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Dwight Common School Continues on Healthy Financial Trend

by Madelyn Fogarty madelynfogarty@yahoo.com

As summer draws to a close and students return to the classroom, Dwight Common School District #232 continued preparing for the upcoming year when the Board of Education met on August 18.

In financial business, Superintendent Dr. Richard Jancek reported on the FY21 actual vs. proposed budget and recapped end of fiscal year balances. The FY21 Education Fund end balance is \$2,135,102 with an end balance across all funds of \$4,916,974. Revenues for the year exceeded expenditures by \$1,058,366. Overall, Dr. Jancek indicated District #232 finances are doing well.

"We are getting healthier and healthier," stated Dr. Jancek. "Things are looking real good."

Dr. Jancek also presented the first reading of the 2021-2022 (FY22) budget. With a starting balance of \$4,916,974, the proposed FY22 revenues across all funds are \$7,438,341 with proposed expenditures over all funds totaling \$6,306,963, reflecting a surplus difference of \$1,131,378. The projected end balance for FY22 is \$6,048,352. The FY22 Education Fund is projected to end the year with a positive surplus of \$722,538 and a balance of \$2,857,640. The overall budget will be reviewed and adjusted over the next month. Following a Public Hearing, the final budget will be presented to the board for approval at the September BOE session. The proposed FY22 budget is available for review for 30 days in the District office.

In other business, the BOE verified and approved that the Serious Safety Hazard Designation remains unchanged and continues to exist. This action allows transportation to be provided, and the district to be reimbursed for that transportation. Students qualify that live less than 1.5 miles from school and must cross the designated safety hazards including highways IL Route 17 and IL Route 47, and the IDOT High Speed Rail tracks.

In another matter, the Board discussed goal setting for the 2021-2022 school year. Board members will continue to input their thoughts and finalize a list of goals to be discussed during a board retreat session following the September 15 BOE meeting.

The BOE also:

- · accepted the resignation of Shanna Peterson, Aide.
- · accepted the resignation of Tesha LaGrange, Aide.
- · affirmed employment of Brian Trainor, Assistant Baseball Coach.
- · affirmed employment of Alycia Ferrari, Aide.
- · affirmed employment of Donna Gebhardt, Aide.
- · affirmed volunteer Joel Sandeno, Assistant Baseball Coach.

The next regular meeting of the Dwight Grade School Board of Education will be 6 p.m. on Wednesday, September 15 in the Grade School cafeteria. Meetings are open to the

Paddling the Mississippi

Pontiac Resident Lives Out His Dream of Paddling 'America's River'

by Brandon LaChance

Before every summer there are plans made.

Activities we want to do and people or places we want to see with the hopes of the fun gauge reaching the maximum.

Dan Faust shattered all of his fun meters and capped off other measurements such as miles traveled per day on a kayak as he engulfed in his longest paddling trip ever – the Mississippi River.

"I started paddling when I was about 11. I did my first canoe trip with the boy scouts and I just fell in love with it," said Faust. "I've been paddling ever since. As I became an adult, I got a little more into it and really sought out more education for myself. I went to an event in Madison, Wisconsin called Canoecopia in 2003. It's in March every year.

"They have vendors with boats, life jackets, paddles and anything you can think of canoe or kayak related. They have speakers from all over the world who come and share. Just by chance we decided to listen to one guy, Byron Curtis, who wrote a book called 'Bluffs to Bayous'. I was really captivated by his presentation. I bought his book, chatted with him for awhile and it planted a seed in my head to paddle down the Mississippi River. I've been thinking about it ever since.

Faust, 63, who lived in Cullom until the fourth grade, Dwight from fifth grade through high school, and has resided in Pontiac the last 22



entire life. He began camping outdoors before he began to paddle when he was 11. Faust may not participate in every outdoor activity, but he's spent a majority of his life under the sun instead of under a roof. He needed this

experience of Mother Nature

ing for this summer's trip his

for the Mississippi River trip. Faust started his adventure in his 141/2-foot kayak called the Tsunami 145 on May 29 at Lake Itasca, Minnesota and finished July 31 at Burns Point Park in St. Mary Parrish, Louisiana. His path down the Mississippi was 2,125 miles. Through the northern sections of the river he traveled 35-40 miles per day, while below St. Louis, he picked up the pace to 60 miles per day.

For the whole trip, he averaged 33.2 miles per day as he completed his objective in 64

with his trip and glad he

"I had a goal of doing it in 63 days because I'm 63 this year, but I missed it by 11 hours," Faust said. I figured that was pretty good, close enough. I retired last year and decided it was time to do it. I kind of wanted to see if I was up for the challenge and to see if I could do it."

Learning about the trip in 2003 and officially retiring weren't the only reasons he finally decided to paddle the Mississippi.

His mother, Patricia Faust, passed away five years ago and it changed him a little bit. He continuously thought about the things she put off and never got to do during her life. He realized he was doing the same thing and wanted to enjoy life's pleasures while he could.

With only two thunderstorms where he had to leave the water, Faust was happy

checked it off of his bucket list.

"It far exceeded my expectations. I wouldn't say I'm a great outdoorsman but I've been doing things outdoors my entire life. I live on the Vermillion River in Pontiac – it's literally my backyard," Faust said. "I bought the house here because I love to kayak and be outside. So, I knew if you go outdoors and you're going to be there for 60-plus days that there is going to be bugs, you're going to have to deal with weather. It's going to be hot or cold. It's going to rain.

"I got super lucky. I don't know what it was about the bugs, but they weren't bad. Around dusk you need to put on bug screen. I did that every night. It wasn't a problem. I got very few bug bites. Normally I don't wear shorts or go shirtless. I could walk around camp

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DTHS August 17 **Special Session**

by Madelyn Fogarty

The Dwight Township High School Board of Education met in a special Session on August 17 where the BOE approved a job posting for the new superintendent position.

On August 3, the Dwight BOEs accepted a Letter of Retirement from Dr. Richard Jancek, Superintendent of Dwight Public Schools. Dr. Jancek will retire following the close of this school year, effective June 30, 2022. The selection process for a new superintendent is planned to be complete before the end

of the year. In another matter, the discussed many Board goals for the 2021-2022 school year. Board members will continue to input their thoughts and a final list of goals and activities will be considered after a special joint meeting with the Grade School Board.

The DTHS BOE also:

- · approved meeting minutes from June 23 and August 3, 2021.
- · approved Jordyn Tilley, classroom aide.
- tabled a recommendation to employ an assistant girls basketball coach.



EL CANCUN held its ribbon cutting ceremony August 20 in downtown Dwight. Pictured, from left, are Shayla Samples (Dwight Economic Alliance Board member), Dwight Police Department Chief Tim Henson, John Salzer (DEA Board member), El Cancun staff members (in black shirts) Delfino Sanchez, Mariano Gomez Perez, Febi Porras, and Agustin Bermudez, Robert deOliveira, Bill Sole, Dwight Mayor Paul Johnson, Bob Ohlendorf (DEA Board member), and Austin Haacke. El Cancun, Dwight's newest restaurant addition, is located at 118 E. Main Street.





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Ticket Issued by Dwight Police

August 18: Zachary R. Lindsey, 27, Dwight, fail rightof-way/intersection.

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

Dwight Police Blotter

August 13: Dwight Police were called to W. Northbrook for a stranded female. The female was taken to Dwight Police Dept. where travel arrangements were made.

August 15: Dwight Police were called to the 400 block of S. Columbia for a suspicious male disturbing the peace. Officers were later called to W. Northbrook Dr. for the same male subject, disturbing customers. The male was transported to an area with more available medical facilities.

August 17: Dwight Police were called to the downtown area. A male was reported to be doing pushups in the middle of the railroad tracks as a train was approaching. The male had gotten up from the tracks before the train or officers arrived; Dwight Police were dispatched to the 400 block of E. North St. for harassment; Dwight Police were dispatched to W. Northbrook for a physical domestic issue. Upon arrival, the subjects had departed in an unknown direction; Dwight Police were called to the 300 block of Morris Rd. for a subject removal; Dwight Police were dispatched to the 300 block of N. Union for a neighborhood issue.

Return Calls – 8; Lock Out – 4; Walk In – 4; Burglar Alarm - 5; Noise Complaint -1; Well Being Check – 2; Verbal Domestic Issue – 1; Fight Not in Progress – 1; Suspicious Activity -1; Traffic Stop -2; Motorist Assist – 1; Cell 911 Hang up -1; Check Area -2; Medical Aid – 2; Suspicious Subject -3; Extra Patrol -1; Suspicious Vehicle – 1; Curfew -1; Reckless Driver -1;

Open Door - 1; Assist Agency - 3; Unknown Problem – 2; Transient – 1; Hit & Run – 1; Accident – 1; Neighbor Problem – 1; Car Fire/Assist Agency − 1; Civil Issue − 1; Physical Domestic Issue – 1; Medicare Fraud − 1.

Accident Report

Tuesday, August 17, 6:22 p.m., an accident was reported in Dwight involving a Dodge, driven by Collin Irvin, Dwight, which struck a parked and unoccupied Honda Accord, owned by Pamela Spreitzer, Dwight, while attempting to back up from a driveway.



Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

August 12: Spencer St., medical, St. James; Mazon, medical, Morris; Franklin, can-

August 13: Mazon, medical, Morris; Mazon, trauma, St.

August 14: Main, medical, Morris, mutual aid to Gardner; Franklin, medical, St. James; North, medical, Morris; Prospect, medical, St. James, mutual aid from Gardner; South, medical, Morris; John, trauma; Taylor, medical, Morris.

August 15: South, medical, St. James; Prairie, refusal; John, trauma, Morris; William, trauma, Morris.

August 16: 3200N Rd., medical, St. James; Chippewa, medical, Morris; I-55, refusal, medical; Prairie, medical, Morris; Mazon, trauma, refusal.

August 17: Mazon, trauma, Morris; Main, refusal, medical; I-55, fire.

August 18: Chippewa, medical, Morris; 1500 E., trauma, refusal, mutual aid to Allen Twp.; North, fire, mutual aid to Gardner.

August 19: Mazon, trauma,



Temps - 2021

Aug. 12 - high 77°, low 67° .02" precip.

Aug. 13 – high 79°, low 57° Aug. 14 - high 79°, low 51° Aug. 15 – high 77°, low 52° Aug. 16 - high 80°, low 57° Aug. 17 - high 83°, low 46°

trace precip. Aug. 18 - high 85°, low 50° One Year Ago-Aug. 25, 2020 high 86°, low 44°



Dwight Fire Incidents 8/13 - 8/20

Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents:

August 16: Motor Vehicle Accident - I-55.

August 17: Vehicle Fire – I-

August 18: Motor Vehicle Accident - Mutual Aid to Blackstone; Mutual Aid to Gardner – Canceled En Route.

Dwight FPD also responded to 14 medical assists with Dwight EMS.

Free Food to **Be Distributed** August 25

Free food will be distributed to qualifying households in Dwight Township Wednesday, August 25, from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at the Old Town Hall, Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin St., Dwight.

The pantry is held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, January through October. The November Food Pantry is held on the third Wednesday, while Love Boxes distribute food in December.

Livingston **County Offices Closed Sept. 6**

All Livingston County Offices will be closed Monday, **September 6,** in observance of

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Ranking Your Goals: A Smart Move

Like most people, you may have several financial goals. But can you reach them all? It would be simple if you had great wealth. But you'll likely need to rank your goals in terms of their importance to your life and then follow appropriate strategies to achieve them. By doing so, you may end up getting pretty close to covering each of your objectives, in one way or another.

When prioritizing your goals, consider following this process:

 Identify goals as "must have" or "nice to have." Making sure you don't outlive your resources is a must-have goal, so you need to be as certain as possible of achieving it. On the other hand, a nice-to-have goal might be something like buying a vacation home. If you don't attain the money needed for this goal, you do have room to compromise, perhaps by scaling down to a smaller home in a different area or just renting a place for a few weeks a year. Having this flexibility can provide a psychological benefit, too. Since this goal doesn't have an either-or outcome, you won't have to feel that you failed if you don't get the big vacation home - instead, you can still enjoy the results of your investment efforts, even at a more modest scale

 Put "price tags" on your goals. You need to know what your goals will cost. Even if you can only make an estimate, it's essential to have some figure in mind. As time goes by, you can always revise your projected costs. To arrive at these price tags, you may want to work with a financial professional who has the tools and technology to create hypothetical illustrations and scenarios.

• Follow an appropriate strategy. The nature of your goals and their estimated cost will drive your investment strategy. So, for example, using the must-have goal mentioned above – the need to avoid outliving your money – you'll want to balance your growth objectives with your comfort with risk, as well as maintain an appropriate withdrawal strategy when you're retired. However, for a nice-to-have goal, such as your large vacation home, perhaps you don't need the same urgency - consequently, with part of your portfolio, you might be able to take more risk in hopes of greater returns. And if you fall short, you can always go with Plan B - i.e., the smaller home or the rental experience. But if your "nice to have" is closer to a "must have" in this area as well, you might want to focus less on achieving greater returns and nstead look at ways of adjusting your budget to save more.

· Monitor your results. As you pursue your goals, whether must have or nice to have, you'll want to check your results regularly. If you think you're not making enough progress toward your desired goal, you may need to make adjustments. But don't overreact to short-term swings in the financial markets or in the value of your portfolio, or take on an inappropriate amount of risk. When trying to reach your goals, you can alter your path, but it's usually not a good idea to change directions altogether.

The decisions involved in identifying, prioritizing and achieving your goals can be somewhat involved. But by following a well-designed process, you can help yourself get to where you want to go.

Edward Jones, Member SIPC

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It's History...

The Dwight Lions Club will again sponsor the Summer Recreational Program for children in the Dwight area commencing the third week of June and continuing until the third

The program will include softball, basketball, volleyball, croquet, tennis, organized games, races, and trips to the Morris pool for swimming.

week of August, supervised by

Floyd Covill.

The program gives the youngsters an opportunity to put their spare time during summer vacation to proper use. Although sponsored by the Lions, it is a community project, needing community backing, financial and otherwise.

Jacqueline Christensen placed a crown of roses on the new Lady of Fatima statue at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Dwight, Sunday, while Rita

It Was May 1949... Steichen sang "Mother At Your Feet Is Kneeling," Joanne Mc-Namara, Margaret Cruise, Mary Helen Neville, Therese Humbert, Jane McNamara and Janet Cleary were the queen's attendants. Alma May Walkup and Mary Catherine Cleary were little angels.

> The Dwight Rotary Club honored six members of the club who have passed away since the club was organized.

A column by L. C. Arends, Congressman 17th District of Illinois, said: "Right now Communists and their activities in this country are front page news almost every day. Gerhard Eisler, No. 1 Communist in the United States, has just fled the country to avoid serving jail terms imposed by two counts for violating American

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The two-hour memorial ride starts on the Olivet Nazarene campus in Bourbonnais, with fire stations that will end at Limestone Fire Station.

10:00 a.m., with kickstands up at 10:15 a.m.

Food will also be available. If you have questions, call

Registration runs from 9:00-

693-2818.

Local stops on the ride include: Braceville Fire, 1010 IL Rt. 53; Gardner Fire, 206 Depot St.; Dwight Fire, 111 S. Prairie; Dwight Police, 209 S. Prairie; Reddick Fire, 210 E. Main St.; and Limestone Fire, 4948 IL 17.

401 West William Street **Townhomes**

Mr. John Cronin of North Arrow Realtors will be present at the Dwight Village Hall Tuesday, August 31, at 6:30 p.m. in the board room to give a presentation and answer questions on his proposed 401 West William Street townhome development.

Kankakee County Recorder Updating Website

It has been six years since Recorder's office to make your the last Kankakee County Recorder website update – and it was time for a modern refresh. K3countyrecorder.com is a

multipage website that is informative on the services, fees, commonly used forms, and helpful information. You will find links to online services, as well as to other county offices.

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experience simple and easy, "we hope the information available through this website will do just that," stated Lori Gadbois, Kankakee County Recorder.

If you have any questions, feel free to call the Recorder's office. The Recorder and staff members are happy to assist you with your questions, in

'Hidden in Plain Sight' Drug Awareness Trailer in Dwight September 18 There is help for parents use tightens its grip in our com- overdose emergency with signs

who may not know their kids are using drugs or alcohol. trained on what to look for.

The "Hidden in Plain Sight" trailer is a program that HERO (Heroin Epidemic Relief Organization) is presenting to show families the importance of detecting drugs and alcohol in their own home. The inside of the trailer is designed to look like a teenager's bedroom, with ordinary items placed in plain view to show where drugs or alcohol can be hidden.

The "bedroom" shows the warning signs and clues that aim to open parents' eyes. This tool comes as heroin and opioid

The "Hidden in Plain Sight" There are ways to spot the trailer will be in Dwight during able to respond. problem, but adults have to be Harvest Days weekend, Saturday, September 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for adults to tour. The trailer will be parked at 100 W. Main St., across from the Village Hall.

Only adults, over the age of 18-years old, will be allowed to tour the trailer. COVID-19 protocols will be in place, masks must be worn and will be available, as well as hand sanitizer.

Dwight EMS will be providing free Narcan training to anyone interested. Narcan® Nasap Spray is a prescription of a known or suspected opioid Health Board.

of breathing problems and severe sleepiness or not being

The presence of this trailer is to better inform the community of the dangers of drugs and alcohol in the hands of our youth. It is being supported by: the Village of Dwight, Dwight Economic Alliance, Dwight Police Department, Dwight Fire Department, Dwight EMS, Representative Tom Bennett, Livingston County Sheriff Department, Livingston County Health Department, Institute for Human Resources, Livingston County Commission on Children & Youth, and the medicine used for the treatment Livingston County Mental



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Savings Strategies for Weddings







the engagement ring presented. What's the next step on the road to the wedding? Saving should definitely be on couples'

A wedding is likely the most costly party couples will ever throw. According to The Knot's 2019 Real Weddings Study, the average cost of a wedding in 2019 was \$33,900. There are many different costs associated with weddings. Some are predictable, while others are unex-

Investopedia says the vast majority of couples budget too little for their weddings and also end up spending more than strategies can make it easier to post-wedding financial hang-

Get informed

It's impossible to budget for a wedding and ultimately save without knowledge of what services and items cost in the region where you live. A wedding in New York City will be expensive, while a wedding in Mississippi will cost a lot less, indicates SuperMoney's guide to wedding costs.

Conduct some research and find out what photographers, florists, transportation providers, reception halls, and

The question was popped; they had planned. Various wedding wardrobe vendors charge for common services. save for a wedding and avoid a This will paint a vivid picture of what a wedding may cost in your area.

Flesh out the budget

Once you have gathered estimates, you can then figure out a financial goal. This also is when you can determine where to rein in spending and where you might want to splurge. If having a video memory of the wedding is not a top priority, you can skip videography services. If you have a special flower that you like, you may want to budget more for that bloom even if it isn't in season.

Set up a dedicated savings account

One of the easiest ways to save for big-ticket items like a wedding, home purchase or other financial goals is to use an automatic savings account that may be available through your bank or employer. An automatic savings plan will pull a set amount from a personal checking account into a savings account through auto-draft. The bride and groom can link individual checking accounts to one savings account to con-

Avoid overspending

tribute jointly.

An analysis of your spending habits will likely reveal areas where you can scale back so you can devote more funds to wedding savings. Do you need a takeout coffee in the morning or can you brew a pot at home? Might you be able to scale back on streaming services? Do you feel comfortable buying less expensive store brand groceries over name brands? Small cost savings can quickly add up.

Add up gifts

Factor in deduction of expenses that other people will commit to covering for wedding expenses, but only if you have concrete confirmation. A parent may host the rehearsal dinner. One's relative may offer to pass down an antique wedding gown to wear. But rather than simply removing these gifts from your savings calculations, keep them as a safety net to put toward unforseen expenses.

Saving for a wedding can be challenging. But various strategies can help couples plan their dream weddings without break-





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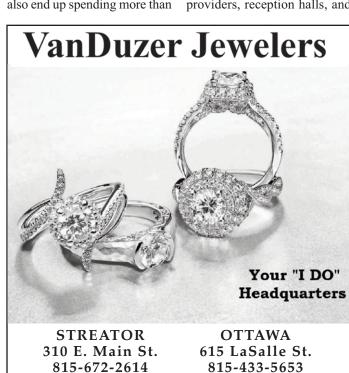






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Bachelorette Party Trends of 2021

The great return of weddings naturally involves a welcome rebound for another pre-wedding event: bachelorette parties. In the last decade alone, bachelorette party ideas have evolved from one-night outings to hyper-personalized, multi-day affairs.

Here are some of the top bachelorette party ideas and trends for 2021 and 2022.

The Newest Bachelorette Season

Spring was previously the most popular season for bachelorette parties. The most popular bachelorette party season is now summer with peak season falling between the months of June through August. With this new season comes additional emerging trends, including longer stays and higher average

Length of Time Has Extended

The tradition of week-of bachelorette parties is thankfully over. The vast majority of bachelorette parties are now overnight events with 97% of all groups opting to rent homes or hotel suites for a getaway.

now is sumed bach parties are overnight affairs. Therefore, the average length of time has gone up and bachelorette parties are now even longer, averaging three days over two. Typically, these events are now held months ahead of the actual wedding date since the recovery period is necessary.

The Budget Is Bigger

In 2019, about one in five celebrants spent around \$1,000 (or more) for the bachelorette party. However, our most recent company data found that one out of every two attendees is now willing to spend nearly \$1,000 or more on an upcoming bachelorette event. Much of this has to do with the pent-up demand for travel and group gatherings.

Flights Are Taking Off

Most bachelorette parties are traveling by car, though the number of attendees now traveling to a destination by plane has increased. Roughly one in four bachelorette partygoers are now traveling by plane, up 9% since 2019. The reason is simple: travel is a coveted luxury for many after being quarantined throughout much of COVID and destination bachelorettes are becoming the norm. **Home Rentals Are Popular**

Sourcing and booking homes in hot bachelorette party destinations are trending, and one of the most preferred amenities might be pools. While hotel rooms still remain the preferred option of choice, rental homes like Airbnb and VRBO have gone up by 7% in popularity since 2019.

Itineraries Are More Packed

Standard options for activities include fun bachelorette party games, dinners and drinks out, dancing at clubs, along with spa days complete with massages and manicures.

Downloading Apps Makes It Easy

With the increases in average length plus travel costs, budget-tracker and cost-splitting apps are the most convenient form of divvying up related expenses equally. Venmo and Zelle are everyday preferred payout methods of choice, so bach party finances model this behavior. Everything from inspiration to travel booking is done via group travel planning apps, and creative budgeting alternatives (like Splitwise and Klarna) are becoming more frequently uti-

Texas - Bach Party State 2021

While traditional bachelorette destinations Las Vegas and Nashville are still popular - the three biggest cities in Texas (Dallas, Houston and Austin) have also made the list for top 10 bachelorette party destinations. Though each city holds its own unique charm, more low-key groups will seek Austin while glamhotel booking bridal parties will prefer Houston or Dallas.

Tropical Bachelorettes Trending

The majority of bashes are taking place in the continental US, yet there has been an increase in tropical bachelorette parties.

Goodbye to Nights In

Though close groups of friends attempted the remote bachelorette party in 2020, nights in have since gone out the door. Naturally, groups prefer wine tasting during the day, followed by nights out, including a delicious sit-down meal at a trendy restaurant and activities like hitting a club or taking dancing lessons.

Emerging and fun bachelorette party activities include rooftop bar hopping, pool parties during the day, old school dance playlists on repeat, and even glamping.

Bachelorette Treats

and Gifts Are Officially a Thing Imagine a bubbly-filled day of champagne pong and coming home to delicious confections. Groups are now planning ahead to present a "surprise moment" for the bride, and that means a group gift, cake or her favorite treat, all a welcome relief from wedding planning. While sweets are expected on the wedding day or at birthday parties and bridal showers, the



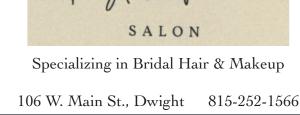
bachelorette treat has quickly become a staple in 2021. Companies like Lady M, Milk Bar, Jeni's Splendid Ice Cream and more are shipping nationwide to help groups of best friends make the celebration just a little sweeter. Finally, many groups will plan a gift for the bride, whether it's something off her wedding registry, which we highly recommend, or lingerie for her hon-

Sashes were once the most cov-

eymoon.

Custom Swag and Goodies

eted attire, but now, bachelorette parties are especially leaning into additional custom "gear" like swimsuits and T-





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have been named to the President's List at Kankakee Com-2021 semester:

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- Cabery: Chloe Walsh.
- Reddick: Connor O'Brien. To be named to the Presi-Rogers.

The following area students dent's List, a student must • Cabery: Jacob Schiffer. maintain a grade point average of 3.80 or higher and be enmunity College for the summer rolled in six or more credit

> Honors List at KCC included between 3.25 and 3.79 and be the following:

Buckingham: Madyson ter hours.

- Essex: Emily Maldonado, Grace Wepprecht.
- Herscher: Hailey Ullman.

To make the Honors List, Area students named to the students must maintain a GPA enrolled in six or more semes-

Bellis Family Reunion

union for the children of Mary (Duay) and Andrew J. Bellis was hosted by Judy (Bellis) and Norm Lewis at Renfrew Park

There were 64 in attendance from five different states: Illi-

sylvania, and Wisconsin. This included Mary and Andrew's surviving children: Delores, Dick, Peggy, Rosemary (Minnie), Mike, Judy, John, and

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gatherings for more than ten years.

The family extended its thanks to the Village of Dwight and village workers for taking such good care of the park.



THE 49TH ANNUAL

BEISWANGER family reunion was held August 15 at the West shelter of Renfrew Park in Dwight. Thirtyseven guests enjoyed a potluck lunch at noon. Josie Snyder and Malaki Slaughter won the always popular water balloon toss game, with Melissa Snyder and Devon Crouch coming in second. Devon Crouch guessed the closest to win the Skittles candy jar, and Dori Wilson was only one Swedish Fish off to win that jar of candy. Bingo was enjoyed by many even though the breeze made it more complicated than usual. Bev Beecher was honored as the oldest family member in attendance, while Ephraim McWilliams, son of Jamie Anderson, received the title of youngest. Terry and Linda Beiswanger, of Texas, came the farthest to attend, while Casey Dolan and family traveled just a few blocks. Next year will mark the 50th reunion for the Beiswanger Reunion and will be hosted by Joe Dolan and Kim Gaffney. Pictured is Bev Beecher

holding Ephraim McWilliams.

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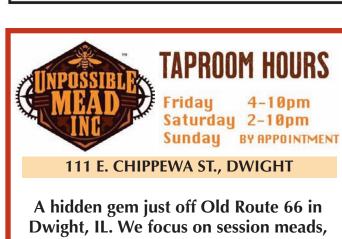
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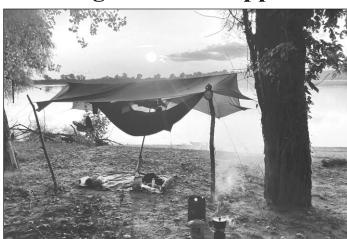
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Paddling the Mississippi - - -



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FAUST on-the-water selfie.

(continued from page 1) in undershorts and I didn't have any worries with the bugs. I didn't have any animal encounters.

"It was remarkable. I expected tough times, but everything just seemed to go my way."

It's surprising how many items a paddler can fit in a kayak.

In Faust's kayak he would carry: a hammock to sleep in, a tarp to go over it, sleeping bag, few extra clothes (set while in kayak, set of sleeping clothes, set of clothes to wear into town), twig stove, fresh water (eight 2 1/2 liter old soda bottles filled with water which lasted about seven days), two weeks worth of food, spare paddle, umbrella, small one-person tent (used it twice), solar panel and battery packs to keep phone, radio (marine radio carried on his life jacket) and tracking device charged up.

Everything fit inside the kayak except the umbrella and the solar panel, which was always on the deck of the kayak to charge all batteries during the day.

Faust camped overnight for 46 of his 64-day voyage, while he stayed inside 18 nights.

"I mostly camped, but I did stay at hotels. I researched a lot because that's just how I am," Faust said. "About a year to 11/2 years before I actually planned to do the trip (which was last summer, but postponed due to Covid-19), one of the things that came up was I haven't been away from home, my family and my friends since I went to trade school in Indianapolis right after high school. Back then I remember I got really homesick. I got so homesick, I thought I recognized people I knew from back home. Most of the time it wasn't someone I knew.

"I was worried I was going to get homesick on the river. I told my family about it, they were great and they took it upon themselves to meet me on the river about every two weeks. About every two weeks I took a break by staying at a hotel with them. I'd get cleaned up, get a shower

and lots of good food. It was kind of nice."

of nice."
Carol Faust, Dan's wife of 40
years, and daughter Jennifer (17)

years, and daughter Jennifer (17) traded off the every two-week visits with Dan's younger sister Melody and husband Rick Radmacher.

This gave the paddler time to eat tons of food, sleep in a bed, give the water a rest and visit family to detour homesickness.

"I took quite a few 0 mile days. My sister Melody and her husband Rick met me in Cape Girardeau and I took two 0 days there because we wanted to sight see," Faust said. "I got a little more rest and put a little more food in my belly. My sister was worried I was going to lose a lot of weight.

"I lost about 14 pounds by the time I got off of the river. That wasn't too bad. A lot of people my size (5 foot-10 inches, 180-200 pounds) will lose 30 pounds. I did the trip fairly quickly and I ate like a horse every chance I got. When I'd go to a restaurant, I'd basically eat two meals. It was fun because I could eat whatever I wanted. I usually have to watch what I eat and stay away from high calorie and fatty foods. I had 64 days where I didn't have to worry about watching what I eat. I didn't eat a bunch of junk food, but I ate what I wanted."

Jennifer told her father about a stop at the hair salon before seeing him along the Mississippi. When asked what she was doing for the summer Jennifer told the stylist she was going to visit her father who was paddling down the monster river.

The stylist answered immediately, 'Is your father Dan Faust?' She had been following his Facebook page where he updated his trip.

Faust's amazing summer adventure is going to be something him, his family and the community will never forget.

"Everybody has to do their own trip. Some people like to do a lot of sight seeing and others like to do a lot of camping. I personally just love being in the boat on the river. I've always loved rivers," Faust said. "I've learned to appreciate ponds and lakes, but rivers just have a special place in my heart.

"In America, the Mississippi River is like America's river. It's part of our history. It's sort of part of our identity. It's one of the most famous rivers in the world – kind of like the Nile or the Amazon. I just wanted to get out there and paddle it."

Brandon LaChance can be reached at (815) 876-7941, blachance20@gmail.com or on Twitter @LaChanceWriter.

Area COVID-19 Stats as of August 23

<u>Town</u>	<u>Tested</u>	<u>Cases</u>	
Dwight	14,494	622	Numbers
Herscher	3,290	246	as of
Gardner	2,912	237	•
Mazon	2,176	183	08/23/21
Odell	3,107	181	
Braceville	2,174	163	Statistics via
Essex	1,352	146	dph.illinois.go
S. Wilmington	1,122	99	
Cullom	1,490	86	
Reddick	1,177	70	
Saunemin	1,467	68	
Buckingham	865	60	
Verona	928	65	
Ransom	953	49	
Cabery	808	45	
Kempton	757	39	
Blackstone	433	38	
Emington	564	36	
Kinsman	299	19	
Campus	502	17	
Union Hill	144	13	
County	Tested	Cases	Deaths
Kankakee	279,328	15,290	224
LaSalle	235,016	13,418	264
Grundy	76,823	6,387	79
Livingston	129,954	5,126	94
Iroquois	60,476	3,461	69
Ford	36,826	2,055	52

Illinois - Confirmed Cases: 1,482,369; Deaths: 23,717; Probable Deaths: 2,506; Total Tests Performed: 28,072,697.

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.

OBITUARY

Rev. Gerald J. Verdun

The Rev. Gerald J. Verdun, 79, of Pontiac passed away Thursday, August 19, 2021 at 8:45 a.m. at his residence at Evenglow Lodge in Pontiac, Illinois.

His visitation will be Friday, August 27, 2021 from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church, 119 E. Howard Street, Pontiac, Illinois. A wake service will be held at 3:30 p.m. followed by the visitation.

A second visitation will be held Saturday, August 28, 2021 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pontiac.

Burial will follow in St. Paul Catholic Cemetery, Odell, Illinois.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul Grade School - Odell, Illinois; St. Paul Catholic Church - Odell; or Evenglow Lodge in Pontiac, Illinois.

Duffy - Baier - Snedecor Funeral Home, Pontiac, is in charge of arrangements.

Fr. Jerry was born in Pontiac, Illinois on March 3, 1942, the son of James F. and Helen F. (Mann) Verdun. He attended St. Paul Grade and High Schools in Odell.

He served four years in the United States Air Force with assignments in Japan and Pakistan. After an honorable discharge in 1966 he attended St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa, graduating in 1968. He attended St. Paul Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota and was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Edward O'Rourke on May 20, 1972, for the Diocese of Peoria.

Fr. Jerry served as parochial vicar at St. Patrick's Parish in Danville, Illinois; St. Joseph's Parish in Pekin, Illinois; Epiphany Parish in Normal, Illinois; and St. Matthew's

Parish in Champaign, Illinois.
In 1978, he

was made pastor of Immaculate Conception Parish in Carthage, Illinois, St. Mary's Mission in West Point, Illinois,

and Sacred Heart Mission in Dallas City, Illinois. He also served as pastor at St. Joseph's Parish in Colfax, Illinois; St. Rose Mission in Strawn, Illinois; St. Anthony's Parish and St. Casimir's Parish in Streator, Illinois; St. Joseph's Parish in Pekin, Illinois; St. Mary's Parish in Delavan, Illinois; and St. Joseph's Mission in Hopedale, Illinois.

He retired from active ministry in June 2012.

Having visited several countries while serving in the military, he continued traveling until 2013. He led several groups on tours of Europe and the Holy Land and visited over 100 countries.

He is survived by his sister, Sheila (Gary) Eggenberger of Pontiac, Illinois; brothers: R. Keith (Patricia) Verdun of Pontiac, Illinois and Charles (Lynne) Verdun of Odell, Illinois; step-sisters: Marcella Nicholson of Escalon, California; Virginia Norris of Rockford, Illinois; and Evelyn (Bob) Broerman of Pontiac, Illinois; and step-brothers: Paul (Julie) Stoeckel and Pat Stoeckel, Bloomington, Illinois; Michael (Deb) Stoeckel of Grayslake, Illinois; and Mark (Tricia) Stoeckel of Odell, Illinois.

Also surviving are numerous nieces and nephews and their beloved children.

Preceding him in death were his parents and step-sister, Mary Stelow.

Online condolences may be made to the family at: duffyfuneralhome.com or visit us on Facebook.

Celebration of Life for Pam Atchison September 4



Join in celebrating the beautiful life of Pam Atchison Saturday, September 4, at 11:30 a.m. at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 326 W. Chippewa St., Dwight.

Those attending are asked to dress casually and wear shades of Pam's favorite color, blue, to help commemorate this celebration service. Lunch will follow.

Pam passed away November 20, 2020. She was 71-years old.

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

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

Village of South Wilmington Annual Audit Report Available for Public Inspection

An audit of the funds of the Village of South Wilmington for the year ending April 30, 2021, has been completed by the audit firm of Mack & Associates, P.C., certified public accountants. A copy of the audit report will be filed with the Grundy County Clerk and is available for public inspection at the South Wilmington Village Hall, located at 380 Lake Street, South Wilmington, Illinois 60474.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Education of School District No. 438 in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, that a tentative budget for this school District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021, will be on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the District Office, 39 Main St., Village of Saunemin, Illinois, from and after 8:00 a.m. on the 11th day of August 2021.

NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that a public hearing on the budget will be held at 7:00 p.m. on the 14th day of September 2021, in the Music Room of the Saunemin Elementary School Building, 39 Main St., Saunemin, Illinois. Dated this 12th day of August 2021.

BOARD OF EDUCATION of School District No. 438, in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois.

Brandon Sancken, Secretary, Board of Education Saunemin Community Consolidated School District #438





The Bears, Don't Do It

The Chicago Bears. That's it; that's the column. What are we doing here? This isn't even just a Bears-specific thing that's taking place, it happens all over the NFL and it's regarding the quarterback.

They do this song-and-dance where they draft a quarterback high in the draft. In this case, the Bears drafted Justin Fields in the first round – the first quarterback they've taken in the first round since good old Mitchell Trubisky.

Then, very similarly to Mitch, they bring in a veteran quarterback who everyone knows stinks. In this case, it's Andy Dalton. Snd they actually brought him in before the draft, but the point remains. With Trubisky, it was Mike Glennon. And while Andy Dalton has had a much better career than Mike Glennon had at that point, it's the exact same situation.

We...I...The Bears – everyone knows what Andy Dalton's abilities look like right now. He's fine. If he was the Bears quarterback all season, they probably go 7-10, 8-9, 9-8 – somewhere in that general vicinity.

Or, you have this all-world talent who they drafted in the first round, Justin Fields, who – if he's as good as he potentially could be – is leading the Bears to a

10-7, 11-6 season.

Everyone knows this. As much as I would like to think I'm disbursing all-world knowledge right now, I'm not. Matt Nagy knows in his heart of hearts that

Justin Fields is the better quarterback.

We don't have to do this. Matt Nagy, please spare
Bears fans everywhere and just start Justin Fields.
If you don't, we have to watch Andy Dalton be an average quarterback for 4-6 weeks before you eventually make the change anyway. Just, please, do it right away. It's been a long year already.

Go Bears and let's all collectively hope Matt Nagy isn't as dumb as he's acted these last few years.

Aaron J. Boma 2016 ISU Grad

LETTER TO THE EDITOR POLICY

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

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Item Requirements 4x6 or 5x7 Photo (non returnable)

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Age:	(Cannot turn 3 before Sept 18th,2020)
Babies Birthday:_	Entry Fee: \$5 By Sept 14 th , \$10 Late Entry
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made to offer an in-person safe and socially distanced run, that can easily be transitioned into a traditional run should mitigations allow.

Dwight Harvest Days 5k Run & 3K Fun Run/Walk Renfrew Park Dwight, IL

Saturday September 18th, 2021 8:30 a.m.

Registration: Both events-\$20 received by 9/17 - \$25 day of race. New this year: Chip timing and online registration

Packet pick-up available between 7:00-8:15 am the day of the race at the Packet Pick-Up: North Pavillion of Renfrew Park Dwight, IL * (Please practice 6' distancing)

Awards will be given to the top overall race champions, top Dwight runners and top finishers in each age group for both males and females. One award per person. All 5K and Fun Run/Walk participants who finish will also receive a special gift to remember their accomplishment. Awards for top age group finishers will be given 4 deep. *(Actual ceremony TBD) Awards:

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maliciously intentional acts made by any participating HD Parade entrant throughout the duration of the Parade, which include the initial line-up time through the disbanding of the Parade. **Entrant Contact Signature:**

Signature Date: ASE FILL OUT AND RETURN

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Local Paddlers Place at Canoe and Kayak National Championships

Association held its annual Canoe and Kayak National Championships August 12-15 in Warren, Pennsylvania. After a year off due to COVID, paddlers were anxious to get back to racing.

This year's event brought 1984 Olympic Gold medal paddler, Greg Barton, and Olympic paddler, Mike Herbert.

The events kicked off with youth sprints, with youth ages 5-17 competing in 250 meter sprints at Chapman Dam.

Among the participants were local paddlers Lizzy (5), Mike (10), and Luke (12) Josefik. All three took first place in their C-1 (One person canoe)

Luke and Lizzy teamed up to take first place in the mixed class. Luke and Mike teamed up to take first place in the 11-

The United States Canoe Mike paddled in the adult/youth sprints as well. Luke paired with Doug Pennington, from Missouri, to take first in the adult/youth 11-12. Mike paddled with his dad, Ben, to take first place in the adult/youth 8-10 class.

Marathon races began Friday, with a 13-mile course from Kinzua Dam to Betts Park in Warren. While Olympic paddlers Barton and Herbert took first place overall in the K-2 class, Ben Josefik, of Dwight, paddled with Pennington, of Poplar Bluffs, MO, and took first place in the Master's Standard Canoe Division.

Saturday saw more action with adult/youth classes. This nine-mile short course was from Kinzua Dam to Warren, but without the upstream legs. In a close finish, Luke Josefik and Pennington were able to 12 age category. Luke and overtake Ben and Mike Josefik



Ben and Mike Josefik, Dwight, placed second in the Adult/Youth Marathon, while Doug Pennington and Luke Josefik took first place.

shortly before the finish line to ers. take home the adult/youth national title.

Races continued Sunday, with Barton presenting racing paddles to the top junior finish-

Next year's USCA Nationals will be held in Newyago, Michigan. More information can be found on the USCA website or Facebook page.



WINNING! Doug Pennington, of Missouri, and Luke Josefik, Dwight, are pictured with the Adult/Youth Marathon trophy at the Canoe and Kayak National Championships held August 12-15 in Warren, Pennsylvania.

MVK Lady Mavs Victorious Over Dwight, 6-4 MVK 'B' Team Wins, 21-6

Wednesday, August 18 MVK vs. Dwight

traveled to Dwight to take on the Lady Redbirds August 18, and returned home with a 6-4

Aurora Weber tossed all seven innings for the Lady Mavericks, allowing three earned runs on eight hits and three walks, piling up eight

Madi Ely was dealt the loss for Dwight, giving up three earned runs on four hits and two walks, striking out nine.

Leading MVK at the plate was Lily Pfeifer's two RBI on two singles – adding that to two stolen bases. Kaydynce Wardlow (1-3) and Hayden Pfeifer (2-3, triple, R) each batted in a run. Kaylee Klinker (2 SB, 2 R) and Gracie Smith (BB, SB) added a single each. Madison Degrush walked once, reached on an error, and scored twice. Audrey Claypool scored once.

For the Lady Redbirds, Sophie Buck led with two RBI on striking out two. two doubles. Madi Ely tripled, with Makayla Wahl-Seabert chipping in with a double. Mikayla Chambers and Delaney Boucher each provided a hit for Dwight. "B" -

It was all MVK in the "B" game, as they cruised to a 21-6 victory over Dwight in four innings.

Brynlee Hunt led the Lady Mays with a single, three walks, a stolen base, three RBI, and a run scored. Grace Biros (2-2, 2 BB, 3 SB, 2 R), Brooklyn Sheedy (1-1, 2 BB, HBP, 4 SB, R), Tori Skelton (1-2, HBP, 3 SB, 2 R), and Casey Humphrey (1-1, 2 BB, 3 SB, 2

R) added two RBI each. Jordyn Both (1-1, BB, HBP, 2 SB, 3 R) Mazon-Verona-Kinsman and Maggie Pfeifer (BB, HBP, 2 SB, 2 R) each plated a run. Marlie Lissy went 2-3, was hit by a pitch, stole five bases, and scored three runs. Ameliah Weber drew three walks, swiped a bag, and scored three times. Addison Kilmer walked

once, stole one base, and

scored two runs. Leading Dwight was Grace Tjelle (double, SB) and Madlynn Lucus (base hit) with an RBI each. Cloe Gall also plated a run, in addition to stealing a base. Miranda Bovelle had two hits in the contest, as well as a stolen base. Sienna Burke, Raegan Brown, Olivia Buck, and Mikayla Ely each had two stolen bases.

Weber earned the "W" in the circle for MVK, giving up one earned run on one hit and three walks, striking out two in two innings. Lissy allowed five earned runs on two hits, three

DTHS Trojans Golf

Monday, August 16 **Dwight vs. Pontiac** Varsity -

The Trojans opened the season against Pontiac August 16 on Dwight Country Club's par-36 course, falling by a score of 158-173. Individual results are as follows:

Jack Groves - 41; Dane Halpin – 41; Reid Gall – 45; 56; Zack Kinsler – 71.

Will Trainor - 46; Jack Denker - 51; Dawson Carrr -

In the JV match-up, Dwight lost to Pontiac, 191-208. Individual results are as follows:

Andrew Gartke - 49; Jace Gall - 50; Tracer Brown - 53; Dillon Sarff – 56; Ryan Hilt –

Trojan Golfers Top Tri-Point

Thursday, August 19 **Dwight vs. Tri-Point** Varsity -

Dwight hosted Tri-Point in boys golf play August 19 on the par-36 course at Dwight Country Club, winning 189-244. Individual results are as

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Jack Groves - 45; Reid Gall - 46; Dane Halpin - 47; Dawson Carr - 50; Will Trainor – 51; Jack Denker – 53. **Tri-Point**

Dominick Carrera - 46; Coltyn Dohe - 67; Cole Bruner – 63; Dom Braumen – 68.

The Trojans improve to 1-1 on the season.

Dwight, Seneca Girls Golf Take On Roanoke 58; Darien Guyer - 64; Mur-

Thursday, August 19 Dwight vs. Seneca and Roanoke

The Dwight Lady Trojans played Seneca (242) and Roanoke (232) at The Creek in Morris August 19, taking second with a score of 240. Individual results are as follows: **Dwight**

Kendahl Weller – 53 (medalist); Sophia Anderson -

phy Connolly – 64; Ava Meister - 71; Mary Clare Phillips -

Laura Yegge – 54; Addison Stiegler – 55; Julia Hogan – 60; Brandi Johnson – 73; Shelby Welsh -79.

Seneca drops to 2-2 on the



DTHS Lady Trojans Golf

Monday, August 16 Dwight vs. Prairie Central and St. Bede

The Lady Trojans were at home, Dwight Country Club, August 16 taking on Prairie Central (194) and St. Bede

(229), posting a score of 235 overall. Individual results are as follows:

Kendahl Weller - 50; Sophia Anderson – 51; Darien Guyer - 62; Mary Clare Phillips -72.

CABERY SPECIALS

Cabery Specials 4-H Club is celebrating its 80th Anniversary!

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Monday, August 16 Dwight vs. Seneca "B" -

Dwight's "B" squad took on Seneca on the road August

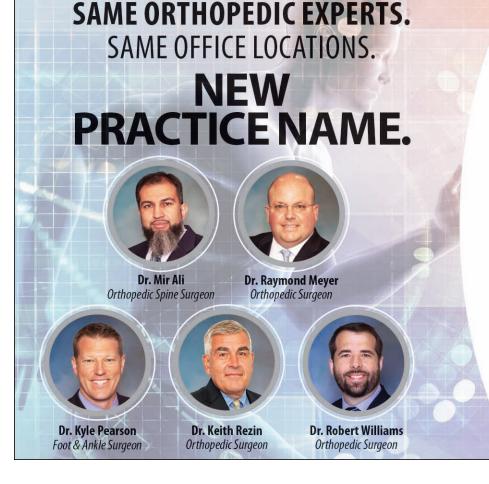
16, winning 10-8. Base hits were collected by Grace Tjelle (RBI), Mia Franklin (RBI), Miranda Bovelle, and Olivia Buck (RBI, 2 SB). Addison Sulzberger doubled in a run, while Cloe Gall also had one RBI and a stolen base. Mikayla Ely and Madlynn Lucus each swiped one base.

Thursday, August 19 Dwight vs. Seneca

The Lady Redbirds fell to Seneca 11-0 on August 19.

Madi Ely walked three and struck out ten in her outing in the circle.

Taylor Frobish had the lone hit for Dwight on the night.



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the plate. Landon Ramsey

reached base five times for the

Mavericks, with Ethan Othon,

Kolten Pfeifer, and Evan Eplin

for the Lions, allowing five

earned runs on seven hits and

three walks, fanning four.

Brock Enerson pitched two in-

nings, giving up five earned

runs on four hits. Ayden Chris-

tians allowed four earned runs

on six walks, striking out one

in relief. Cooper Biros helped

Owen Vitko took the loss

each adding two hits.

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Bids are due in the County Clerk & Recorder's Office on or before 12:00 p.m. September 20, 2021.

Kristy A. Masching Livingston County Clerk & Recorder

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

Lakeview Loan Servicing LLC Plaintiff,

VS

Jonathan Womack Special Representative; Unknown heirs and legatees of Teresa Lanigan aka Teresa L. Lanigan; Amanda Emling aka Amanda B. Emling aka Amanda B. Lanigan; Aaron M. Lanigan

Defendants

CASE NO. 20 CH 39

1604 4H Park Road, Pontiac, Illinois 61764

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on July 16, 2021, I, Sheriff, Tony Childress of Livingston County, Illinois, will hold a sale on October 5, 2021, commencing at 10:00 A.M., at the Law and Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, IL 61764, Room TBA, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to-wit:

A PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AS A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION AND 877 FEET EAST OF A STONE IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION, THENCE SOUTH AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 565 FEET, THENCE SOUTHEAST-ERLY ALONG THE CENTER OF THE VERMILION RIVER 165 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT 1122 FEET EAST OF THE WEST LINE SAID SECTION, THENCE NORTH AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 637 FEET, THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 145 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, EX-CEPT A STRIP OF LAND IN THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST OF THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, BEING THE NORTH 43 FEET OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY: A PART OF THE NORTHWEST OUARTER OF SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 28 NORTH, RANGE 5 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, DE-SCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AS A POINT ON THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION AND 877 FEET EAST OF A STONE IN THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SEC-TION, THENCE SOUTH AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 565 FEET, THENCE SOUTHEAST-ERLY ALONG THE CENTER OF THE VERMILION RIVER 165 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT 1122 FEET EAST OF THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION, THENCE NORTH AND PARALLEL TO THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION, 637 FEET; THENCE WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION, 145 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING.

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GSWB LIONS BASEBALL



The Lions traveled to El-wood for their first conference game of 2021 August 16, improving to 4-0 on the year with a 14-0 win in four innings.

Hunter Partilla was dominant on the mound, only surrendering one walk while allowing no hits and sitting down nine via strikeout in three-plus innings. Gavin Bafia struck out one in relief.

Offensively, GSWB was led by Brock Enerson (2 doubles, SB) and Ayden Christians (triple, 3 SB), who each collected three hits and scored two runs. Partilla also contributed at the plate, going 2-2 with two RBI and two runs scored. Logan Rice had two RBI on a single, in addition to a walk and two runs scored. Cooper Biros walked twice, stole two bases, scored twice, and knocked in a run. Reed Millette and Owen Vitko (2 SB) walked once and batted in a run. Aiden Himes had an RBI and a run scored. Aiden Mack scored a run. while Bafia walked once.

Wednesday, August 18 GSWB vs. Coal City "B"

In non-conference action August 18, the Lions hosted the Warriors of Coal City, falling by a score of 7-6.

After CC scored two runs in the first, GSWB roared back to knot it at 2-2 after one inning.

The Lions would then take a slim 3-2 lead, but the game would teeter back and forth before heading into the sixth.

With the Warriors trailing 5-4, they would rally with two runs to take a 6-5 lead over the Lions. GSWB had two chances to score, but couldn't muster any more runs.

Reed Millette kept Coal City in check, allowing four runs, none earned, on three hits and three walks, striking out six in four innings. Gavin Bafia would get tagged with the loss, giving up two earned runs on two hits and five walks, tallying three strikeouts.

Leading the Lions at the plate were Bafia (single, HBP), Brock Enerson (double, 2 BB, 2 R), Aiden Himes (single), Millette (double, sac., SB, R), and Owen Vitko (2 HBP, R) with one RBI each. Ayden Christians added a single, a stolen base, and one run. Aiden Bodine drew one walk and later scored.

Thursday, August 19 GSWB vs. Seneca

After a quick turnaround, GSWB traveled to Seneca to take on their IVC foes, sailing to a 13-0 victory in four innings.

The Lions came out scoring early and often, and a superb effort from Brock Enerson on the mound led to the one-sided affair.

Enerson allowed no earned runs on one lone hit, fanning nine in a mercy-rule-shortened complete game.

Ayden Christians led GSWB with a home run, a walk, a stolen base, three RBI, and three runs scored. Gavin Bafia doubled and batted in two runs. Cooper Biros (1-3, 2 R), Aiden Bodine, Enerson (2-3. BB, SB, 2 R), Aiden Himes (2-3, R), and Hunter Partilla (BB, sac., BB, SB, 2 R) had one RBI each. Owen Vitko singled twice, swiped a bag, and scored a run. Reed Millette chipped in with a single and a run scored. Aiden Mack had a sacrifice and scored once.



STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY – IN PROBATE

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

DOROTHY M. DASSOW,

Deceased

Case No.: 2021-P-78

CLAIMS NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to you of the death of DOROTHY M. DASSOW who died on June 1st, 2021. At the time of her death, DOROTHY M. DASSOW was a resident of Fairbury, Livingston County, Illinois.

Letters of office were issued on July 16th, 2021, to ERVIN D. FEHR, Independent Executor, whose address is 20263 E. 900 N. Rd., Fairbury, IL 61739, and whose attorney is William J. Gerber, of the Law Office of William J. Gerber, LLC, 201 W. Oak St., Fairbury, IL 61739.

Claims may be filed on or before February 18th, 2022. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Claims may be filed in the office of the Livingston County Circuit Clerk, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764, or claims may be filed with the Independent Executor, or both. If filed with the Clerk, claimant must within 10 days mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Independent Executor and to its attorney and file with the Circuit Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery.

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DATED: <u>8/12/2021</u>

ERVIN D. FEHR, Executor

/s/ William J. Gerber BY: William J. Gerber, his attorney

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MVK Tops Undefeated GSWB, 13-5

Tuesday, August 17 MVK vs. GSWB

After suffering a 10-0 loss to Saratoga the previous day, in which the Mavs only squeaked out one hit, MVK bounced back with a big 13-5 win on the road against GSWB, who was previously undefeated.

"We are starting to improve," said MVK head coach Jerry McDowell. "We played really well versus Gardner—they have a nice team."

GSWB jumped out to an early 1-0 lead behind a Brock Enerson double, which played Ayden Christians.

However, the Lions' bats

went silent, while the Mavericks proceeded to take a 5-1 lead.

GSWB committed seven errors in the contest, while the

Mavs ran rampant on the base paths, putting pressure on the Lions.

Cam Shriey was the winning pitcher for MVK, in addi-

tion to putting up four hits at

get one out in his relief effort.
On offense, Christians (2 doubles, BB, 2 R) and Enerson (2 doubles, BB) each had two RBI. Hunter Partilla added one RBI. Reed Millette doubled, stole a base, and scored a run. Aiden Mack added a single, a

two walks, with Aiden Himes stealing a base and scoring a run.

GSWB drops to 4-1 overall

and 1-1 in the IVC.

walk, and a run. Vitko drew

DCS REDBIRDS BASEBALL

Monday, August 16 Dwight vs. Seneca

Evan Cox started on the mound for Dwight August 16 against Seneca, earning the "W" after allowing just one run on one hit – striking out five in two innings of work.

On offense, the Redbirds went off – scoring 21 runs to Seneca's seven.

Joey Starks led the way with an inside-the-park home run, a triple, and a single – plating four runs. Maddox DeLong and Jackson Launius both collected multiple hits for Dwight – with the team getting nine hits in total.

Ethan Pakula and DeLong each saw action on the mound in relief, with DeLong giving up a run and striking out five.

"B" -

Seneca topped Dwight in "B" game play, 16-3.

Carson Sandeno and Matt Watchinski each saw time on the mound for the Redbirds, with Watchinski recording three punchouts.

At the plate, Trevor Jensen and Watchinski each singled and doubled, with Michael Leithliter, Will Anderson, Evan Olson, and Sandeno each contributing a single.

Tuesday, August 17 Dwight vs. Saratoga

In baseball action August 17, Dwight was edged out by Saratoga, 4-2.

Joey Starks started the game for the Redbirds, allowing three earned runs on four hits, striking out nine in four-plus innings of work.

Starks would also add a solo home run to aid his cause. Asher Kargle singled in the contest.

"B" -

'B'' -The

The Redbirds' "B" team fell to Saratoga, 10-7.

Michael Leithliter and Evan Olson both compiled three strikeouts on the rubber.

Matt Watchinski led the offense with a single and a triple. Trevor Jensen added two singles, with Will Anderson, Olson, and Frank Digilio each chipping in with a single.

Thursday, August 19 Dwight vs. MVK "B" -

On August 19, the Dwight Redbirds' "B" team picked up an 18-6 win over MVK.

Trevor Jensen and Carson Sandeno saw time on the mound, striking out two and four, respectively.

Michael Leithliter led with four hits – all singles. Jensen singled and doubled, while Sandeno, Matt Watchinski, and Thetard each added a pair of singles. Will Anderson, Frank Digilio, Holt, Thompson, and Bumpous all contributed a single in the game.

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Gardner-South Wilmington High School 'Off to a Great Start'

The Gardner-South Wilmington High School District #73 Board held a regular meeting August 18, with the following highlighting what was covered:

Principal, Mr. John Engelman, gave an update on the first few days, saying "Our first day went extremely well and we are off to a great start. Our students, as always, have been awesome and respectful."

Mr. Engelman, Athletic Director, reported on the follow-

• IHSA update – As of now, masks are mandatory for indoor sports, which includes participants, coaches, and fans. Fans are allowed for sporting events at all area schools. GSW will also have concessions this school year for its home games.

Mr. Josh DeLong presented the building and grounds report:

• Café / kitchen update -They are working on some finishing touches. The new café tables, restaurant style garbage cans, and kitchen appliances are still on back-order. "A special thank you to Wally Debelak for all of his hard work in the café and kitchen this summer," DeLong stated, "and to Adam Leigh for running the summer crew again this year."

• Baseball field/scoreboard update – After the fall baseball season, work will begin on the field. They plan to bring in 20 tons of dirt to build the field back up, square up the infield lines, etc. They will either be replacing the scoreboard or repairing certain parts. They are still waiting on quotes for both. The plan is for the scoreboard to be ready for the spring season for sure, but hopefully for the fall season as well.

Superintendent DeLong gave his report:

• Return to School Plan -Mr. DeLong stated that he is "very pleased with how the public, our parents, and students have handled the start of the school year." All students have been compliant in regards to the statewide mandatory

mask mandate. • Mr. DeLong attended the Illinois State Board of Education board meeting August 18. He attended this meeting on the district's behalf to voice their displeasure with the lack of local control coming from ISBE. "While the mask mandate is the biggest and newest 2020.

mandate coming from ISBE, there are several other concerns that continue to come from the State Board of Education that are an effort to undermine local control," DeLong said.

• Use of ESSR Funds -GSW received \$57,000 from the ESSR II and spent the money, this year, on custodial services and benefits, air purifiers for every classroom, new cafeteria tables, and a new van. They also received money from the ESSR III fund. This money is to be spent over three years. They used this money for after school tutoring and to hire a paraprofessional. They are also needing to purchase 40 new Chromebooks and a few new benches for their garden area in front of the building.

• Reunion – Panther Palooza is being held at the Gardner American Legion Saturday, September 11. They have asked to use the school parking lot and will shuttle people back and forth from the Legion building. They are going to open up the building from noon until 3:00 p.m. for tours. They will also have GSW items and memorabilia for Silent Auction and extra yearbooks for sale, ranging from the 1960s to

• FY 2022 Tentative Budget Presentation – Mr. DeLong reviewed the "tentative budget" stating a projected deficit of \$465,000. A majority of this is coming from special education and special education transportation. Mr. DeLong stated he does expect that deficit figure to decrease before the final budget is adopted next month. In addition, he does not believe they will, in fact, end this fiscal vear with that large of a deficit budget. The Budget Hearing will be held next month on

7:00 p.m., before the regular of Press Policy Update 107 monthly meeting.

Action Items included the following:

• Accept Dallas Hensley Resignation as part-time Custo-

• Hire Devin Tjelle as parttime Custodian

- Affirm the purchase of a 2017 Chrysler Pacifica from Bill Walsh of Streator for \$22,500
- Approve the first reading of job descriptions for Custodial and Kitchen positions
 - Approve the first reading a Non-Certified staff member

 Approve the changes to the Non-Certified employees contracts regarding paid holidays language

· Public Hearing for the FY2022 Budget on September 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

· Regular September board meeting date change from September 15 to September 22,

Approve the Horton Group's Bid for Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance at an increase of 5% over last year

Approve the termination of

Threshermen's Reunion September 2-6

attractions, including but not

The Central States Threshermen's Reunion Officers, and the Board of Directors, are welcoming all to the 73rd Annual Threshermen's Reunion, set for Thursday, September through Monday, September 6, at Threshermen's Park – 14975 E. 2200 North Road in Pontiac.

Wednesday, September 22, at

The 2021 Reunion features will include the Minneapolis Family of Repowered Tractors.

A fee applies for admission to the grounds, with those possessing an Annual Membership Fee receiving a discounted admission for all five days): Attendees age 13 and under will be admitted for free.

limited to: General Store; 1900 Country School House; Singer Saw Mill; 1910 Era Blacksmith Shop; 1920 Conoco Gas Station; Consignment Trading Post Sale; Craft Show; Flea Market; Blacksmith Show; and Tractor Drive.

Thursday, September 2, is Welcome Day, followed by Education Day for the Young & Old Friday, September 3.

Saturday, September 4, will include the Country Tractor Drive and a slew of Tractor Pulls.

Sunday, September 5, is the options are available.

Make sure you enjoy all the Antique Car & Truck Display running all day, with the Reunion concluding Monday, September 6.

> Visit threshermensreunion. org for more information, in addition to the Central States Threshermens Reunion Facebook page.

> An Open Horse Show will kick off the festivities Saturday and Sunday, August 28 and 29. Visit the website for more de-

> A plethora of lodging, camping, and transportation



MVK LADY **MAVERICKS SOFTBALL**

Monday, August 16 MVK vs. Saratoga

The Lady Mavs walked it off August 16 against Saratoga, winning in dramatic fashion, 6-

Saratoga put up two runs in the top of the sixth inning to tie the game at 5-5 – but MVK would respond with a walk-off run in the bottom of the sev-

Hayden Pfeifer led on offfense, going 1-2 with a walk, a sacrifice, and three RBI. Brynlee Hunt (1-3, BB, SB) and Gracie Smith (1-3) each knocked in one run. Kaydynce Wardlow went 2-3 with a walk, while Lily Pfeifer (R), Aurora Weber (BB, SB, R), and Audrey Claypool (2 SB, 2 R) each singled. Kaylee Klinker walked once, stole a base, and scored twice. Madison Degrush drew two walks in the game.

H. Pfeifer earned the win in the circle, giving up five earned runs on nine hits, seven walks, and a hit batter, tallying 14 strikeouts. "B" -

In the "B" game, MVK won over Saratoga, 12-7.

Ameliah Weber won it in the circle, giving up seven earned runs on four hits, a hit batsman, and 11 walks, striking out seven batters.

Grace Biros sparked the offense with a single, a double, a home run, three RBI, and two runs scored. Marlie Lissy was 1-3 with a walk, two stolen bases, two RBI, and two runs scored. Tori Skelton (1-2, 2 HBP, 4 SB, 2 R) and Addison Kilmer (2-4, SB) each batted in one run. Brooklyn Sheedy doubled twice, swiped four bases, and scored three times. Weber drew three walks and scored twice. Maggie Pfeifer walked twice, had three stolen bases, and scored one run. Tuesday, August 17 MVK vs. Seneca

MVK was on the road August 17 taking on Seneca, and only mustered two hits - dropping a 9-0 decision.

Kaylee Klinker and Kaydynce Wardlow each singled for the Lady Mavericks. Aurora Weber and Gracie Smith each drew a walk and stole a

Hayden Pfeifer took the "L", allowing six earned runs on five hits and four walks, striking out two in two innings. Weber pitched four innings, giving up three earned runs on three hits and four walks, fanning one.

Thursday, August 19 MVK vs. Morris

13-9 loss to Morris on August

Hayden Pfeifer tossed threeplus innings, allowing six earned runs on six hits, a hit batter, and five walks, fanning five. Morgan Starwalt gave up three earned runs on three hits in a short relief effort. Aurora Weber pitched two-plus innings, surrendering four earned runs on six hits and three

walks, striking out three. Lily Pfeifer (1-4, BB, SB, 2 R) and Gracie Smith (2-3, double, BB, SB, R) each had two RBI. Kavlee Klinker (4-5, double, 2 SB, 2 R), Madison Degrush (3-4, FC, BB, SB, R), and Starwalt (BB, sac., SB) added an RBI each. Kaydynce Wardlow (BB), H. Pfeifer (2 BB, R), Weber (2 BB, SB, R), and Audrey Claypool (double 2 SB, R) each had one hit.

MVK's "B" team earned a 13-10 win over Morris.

Ameliah Weber pitched a complete game, allowing seven earned runs on eight hits, a hit

batsman, and eight walks, fanning four.

Tori Skelton went 3-3 with a home run, three stolen bases, four RBI, and two runs scored. Brynlee Hunt added three RBI on a 3-3 showing that included a double, three stolen bases, and three runs scored. Brooklyn Sheedy (2-3, R) and Jordyn Both each had one RBI. Grace Biros was 3-3 with a double, a triple, two swiped bags, and three runs. Marlie Lissy went 2-3 with four stolen bases and two runs scored. Weber (R) and Casey Humphrey (4 SB, R) had one hit each. Addison Kilmer walked once.

Saturday, August 21 MVK vs. Saratoga

In "B" game play August The Lady Mavs suffered a 21, Mazon-Verona-Kinsman won big over Saratoga, 18-2.

> Brynlee Hunt went 2-2 with a double, was hit by a pitch, reached on an error, stole two bases, scored three times, and batted in three runs. Marlie Lissy was 2-3 with two stolen bases, two RBI, and a run scored. Grace Biros (1-3, R), Kaylee Klinker (3-3, double, HR, SB, 3 R), and Ameliah Weber (1-2, BB, ROE, 2 R) each had one RBI. Morgan Starwalt went 2-3 with a triple, a stolen base, and two runs scored. Addison Kilmer singled and later scored. Maggie Pfeifer drew a walk and scored twice, with Tori Skelton walking once, swiping two bags, and scoring a run. Brooklyn Sheedy reached on an error, stole a base, and scored a run. Jordyn Both also scored once.

> Getting the win in the circle was Starwalt, striking out eight and allowing just one earned run on one hit and four walks, hitting one batter, in a four-inning performance.

Makayla **Flickinger Graduates** From WIU

A total of 289 students earned academic degrees or post-baccalaureate certificates after the summer 2021 semester at Western Illinois University, including Makayla Marie Flickinger, of Mazon, who graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Recreation, Park & Tourism Administration.

Bachelor's degrees were awarded to 215 graduates and master's degrees were earned by 74 graduates.

Academic distinction was awarded to baccalaureate graduates who achieved high grade point averages.

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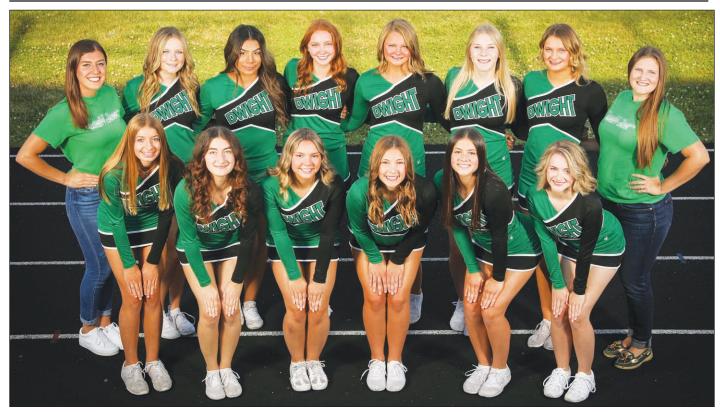
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DWIGHT TROJANS FOOTBALL. Pictured, front row, from left, are Ashton Burkhardt, Carter Butterbrodt, Gabe Seabert, Ryan Turner, Dalton Galloway, Malaki Slaughter, Jeremy Kapper, Kaleb Duden, Dillon Sarff, Jack Denker, Emmett Emmons, Orren Webster, Samuel Edwards, Gavin Wykes; middle row, Coach Butterbrodt, Coach Thompson, Garrett Leach, Kyler Starks, Evan Sandeno, Conner Telford, Terry Wilkey, Austin Burkhardt, Seth Robertson, Jacob Weissmann, Domingo Ramirez, Owynn Gliwa, Ryan Hilt, Jack Duffy, Coach Link, Coach Standiford; back row, Dylan Crouch, Caiden Nelson, Drew Anderson, Owen Woods, Brayden Jensen, Landon Burkhardt, Tristan Larkin, Brady Kelleher, Ayden Roff, Jesse Downen, and Wyatt Statler.



DWIGHT TROJANS FOOTBALL SIDELINE CHEER. Pictured, front row, from left, are Ashley Thompson, Njomza Asllani, Jordan Schultz, Eloise Becker, Kassy Kodat, Tru Connor; back row, Coach Asllani, Ava Kargle, Leticia DeLara, Ella Kargle, Alexis Thetard, Bri Kosek, Kaitlyn Thetard, and Coach Tilley. Not pictured is Olivia Folkers.



DWIGHT LADY TROJANS VOLLEYBALL. Pictured, front row, from left, are Ella Legner, Emerson Peters, Kassy Kodat, Erin Anderson, Jordan Schultz, Alexis Thetard, Kira Bean, Cheyenne Condreay, Maci Johnson, Lilly Duffy; back row, Coach Brooks, Emma Crouch, Hannah Brown, Issy Bunting, Deidre Miller, Milana Bradley, Kiera Stormant, Bri Kosek, Maya Green, Avery Scheuer, Katy Parker, Brynn Connor, Leah Larson, and Coach Ferrari.

Dwight Troians 2021 JV Football Schedule

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DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	LOCATION
Aug. 20	GREEN AND WHITE	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
	(Dwight Youth Football Night)		
Aug. 30	SENECA	6:00 p.m.	Seneca HS
Sept. 6	BISMARCK-HENNING	6:00 p.m.	Bismarck-
•		-	Henning
Sept. 13	WESTVILLE H.S.	6:00 p.m.	DTHS
Sept. 20	OAKWOOD	6:00 p.m.	Oakwood HS
Sept. 27	MOMENCE	6:00 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 4	CLIFTON CENTRAL	6:00 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 11	WATSEKA	6:00 p.m.	Watseka
Oct. 18	IROQUOIS WEST	6:00 p.m.	DTHS

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Dwight Trojans 2021 Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	LOCATION
Aug. 20	GREEN AND WHITE	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
	(Dwight Youth Football Night)		
Aug. 27	SALT FORK	7:00 p.m.	DTHS
	(State Recognition Night)		
Sept. 3	BISMARCK-HENNING	7:00 p.m.	DTHS
Sept. 10	WESTVILLE H.S.	7:00 p.m.	Westville HS
Sept. 17	OAKWOOD (Senior Night)	7:00 p.m.	DTHS
Sept. 24	MOMENCE	7:00 p.m.	Momence HS
Oct. 1	CLIFTON CENTRAL	7:00 p.m.	Clifton Cen-
			tral HS
Oct. 8	WATSEKA (Homecoming)	7:00 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 15	IROQUOIS WEST	7:00 p.m.	Iroquois
			West HS
Oct. 22	SENECA	7:00 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 29	State Playoffs Begin	7:00 p.m.	TBA

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DTHS Trojans Football

Head Coach: Luke Standiford (4 Years at DTHS) JV Coach: **Chuck Butterbrodt**

Following a COVID-shortened season last year in which they went 2-3 against conference teams, the Dwight Trojans enter the 2021 season ready to see what they're made of.

Of the squad's strengths, head coach Luke Standiford says his skill position players are at the top of the list.

"We've traditionally been a ground-and-pound run team," says Standiford. "However, with the kids we have coming back, we're going to have to try and get the ball to our skill players where they can make plays out in space."

A new year exposes some needs for improvement, though, with Dwight losing its entire offensive line.

"We will need the kids who are filling those spots to step up," Standiford stresses. "Most of our offensive line are freshthey'll have to adjust to the speed and physicality of playing varsity quick."

Of the Trojan goals in 2021, one is getting the athletes adapted to playing live ball

"We'll have a lot of freshmen and sophomores playing varsity this year," Coach Standiford states, "and a lot of those kids haven't played football in a while - due to COVID and not having enough kids to field a team while they were in grade school. Our goal is to make improvements each week and compete."

With Bismarck-Henning, Watseka, and Momence being the cream of the crop atop the conference, Coach Standiford and his Trojans have their work cut out for them.

"They are all very well coached," admits Dwight's head coach, "and have big, athletic kids pretty much every year."

Catch the Trojans at home against Salt Fork this Friday, August 27, at 7:00 p.m., in their men and sophomores – so first action of the season.

2021 DWIGHT TROJANS VARSITY FOOTBALL ROSTER

Name Name	<u>Grade</u>	No.	Position	<u>Height</u>	Weight
Kaleb Duden	SR	1	QB/DL	6'4"	195
Conner Telford	SO	3	WR/DB	5'7"	147
Jack Denker	SR	4	WR/LB	5'9"	155
Caiden Nelson	FR	5	WR/DB	5'6"	135
Domingo Ramirez	SO	6	WR/LB	5'3"	130
Emmett Emmons	SR	7	WR/LB	6'0"	140
Jack Duffy	JR	8	WR/DB	5'9"	135
Dillon Sarff	SR	9	WR/DB	5'6"	130
Drew Anderson	FR	10	WR/DB	5'6"	130
Jeremy Kapper	SR	11	TE/LB	6'4"	210
Carter Butterbrodt	SR	20	RB/DB	5'8"	145
Dylan Crouch	FR	21	RB/LB	5'1"	118
Seth Robertson	JR	22	RB/LB	5'10"	160
Ryan Hilt	SO	23	WR/LB	6'6"	149
Ayden Roff	FR	24	WR/DB	6'1"	135
Austin Burkhardt	JR	25	RB/LB	5'11"	165
Owen Woods	FR	30	WR/DB	5'6"	125
Gavin Wykes	SR	33	WR/DB	6'2"	145
Brayden Jensen	FR	40	TE/DB	5'9"	120
Samuel Edwards	SR	44	RB/LB	6'2"	205
Ryan Turner	SR	47	RB/LB	5'7"	165
Jesse Downen	JR	50	OL/DL	5'9"	227
Garrett Leach	SO	51	OL/DL	5'3"	188
Wyatt Statler	FR	54	OL/DL	5'8"	190
Landon Burkhardt	FR	55	OL/DL	6'0"	230
Orren Webster	SR	57	OL/DL	5'7"	150
Kyler Starks	SO	59	OL/LB	5'7"	150
Dalton Galloway	SR	60	OL/DL	6'0"	250
Evan Sandeno	SO	64	OL/DL	5'5"	170
Malaki Slaughter	SR	65	OL/DL	6'3"	190
Jacob Weissmann	SO	66	OL/DL	5'9"	185
Owynn Gliwa	SO	69	OL/DL	5'6"	210
Terry Wilkey	SO	70	OL/DL	5'9"	250
Ashton Burkhardt	SR	72	OL/DL	6'1"	250
Brady Kelleher	JR	74	OL/DL	6'1"	210
Justin Gabe Seabert		77	OL/DL	6'1"	300
Tristan Larkin	FR	80	TE/LB	6'1"	151

2021 Dwight Trojans JV Football Roster

<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>No.</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Height</u>	<u>Weight</u>
Conner Telford	SO	3	WR/DB	5'7"	147
Caiden Nelson	FR	5	WR/DB	5'6"	135
Domingo Ramirez	SO	6	WR/LB	5'3"	130
Drew Anderson	FR	10	WR/DB	5'6"	130
Dylan Crouch	FR	21	RB/LB	5'1"	118
Seth Robertson	JR	22	RB/LB	5'10"	160
Ryan Hilt	SO	23	WR/LB	6'6"	149
Ayden Roff	FR	24	WR/DB	6'1"	135
Owen Woods	FR	30	WR/DB	5'6"	125
Brayden Jensen	FR	40	TE/DB	5'9"	120
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DTHS Lady Trojans Golf

Head Coach: Julie Jensen (7 Years at DTHS)

The Dwight Lady Trojans are coming off an undefeated regular season (9-0), and have returned three starters from the squad that also earned second in their conference tournament.

Kendahl Weller and Sophia Anderson both made the All-Conference team last year. They placed fourth in regional action last year, with Weller making the Kankakee All-Area Team.

Weller had the lowest average of the returning Lady Trojans, followed by Darien Guyer and Anderson, who also had good scores last year. They are also hoping for a good year from returning sophomore, Murphy Connolly.

New to the team is GSW sophomore, Mary Clare Phillips, and DTHS freshmen Maci Johnson, Leah Larson, Ava Meister, and Ashley Thompson.

Coaching Staff:

Joe Bloxam (12th Year)

Jared Steck (1st Year)

from Dwight and Gardner-

South Wilmington High

Schools, have begun 2021 with

a very young roster - three

freshmen and five sophomores have joined five juniors and

The team is led by the top

two golfers from last year: Jack

Groves (sophomore) and Dane

two seniors.

Halpin (junior).

The Dwight Trojans golf team, consisting of athletes

Dwight's strength lies in experience, with four athletes earning that distinction. Weller and Guyer are in their fourth season golfing, while Anderson and Connolly are in their third and second years, respectively.

Of their goals this season, head coach Julie Jensen says, "This season, I would like the girls to improve as a team and as individuals. I hope we can place in the top of the conference at the TVC Tournament and qualify some girls for the All-Conference Team. Most importantly, I hope to have a positive and successful season as a team!"

> 2021 Dwight **Lady Trojans Roster** Ava Meister Leah Larson **Mary Clare Phillips Murphy Connolly** Kendahl Weller **Darien Guyer Ashley Thompson** Sophia Anderson Maci Johnson

the expectations are high -

with five of the top seven

year. Carter Butterbrodt (sr.),

(soph.), Tracer Brown (fresh-

man), Dillon Sarff (jr.), Cole

Boucher (fresh.), Ryan Hilt

(soph.), Zack Kinsler (fresh.), and Carlos Castaneda (jr.)

round out the 2021 roster.

DTHS Trojans Golf



DWIGHT LADY TROJANS 2021 GOLF. Pictured, from left, are Ava Meister, Leah Larson, Mary Clare Phillips, Murphy Connolly, Kendahl Weller, Darien Guyer, Ashley Thompson, Sophia Anderson, Maci Johnson, and Coach Julie Jensen.



DWIGHT TROJANS GOLF. Pictured, front row, from left, Tracer Brown, Andrew Gartke, William Trainor, Jace Gall, Dawson Carr, Jack Denker, Zack Kinsler, Cole Boucher; back row, Coach Jared Steck, Ryan Hilt, Dane Halpin, Jack Groves, Reid Gall, Dillon Sarff, Carlos Castaneda, and Coach Joe Bloxam. Not pictured is Owen Woods.



PONTIAC SWIM CO-OP. Dwight's Ellora McCullough and Libby Imhoff.

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DWIGHT TROJANS 2021 CROSS COUNTRY. Pictured, from left, are Coach Anna Oelschlager, Frank Lasser, Tristan Chambers, Ethan Mack, Brooke Vigna, Mikalah Bregin, Xander Pempe, Michael Michon.

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Dwight Lady Traigns

	Dwight Lady 1	•	
	2021 Volleyball S	Schedul	le
DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	LOCATION
Aug. 20	Green and White Night	5:00 p.m.	DTHS
Aug. 24	Streator (Pops Dale Gym)	6:00 p.m.	Streator
Aug. 25	Reed-Custer (Main Gym)	6:00 p.m.	Reed-Custer HS
Aug. 26	Lowpoint Washburn	6:30 p.m.	Lowpoint
Č	•		Washburn
Aug. 28	Pontiac	9:00 a.m.	Pontiac
Aug. 30	Leroy	7:00 p.m.	DTHS
Sept. 1	Clifton Central	7:00 p.m.	Clifton Central
Sept. 2	Midland	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
Sept. 8	Lexington	7:30 p.m.	Lexington HS
Sept. 9	Seneca	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
Sept. 16	Henry-Senachwine	6:30 p.m.	Henry-
			Senachwine
Sept. 20	Donovan	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
Sept. 22	Wilmington	7:00 p.m.	DTHS
Sept. 25	Reed-Custer Comet Classic	9:00 a.m.	R-C
			Fieldhouse
Sept. 27	Coal City (Comp Gym)	6:15 p.m.	Coal City
Sept. 28	Flanagan-Cornell	6:30 p.m.	Flanagan-
			Cornell
Sept. 30	Roanoke-Benson	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 4	Gibson City-Melvin-Sibley	7:00 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 5	Fieldcrest	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 7	Woodland	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 9	TCC Tournament	TBA	Woodland
Oct. 11	Tri-Point (Senior Night)	6:30 p.m.	DTHS
Oct. 12	TCC Tournament	TBA	Woodland
Oct. 13	Gardner-South Wilmington	6:30 p.m.	Gardner
Oct. 14	TCC Tournament	TBA	Woodland
Oct. 19	Putnam County	7:00 p.m.	Putnam

Ottawa-Marquette

IHSA Regionals

Oct. 21

Oct.

25-30

County

Ottawa-

Marquette

DTHS

6:30 p.m.

TBA

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FSW ORDINANCE NO. 2021-02 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR 2021 AN ORDINANCE SETTING FORTH THE BUDGET AND MAKING APPROPRIATION OF MONEY FOR ALL THE NECESSARY EXPENDITURES OF THE FORREST-STRAWN-WING FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR CORPORATE PURPOSES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021.

Of the Forrest/Strawn/Wing Fire Protection District located in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, for the calendar year beginning July 1st, 2021, and ending June 30th, 2022.

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held as to such Budget and Appropriate Ordinance on JULY 19, 2021 at 7 p.m.

WHEREAS, there has been prepared, in tentative form, a budget and appropriation ordinance for the FSW Fire Protection District, Livingston County, Illinois, and the Secretary of said Fire Protection District has made the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance conveniently available to public inspection for at least

HOW, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the FSW Fire Protection District, Livingston County, Illinois, as follows: SECTION 1: Each total being divided among the several objects and purposes specified herein, the total appropriations in the amount of \$263,350.00 for the calendar year beginning July 1st, 2021 and ending to June 30th, 2022, is the annual appropriation necessary for the purpose of defraying the necessary corporate expenses and liability of said District, and that the following budget be and the same is hereby adoption by this District as passed by the Board of Trustees as required by law and shall be in full force and effect from and after 10 days following the adoption hereof. ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE FUND

A. Salaries of Trustees \$5,000.00

- B. Salary of Treasurer
- C. Legal Expenses \$2,000.00
- D. Travel expense for Trustee \$500.00

thirty days prior to final action thereupon;

- E. Printing, publications, postage \$750
- F. Dues to Associations \$500.00

Total Estimated Adminstration Expenses \$11,250.00

OPERATING EXPENSE FUND

A. Wages of Fireman at Dept \$15,000.00

- B. 911 Dispatch Services \$5,400.00
- C. Purchase of Fire Fighting Equipment \$25,000.00
- D. Maintenance/Repairs of Equipment \$20,000.00
- E. Electrical Service \$3,000.00
- F. Telephone Expense \$3,000.00
- G. Fuel for Buildings \$1,750.00
- H. Gas and Oil for Vehicles \$3,000.00
- I. Chemicals and Foam \$2,000.00
- J. Building Maintenance \$8,500.00
- K. Payroll Tax Expense \$250.00
- L. Medical Expense for Fireman \$1,500.00
- M. Loan Payments on Building \$44,400.00
- N. Interest Expense \$7,500.00
- O. Miscellaneous Expenses of Department \$2,500.00 P. Expense of Forrest/Strawn Departments \$25,000.00 Total Estimated Operating Expenses \$167,800.00

TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES \$179,050.00

INSURANCE/TORT LIABILITY FUND

For the cost of protecting the District against liability, be it property, damage, or less, as provided in the Local Government Employee Tort Immunity Act for the fiscal year July 1st, 2020 through June 30th, 2021, the following costs are necessary:

Tort Liability Coverage \$9,200.00 Worker's Compensation Coverage \$5,300.00 Property Damage Coverage \$4,600.00 TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES \$19,100.00

CONTINGENT LIABILITY FUND

For miscellaneous and contingent Expenses unforeseen & not included \$10,000.00 TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES \$10,000.00

EMERGENCY AND RESCUE FUND

A. Wages for Emergency Crew \$10,000.00

B. For Purchase of New Equipment \$3,000.00 C. Gas & Oil \$1,200.00

D. For Repairs & Maintenance \$4,500.00

E. 911 Dispatch Services \$2,500.00 TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES \$21,200.00

FIRE TRUCK FUND

Payment on Fire Truck Accumulation of Funds \$14,000.00 For Purchase of New Trucks \$20,000.00 TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES \$34,000.00

FIRE PROTECTION BOND FUND 7.

Principal and Interest of General Obligation Fire Protection Bonds, Series 2003 \$0.00 TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES \$0.00

TOTAL ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR THE

FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1st, 2021 and ENDING JUNE 30th, 2022 \$263,350.00

SUMMARY OF BUDGETED AMOUNT FOR CALENDAR YEAR ENDING JUNE 30TH, 2022 BY FUND

ADMINISTRATION EXPENSE FUND \$11,250.00 OPERATING EXPENSE FUND \$167,800.00 INSURANCE/TORT LIABILITY FUND \$19,100.00 CONTINGENT LIABILITY FUND \$10,000.00 EMERGENCY/RESCUE FUND \$21,200.00 FIRE TRUCK FUND \$34,000.00 FIRE PROTECTION BOND FUND \$0.00 TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS \$263,350.00

SECTION 2: That the unexpended balance of any item or items of any appropriation may, by this Ordinance, be expended in making up any deficiency in any item or items in the same general appropriations made by this Ordinance.

SECTION 3: That should any clause, sentence paragraph, or part of this Ordinance be declared by a Court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

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Saint Patrick Church, Dwight, **Hosts MJM7 Band August 29**

The parishes of Saint joy, and family life offer the Patrick, Dwight, and Saint Paul, Odell, will host the MJM7 Band Sunday, August

The group, a Catholic family band comprised of Michael James Mette and five of his children: Gabriella (17), Trinity (15), Charity (13), Cecilia (12), and MJ (11), will provide the music liturgy for Masses, and for a Eucharistic Procession and Benediction in Saint Church following Patrick 10:30 a.m. Mass.

After Benediction, light refreshments will be offered prior to, and during, the concert in the parish hall at 114 W. Mazon Avenue, Dwight.

The Mettes' gifts of music,

boldness and innocence of youth with the wisdom and depth of lived experiences. Their events fall somewhere between a rock concert and a parish mission, with vibrant lights, powerful music, faith sharing, and an invitation to prayer. The music is uplifting without being preachy, creating an environment that is engaging without being confrontational. The concert empowers

All are invited to this free concert, and free-will donations are welcomed. Take a friend – you won't want to miss this unique event.

all ages to pray more fully and

worship more freely.

Limestone Twp. Library Begins **Programming in September**

Programming at LTLD returns in the month of September, and they are planning a month of fun with Storytime, Chess Club, and Adult Book Club, along with other pro-

To find out exact dates, stop in at the library to pick up a calendar to put on your refrigerator or visit the website, limestonelibrary.org on the newsletter page. Sign up for programs by stopping in, giving them a call, or sending a message through Facebook or Instagram.

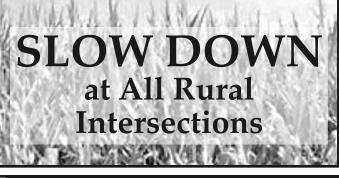
For the month of August, they are asking visitors to Check-In. When you use the Facebook Check-In feature on your phone (Android or Apple), show it to the staff at the front desk to receive a chance ticket for their Check-In Basket giveaway. One lucky person will re-

ceive a basket filled with good-

Every day that the library is open, 10:00-11:00 a.m. is reserved for those community members/patrons with compromised immune systems and seniors. Remaining hours are open to all members of the community.

Masks are required for all visitors from the age of two and up while in the library building. The library's Contactless Curbside Service is also available for those patrons who want it. Call the library for more informa-

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Pet of the Week

Hi there! My name is Roogan! I am 1 year old now! I am love to cuddle and I do really well in the bath as long as you are there to provide me some emotional support! My head in your lap is all I need! When I first got here and had my first bath, the ladies learned that I am a secret Dalmatian! When my coat is wet, you can see that I'm covered in spots! I LOVE tennis balls! I could play with them for hours! I would do best in a home with someone who home a lot and no other animals. I would like you all to myself.



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SECTION 4: That this Ordinance shall be known as Ordinance No. 2021-02.

SECTION 5: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage, approval, and publication in accordance with law.

Adopted on JULY 11, 2021, by the Board of Trustees of the Forrest/Strawn/Wing Fire Protection District in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, in meeting assembled, as Ordinance No. 2021-02 pursuant to a roll call vote as follows:

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CERTIFICATE OF CHIEF CALENDAR OFFICER

I hereby certify that the revenue, by source, shown for each fund of the taxing district in the attached certified copy of the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance of Forrest/Strawn/Wing Fire Protection District for the County of Livingston and State of Illinois, for the calendar year beginning July 1st, 2021, to June 30th, 2022, are the revenues anticipated for the calendar year July 1st, 2021, to June 30th, 2022.

Signed - Chief Calendar Officer Title - Treasurer

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COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON

The foregoing Ordinance No. 2021-02 attached hereto, is a certified copy of the Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for July 1st, 2021, to June 30th, 2022, passed at a duly called meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Forrest/Strawn/Wing Fire Protection District held on the 19th day of July, 2021 upon the unanimous vote of all Trustees entitled to vote. 8040-917354

Vandalism at the **Dwight Train Station**

Working with Amtrak to Obtain Video Surveillance

by Brandon LaChance

Small towns and communities only have so much to offer. In Dwight, the train depot is

one of its prize possessions as the railway runs through the heart of the town and it brings residents, travelers in and out on a daily basis.

Dwight Police Department's Chief of Police Tim Henson reports vandals are depreciating

"We have had a glass door broken at the train depot," Henson said. "We've had people going in spitting on the walls, taking wet toilet paper and throwing it high on the walls, leaving feces and other minor criminal damage. We've also had calls for drug overdose, fights in progress and stolen bags from the train.

"We've been having issues at the depot on and off for the better part of a couple of years. Recently, the fights in progress, drug overdoses and the wadding up of toilet paper, spitting and feces seem to be every other week as of late. The latest incident was last week.

There are video cameras inside of the depot, but Henson and his staff have been unable to see the footage.

"Unfortunately, we've been working with Amtrak and trying to get an understanding. There are video cameras at the train depot, but we don't have access to the information from those cameras," Henson said. 'We are working with a local vendor along with Amtrak to rectify this problem. If we can find a solution on the cameras, it should nip a lot of this in the bud and we can maintain a beautiful train station for our residents and travelers to

The problem with the cameras isn't functionality or an electric issue.

It's more diplomatic and about who owns the rights to the system and who can grant clearance for the DPD to watch the tape.

"The bottom line is that no-

body seems to know who owns the system that is there," Henson said. "The vendor that is on the cameras is no longer in business. The city who was given the train depot once it was built was never given any access codes or anything to that effect to the cameras.

"There is a fight between the Department of Transportation and Amtrak as to who owns what. That's why we reached out to a local vendor to try to solve the problem ourselves."

Henson added other communities have reached out because of similar criminal acts committed in their area. The thought process is if they're similar acts, the vandals could be traveling and repeating acts in different locations.

Without the cameras, Henson cannot help them.

For Dwight, the train depot isn't the only vandalism spot-

"We've also had criminal damage to our parks, specifically Renfrew Park, where vandals took some sort of dye, spray paint to the north shelter on the cement," Henson said. "There are obscene pictures and obscene words. It took countless hours from the village crew to get rid of the graffiti. The restrooms have had eggs smashed and thrown on the wall.

"It's just a lot of nuisance stuff. Fortunately we've been able to get it cleaned up, but we're just asking for the help of the community. If anyone sees anybody doing anything inappropriately, it would be helpful for them to call the police." To make a report, residents

can call 911 or the non-emergency number for the Dwight Police Department (815)-844-The DPD does give out re-

wards for those who provide information to arrest and con-

Brandon LaChance can be reached at (815) 876-7941, blachance20@gmail.com or on Twitter @LaChanceWriter.

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Gas Prices For This Week

While today's national gas price average (\$3.16) is just two cents cheaper than last Monday, by the end of this week it could be even less. All eyes are on gasoline demand, which has declined for three straight weeks. That is a healthy pandemic demand reading, but still about 6% below the same week in August 2019. If this downward trend continues and less expensive prices are sustained, Americans can expect to see relief at the pump in the near future. At \$3.16, today's national average is 98 cents more than a year ago and 56 cents more than two years ago

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City/Village	August 23	August 16
Dwight	\$3.28	\$3.30
Kankakee	\$3.07	\$3.20
Streator	\$3.14	\$3.18
Pontiac	\$3.13	\$3.13
Gardner	\$3.25	\$3.25
Braceville	\$3.36	\$3.39
Morris	\$3.23	\$3.33
Herscher	\$3.29	\$3.29
Chicago	\$3.47	\$4.01
Illinois	\$3.32	\$3.36
U.S.	\$3.16	\$3.18
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Sources: GasBuddy.com and U.S. Energy Information Administration.

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Lakeview Loan Servicing LLC Plaintiff,

Jonathan Womack Special Representative; Unknown heirs and legatees of Teresa Lanigan aka Teresa L. Lanigan, Amanda Emling aka Amanda B. Emling aka Amanda B. Lanigan: Aaron M. Lanigan Defendants.

CASE NO. 20 CH 39

1604 4H Park Road, Pontiac, Illinois 61764

NOTICE OF SHERIFF SALE

Public notice is hereby given that in pursuance of a judgment of said Court entered in the above-entitled cause on July 16, 2021, I, Sheriff, Tony Childress of Livingston County, Illinois, will hold a sale on October 5, 2021, commencing at 10:00 A.M., at the Law and Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, IL 61764, Room TBA, to sell to the highest bidder or bidders the following described real estate, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to satisfy said decree, to-wit: Commonly known as: 1604 4H Park Road, Pontiac, Illinois

P.I.N.: 15-15-21-100-004

First mortgage Lien Position; Single-Family Residence; Judgment Amount \$155,525.26

IN ACCORDANCE WITH 735 ILCS 5/15-1507(c)(1)(H-1) AND (H-2), 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(5), AND 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1), YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED THAT THE PURCHASER OF THE PROPERTY, OTHER THAN A MORTGAGEE, SHALL PAY THE ASSESSMENTS AND LEGAL FEES REQUIRED BY SUBSECTIONS (g)(1) AND (g)(4) OF SECTION 9 AND THE ASSESSMENTS AND COURT COSTS REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (g-1) OF SECTION 18.5 OF THE ILLINOIS CONDO-MINIUM PROPERTY ACT

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be held two days later on Saturday, November 13, instead of the 11th – which is a Thursday.

This will be a solemn, but joyful, fun event honoring our fabulous veterans and the mother of all roads – Route 66.

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OSF HealthCare Volunteer Opportunities

OSF HealthCare has volunteer opportunities in Ottawa, Streator, and Mendota. Are you someone who wants to help others? They would love to talk with you and discuss some unique flexible opportunities to volunteer; to become an extension of their community care-

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commentary

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The Dwight area has been beaten up economically in recent years, with the closure of the Dwight Correctional Center and then LSC Communications (R. R. Donnelley), each of which employed more than 350 people.

According to the latest census, Livingston County has lost some 3,000 residents since 2010. Throw in a Covid-19 pandemic and you have the background for a rather ugly economic picture.

Patience.

Only a few knew during the Dwight mayoral administration of Jared Anderson that the Greater Livingston County **Economic Development** Council was pursuing a plan with the Village of Dwight to annex property east of town that was especially valuable due to its location.

The property was, according to a quote from Adam Dontz, CEO of the GLCEDC, "at a logistical nexus of the Norfolk Southern and Union Pacific Railroads in Dwight. It was named Megasite 55 and zoned for heavy industrial uses, ideal for manufacturers in all of its sectors.

"The site offered direct, single-line freight movements to all major Atlantic, Pacific, and Gulf Coast ports, and service to Canada and Mexico."

Jones Lang LaSalle, a property management and development company, was retained to provide a site assessment which was completed in July of 2020.

The executive summary of the site assessment provided by JLL stated that "From the perspective of a large manufacturer, the Dwight Megasite has many positive attributes. The site size, topography, utility connectivity, and dual rail access make it very attractive in the competitive marketplace."

The summary went on: "In fact, the Dwight Megasite is one of only two large scale, project-ready greenfield sites in the entire United States, with dual Class I rail service from both an east coast and west coast provider.

"This makes the site truly unique in the United States." The quality of the site was further enhanced in the JLL site assessment with these words: "The Dwight Megasite has excellent topographical features. It is incredibly flat and uniform in elevation. It has convenient and feasible access from many points of entry. The site can accomo-

Members of the Dwight Village Council voted unanimously to annex and rezone the Megasite 55 site in March of this year.

date many large uses and can

also accommodate subdivi-

sion into smaller parcels."

A Chicago real estate company is marketing the property.

The entire site assessment details are available on the internet at Dwight Megasite 55, click where it says.

WINES

— Tom Tock



Old World Liquors

Tito's Handmade **VODKA** 1.75 liter

LIQUORS

Wave Vodka 1.75 liter	\$ 8 99
Platinum 7X or U.V. Vodka 1.75 liter	\$1399
Aviation Gin 750 ml.	\$1799
Margaritaville Tequila 750 ml(Gold or Silver)	\$ 8 99
Seagram's V.O. 1.75 liter	\$1999



Canadian

LTD 1.75 liter

Admiral Nelson's **1.75 liter RUM**





Icehouse, High Life or Busch 30-pack cans	\$1386
Coors Light, MGD or Budweiser 24-pack bottles	\$ 16 ⁶³
Michelob Ultra 30-pack cans	\$21 ⁹⁵
Goose Island or Sam Adams 12-pack bottles or cans	\$12 ⁹⁹

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Kendall Jackson **\$Q**99 Chardonnay 750 ml. **Bread & Butter**

Wines 750 ml. Kim Crawford Sauvignon

\$1399 Blanc 750 ml. **Arbor Mist \$3**99

Wines 750 ml. Juggernaut

Pinot Noir or Cabernet 750 ml.

Truly Hard Seltzer



Jack Daniel's COUNTRY COCKTAILS 6-pack bottles