna Park March 12 that would take three overtimes to decide a victor, the GSW Panthers would fall on the wrong side of a 64-55 decision.

“We missed way too many lay-ups,” admitted head coach Allan Wills. “That, and some costly turnovers, cost us the game.”

Connor Steichen scored a team high 23 points, and notched his 1,000th point as a GSW Panther. Caydan Landry, Nate Wise, and Brandon States followed with nine points each.

“It was fun to play a three OT game,” Wills added, “just too bad we fell short.”



DCS LADY REDBIRDS VOLLEYBALL

**Monday, March 8**  
**Dwight vs. Ottawa Wallace**  
**7th Grade** -

Dwight’s seventh grade girls defeated Ottawa Wallace in three sets March 8 – 21-25, 26-24, 25-12.

Madi Ely led with 12 aces and two kills, while Sophie Buck added four aces and one dig. Makayla Wahl Seabert (2 digs, 1 kill) and Taylor Heath (3 kills, 1 dig) each had three aces, with Taylor Frobish providing two aces and two kills. Sarah Parker chipped in with three kills.

**Friday, March 12**  
**Dwight vs. Seneca**  
**8th Grade** -

The eighth grade Lady Redbirds were defeated by Seneca in two sets March 12, 17-25, 22-25, ending their 2021 season.

Brynn Connor (2 kills, 2 blocks), Maci Johnson (5 digs, 1 kill), and Kiah Handzus (1 kill) each had two aces. Samantha Harsh added five digs, two kills, and a block. Ella Legner came up with four assists and two kills, while Sophi Richie contributed two digs.

“I’m proud of how much hard work the girls had to put in this season,” said Coach Stephens after the contest. “It was a fun season and I enjoyed watching them grow as a team.”

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# GSWB Beats Dwight in Regional Championship

## 25-19, 22-25, 25-13

Thursday, March 11  
GSWB vs. Dwight  
7th Grade -  
Regional

In a regional championship match-up between the GSWB Lady Tigers and the Dwight Lady Redbirds March 11, GSWB was victorious in three sets – 25-19, 22-25, 25-13 – to claim the crown.

For Dwight, Taylor Heath (10 kills, 8 digs, 1 block) and Madi Ely led with five aces

each. Sophie Buck added four aces, six assists, three kills, and a dig, with Taylor Frobish providing an ace, two kills, and two digs. Makayla Wahl-Seabert had 17 digs and four kills, while Sarah Parker added four digs and four assists.

“The girls had a great season,” stated Dwight’s head coach Dezi Leonard, “and I am proud of all the hard work they put in this season.”

# MVK Lady Mavericks Volleyball

Saturday, March 6  
MVK vs. Pontiac St. Mary’s  
7th Grade -  
Regional

MVK’s seventh graders lost to Pontiac St. Mary’s in regional play March 6, 16-25, 32-30, 24-26.

Lexi Buis (3 aces, 5 kills, 1

block) and Tessa Krull (7 aces, 2 kills) led with nine points each. Gracie Smith had seven points, four aces, and one kill, while Madison DeGrush added four points, including an ace and four kills. Lilly Pfeifer contributed three points, with two aces and four kills.

# GSWB Lady Tigers Volleyball

Tuesday, March 9  
GSWB vs. Seneca  
7th Grade -

The seventh grade Lady Tigers took on Seneca March 9 in first round regional action.

GSWB beat Seneca in the first match-up earlier in the season, then the Lady Raiders returned the favor in the second meeting.

“We knew we would have to come out and play our best,” said Coach Faletti, “not only physically, but also mentally to advance.”

The Lady Tigers did just that – taking Seneca in two sets, 25-15, 25-17, to move on to the regional championship at home against Dwight.

# GSWB Tigers Basketball

Monday, March 8  
GSWB vs. Saratoga  
7th Grade -

The Tigers took on Saratoga March 8, falling 38-16.

Ryan Millette was 3-5 from the three-point line and finished with nine points to lead GSWB. Cooper Biros and Brock Enerson added four and two points, respectively.

8th Grade -

In the eighth grade meeting, GSWB lost to Saratoga, 49-25.

Leading the Tigers was Gabe McHugh with nine points, followed by six and five, respectively, from Cole Hampson and Jarrek Hirsch. Brad Castelli put in two points, while Caiden Nelson nailed a free throw.

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## League Results

Sportsman League Bowlers

HSG: Doug Gassman, 268; Rob Teno, 257; Lane Galloway, 256; Brandon Petry, 255; Bob Whicker, 247. HSS: Brandon Petry, 739; Rob Teno, 687; Chris Cook, 653; Kent Jensen, 652; Bob Whicker, 633. HHG: Doug Gassman, 268. HHS: Brandon Petry, 739. HSG/HHG: Victory Lanes, 1124. HSS/HHS: Rocky’s Pub, 2946.

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Victory Lanes	5	7
Rury’s Tap	5	7
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Jeremy’s Barber	2	10

Commercial League Bowlers

HSG: Men – Brian Scott, 268; Terry Wilkey, 234; Brandon Petry, 222; Eric Knobbe, 222; Doug Gassman, 221; Women – Paula Watts, Stacy Richie, 175; Shelah Gaston, 165; Kathy Howard, 150; Stacey Banks, 149. HSS: Men – Terry Wilkey, 662; Brian Scott, 632; Eric Knobbe, 608; Bob Babczak, 603; Michael King, 586; Women – Stacy Richie, 488; Paula Watts, 480; Shelah Gaston, 456; Kathy Howard, 412; Jessica Boyd, 398. HHG: Brian Scott, 268 – Stacy Richie, 238. HHS: Terry Wilkey, 671 – Stacy Richie, 677. HSG: 4 B’s and a D, 929. HHG: Agritile, 1020. HSS: 4 B’s and a D, 2643. HHS: Agritile, 3002.

League Standings	W	L
Agritile	20	4
Willy’s Pub	18	6
Pumpkin Patch	16	8
Victory Lanes	15	9
Coleman/Son	12	12
Whiskey Cav.	11	13
Gaston Construct.	8	16
4 Guys/a Broad	7	17
Dairy Queen	7	17
4 B’s and a D	6	18

# GSW Lady Panthers Basketball

Monday, March 8  
GSW vs. Clifton Central  
Varsity -  
SVC Tournament

In the first game of the SVC Tournament for the Lady Panthers, they were commanding in their 51-14 dismantling of Clifton Central.

Abby Beck (3-5 FT, 1 3-pointer) and Addi Fair (6-9 FT, 1 3-pointer) led the way with 16 and 15 points, respectively, for GSW. Kylie Hawks added eight points, followed by six from Mya Anderson. Claire Hennessy had four points, with Riley Klingler going 2-2 from the free throw line.

Wednesday, March 10  
GSW vs. Beecher  
Varsity -

In a match-up with rivals, Beecher, March 10, that would decide the RVC champion for 2021, GSW fell short – 38-34.

The Lady Panthers looked good in the first half, taking a 22-18 advantage into halftime.

However, they would only muster six points in each of the remaining two quarters, as the Lady Bobcats went on to take the River Valley Conference crown.

Addi Fair led her squad with 13 points (3-4 FT, 2 3-pointers), followed by eight points (1-1 FT, 1 3-pointer) from Abby Beck. Mya Anderson added six points, while Kylie Hawks had five points (3-4 FT). Claire Hennessy chipped in with a bucket.

GSW finishes the 2021 conference schedule with an 8-2 record.

The Lady Panthers took on Paxton-Buckley-Loda in the SVC Tournament semifinals March 11, falling 47-39.

GSW had a big start – putting up 19 first-quarter points. However, PBL would hold them to just 20 points combined the next three quarters – leading to the “L” for the Lady Panthers.

Mya Anderson and Abby Beck (1 3-pointer) led GSW with 12 and 11 points, respectively. Kylie Hawks hit three threes, good for nine points, followed by a three-pointer from Addi Fair. Claire Hennessy and Wells each added two points in the game.

Saturday, March 13  
GSW vs. Iroquois West  
Varsity -

In a contest in which they were in control throughout much of the first three quarters, an ugly nine-point fourth quarter would bring Gardner-South Wilmington’s season to a close with a 45-44 loss to Iroquois West.

After leading 25-19 at the half, the Lady Panthers would hold a 35-31 advantage going into the final frame.

A couple big threes from IW, and some unfortunate misses at the free throw line late for GSW, would be the difference.

Kylie Hawks had a game-high 19 points, going 5-8 from the line. Abby Beck chipped in with 13 points (3-4 FT), followed by 11 points (1 3-pointer, 4-6 FT) from Addi Fair. Claire Hennessy hit a free throw.

The Lady Panthers end the 2021 season with an overall record of 12-4.

# DTHS Lady Trojans Basketball

Monday, March 8  
Dwight vs. Iroquois West  
Varsity -  
SVC Tournament

The Lady Trojans were short-handed against Iroquois West in SVC Tournament action March 8 – with Kayla Kodat, Rylee Farris and Kira Bean out – and lost by a score of 52-29.

Nora Anderson led Dwight with eight points, going 3-6 from the charity stripe and hitting a three-pointer. Kassy Kodat (6-6 FT), Nellie Rieke (2-2 FT, 7 rebounds), and Destinie Drapeau (5 rebounds) each scored six points, with Njomza Asllani adding two free throws. Skylar Horrie pulled down five boards and connected on a free throw to round out the scoring.

Thursday, March 11  
Dwight vs. Momence  
Varsity - It was Senior Night in Dwight March 11, and the Lady Trojans did not disappoint – definitively defeating Momence, 37-19.

Kayla Kodat was back in action and led all scorers with 14 points (2-2 FT), adding that to five steals and three assists.

Kassy Kodat followed with eight points, three boards, and a steal, with Destinie Drapeau putting up five points (1-5 FT), nine rebounds, and one assist. Mikalah Bregin had four points (2-2 FT) and an assist, while Nellie Rieke (4 points) and Nora Anderson led Dwight on the boards, pulling down 11 rebounds each.

Saturday, March 13  
Dwight vs. Clifton Central  
Varsity -  
SVC Tournament

Dwight was defeated at home in SVC Tourney action March 13 against Clifton Central, 47-33.

Leading the Lady Trojans in scoring was Kayla Kodat (6 rebounds) with 14 points. Kassy Kodat and Nellie Rieke added eight and six points, respectively. Destinie Drapeau and Njomza Asllani each had two points, with Mikalah Bregin hitting a free throw and grabbing four boards. Nora Anderson added two steals. Nellie Rieke had four rebounds.

“Thank you for all of the hard work and dedication this season,” Coach Butterbrodt said in the post-game. Dwight ends the season with an overall record of 6-7.

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City/Village	March 15	March 8
Dwight	\$2.96	\$2.84
Kankakee	\$3.04	\$2.86
Streator	\$3.07	\$2.76
Pontiac	\$2.70	\$2.70
Gardner	\$2.85	\$2.85
Braceville	\$3.09	\$2.99
Morris	\$3.02	\$2.87
Herscher	\$2.96	\$2.85
Chicago	\$3.14	\$3.07
Illinois	\$3.05	\$2.94
U.S.	\$2.86	\$2.77

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<input type="radio"/> BARBARA BLEICH	
ODELL PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT	
FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> PAULA CLEARY	
<input type="radio"/> KRISTINE STAHLER	
PRAIRIE CREEK LIBRARY DISTRICT	
FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE (For a 6-year term)	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> WILLIAM BRADLEY	
FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE (For an unexpired 4-year term)	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> JANE ANDERSON	
<input type="radio"/> EMILY MOORE	
SCHOOLS	
EL PASO GRIDLEY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 11	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> BRADLEY W. GRIFFIN	
<input type="radio"/> BRIAN S. STOLLER	
<input type="radio"/> THERESA MILLER	
FIELDCREST COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> MYKIN BERNARDI	
<input type="radio"/> ELIZABETH PALM	
<input type="radio"/> KRISTA PERRY	
FLANAGAN CORNELL UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 74	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> LAUREN MAYS	
<input type="radio"/> MICHAEL ALAN KREUSH	
<input type="radio"/> MARK HARMS	
<input type="radio"/> ANDREW J. COOPER	
GIBSON CITY-MELVIN-SIBLEY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> TYLER PATRICK YOUNG	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> JANNA FRIDAY	
<input type="radio"/> PHILLIP WHITEHOUSE	
<input type="radio"/> JOSHUA A. JOHNSON	

SCHOOLS	
HERSCHER COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2	
Instructions to voter: Membership on the board of education is restricted to a maximum of 3 members from any congressional township.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP.	
NOT MORE THAN 2 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 31N RANGE 11E	
NOT MORE THAN 2 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 10E	
NOT MORE THAN 2 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 14W	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 9E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 10E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 31N RANGE 10E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 31N RANGE 9E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 31N RANGE 8E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 8E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 31N RANGE 12E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 11E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 14W	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 11E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 9E	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR A TOTAL OF FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> LAURA REWERTS	
TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 14W	
<input type="radio"/> JOSEPH R. POWERS	
PAXTON-BUCKLEY-LODA UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> DAWN BACHTOLD	
<input type="radio"/> CRAIG LOSCHEN	
<input type="radio"/> SHAWN T. YOUNG	
<input type="radio"/> JASON RUST	
PRAIRIE CENTRAL COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> MARK SLAGEL	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> TED BACHTOLD	
<input type="radio"/> BRIAN PLENERT	
<input type="radio"/> JOHN E. WILKEN	
<input type="radio"/> TIMOTHY MCGREAL	
TRI-POINT COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 6J	
Instructions to voter: Membership on the board of education is restricted to a maximum of 3 members from any congressional township.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED IN THE FOLLOWING NUMBERS FROM EACH CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP.	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 9E	
NOT MORE THAN 2 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 9E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 27N RANGE 9E	
NOT MORE THAN 2 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 9E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 9E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 8E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 8E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 8E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 10E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 10E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 10E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 9E	
NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 9E	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR A TOTAL OF FOUR)	
TOWNSHIP 29N RANGE 9E	
<input type="radio"/> TERRANCE A. HUGHES	
TOWNSHIP 30N RANGE 9E	
<input type="radio"/> CHERIE SMOLKOVICH	
TOWNSHIP 27N RANGE 9E	
<input type="radio"/> JASON ANGUS	
WOODLAND COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> ERIC SASS	
<input type="radio"/> DAN REINMANN	
<input type="radio"/> ERIC PERHACH	
<input type="radio"/> REBECCA STERLING	
ALLEN-OTTER CREEK COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 65	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> JOHN W. KLING	
<input type="radio"/> MEGHAN MCCOY	
FOR LAND COMMISSIONER TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> LARRY E. McCANN	
CORNELL COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 426	
Instructions to voter: The board of education shall be composed of members from both the incorporated and the unincorporated area; not more than 5 board members shall be selected from any city, village or incorporated town.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, NOT MORE THAN 3 MAY BE ELECTED FROM THE INCORPORATED AREAS.	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR A TOTAL OF FOUR)	
INCORPORATED AREA	
<input type="radio"/> MARITEA GROVES	
UNINCORPORATED AREA	
<input type="radio"/> MARK WICHMAN	
<input type="radio"/> PATRICIA RUDDY	
<input type="radio"/> TROY HART	
DWIGHT COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 232	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> MARC A. ELLIS	
<input type="radio"/> TARA E. HANSEN	
<input type="radio"/> NICHOLAS J STIPANOVICH	
<input type="radio"/> LORI BOWMAN	
ODELL COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 435	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> RANDY PAGEL	
<input type="radio"/> EMILY GALL	
<input type="radio"/> Write-in	
PONTIAC COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 429	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> CATHY MELVIN	
<input type="radio"/> MARK DONOVAN	

ROOKS CREEK COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 425	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> JOHN GRAMPP	
<input type="radio"/> ABBY RINKER	
<input type="radio"/> Write-in	
SAUNEMIN COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 438	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> ERIC JOHNSON	
<input type="radio"/> BRANDON E. SANCKEN	
<input type="radio"/> MARCIE RICH	
DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 230	
Instructions to voter: Thirty percent (30%) or more of the taxable property of this high school district is located in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore, at least two board members shall be residents of the unincorporated territory.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED FROM ANY AREA OR AREAS.	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
No Candidate	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> TIMOTHY F. HENSON	
<input type="radio"/> MAX SULZBERGER	
<input type="radio"/> JOEL DAVID SANDENO	
<input type="radio"/> ERIC SCHEUER	
PONTIAC TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 90	
Instructions to voter: Thirty percent (30%) or more of the taxable property of this high school district is located in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore, at least two board members shall be residents of the unincorporated territory.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED FROM ANY AREA OR AREAS.	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR FOUR)	
<input type="radio"/> DON LAMBERT	
<input type="radio"/> WILLIAM L. MASCHING	
<input type="radio"/> JOHN CLEMMER	
SCHOOLS	
STREATOR TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 40	
Instructions to voter: Thirty percent (30%) or more of the taxable property of this high school district is located in the unincorporated territory of the district, therefore, at least two board members shall be residents of the unincorporated territory.	
ON THE BASIS OF EXISTING BOARD MEMBERSHIP, MEMBERS MAY BE ELECTED FROM ANY AREA OR AREAS.	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SERVE A FULL 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> JAMES PARR	
<input type="radio"/> GARY WARGO	
<input type="radio"/> RICHARD M. TUTOKY	
<input type="radio"/> HEATHER BAKER	
COLLEGE	
HEARTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 540	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A 6-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> JOSHUA CROCKETT	
<input type="radio"/> REBECCA L. ROPP	
<input type="radio"/> CATRINA PARKER	
<input type="radio"/> JODIE SLOTHOWER	
<input type="radio"/> CYNTHIA PULLEY	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> CECELIA LONG	
<input type="radio"/> JIM DREW	
ILLINOIS CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 514	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A 6-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> KIRAN KUMAR VELDULA	
<input type="radio"/> CINDY BYRD	
<input type="radio"/> BETTSEY L. BARHORST	
ILLINOIS VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 513	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A 6-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> MAUREEN REBHOLZ	
<input type="radio"/> EVERETT J. SOLON	
JOLIET JUNIOR COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 525	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A 6-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> CAMIELLE HOLCOMBE	
<input type="radio"/> KARLA FRANCHINI-MANZO	
<input type="radio"/> MICHELLE LEE	
<input type="radio"/> DREW D. DUZINSKAS	
<input type="radio"/> JAMES A. BUDZINSKI	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 4-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> MAUREEN FLANAGAN BRODERICK	
KANKAKEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 520	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A FULL 6-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> JERALD "JERRY" HOEKSTRA	
<input type="radio"/> WILLIAM "BILL" ORR	

PARKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 505	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT TO SERVE A 6-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> JARRETT CLEM	
<input type="radio"/> JAMES VOYLES	
<input type="radio"/> MAUREEN BANKS	
<input type="radio"/> BRADLEY UKEN	
FOR TRUSTEES OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT #505 TO SERVE AN UNEXPIRED 2-YEAR TERM	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> TIMOTHY V. (TIM) JOHNSON	
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE REGION	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (CHAMPAIGN AND FORD COUNTIES)	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN THREE)	
<input type="radio"/> JAMES M. NIEWOLD FORD COUNTY	
<input type="radio"/> JEFFREY KERN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY	
<input type="radio"/> DELORIS HENRY CHAMPAIGN COUNTY	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (DEWITT, LIVINGSTON, LOGAN AND MCLEAN COUNTIES) (For a six year term)	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> MARTIN M MACKINSON LIVINGSTON COUNTY	
<input type="radio"/> Write-in	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (DEWITT, LIVINGSTON, LOGAN AND MCLEAN COUNTIES) (For an unexpired two year term)	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
No Candidate	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (IROQUOIS AND KANKAKEE COUNTIES)	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> JOHN A. GOODING IROQUOIS COUNTY	
<input type="radio"/> DONALD WAGNER KANKAKEE COUNTY	
FOR MEMBERS OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES (MASON, TAZEWELL AND WOODFORD COUNTIES)	
(VOTE FOR NOT MORE THAN TWO)	
<input type="radio"/> DIANE ORR TAZEWELL COUNTY	
FIRE	
GARDNER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT	
FOR TRUSTEE	
(VOTE FOR ONE)	
<input type="radio"/> TODD PERKINS	
<input type="radio"/> TERRY JENSEN	
PROPOSITION	
TOWN OF CHATSWORTH PROPOSITION TO IMPOSE A NON-HOME RULE MUNICIPAL RETAILERS' OCCUPATION TAX AND A NON-HOME RULE MUNICIPAL SERVICE OCCUPATION TAX	
*Shall the Town of Chatsworth, Livingston County, Illinois, impose a 1% Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and a Non-Home Rule Municipal Service Occupation Tax (commonly known as local sales tax) for expenditure on the Property Tax Relief, Public Infrastructure and Municipal Operations in accordance with the provisions of Section 8-11-1.1 through 8-11-1.4 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/8-11-1.1 through 65 ILCS 5/8-11-1.4)?*	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
CITY OF PONTIAC PROPOSITION TO IMPOSE A NON-HOME RULE MUNICIPAL RETAILERS' OCCUPATION TAX AND A NON-HOME RULE MUNICIPAL SERVICE OCCUPATION TAX	
Shall the City of Pontiac impose a Non-Home Rule Municipal Retailers' Occupation Tax and Non-Home Rule Municipal Service Occupation Tax (commonly referred to as a "municipal sales tax") at the rate of 1.0% for expenditure on public infrastructure, for property tax relief and for municipal operations in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Sections 8-11-1.3 and 8-11-1.4 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/8-11-1.3 and 65 ILCS 5/8-11-1.4)?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
VILLAGE OF FORREST PROPOSITION TO ALLOW RECREATIONAL USE OF CANNABIS DISPENSARIES	
Shall the Village of Forrest, Livingston County Illinois, allow recreational use of cannabis dispensaries to operate within the boundaries of the Village of Forrest?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
GRIDLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PROPOSITION TO INCREASE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE TAX RATE	
Shall the maximum allowable tax rate for the Gridley Fire Protection District of the Counties of McLean, Livingston and Woodford, State of Illinois be increased from 0.30% to 0.40% of the value of all taxable property within the District as equalized by the Department of Revenue?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	
GRIDLEY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT PROPOSITION TO ESTABLISH TAX RATE FOR EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT	
Shall the Gridley Fire Protection District of the Counties of McLean, Livingston and Woodford, State of Illinois, levy a special tax at a rate not to exceed 0.05% of the value of all taxable property within the District as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue for the purpose of providing funds to pay for the costs of emergency and rescue crews and equipment?	
<input type="radio"/> YES	
<input type="radio"/> NO	

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# SPECIMEN BALLOT

## Livingston County, Illinois

### Consolidated General Election

#### April 6, 2021

Ballot continued from pages 12 and 13.

LEGAL NOTICE

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PROPOSITION

TOWN OF CHATSWORTH

PROPOSITION TO IMPOSE A NON-HOME RULE MUNICIPAL RETAILERS' OCCUPATION TAX AND A NON-HOME RULE MUNICIPAL SERVICE OCCUPATION TAX

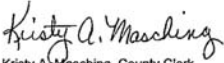
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☐ YES

☐ NO

The polls at the election will be open at 6:00 o'clock A.M. and will continue to be open until 7:00 o'clock P.M. of that day.

Dated this 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021.



Kristy A. Masching, County Clerk  
The County of Livingston and State of Illinois.

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VILLAGE OF FORREST

PROPOSITION TO ALLOW RECREATIONAL USE OF CANNABIS DISPENSARIES

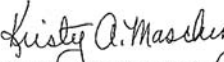
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## Update to Livingston County COVID-19 Testing Site

Livingston County’s drive-thru COVID-19 testing site has reduced the times of operations due to a decrease in the amount of tests performed at the site.

The county’s testing site new hours of operation will be Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., at its current location in the parking lot of OSF Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center, located along Illi-

nois Route 116, just west of Interstate 55.

It is important to note that persons with an appointment will continue to receive priority service as a limited number of tests are available each day. It is strongly recommended that individuals schedule an appointment via the Livingston County Health Department’s COVID-19 Testing webpage: [lchd.us/site/livingston-county-covid-19-testing/](http://lchd.us/site/livingston-county-covid-19-testing/).

Livingston County’s COVID-19 testing site was established in a collaborative effort between the Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) and OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center with an objective of increasing COVID-19 testing accessibility for Livingston County residents.

## Grundy Mass Vaccination Site Opens; Rezin Raises Vaccine Rollout Questions

Following the Grundy County mass vaccination site’s opening ceremony, State Senator Sue Rezin (R-Morris) is continuing to raise questions regarding the state’s vaccine rollout, and released the following statement:

“While I am overjoyed that Grundy County has received the additional vaccines we have been seeking on their behalf, the Illinois Senate Republican Caucus still has several outstanding questions regarding the Pritzker Administration’s vaccination rollout.

“After speaking with over 45 local county health departments, our Caucus compiled a vaccination rollout report that identifies the top logistical issues they shared with us along with their suggestions for improvement. We sent the Governor this report on March 4, and have

still received no response. We have continually asked the Governor’s administration to provide more transparency on his vaccination rollout data, including his formula for allocation and why some counties are receiving far more vaccinations than others, so we can better understand the process and communicate it to our constituents.

“We all want to do everything we can to save as many lives as possible and to quickly bring an end to this public health crisis. The governor has chosen a go-it-alone approach from the very beginning of this pandemic and it is up to him to improve the transparency of his operation so everyone – legislators, public health officials, and the general public alike – can understand his process.”

## COVID-19 Vaccination Clinics for Iroquois County Residents March 18

The Iroquois County Public Health Department (ICPHD), in partnership with Iroquois Memorial Hospital, will be hosting community-based COVID-19 vaccination clinics for qualifying Iroquois County residents. They are currently scheduling for **March 18**. This clinic includes all phases of 1B+ which includes those 65 and older along with residents age 18 years and older with comorbidities, underlying conditions, and disabilities. Comorbidities and underlying conditions are as defined by the CDC and include cancer, chronic kidney disease, COPD (chronic obstructive pulmonary disease), diabetes, heart conditions, immunocompromised from organ transplant, obesity, pulmonary disease, and sickle cell disease.

To register and schedule your appointment, call ICPHD at 815-432-2483. Refrain from contacting your healthcare provider or ICPHD to be placed on a wait list, as they are not keeping a registry of people who want the vaccine. **Note**

**that this vaccine is available by appointment only to practice safe social distancing. Individuals who arrive without a previously scheduled appointment will not be eligible to receive the vaccine at that time. Appointments are reserved for qualifying individuals who reside within Iroquois County.**

At this time, there is no cost for the COVID-19 vaccine. Written documentation from the individual’s primary care physician will not be required. Reference the chart at the bottom of the linked webpage for eligible populations in each phase of the Illinois Mass Vaccination Plan: [dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccination-plan](http://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccination-plan).

The vaccination clinic will be held at Iroquois Memorial Hospital. Clients will be asked to enter through the main entrance located on the north side of the building and are **required to take a valid form of photo ID**.

Individuals who are wheelchair bound or in need of additional assistance may enter

through the Emergency Room entrance on the south side of the building. If you do not feel well the day of your appointment or are in isolation or quarantine, call ICPHD to reschedule. Patients will need to wear a face covering, practice social distancing, and plan to allow at least 15 minutes for observation after the vaccination. Wear clothing to allow easy access to the upper portion of the arm for the injection.

Supply of this vaccine is limited and appointments are expected to be filled quickly. ICPHD is expecting to receive weekly or bi-weekly allocations of the COVID-19 vaccine from the State of Illinois. If you are unable to schedule an appointment for this community-based clinic, watch for future notification of upcoming clinics as more vaccine becomes available.

As more vaccine is allocated, ICPHD will communicate availability, along with when, where, and how to receive the vaccine, via traditional and social media outlets as well as on the ICPHD website: [www.co.iroquois.il.us/health-department/covid-19-corona-virus/](http://www.co.iroquois.il.us/health-department/covid-19-corona-virus/).

The Illinois Department of Public Health has compiled a list of frequently asked questions about the COVID-19 vaccination. Information can be found at [dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccine-faq](http://dph.illinois.gov/covid19/vaccine-faq). For individual concerns regarding allergies or other medical conditions, consult your own medical provider.

Notice of Consolidated Election

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 in the County of Kankakee and State of Illinois, a Consolidated Election will be held for the purpose of voting for the offices listed below, at the usual polling places in the various precincts, which will be open at 6:00 A.M. and shall remain open uninterrupted until 7:00 P.M. of that day.

ESTABLISHED POLITICAL PARTIES, INDEPENDENT AND NEW POLITICAL PARTIES, NONPARTISAN TO BE ELECTED:

MUNICIPAL - Mayor or President, Clerk , Aldermen or Trustees  
TOWNSHIP - Supervisor, Clerk , Assessor or Multi-Township Assessor, Highway Commissioner, Trustees  
PARK DISTRICT - Commissioners  
PUBLIC LIBRARY, TOWNSHIP AND MUNICIPAL LIBRARY DISTRICT - Trustees  
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NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN THAT THE FOLLOWING PROPOSITIONS WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE ELECTORS: TO THE VOTERS OF KANKAKEE COUNTY:

GRANT PARK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the Grant Park Fire Protection District, Kankakee County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to 0.35% above the limiting rate for the purpose of fire protection and ambulance service for levy year 2019 and be equal to 1.0367% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy years 2021 and 2022?

YES

NO

Supplemental Information

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recent extended limiting rate is \$539,932.92, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$815,128.10.

(2) For the 2021 levy year, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$116.67.

(3) Based upon an average annual percentage increase in the market value of such property at 3.074%, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against such property for the 2022 levy year is estimated to be \$120.26.

(4) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2021 and 2022 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).

BOURBONNAIS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the Bourbonnais Fire Protection District, Kankakee County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to .4615% above the limiting rate for the purpose of fire protection and ambulance service for levy year 2019 and be equal to .9% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy years 2021 and 2022?

YES

NO

Supplemental Information

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recent extended limiting rate is \$2,086,115.86, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$4,281,651.70.

(2) For the 2021 levy year, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$153.83.

(3) Based upon an average annual percentage increase in the market value of such property at 2.38%, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against such property for the 2022 levy year is estimated to be \$157.50.

(4) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2021 and 2022 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).

LIMESTONE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Shall the limiting rate under the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law for the Limestone Fire Protection District, Kankakee County, Illinois, be increased by an additional amount equal to .304% above the limiting rate for the purpose of fire protection and ambulance service for levy year 2019 and be equal to .89% of the equalized assessed value of the taxable property therein for levy years 2021 and 2022?

YES

NO

Supplemental Information

(1) The approximate amount of taxes extendable at the most recent extended limiting rate is \$768,789.80, and the approximate amount of taxes extendable if the proposition is approved is \$1,167,615.92.

(2) For the 2021 levy year, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against property containing a single family residence and having a fair market value of \$100,000 is estimated to be \$101.33.

(3) Based upon an average annual percentage increase in the market value of such property at 2.55%, the approximate amount of the additional tax extendable against such property for the 2022 levy year is estimated to be \$103.91.

(4) If the proposition is approved, the aggregate extension for 2021 and 2022 will be determined by the limiting rate set forth in the proposition, rather than the otherwise applicable limiting rate calculated under the provisions of the Property Tax Extension Limitation Law (commonly known as the Property Tax Cap Law).

VILLAGE OF HERSHEY

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YES

NO

MOMENCE COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1

Shall the members of the Board of Education of Momence Community Unit School District No. 1, Kankakee County, Illinois, be elected at large and without restriction by area of residence within the school district?

YES

NO

March 13, 2021

DAN HENDRICKSON  
KANKAKEE COUNTY CLERK

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation,  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
SHAWN P. HOLMES, and unknown owners and non-record claimants,  
Defendants.  
No. 21-CH-8

NOTICE

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

TRACT 1:

Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in Block 19 in the Village of Cayuga, situated in the County of Livingston, in the State of Illinois, EXCEPT the West Half of Lot 4 in Block 19 in the Village of Cayuga, and that portion of the East-West alley which adjoins said lots to the North.

TRACT 2:

Lots 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in Block 19 in the Village of Cayuga, Livingston County, Illinois, together with the South Half of the vacated alley adjoining the North line thereof.

PIN: 10-31-154-011

Commonly known as: 18055 E. 2160 N. Rd., Pontiac, IL 61764.

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is SHAWN P. HOLMES. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a MORTGAGE executed on February 21, 2020 and recorded on February 28, 2020 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2020R-00770, and an Assignment of Leases and Rents executed on February 21, 2020 and recorded on February 28, 2020 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2020R-00771. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 21-CH-8 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before April 15, 2021, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. Plaintiff, vs.

Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Thomas J. Thomas, AKA Thomas Thomas, AKA Thomas J. Yhomas, deceased; The Acri Company; Home Loan Investment Bank, F.S.B.; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants; Robert Thomas; Angela Thomas; Gina Thomas; Tammy Olita; Connie Bahena; Peggy Gibis; Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Andrew Thomas, deceased; William M. Ejzak, Esq., as Special Representative of Thomas J. Thomas, AKA Thomas Thomas, AKA Thomas J. Yhomas, deceased. Defendants.

Case No. 2019CH44  
107 North Jackson Street, Flanagan, IL 61740  
Judge Jennifer Hartmann-Bauknecht


**NOTICE OF SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on February 19, 2021, Tony O. Childress will on April 6, 2021, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. at the Livingston County Sheriff's Office, The Law & Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate:

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Shanna L. Bacher  
MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC  
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Dwight Common School Students Return to the Classroom

Coronavirus Relief Monies Assist Safe Return

by Madelyn Fogarty  
madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

The Dwight Common School District #232 Board of Education met on March 10 when the board heard plans for students to return to the classroom. On March 17, one year to the day of Illinois Governor Pritzker mandating that all schools, both public and private, would close their doors

due to the coronavirus, Dwight Common School students returned to the classroom for full-time in-person learning.

Last month, a parent survey outlining 2020-21 fourth quarter learning options included returning fully to the classroom while maintaining compliance to the CDC six foot guideline “to the best of our abilities” since the number of students returning would ultimately dic-

tate the ability to maintain a six foot social distance. Based on survey results, for Q4, all Dwight Common School students were given the option for fulltime in-person learning with a daily 2 p.m. dismissal time. In addition, all students are also offered the option of a full remote learning platform.

According to Principal Julie Schultz, 92 percent of DCS students have opted to return to

fulltime in- person learning with eight percent choosing remote. Currently, the largest class is 26 students. Mrs. Schultz outlined a list of measures being put in place to offer a safe return to the classroom. A few of those measures include the ordering of tables, desks, Plexiglas desk shields, Plexiglas table dividers, Plexiglas floor partitions, an art cart and additional carts for teachers moving from room to room. Technology needs are also being addressed. And, to allow for more classroom learning time, breakfast will no longer be served at school; instead, seven meals will go home with students each Friday, including two lunches and seven breakfasts.

“We feel like we are in a good spot to welcome everyone back,” Mrs. Schultz told the board.

To help pay for some of the additional items and services needed for a safe return to school, Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek reported that the District will receive \$359,000 in ESSER II Federal grant money.

According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, “In 2020, Congress passed two stimulus bills that provided nearly \$67.8 billion to the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund. The Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security (CARES) Act, passed on March 27, 2020, provided \$13.5 billion to the ESSER Fund. The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021 (CRRSA), passed on Dec. 27, 2020, provided \$54.3 billion in supplemental ESSER funding, known as the ESSER II fund. States receive funds based on the same proportion that each state receives under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Title-IA. States must distribute at least 90% of funds to local education agencies (LEAs) based

on their proportional share of ESEA Title I-A funds. States have the option to reserve 10% of the allocation for emergency needs as determined by the state to address issues responding to the COVID-19 pandemic.”

According to NCSL, “Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) has allocated \$512 million from the ESSER Fund directly to Illinois school districts to support their local response to the COVID-19 pandemic and prepare for the unique challenges of the upcoming school year. School districts receive reimbursement on a rolling basis upon their submission of expenditure reports. ISBE will direct the remaining ESSER funds in the following seven categories: \$33.3 million for laptops and tablets; \$7.1 million for internet connectivity; \$6.5 million for virtual coaching in support of an estimated 4,000 new teachers who will be entering the teaching profession this fall; \$6.5 million for professional development; \$2.8 million for state administration; and \$685,000 for entities that are not eligible for the direct funds due to ineligibility for the federal Title I program.”

Dr. Jancek is identifying DCS needs and potential eligible expenditures such as PPE, Plexiglas shield items, desks and furniture, summer school teachers, a nurse assistant, tech support, other additional services, Chromebooks and cases, and live streaming devices. To be approved, the district must provide a detailed list of expenditures, must allocate the entire amount, and the monies must be expended by September 2022. It was noted that this does not include ESSER III money which is expected to be an additional \$700,000 for the district.

In old business, cafeteria needs were again discussed including kitchen cooler/freezer replacement and the replacement of a conveyor dishwasher. Last month, quotes were received from Popejoy Plumbing, Heating & Electric to repair/replace the fridge/freezer at a cost of \$18,921 and to remove and replace a conveyor dishwasher at a cost of \$23,468. The district is seeking a quote from another vendor before approving those projects.

In new business, the 2020-21 teacher seniority list was approved as presented. Dwight Common School District #232 currently has 33 teachers with nine teachers serving DCS for 20 years or more. Tenure status is currently held by 24 teachers.

The board also:

- affirmed employment of Lindsey Barickman, Substitute Teacher.
- affirmed employment of Susan Legner, Substitute Teacher.
- accepted the resignation of Sarah Maddox, First Grade Teacher.
- approved Christine Stephens, 7th Grade Girls Basketball Coach.
- approved tenured and non-tenured teachers for 2021-2022 as presented.
- discussed preliminary summer school plans.
- affirmed 2021-22 Professional Service Agreement (OT/PT) with Hillman Pediatric Therapy.



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# FINE ARTS DRIVE THRU

Saturday, March 27 Sunset to 8:30 PM

DTHS ARTISTS WILL HAVE THEIR BEST ARTWORKS SHOWCASED ON THE DTHS BUILDING & DTHS MUSICIANS WILL HAVE THEIR MUSIC PLAYING AT VARIOUS STATIONS OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL

**STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE & DRIVE THRU!**

- PURCHASE POPCORN FOR \$1
- ENJOY THE SOUNDS OF OUR MUSICIANS
- GAZE AT THE FABULOUS ARTWORKS
- SUPPORT THE EMPTY BOWL PROJECT
- MAKE A BID IN THE VIRTUAL SILENT ART AUCTION THROUGH QR CODE



LIQUORS



Three Olives  
VODKA  
\$16<sup>99</sup>  
1.75 liter

Smirnoff  
Vodka 1.75 liter ..... \$17<sup>99</sup>

Platinum 7X or  
U.V. Vodka 1.75 liter ... \$13<sup>99</sup>

Admiral Nelson's  
Rum 1.75 liter ..... \$12<sup>99</sup>

Ezra Brooks  
Bourbon 750 ml. .... \$9<sup>99</sup>

Jack Daniel's  
Whiskey 750 ml. .... \$19<sup>99</sup>  
(Black Fire, Honey or Apple)

Seagram's  
V.O. 1.75 liter ..... \$19<sup>99</sup>



CROWN  
ROYAL  
\$39<sup>95</sup>  
1.75 liter

Southern  
COMFORT 1.75 liter \$19<sup>99</sup>

Old World Liquors

Great Prices!  
Great Selection!

BEERS



Keystone Light,  
Natural Light or  
NATURAL ICE  
\$11<sup>99</sup>  
30-pack cans



Coors, Old Style, MGD,  
Miller 64, Lite or  
Budweiser 24-pack cans ..... \$14<sup>99</sup>



Coors Light, MGD,  
Miller 64, Lite or  
Budweiser 24-pack bottles ..... \$16<sup>63</sup>



High Life, Icehouse or  
Busch 30-pack cans ..... \$13<sup>86</sup>



Shiner or  
Killian's Irish Red 12-pack bottles \$9<sup>99</sup>

Ad Prices Effective 3-17-21 through 3-23-21  
Monday - Saturday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.; Sunday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Rts. 17 & 47 • Dwight • Phone 815-584-2880

WINES



Barefoot or  
Bota Box  
WINES  
\$14<sup>99</sup>  
3-liter box

Barefoot  
Wines 750 ml. .... \$3<sup>99</sup>

Nobilo  
Sauvignon  
Blanc 750 ml. .... \$9<sup>99</sup>

Murphy Goode  
Wines 750 ml. .... \$8<sup>99</sup>

Red Truck  
Wines 750 ml. .... \$4<sup>99</sup>

Robert Mondavi  
Barrel Aged  
Wines 750 ml. .... \$11<sup>99</sup>

1800  
Margaritas 1.75 liter \$14<sup>99</sup>



Jack Daniel's  
COUNTRY  
COCKTAILS  
\$5<sup>99</sup>  
6-pack bottles

Fireball  
BUCKETS 20-50 ml. \$14<sup>99</sup>