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# Harvest Days a Success Annual event thrives after Covid-19 took away last year

By Brandon LaChance

tough business.

Trying to pick a winner of the Bears game, who will win the World Series and whether or not government decisions surrounding the pandemic are going to work in the future are just a few of the tough Magic 8-ball moments we ponder.

This year's Harvest Days had a curious aura around it as it was held Sept. 16-19 after not setting up shop in downtown Dwight in 2020 because of Covid-19.

When asked if the 42nd Annual Harvest Days was successful in 2021, president of the non-profit Harvest Days Committee, Randy Irvin, let out two quick and boisterous words, "Oh yeah".

"I believe Harvest Days was successful," Irvin said. "Even though the crowds may not have seemed as busy as they have in the past, I think the layout that we used this year spreading out the carnival gave the illusion that there wasn't as many people. We were definitely successful.

"What makes it successful is the community was able to There wasn't any negative happening. There wasn't any arguments over politics. I think that's what makes it a success. We're a community organization and we're not only trying to bring Dwight together, but we try to bring surrounding towns into Dwight to see what Dwight offers. Our main goal is to have kids come out and have

fun doing free things that they can enjoy and the parents don't Predicting anything is a have to break their bank for it."

Financially, the four-day event filled with a carnival, food vendors, flea market, live entertainment and family fun was successful as well.

The Harvest Days Committee is not funded by the Village of Dwight although police and EMT services are provided. The non-profit organization run by volunteers relies on support from businesses and individuals from Dwight, Gardner, Campus, Pontiac, South Wilmington, Odell, Reddick and other surrounding towns, fees for flea market entry (\$65 per space), carnival button sales and fund raising to build a

Every cent brought in is saved and anted into the budget for next year's Harvest Days.

"Our budget this year was roughly \$45 thousand. We were able to stay pretty close to our budget," Irvin said. "With support, sponsorships and fees that we take in, we were able to recoup our budget expenses. We didn't lose any money this year, which is a very good goal for Harvest Days.

"Obviously, if we could do come out and enjoy themselves more we would. But, you never and bring people together. know where the sponsors are great time. Everyone on our coming in. Lucky for us, we committee is so happy people have businesses in town that believe in Harvest Days and we have individuals in town that believe in Harvest Days. People supported us this year and Days in the books, it's time for they support us every year. Without the support of the businesses and individuals, there wouldn't be a Harvest Days."

Some of the committee's ex-

penses can't be earned back as \$6 thousand was spent on bands and live entertainment, \$4,800 was spent on Porta Pottys and sanitation and \$2 thousand on tents, tables and chairs. The insurance cost has to be figured in as well.

With the white elephant in the room – Covid-19 – and the standard issues springing up such as hot temperatures, Irvin felt Harvest Days ran smoothly and all had fun.

"We've got a great organization. All of the committee members on the board and all of our other volunteers put hundreds to thousands of hours into Harvest Days every year," said Irvin of the committee that has invested \$12 thousand over the last two years to improve Dwight's electrical system and panels for the use of Harvest Days, the Dwight Economic Alliance and Dwight in general. "I don't think they get enough credit for the hard work they do put in. Honestly, I don't think I could ever thank them enough for the work they put

"Organizing all of the craft vendors, the flea markets, the carnival, the parade and everything else. It's organized chaos with that many people. It's a were able to come out and enjoy. It was such a great weekend, too."

With this year's Harvest Irvin and the Harvest Days Committee to figure out what worked this year and what should be changed, added or

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DWIGHT HARVEST DAYS WINNERS OF THE BASSET WADDLE Best Wonderland **Themed Costumes.** 

# The Waddle of the Bassets **Basset Hound Waddle** delivers same long-eared joy

By Brandon LaChance

Is there anything cuter than a dog with long ears, droopy eyes, long body and short legs?

For Basset Hound owners, lovers, supporters and Dwight Harvest Day Parade onlookers, the answer is a quick no.

This year's parade on Sept. 19 featured the 24th Basset Waddle with approximately 350 (similar turnout to 2019) of the beloved dog. Some of them are from Dwight's Guardian Angel Basset Rescue while some travel from all over the state and country to walk

the parade. We run the rescue and have for the last 25 years. We have taken in over 5 thousand dogs and have adopted them off." said Larry Little, president of the Guardian Angel Basset Rescue. "I'm a constant fundraiser and help out different causes, that's just part of my life and who I am. We have over 400 people that donate

every month and we have other couple that have dedicated their gifts that come in. Our people are very generous and it's because of our donors that we're able to continue it.

"Anytime you have that many people involved and to and I didn't. When I was a kid, put on another event – we initially started this as another fundraiser – its become a family reunion. Everyone loves their Bassets and they want to get together and see other bassets. They don't live that long so they want to get together as many times as possible."

Unfortunately, a Basset Hound's life expectancy is 10-12 years. With such a short life, getting in as many Basset Wad-

dles as possible is a must. Little and his wife Emmy started the tradition 24 years ago in 1997. Larry Little remembers the first parade being over 100 degrees. He even called the heat wave, "Murderous". Although this year's parade was rather warm, 2021 was far more enjoyable for the

lives to helping Bassets.

"I fell in love with it. When we got married we both wanted a dog," Larry Little said. "She wanted a Labrador Retriever I used to watch a show called 'Talk of the Town'. It was on black and white TV and it was a comic (Jaye P. Morgan) sitting on a stool next to a Basset Hound, named Cloe. The comic wore a top hat and would tell jokes to her. I always thought, 'That is the coolest dog ever. I want one.'

"About 27 or 28 years ago, I went to a pet store – which is something I tell people not to do these days - but if we hadn't done it, we wouldn't have saved over 5 thousand dogs. There was a Basset Hound rescue group in Illinois, but they weren't doing much and definitely weren't raising any money. I came in and talked to them and said there needed to

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# **Gardner-South Wilmington High School Board Talks Numbers, Sports and More**

Gardner-South Wilmington High School District #73 held a Budget Hearing and Regular Meeting September 22, which highlighted the following top-

Mr. DeLong presented the FY 22 District Budget to board members. While this is a deficit budget of approximately \$300,000, Mr. DeLong does not anticipate the deficit being as high as presented. Most of the deficit is due to transportation and special education

Principal, Mr. John Engelman, reported on the following: • The school year is going well so far. Volleyball and fall baseball games are in full swing.

• The GSW Fall Play has been canceled due to low numbers. They only had three students committed, due to various reasons. They hope to be able to backorder. have a Spring Play.

• August 25, 2021 – Morris Hospital staff was at GSW HS and held their Rhythm of our Youth Cardiac testing. This was free to all students who wanted to participate. They tested 117 students that day.

There was no Director's Report. Ms. Dallio, Academics Coordinator, and Williamson, Technology Director, were both asked to submit written reports for next month. These will be discussed at their October meeting.

In regards to the Building and Ground Report, Mr. De-Long presented the following: Café / kitchen update – They are still waiting on several pieces of equipment from the vendor. Like most things during the pandemic, items are on

· Baseball field / scoreboard update – A new scoreboard has been ordered and should be arriving any day. It will be installed and ready for the Spring Season. They will also be doing field prep this fall.

• Building tours recap - The tours seemed to go well. It was a little slow at first, but busier the final hour.

• Parking lot renovation – The parking lot renovation will be a go for this summer. They will look to widen the West parking lot, fix drainage, put in angle parking, add additional parking, fix the sidewalks out front and look at adding another entry/exit.

Superintendent DeLong presented on the following: • October 5th – There will be

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DWIGHT HARVEST DAYS BASSET WADDLE Trophy Dog.

photo by J7 Images



# FOR THE RECORD

## **Tickets Issued** by Dwight Police

September 17: Ana M. Quezada, 18, Peoria, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

September 22: Nicholas C. Page, 25, Dwight, expiration of registration; Karen Thurston-Stephens, 70, Fort Collins, CO.

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

### **Dwight Police Blotter**

September 18: Dwight Police were notified of a Motor Vehicle Theft, having occurred the previous evening, from the 200 block of E. Mazon. The vehicle was located and impounded in Chicago. Neils Olds was arrested and taken into custody. The Owner of the stolen vehicle was able to retrieve his vehicle in Chicago.

September 20: A subject walked into Dwight PD to advise his vehicle had been damaged while parked at Renfrew

September 22: Dwight Police were dispatched to E. Northbrook Dr. for a report of

Burglar Alarm – 8; Lockout - 6; Assist Agency - 4; Suspicious Activity – 2; Traffic Stop – 3; Lost Item – 4; Well Being Check -3; Disorderly -1; Medical Aid - 3; Found Dog – 1; Intoxicated Subject – 2; Return Call – 5; Stolen Vehicle -1; Domestic Issue -2; Walk In - 6; Subject Removal - 1; Unknown Problem – 2; Unknown Accident – 1; Limb on Roadway – 1; Out With Vehicle – 2; Follow Up – 3; Scam – 1; Reckless Driver – 1; Theft -1.



#### Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

September 16: John St., medical, Riverside.

September 17: Reed Rd., fire, no patient, mutual aid to MVK; Main, medical, refusal; Delaware, medical, Morris; Spencer, medical, Riverside.

September 18: Scott, medical, St. James; 3150 North, medical, refusal.

September 19: 2600 East, medical, mutual aid - Odell; 2nd, trauma, refusal, mutual aid - Odell; Prairie, trauma, refusal; Clinton, medical, refusal; Watters, medical; Main, no patient; Wabash, medical, St. James, mutual aid – Campus.

September 20: Mazon, trauma, Morris; North Rd., trauma, refusal; Spencer, medical, mutual aid from Coal City; John, medical, Morris; Prospect, no patient; James, trauma, refusal.

September 21: South, medical, Riverside: Chicago, medical, Morris; Bannon, medical, Morris; James, medical, Mor-

September 22: 1600 E. Rd., medical, cancelled/wrong address; Main St., medical, Morris; Mazon, trauma, Morris; Washington, medical, River-

September 23: Wabash, trauma, refusal, mutual aid to



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# Temps - 2021

Sept. 16 - high 84°, low 47° Sept. 17 – high 89°, low 57° Sept. 18 - high 85°, low 58° Sept. 19 - high 92°, low 58°

.02" precip. Sept. 20 – high 84°, low 64° .71" precip.

Sept. 21 – high 69°, low 54° .10" precip. Sept. 22 – high 63°, low 46° One Year Ago-Sept. 29, 2020 high 80°, low 51°

# Livingston Cty. Offices Closed October 11

.44" precip.

All Livingston County Offices will be closed Monday, October 11, in observance of Columbus Day.

# It's History...

L. Hollmeyer, of Gardner, spen Wednesday night in Dwight visiting relatives.

Miss Rosalie Mowry, of Fairbury was married recently to Leo Johnson

Mrs. William Myers died Thursday at her home in Champaign at the age of 62 years.

Free-A fruit jar with each quar or two quarts of oysters at Drew' Meat Market.-Adv.

Miss Elsie Bartholic left Sunday ev ening for Plano, where she is teach ing in the public schools.

Misses Margaret and Alice Judge, o Chicago, spent Sunday here with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Judge. The annual meeting of the Illinois Live Stock Breeders' Association wil be held at Peoria Jan. 13, 14 and 15. Louise Hansen and Sayde Worby isited Miss Irene Stevenson Thurs day, who is at the Streator hospital. Loyd Barr returned to Chicago Tuesday after a few days' visit here with his brother, Dr. C. H. Barr and





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# **Livingston Workforce Services** Year in Review 2020-2021

Livingston Workforce Services has announced its first Year in Review report, which highlights its services and impacts to the Livingston County community from July 2020 to June 2021 through the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

With WIOA, federal tax dollars are being reinvested back into Livingston County. Over the last year, they have served single parents, food stamp recipients, unemployment benefit recipients, individuals with a disability, offenders, veterans, and more. These individuals have benefited in various ways by earning their High School Equivalency, to earning their bachelor's degree, to finding secure employment.

The Year in Review outlines challenges faced through the COVID-19 pandemic, their response to the closure of LSC Communications in Dwight, spending over \$150K on tuition, books and supplies, gas reimbursements, providing 17 interns with hands-on experience at area businesses and organizations, as well as success stories of participants and numbers that reflect the impact to the community.

The Year in Review can be viewed at livingstonworkforce services.com.

For more information or questions, contact the Livingston Workforce Services office at 309-268-8280.

# First West Nile Virus-Positive Bird Identified in Livingston County

The Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) confirmed on September 13 that the first bird infected with the West Nile Virus (WNV) was found in Livingston County in Dwight.

No human cases of West Nile Virus have been reported so far this year, nor have any batches of mosquitoes tested positive yet in Livingston County. To date, there are 39 Illinois counties positive for WNV.

"Although most cases of West Nile Virus are mild, the virus can cause serious, life-altering and even fatal disease. That is why it is so important to protect yourself against mosquito bites by wearing insect repellent and removing any standing water around your home," states LCHD Health Director, Donnie Simmons.

Common symptoms of the virus include fever, nausea, headache and muscle aches. Symptoms may last from a few

days to a few weeks: however. four out of five people infected with West Nile Virus will not show any symptoms. In rare cases, severe illness including meningitis, or even death, can occur. People older than 60 and individuals with weakened immune systems are at higher risk for severe illness from WNV.

Precautions to Fight the Bite include practicing the three "R's" - reduce, repel, and report – mosquitoes.

The LCHD has free larvacide to treat standing or accumulated water for mosquito larvae. Just call the LCHD at 815-844-7171, ext. 216, to schedule a pick-up time. The LCHD also submits for testing of WNV eligible birds that have been dead for less than 48 hours with no visible causes of death that residents have found.

Additional information about West Nile Virus can be found at dph.illinois.gov.

# Fight the Flu with the LCHD

The Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) is here to help Livingston County stay healthy this influenza (flu) season. The LCHD will host its kick-off clinic Friday, October 1, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in downtown Pontiac, in the parking lot located south of the old courthouse, with support from Pontiac Chamber of Commerce.

Lola's will be open on the square serving up their popular Filipino cuisine during the

Additional public flu clinics in the county include:

• Friday, October 8, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Dwight United LCHD staff. Methodist Church, 701 S. Co-

9:00 a.m., Bank of Pontiac – Odell Branch, 200 S. Waupan• Wednesday, October 13, 9:30-10:15 a.m., Saunemin Village Community Building, 70 North

• Friday, October 22, 11:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., State Bank of Graymont, 204 Main St.

A well-trained LCHD nurse will be administering the flu vaccinations. No appointment is necessary. Take your insurance card and ID as Medicare, Medicaid, and private insurance will be billed for all flu shots. Reasonable accommodations will be made for those individuals with no form of tems; and people 65 years and health insurance. Masks must older. People at high risk for sebe worn when interacting with rious flu-related complications

Walk-in flu vaccinations will be available at the LCHD, • Wednesday, October 13, 8:00- 310 E. Torrance Ave., Pontiac, beginning October 1. For those with limited mobility, the flu a child younger than six vaccine may be taken to your months of age.

vehicle. Call 815-844-7174, ext. 210, upon your arrival and a LCHD nurse will meet you at your vehicle to administer the flu vaccination.

The CDC recommends everyone six months of age and older get the flu vaccine. People at highest risk of serious flu-related complications include: young children; pregnant women; people with chronic health conditions like asthma, diabetes, or heart, lung and kidney disease; people with weakened immune sysshould make getting vaccinated a priority. Vaccination is also important for anyone who has close contact with a person at high risk for complications, or

# Childress Announces Re-Election Campaign

In a Dwight Harvest Days lationship with the county statement, Tony Childress announced his candidacy for reelection to a third term as Sheriff of Livingston County.

"I'm proud of the accomachieved over the years," comprehensive and effective of our county."

Sheriff's department, the State's Attorney's office, and stressed a smooth working re-

board, and expressed appreciation for the support he has re-

The county jail, which is under the Sheriff's direction, plishments the department has has been responsible for bringing in more than \$18 million Childress said, "and I hope to by housing overflow offenders continue providing even more from Cook County. "These drugs from the border to the services to my fellow citizens eral fund," Childress said, "and help provide essential Childress praised a strong, services to our people. I'm smooth relationship among the proud to have established this program."

Childress also noted the the judiciary. Childress also importance of the county's K-9 units. "We have four teams

with highly trained professional officers and dogs," he said, "and they are on duty 24 hours a day. I have seen the sad situation at our southern border with my own eyes and I am convinced of the need for a strong anti-drug program, as I-55 is a direct conduit for Chicago area. Border control is non-existent and we, as well as several other counties, are seeing the results."

"We all have seen the disdain for law enforcement that exists in certain areas of the country, and even our state, today," Childress said.

"With defund the police movements arising in many cities, this is a difficult time for law enforcement," Childress said, "and not a time for new and inexperienced management. With over 30 years of experience in law enforcement, I feel confident that I can continue to effectively serve the people of our county."

"That's why I am seeking another term and I respectfully ask my fellow citizens for continued support and confidence in me and my entire team."

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# **Prepare Yourself Financially For Illness...Just In Case**

All of us hope to live long, healthy lives, so we do what we can to take care of ourselves through proper diet, exercise and avoiding unhealthy activities. However, none of us can predict our future, so it pays to be prepared for anything - including a serious physical illness or the onset of some type of mental incapacity, such as Alzheimer's

Of course, you may never face these infirmities, but you should be aware that they could upset your long-term financial strategy and place considerable stress on your loved ones. What steps can you take to head off these

First, make sure you know what your health insurance covers and how much you might have to pay out of pocket for treatment of illnesses such as cancer or kidney ailments. If you're on Medicare (supplemented with Medigap) or Medicare Advantage (Medicare Part C), you'll want to know all about deductibles, copayments and coinsurance. However, if Alzheimer's or another type of dementia is involved, Medicare may not cover the costs that could be incurred in an assisted living facility, so you may want to consult with a financial advisor, who can suggest ways of protecting yourself from long-term care costs, which can be quite high.

Your next move is to make sure you have adequate liquidity. It's hard to predict how many out-of-pocket costs you could incur when coping with a serious illness, but it's a good idea to have enough cash readily available, rather than dipping into your 401(k) or other retirement accounts. So, if you're retired, you might want to keep up to a year's worth of living expenses in a liquid, low-risk account.

Here's another important step: Update your estate plan. Hopefully, if you have a serious illness, you'll be able to recover. But it's still a good idea to review your estate plan to ensure everything is in order, such as your will and your living trust, if you've created one. If you've kept up your life insurance, you'll also want to ensure your premiums are still being paid. And don't forget to review your beneficiary designations on your 401(k), insurance policies and other financial documents, since these designations can supersede the instructions in your will.

As part of your estate planning, you may want to include a durable power of attorney for finances, which allows you to name someone to manage your financial affairs if you become incapacitated, and a durable power of attorney for health care, which lets you name someone to make medical decisions for you if you're unable to do so yourself. You may also create a health care directive or living will to express your wishes if you don't have a power of attorney for health care, or the person named in a power of attorney for health care can't be reached in an emergency. And since estate planning can be complex, you'll certainly want to work with a legal professional, and possibly your

tax and financial advisors, as well. You might think it's somewhat grim to prepare yourself financially in case you become seriously ill or if your life is touched by Alzheimer's or another mental infirmity. But it's a positive move - you're protecting yourself and your loved ones from whatever life may throw at you.

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# **Gas Prices For** This Week Fall is here, but instead of taking a seasonal dip,

gas prices still reflect summertime levels when demand was higher. The national average dropped a penny on the week to \$3.18 after matching a a penny on the week to \$3.18 after matching a seven-year-high in the prior week. The big culprit in keeping pump prices high is the price of crude oil, which is above \$73 bbl. Consumers should see the usual autumn relief at the pump, but factor in that approximately 16% of crude production in the Gulf of Mexico is still shut down because of Hurricanes Ida and Nicholas and the concerns about what higher COVID cases could do to the economy, and this uncertainty is helping to keep economy, and this uncertainty is helping to keep oil prices elevated. High crude prices will con-tribute to gasoline prices likely remaining ele-

vated this fa	II <b>.</b>		A
City/Village	September 27	September 20	
Dwight	\$3.18	\$3.22	
Kankakee	\$3.25	\$3.33	
Streator	\$3.07	\$3.25	
Pontiac	\$3.28	\$3.34	
Gardner	\$3.35	\$3.35	
Braceville	\$3.15	\$3.28	
Morris	\$3.22	\$3.32	
Herscher	\$3.35	\$3.35	
Chicago	\$3.50	\$3.54	
Illinois	\$3.34	\$3.39	
U.S.	\$3.18	\$3.19	

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

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7:30 a.m. - 2 p.m.



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# **Alpha Beta Members** 'Tour the Holy Land'

by Carol Hughes

On September 11, Alpha Beta Chapter of DKG met at the Edinger's Filling Station in Pontiac. Jan Liston (Bloomington) shared about her tour of Israel which covered many places mentioned in the Bible. Her well-researched presentation and photos started at Caesarea on the Mediterranean, on to Nazareth where Jesus taught in the synagogue, to Galilee where Jesus healed and spoke, and to the Sea of Galilee on which he walked. Jesus left Nazareth for Capernaum where he did much preaching. The list of sites goes on and ends in Jerusalem where Bethlehem is now a suburb.

Highlights of Jerusalem are the Western Wall, Garden of Gethsemane which is at the foot of the Mt. of Olives where Jesus spent much time, and the Via Dolorosa (Way of Sorrow) and its 14 Stations of the Cross on the way to Golgotha. Numerous churches are found in these historic spots and some were built by Roman governor Constantine who became a Christian. Of special interest are the Church of the Annunciation dedicated to Mary and the Church of the Nativity where Jesus was born and is the oldest.

There are still controversies over the real places where Jesus walked and talked. But archaeologists continue to dig and make discoveries like the Dead Sea Scrolls which were found in a cave near the Dead Sea. The Dead Sea is the lowest place on earth and its salty water makes floating very easy. The Israel Museum houses the Scrolls along with other antiquities. Yad Vashem is a memorial outside Jerusalem which remembers the six million Jews slaughtered in the Holocaust.

At the business meeting,

Janet Kilgus (Fairbury) reported that Alpha Beta members donated \$450 to the building of another well in Malawi. The money collected from chapters and individuals will be matched up to \$15,000 by a donation from an Alpha Tau member. Over the years, Alpha Beta has provided 11 wells for people in Malawi.

At Eureka College, Carol Hughes (Roanoke), Louann Harms (Fairbury), and Lou Ann Jacobs (Normal) spoke at a meeting for women majoring in education who were interested in learning why they should join DKG as a collegiate member. By Sept. 22, those wishing to join are to turn in the member information form and a \$10 fee, which will be matched by the chapter.

Co-Pres. Jacobs announced that the Legislative Seminar will be Zoomed twice. On October 23 from 1:00-2:00 p.m. Sheila Simon will present, and on October 23 from 7:00-8:00 p.m. Sean Denney of the IEA is featured.

Literacy Chair Jan Masching (Dwight) said books are collected and that the spring Creative Arts Retreat will be held on June 21-23 at Allerton Park near Monticello in a beautiful facility with all activities under one roof.

The state Communications and Marketing Committee has developed a web page to accommodate members wishing to share their programs with other DKG members. The web page is www.dkgzoom illinois.com.

On Oct. 16, the breakfast meeting will be held in the East Room of the Commons of Eureka College. Members will share "Tips for the Classroom" with collegiate members.

For more information, visit dkg.org or contact Carol Hughes at chughes@mtco.com.



THE GRUNDY COUNTY CORN FESTIVAL Queen candidates, representing Gardner-South Wilmington High School, were juniors Colby Grieff, Delaney Platt, Taeryn Lardi, and Hannah Frescura. Grieff was voted Queen of GSW High School – receiving first runner-up overall.

# **Banned Books Week Celebrated at LTLD**

Banned Books Week is September 26 through October 2, in which libraries across the nation, including Limestone Township Library District (LTLD), celebrate the freedom to read. Typically held during the last week of September, Banned Books Week spotlights current and historical attempts to censor books in libraries and schools.

Join for a Banned Books Tasting Thurs., Sept. 30, at 6:00 p.m. on the patio as they discuss various books that have been banned or challenged *and* the reasons why. The discussion will include recent articles

about book challenges in our country. This program is for **Teens and Adults**.

Programs at LTLD are being held outside on the grounds of the library or virtually on Facebook. Sign up for any program you wish to attend ahead of time by stopping in the library or calling.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to call them at 815-939-1696, e-mail them at info@limestonelibrary.org, or message them at Facebook or Instagram. Visit their website, limestonelibrary.org, for more information.

# Area COVID-19 Stats as of September 27

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<b>Town</b>	<b>Tested</b>		Cases	
Dwight	15,797		678	
Herscher	3,648		300	
Gardner	3,241		252	
Mazon	2,413		200	
Odell	3,478		207	
Braceville	2,404		177	
Essex	1,499		155	Numbers
S. Wilmington	1,252		107	
Cullom	1,720		92	as of
Reddick	1,285		77	09/27/21
Saunemin	1,648		86	C1 1. 1.
Verona	1,009		76	Statistics via:
Buckingham	960		69	dph.illinois.gov
Ransom	1,065		57	
Cabery	952		56	
Kempton	879		50	
Blackstone	523		40	
Emington	657		50	
Kinsman	348		21	
Campus	538		20	
Union Hill	159		13	
County	<b>Tested</b>		Cases	<b>Deaths</b>
Kankakee	303,974		16,856	235
LaSalle	263,208		14,539	278
Grundy	86,916		7,045	82
Livingston	143,730		5,741	96
Iroquois	67,627		3,969	73
Ford	41,670		2,359	56

Illinois - Confirmed Cases: 1,612,129; Deaths: 24,783; Probable Deaths: 2,657; Total Tests Performed: 31,192,769.

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.









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# Nominations Being Accepted for GSW Distinguished Panthers

High School is seeking nominations for the GSW Distinguished Panther Hall of Fame.

According to the board of education approved bylaws, "The Gardner-South Wilmington High School Panther Hall of Fame exists to honor outstanding alumni of GSWHS or persons that gave distinguished service to our school. This award is for a Panther that made a significant contribution to society, GSWHS or the GSW community. This induction recognizes individuals who bring honor to Gardner South Wilmington High School through their accomplishments. These Panthers inspire future generations to excel and serve our school and community."

The selection committee is now seeking nominations for potential inductees. The committee will consider candidates whose achievements and/or contributions are outstanding, leaving no question as to the individual's potential inclusion in the Hall of Fame.

Criteria for nominees: 1) A person who has graduated from GSW no less than five years before their year of induction or 1a) A person who has given distinguished service to GSW and has not been employed at the school within the last five years prior to their induction. Example: teacher. 2) A person whose actions demonstrate outstanding character.

Gardner-South Wilmington 3) A person whose outstanding citizenship has achieved internanational, or tional, recognition.

> 4) A person whose leadership can inspire students in the pursuit of excellence.

> 5) A person whose accomplishments are outstanding or whose leadership is considered excep-

6) Posthumous nominations will be accepted.

Nomination forms for the GSW Panther Hall of Fame may be submitted by:

a. Citizens who live within GSWHS District #73 boundaries. b. Current or former GSWHS staff

c. GSWHS graduates no longer living in the school district.

d. Family members of the nomi-

Nomination forms must be received at GSW by November 1. Nomination forms can be found on the school website at gswhs73.org/ or picked up at the

Nomination forms may be

GSW High School Panther Hall of Fame 500 East Main St.

Gardner, Illinois 60424 Nomination forms can also be e-mailed to John Engelman at jengelman@gswhs73.org.

# **REEL Review: Shang Chi and the Ten Rings**

By: Peter Babb

As we enter the holiday season, Marvel's latest movie is an action-filled adventure that must be experienced in the-

"Shang Chi and the Ten Rings" stars Simu Liu as Shang Chi. This film focuses on Shang Chi as he tries to face the demons of his past and save the world from his father.

Watching this film on your television at home does this movie a disservice. "Shang Chi and the Ten Rings" is a beautifully-crafted film that will leave the audience in awe.

It has a compelling story

that explains the origin story for the newest character in the Marvel cinematic universe very well. The film is entertaining with action that will leave you on the edge of your seat, witty comedy at the right moments and is two hours of entertainment for all ages.

Although "Shang Chi and the Ten Rings" released in theataers on Labor Day weekend, this film is still worth the watch. I give "Shang Chi and the Ten Rings" an eight out of ten. It is arguably one of the best Marvel films that I have seen hit the big screen. This movie does not disappoint.

# Streaming Shows Win Emmy's

By: Peter Babb

As the 73 annual Primetime Emmy Award show concluded on Sept. 19, it was clear that the top shows on TV are on streaming platforms.

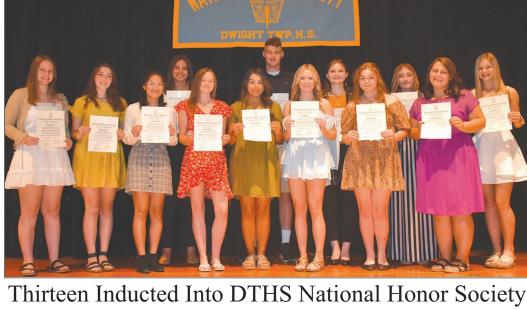
awards at the Emmy's. With their hit series "The Crown" taking home the most awards with seven. Apple TV+ took home four awards for their hit lars into exclusive series.

series "Ted Lasso".

Other streaming platforms such as Disney+ and HBO also both took awards.

Netflix had the most nomi- diences and critics favorite senations out of the various net- ries are starting to become platforms than on cable. This may become more of a trend as streaming platforms have started to pour millions of dol-

With the Emmy's, both au-



On September 21, 13 students were inducted into the Laurel Chapter of the National Honor Society at Dwight Township High School.

Ms. Cathy Ferguson, a 1975 DTHS graduate and NHS member, was the keynote speaker for the evening and spoke on the four cornerstones of the National Honor Society: Scholarship, Leadership, Character, and Service.

Ms. Ferguson stressed how important it is to continue to grow, inspire, learn, and perform – highlighting that she has made family a priority throughout her lifetime and encouraged students to show their families kindness, respect, and most of all, love.

Newly inducted members for 2021 are:

• Seniors: Leticia DeLara, Darien Guyer, Brooke Vigna. • Juniors: Erin Anderson, Iris Beier, Harlie Boucher, Emelia Eitenmiller, Lola Furbee, Maya Green, Hailey Heath, Ava Kargle, Deidre Miiller, Wyatt Thompson.

# Enjoy a Cup of Coffee and a Book at Prairie Creek Library Sept.29

off, Prairie Creek Public Library, located at 501 Carriage House Lane in Dwight, is offering patrons a free cup of a coffee of their choice with every check-out Wednesday, September 29.

All patrons are invited to stop in to pick out a book and a

Prairie Creek Public Library is mindful of its patrons with

With the weather cooling disabilities and aims to accommodate them as best they can, and in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. If you are disabled and plan to attend a program at the library, you are invited to call them in advance at 815-584-3061 to make sure they are aware and prepared to meet your needs. The building is accessible and equipped with an elevator.

# **Binging with Babb**

# Fall gets Frightful with new Murder Mystery Comedy Show

By: Peter Babb

Wanting to find a new show that will have you on the edge of your seat? One of the newest shows to hit streaming has just

Hulu's, "Only Murders in the Building" (TV-MA) is a mature comedy series that has its own unique spin on true crime drama. Leaving audiences left on cliffhangers and laughs every week.

The show stars Selena Gomez, Martin Short and Steve Martin as three characters who complex in the Upper West Side of New York City.

All three characters are obsessed with true crime but then find themselves caught up in

one after a resident is found dead. The three begin to bond as they begin a podcast to unravel the mystery around the resident's death. "Only Murders in the Build-

ing" currently has an episode released every week on Tuesdays. The hit show has been approved for a second season in

Although season one has yet to conclude. This series should be watched as it is a great show that many friends may gather to watch and laugh on a weekly

I would give the show an eight out of ten so far for season one and I am excited to see how the season concludes.

# **Essex UMC** Fall Festival October 2

Essex United Methodist Church, 114 Waverly Street, will host its Fall Festival Saturday, October 2, from noon to 3:00 p.m.

The Fall Festival includes fun for all ages, with games, crafts, pumpkin painting, food, and a chance to ride the Barrel If you have questions, con-

tact Linda Michel, Co-Pastor, at 630-918-9695. Also, join for Sunday Serv-

ices at 9:30 a.m.

# **DTHS** Recognizes **Academic Achievement**

On September 14, Dwight Township High School recognized those students who earned a 3.5 cumulative GPA for the 2020-21 school year with academic letters and pins.

In addition, the students who earned a 4.0 or better GPA for the school year were recognized as Board Scholars and received certificates, as well as academic letters and pins.

 Class of 2022 Board Scholars: Alayna Airgood, Carter Butterbrodt, Rachel Heath, Ella Kargle, Daniel Petree, Emily Scott, Alexis Thetard.

 Class of 2022 High Honor Roll: Landon Brown, Ashton Burkhardt, Leticia DeLara, Kort-ney Dyer, Samuel Edwards, Emmett Emmons, Nathanael Granby, Darien Guyer, Kyle Kosek, Shawn Romanetto, Jordan Schultz. Rvan Turner.

• Class of 2023 Board Scholars: Erin Anderson, Iris Beier, Harlie Boucher, Dawson Carr, Jack Duffy, Lola Furbee, Hailey Heath, Ava Kargle, Deidre

• Class of 2023 High Honor Roll: Sophia Anderson, Olivia Bond, Cheyenne Condreay, Emelia Eitenmiller, Timothy Ellis, Jace Gall, Maya Green, Jace Kern, Desirae Kerr, Brianna Kosek, Parker Miner, Amber Moore, Clayton Peck, Tyler Pugh, Noah Scott, Wyatt Thompson.

• Class of 2024 Board Scholars: Njomza Asllani, Sarah Dolan, Jack Groves, Kassy Kodat, Kathryn Parker.

 Class of 2024 High Honor Roll: Milana Bradley, Mia Buck, Murphy Connolly, Andrew Gartke, Ryan Hilt, James Leach, Megan Livingston, Sebashgin Masters, Sandeno, Kaitlyn Thetard.

# Kids' Fishing Derby at Heidecke Lake Fishing Bank October 2

Children of all ages are invited to participate in State Representative David Welter's (District 75) Kids' Fishing Derby with the Illinois Conservation Police and T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors, to be held at the Heidecke Lake Fishing Bank, located at 6350 E. Collins Road in Morris from 9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday, October 2.

The Fishing Derby is a way for kids to learn how to fish or practice their skills if they have fished before.

The first 50 kids to arrive will receive a free rod/wheel combo set, courtesy of the Future Angler Foundation. Free tshirts will also be offered The Illinois Conservation

Police will give a Water & Boat Safety presentation at 9:00 a.m. Youth Ambassadors and the Council T.E.A.C.H. Outdoors will be on hand to help bait hooks and reel in fish. Brochures on state and local programs will also be

Prizes will be awarded for Biggest Fish and Most Fish, in addition to a Sportsman Award.

For questions or more information, call Rep. Welter's district office at 815-416-1475 or visit repwelter.com/events.

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# **Public Square Rosary Rally** in Herscher October 16

join in praying for world peace and conversion of hearts at St. Margaret Mary Church, Main Street in Herscher.

The Rosary will begin at

On Saturday, October 16, noon. Take a lawn chair. In case of inclement weather, they will gather in the church hall.

For more information, contact Jackie Eberle at 815-421-

# Kankakee Quiltmakers Guild Quilt Show October 8-9

The Kankakee Quiltmakers present the "Autumn Splendor 2021" Quilt Show Friday, October 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday, October 9, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., at Kankakee First Church of Nazarene, 1000 N. Entrance in Kankakee.

ing will be held October 9 at 2:00 p.m. The winner does not need to be present.

Quilts will be on display along with a Vendors Mall, Quilt Boutique, and raffle prizes on site. Food will also be available for purchase.

An admission fee applies. Quilt Raffle tickets will be For more information, visit sold at the door and the draw- kankakeequiltmakers.com.

THE CLASS OF 1960 from Dwight Township High School met at GD's Saloon in Odell on September 18. Due to the pandemic of 2020, they celebrated their 60th Class Reunion in 2021. Pictured, front row, from left, are Betty Ruff, Lloyd Voyles, Richard Sparrow, Connie Lindsey, Harold Lund, Ruth Ann Groll; back row, Earl Twait, Mike Ahern, Terry Spandet, Winston Steiniche, Kurt Ogg, Richard Von Qualen, Sharon Dial, Bev Beecher, Sandy Humbert, and Carol Hemenover.

# The Paper Deadline is Friday at noon.

# Blessing of the Pets Catholic Church Sat., Oct. 2 @ 1 p.m. All Pets Welcome! @ the Sacred Heart Church, Goodrich

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# Dwight Historical Society Presents 'A Walk Through Dwight History'

Andrew and Sophie Strufe, along with their four sons, left Germany in the cover of night and boarded a freighter for America. Eventually arriving in Dwight, Andrew worked as a baker and Sophie was a chambermaid. In 1888, Andrew was shot and killed by their son-inlaw and left Sophie a widow with five children to raise. How did she do this? With a lot of hard work.

George Seymour and his wife, Mary, moved to Dwight shortly after their marriage in

drug store on Mazon Avenue in the same building that Dr. Leslie Keeley used for his headquarters of the Keeley Institute. Over the years, he would move his store to two more locations in town. Tragedy struck one Saturday evening in October of 1900, when George was struck by a freight train and died soon

Richard P. Morgan, Jr. was born on September 17, 1828, in Stockbridge, Massachusetts,

1866. George opened his first and moved west as a young Dwight History", presented by man. At the age of 24, he settled in Bloomington, IL, to oversee the location and construction of the Chicago & Mississippi Railroad. While surveying land with James Spencer and Henry Gardner, they discussed the need for a stop between Wilmington and Pontiac. Richard placed a tin water bucket on top of a telegraph pole and announced that Station #12 would be known as Dwight.

Sophie, George, and Richard will be among those featured at Oaklawn Cemetery during "A Walk Through mately 11/2 hours.

the Dwight Historical Society Sunday, October 17.

Buses will leave the Historic Depot at 1:00 p.m., 1:30 p.m., 2:00 p.m., and 3:00 p.m. Attendees may also follow in their personal vehicles. Tickets are limited and must be purchased in advance at the Historic Depot or by calling 815-584-

The event will be held rain or shine and involves a small amount of walking. Masks will be required of all riding the buses. Tours will last approxi-

# Author Jim Ridings' New Book Signing in Herscher October 3

A book signing is scheduled Essex, Goodrich, House on Oak Street, from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

The book is, "Western Kankakee County" by Herscher author Jim Ridings. Copies can be purchased at that time.

The book covers the history of the towns in Western Kankakee County - Herscher, Bonfield, Buckingham, Cabery,

for Sunday, October 3, at the Lehigh, Limestone, Reddick, Herscher Museum's Anderson Union Hill, and even the nowgone coal mining town of Clarke City.

> The book is 160 pages. It contains the essential information of the history of each town, and the essential photographs, Ridings said.

> "The book should be used as a textbook for local history in the Herscher school district.'

# PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN

(Never known to fail)

Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my Mother, Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse in thee. (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands.

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

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



The Dwight Harvest Days Committee would like to thank everyone who came out to this year's event.

We also want to give a special thank you to all our businesses and personal supporters who donated time and money to this year's event. Without you, we would not be able to provide all the entertainment and activities we do.

A heartfelt thank you goes to all the volunteers who gave their time throughout the year and the weekend to make it all come together.

The 2022 Dates for **Dwight Harvest Days are** Sept. 22nd thru Sept. 25th.

We look forward to the continued community support.



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# **OBITUARIES**

# Rev. Richard F. Kostelz

Rev. Richard F. Kostelz, age 95, passed away peacefully on Monday evening, September 20, 2021 at Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home in Joliet, IL.

He was born July 28, 1926 in Joliet, attending St. Raymond's grade school, Joliet Catholic High School, and Quigley Preparatory Seminary prior to entering St. Mary of the Lake Seminary in Mundelein, Illinois. He was ordained May 22, 1952 at the Cathedral of St. Raymond by the late Bishop Martin McNa-

Father Kostelz served as Parochial Vicar at Saints Peter & Paul, Naperville (1952-1958) and St. Joseph, Lockport (1958-1959); Pastor of Immaculate Conception in Roberts and St. Peter, Piper City (1959-1965); St. Martin of Tours, Kankakee, (1965-1974); Saints Mary & Joseph, Chebanse, (1974-1988); St. Joseph, Cabery, and St. Mary Mission, Reddick (1988-2015).

His dedication to the Catholic Community of the Diocese of Joliet spanned over six decades, culminating with his retirement in 2015.

He is survived by his sisters, Joan (late Robert) Brock and Shirley (late Daniel) Thom, as well as three generations of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Clara (Shelko) and Frank Kostelz; one brother, Jack (late Mary Ann) Kostelz; and two nieces, Ann and Mary

Father Kostelz lay in state Friday, September 24, 2021 from 10 a.m. until a Concelebrated Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus in Joliet.

Interment followed in Resurrection Cemetery, Romeoville, Illinois.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in his name may be made to Joliet Area Community Hospice (Lightways Hospice of Joliet); Our Lady of Angels Retirement Home; or the Cathedral of St. Raymond School.

You may visit his Memorial Tribute at

www.fredcdames.com where you can share a favorite memory or leave a condolence.

# **OSF Diabetes Support Group Program October 5**

The next meeting of the nection between smell and OSF HealthCare Saint James – John W. Albrecht Medical Center Diabetes Support Group will be 6:00-7:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 5, and they welcome all who are facing the challenges of diabetes.

Jenna Smith, Registered Dietitian, University of Illinois Extension Service, will present "What's your palate? Exploring the five flavors and how your palate changes." Learn about the five senses, the process of aging, and the con- Educator, at 815-842-4970.

taste. What are some ways to enhance flavor using color and spices? What is behind the psychology of taste?

This program will be held in the main floor conference room where there is adequate room for physical distancing. Masks are required for all attendees.

Reservations are not required for this free program.

For more information, contact Sherri Schlatter, Diabetes

Thomas Bennett, State Representative 106th District

# Farm Safety in Illinois

Farm Safety Week and the theme was "Farm Safety Yields Real Results."

We rely on our farmers to provide our food supply and also to power the economy in rural Illinois. Farming is one of the most dangerous jobs in America, involving heavy equipment, hazardous chemicals and much time out on the roadways.

More than 500 farmers are killed on the job each year, with tractor overturns listed as the leading cause according to the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Throughout the week the Illinois Department of Agriculture shared safety tips for farmers.

I also encourage everyone who is traveling in our area in the coming weeks to remember to be watchful for farm equipment on our local roadways. With harvest season in full swing and the sun setting earlier each day it is more important than ever to be alert for farm machinery on our rural roads. Please be safe!

Progress on FOID card and CCL backlog. Many Illinois firearm owners have been waiting for extended periods of time for action on their FOID card and Concealed Carry License applications or renewals. In recent weeks there has been progress made on this backlog.

According to figures from the State Police processing of new FOID card applications, FOID card renewals, and CCL applications have all acceler-

Last week was National ated considerably in the past few months. In August 2020, the State Police approved 16,877 new FOID card applications. Last month the approval number was 27,681, even though there were less than one-third as many applications received.

Approvals of renewals have improved since last summer. One year ago 3,118 FOID card renewal applications were approved. Last month the number of approvals was 76,658. The number of renewal applications received each month has stayed fairly consistent over the past year. CCL processing saw a similar increase with a total of 10,806 applications approved in August 2021 compared to 3,393 in August 2020. The number of new applicants has declined during that time

Many people are still dealing with long wait times, and more progress needs to be made. My office is in touch with the State Police regarding delayed applications. If you are still having difficulty getting a response to your FOID or CCL applications, please contact us.

How much do we owe? As of the time of this writing, the State of Illinois owes \$4,124,299,266 in unpaid bills to state vendors. One year ago, the backlog stood at \$7.1 billion. This figure represents the amount of bills submitted to the office of the Comptroller and still awaiting payment. It does not include debts that can only be estimated.

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

The Paper email: thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net



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# Janice Marie Johnson

DWIGHT - Janice Marie Johnson, 79, of Dwight, Illinois passed away Sunday, September 19, 2021.

A funeral service was held for Janice on Friday, September 24, 2021, at noon at Hager Me-

morial Home in Dwight, Illi-Burial followed the service

in Oaklawn Cemetery, rural

Dwight. A visitation was held Friday before the service, from 10 a.m. to noon, at the funeral

home. Janice was born November 10, 1941 in Morris Hospital, Morris, Illinois, the daughter of Henry and Mary (Flatness) Barschdorf. She married Haven Johnson on November 9, 1963.

Janice is survived by her children: Denice Lauber of Toluca, Illinois: Lori Bremmer of Clermont, Florida; Dianne (Mark) Stadel of Fairbury, Illinois; Donna Johnson of Wilmington, Delaware; Vicky (Dave) Johnson-Lamb of Bolingbrook, Illinois; and Michael Johnson of Dwight, Illinois.

Also surviving are seven

grandchildren: Robert Lauber, Andy (Gina) Lauber, Danielle (Nick) Todd, Joe (Jeniece) Kingman, Lee Ann (Austin) Brackett, Ethan Stadel and Ellaina Stadel; and eight greatgrandchildren: Taia Lauber, Bentley Todd, Justin Kingman, Micah Kingman, Nathan King-Elodie Brackett, Theodore Brackett and Cohen Brackett.

Gloria Her sister, Barschdorf (Fred McDonald) of Denver, Colorado; sister-inlaw, Evelyn (Lester) Lydigsen;

and Todd (Holly) Weikum, who was like a son to her, also survive.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Haven; two brothers, Duane Barschdorf and Gerald Barschdorf;

sister-in-law, Carole Barschdorf; and brother-inlaw, Lyle Johnson.

Janice was a beloved mother, grandmother, greatgrandmother, and sister. She was a 1959 Dwight Township High School graduate, who attended Silver Cross nursing school after graduation. However, nursing was not to be her final calling. While raising her children she had several occupations during her life, including waitress, upholsterer, caregiver and Mary Kay consultant.

Janice's real passion was horticulture. She received eleven associate degrees, and several certificates from Joliet Junior College in Horticulture and Interior Design, and continued her education at University of Illinois, Champaign.

Using these talents, she taught Agricultural Math for two years at JJC, and worked for several landscape nurseries before starting her own landscape design business.

Besides tending her flower gardens, and spending time with family and friends, she enjoyed watching the Hallmark Movie Channel and the Golf Channel.

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

This obituary may be viewed and guestbook signed at www.hagermemorial.com

# **COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic** in Watseka October 6

The Iroquois County Pub-Health Department (ICPHD), in partnership with will be hosting a Pfizer COVID-19 clinic, available by appointment or walk-in, for Illinois residents age 12 and older on Wednesday, October 6, from 7:00-9:00 a.m.

ICPHD also has COVID-19 vaccine available by appointment Monday-Friday,

To schedule your appointment, call ICPHD at 815-432-2483. Second doses will be scheduled at the time of your first dose appointment.

Note that individuals under the age of 18 must have a parent or guardian sult your own present at the time of vacci- provider.

As more vaccine is allocated, ICPHD will communi-Iroquois Memorial Hospital, cate availability, along with when, where, and how to revaccination ceive the vaccine, via traditional and social media outlets, The Paper, as well as on the ICPHD website, co.iro quois.il.us/offices/health-de

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

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Anyone interested in providing a bid to the District, must: 1) meet with District personnel to view the areas; 2) provide proof of insurance; 3) pay prevailing wage, as required; 4) provide the District with a w-9; and 5) provide a cost proposal for the area discussed.

Questions may be addressed to Nancy Dillow, Superintendent, Mazon-Verona-Kinsman ESD 2C, 815-448-2200.

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# Thanks for Nothing, Matt

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Essentially the promotion was a coinflip at a 20/1 payout. The very, and I mean incredibly unfortunate part, is that the promotion was for the Bears to keep the game against the Cleveland Browns within 7.5 points. Unfortunately, the coach for that day, and still the coach today, is Matt Nagy. Unfortunately the offensive line is currently held together by duct tape and is very reliant on a 39 year old man who said he wasn't even thinking about football a few months ago.

On paper, this seemed like a great great opportunity but the Bears just laid a big old giant egg in Cleveland. They ended up with 1 net passing yard. (factoring out the sack for loss yards.) 1 yard.

I've been watching football for a while and I can honestly say I don't think I've ever seen a team end up with a net yardage of 1. Just a singular one. Even playing video games on the easiest setting the other team would usually get a few first downs and move the ball a little bit, but nothing like this.

If Matt Nagy is still employed as you're reading this then he's probably been employed 2-3 days too long, (although we don't like to talk about another person's job). But I think, as do many, that his days should be numbered. They didn't just lose Sunday, they were embarrassed. And this isn't even the first time that's been the case.

Thanks for ruining the +1985 promotion, Matt.

Go whoever the next coach is.

Aaron J. Boma 2016 ISU Grad

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The Paper reserves the right to edit or reject any or all submitted items. Address letters to: Editor, The Paper, P.O. Box 245, 204 E. Chippewa, Dwight, IL 60420.

We welcome your thoughts.

## AUDIT AVAILABLE FOR ALLEN TOWNSHIP FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Take notice that the Allen Township Fire Protection District retained Brian Zabel & Associates, P.C. who performed an audit for the district's fiscal year from May 1, 2020 to April 30, 2021. A copy of said audit is available for public inspection at the law firm of Burton, Fuller & Associates, P.C. 227 W. Madison St., Ottawa, IL on Monday through Friday between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.



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## NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AUDIT REPORT OF DWIGHT TOWNSHIP AND DWIGHT TOWNSHIP ROAD DISTRICT

Dwight Township hereby provides public notice that an audit of its funds for the period April 1, 2019 through March 31, 2020 has been made, and that a report of such audit dated November 23, 2020, performed by Groskreutz, Schmidt, Abraham, Eshleman & Gerretse has been filed with the County Clerk of Livingston County, in accordance with 30 ILCS 15/0.01 et seq. The full report of the audit is available for public inspection at the Dwight Township Hall, 201 North Franklin Street, Dwight, Illinois during regular business hours: Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m., or by appointment.

> Patricia S. Rosenbaum Dwight Township Supervisor

# Funeral and Estate Clanning

# Tips for writing an obituary

loved one is never easy. Even those comforted by the acknowledgment that a recently deceased friend or family member lived a full life may still struggle with the sense of loss that comes with the passing of a loved one.

Upon the passing of a loved one, an individual is often tasked with writing an obituary. Some people may find writing an obituary is cathartic, providing an opportunity to tell a loved one's life story and indicate how unique the deceased was. Because writing an obituary is not something people are asked to do every day, it's understandable if many men and women don't know where to begin. Obituaries do not necessarily have to follow a formula, but the following tips can help people compose an obituary that conveys who their deceased loved one was and how much this person meant to friends and family.

 Contact your local newspaper. Some newspapers may have obituary guidelines that govern things like writing style and obituary length. Before writing an obituary, contact your local newspaper to deter-

Coping with the death of a mine if they have any such place of birth, family (i.e., rules in place. Some newspapers may only publish obituaries written by their own staff members.

> · Do not feel obliged to include cause of death. While acquaintances who first learn of a person's death via an obituary may be curious about cause of death, loved ones of the deceased do not have to include such information if they are uncomfortable doing so. Many obituaries never include such information, so readers likely won't expect it. Those who are comfortable including such information in the obituary may find it helps them avoid having to answer numerous inquiries about the loved one's demise at the ensuing visitation and funeral services.

 Include some biographical information. Obituaries are typically more than simple announcements of death. Some simple biological information can shed light on who the deceased was and his or her perprofessional sonal and accomplishments. Avoid getting too detailed, as newspapers may not accept obituaries that are very lengthy. But biographical information like full name,

spouse, children, grandchildren, etc.), military service, place of employment, charity work, and hobbies can give readers an accurate idea of the life your loved one lived.

- Include donation information. Well-wishers who read the obituary may want to send flowers or make donations to express their condolences. Include the family preference regarding flowers or donations in the obituary. When requesting donations be made to the deceased's favorite charity, include the charity's full name and contact information or a website in the obituary.
- Include visitation and funeral information. Be sure to include the day, location and visitation hours for viewings. If the funeral will be public, include the day and time of the funeral as well.
- Have the obituary ready one to two days before the services are scheduled. Publishing the obituary a couple of days in advance of visitation hours gives loved ones of the deceased time to arrange to visit and pay their respects.



# How to Include Giving in Your Estate Plan

Charitable giving is the lifeblood of many nonprofit organizations. The generosity of donors helps charities meet their missions and provide vital services to people facing disease, financial hardship and other situations they cannot overcome on their own.

Many donors make sacrifices to support their favorite causes and charities. Foregoing certain luxuries so money can be donated to charity illustrates the selfless nature of charitable giving, which can even continue after death. Estate planning is a complicated process that details exactly how a person wants their assets divvied up after death. But an estate plan also can go into effect while individuals are still alive. Each year, millions of people across the globe choose to include charitable giving in their estate plans, and that can benefit charities and donors.

The following are a handful of the many ways charitable men and women can incorporate giving into their estate

• Bequest giving in a will or

charitable giving in an estate plan is to bequeath money in a will or living will. The Community Foundation Alliance notes that bequests typically allow donors to define how their donations will be spent or utilized. That benefits charitable organizations, but surviving family members also can benefit from such arrangements. According to LawDepot.com, individuals may be able to lower the estate taxes on their estates at their time of death if they bequeath money to an eligible charitable organization in their wills.

• Consider a charitable rollover. The Internal Revenue Service notes that individuals with an IRA, SEP IRA, Simple IRA, or retirement plan account generally must begin withdrawing money from these accounts when they reach age 72. These withdrawals are called required minimum distributions and they are considered taxable income. However, individuals who want to give to charity can opt for a Qualified Charitable Distribution, or living trust. Perhaps the most QCD. A QCD counts toward

widely known way to include the minimum distribution from retirement accounts and individuals will not be taxed on the money they donate to charity. That's a win-win for charities and individuals 72 and over who do not need to withdraw money from their IRAs to meet daily living expenses.

• Donate via a charitable remainder trust. A charitable remainder trust, or CRT, allows individuals to set up a trust that benefits both a designated beneficiary and a charity or charities of their choosing. When a CRT is set up, a beneficiary will receive annual payments from the trust until it terminates, at which time the remaining funds in the trust are donated to charity. The philanthropy experts at Fidelity Charitable note that individuals can name themselves as the beneficiaries of the trust, which ensures they will have an income during retirement and that their favorite charities will be supported when the trust expires.

Individuals who want to make charitable giving part of their estate plan can do so in various ways.





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# **Dwight Lady Redbirds Bounced by Bloomington Corpus Christi at State**

Friday, September 24 Dwight vs.

**Bloomington Corpus Christi** 

Normal, Bloomington Corpus Christi closed the door on the Lady Redbirds? magical postseason run and 2021 campaign, winning 6-4.

Corpus Christi scored two runs in the first, giving Dwight an early deficit. But they would answer right back with a run of their own in the second inning.

Then in the bottom of the third, C.C. allowing five earned runs on four hits and

came up with two more runs – increasing six walks in a complete game effort. their lead to 4-1.

The Lady Saints would put another two In a state playoff affair September 24 in runs on the board in the fifth inning, mak-

ing it a 6-1 game. That's when the bats started to come to life for the Lady Redbirds. They would score a run in the sixth, then threaten in the seventh, scoring two runs – but it was not

Taylor Heath was hit with the loss, striking out a game-high 13 batters, while

Madi Ely led at the plate, going 3-4 with two RBI and a run scored. Sophia Buck doubled twice, batting in one run. Taylor Frobish doubled, drew a walk, and scored once. Heath added a single, a walk, was hit by a pitch, stole two bases, and scored two runs. Mikayla Chambers, Delaney Boucher, and Sarah Parker each singled for the Lady Redbirds.

Dwight ends the season with an overall record of 6-13.

# Verona-Kinsman Lady **Mavericks**

The 2021 Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Lady Mavericks' roster consists of: Tessa Krull, Kaydynce Wardlow, Marlie Lissy, Aurora Weber, Morgan Starwalt, Audrey Claypool, Lexi Buis, Tori Skelton, Lily Pfeifer, Hayden Pfeifer, Madison DeGrush, Kaylee Klinker, Brynlee Hunt, Gracie Smith, Brooklyn Sheedy, Grace Biros, Ameliah Weber, and Casey Humphrey.

The Lady Mavs are coached Anne Krull.

Both are the Team Managers. Christen Pfeifer was the team's Scorekeeper. Dave Smith and Lisa Pfeifer held it down as team Statisticians.

# **2021 Mazon-**

by Patrick Starwalt, along with Assistant Coaches Hannah Hunt, Thomas Morris, and

Maggie Pfeifer and Jordyn

# **DTHS Football Opponent Cancels Season**

By: Peter Babb

As the Dwight Township High School Trojans' 2021 football season continues, they will have one less opponent on their schedule.

Watseka Community High School announced on September 22 that they are canceling the rest of the varsity football team's season. The Warriors of Watseka were 1-3 on the season, with four games remaining on their schedule, DTHS being one of them.

"This was obviously a very tough decision for everyone involved," Watseka's athletic di-

rector Barry Bauer said in a statement. "We felt based on an abundance of season-ending injuries, low student participation, and numerous other contributing factors, this decision is in the best interest of the program and for the current athletes."

Dwight's homecoming opponent for football was to be Watseka but the cancellation leaves DTHS without an opponent for homecoming week.

Dwight's homecoming football game is scheduled to be on October 8.

# Hole-In-One at Dwight Country Club

On Wednesday, September 22, Brian "Rudy" Martis recorded a hole-in-one on the par-3 110-yard 11th hole at Dwight Country

Rudy used a 7 iron due to a strong westerly wind.

Witnesses were: Bill Gerrish, Mike Humbert, Lee Capista, and John Scheidt.

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MAZON-VERONA-KINSMAN'S LADY MAVERICKS' softball squad had a fantastic season winning both regional and sectional play and earning a berth at State. Story on page 11. Way to go, Lady Mavericks!



# **DTHS Trojans Football**

Friday, September 24 Dwight vs. Momence Varsity -

Following a 30-22 loss to the Oakwood Comets September 17, the Dwight Trojans looked to get back on track September 24 – but Momence had other plans.

The Momence Football Team took an early 6-0 lead in the first quarter, scoring a TD but missing the extra point at-

Momence scored once again –

They would add 14 more be-mately, 34-6. fore the first half came to a

halftime. Not long after the second half kicked off, Momence was back in the end zone – resulting in the only points for either

close – taking a 27-0 lead into

team in the third quarter. Dwight would hold the Momence Football Team scoreless in the final quarter, and would finally find paydirt on a 46yard fumble return by Jeremy

wrote.

Quarterback Conner Telford would rack up 53 yards passing on the night, with Austin Burkhardt being the recipient of all positive-yardage plays.

On the ground, Burkhardt rushed for 62 yards to lead Dwight. Telford tacked on 20 rushing yards, while Emmett Emmons ran for ten yards. Dillon Sarff had three touches for 11 yards.

On the defensive side, Early in the second quarter, Kapper. But that was all she Burkhardt tallied 11 solo tackles for the Trojans, who are



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SOPHIA ANDERSON is pictured in action at the first playoff hole in the Tri County **Conference Tournament. She** would tie for first with a score of 97, go into a sudden death playoff - falling short but taking home second place.



played at the Pontiac 18-hole Invitational September 13 at Wolf Creek, posting the following individual scores:

Kendahl Weller - 102; Sophia Anderson - 102; Darien Guyer - 114; Mary-Clare Phillips – 123; Murphy

# Dwight vs. Sandwich and Plano

Kendahl Weller - 50; Sophie Anderson – 54; Darien Guyer - 60; Ashley Thompson – 70; Murphy Connolly -



THE DWIGHT LADY TROJANS participated in the Tri County Golf Tournament at Wolf Creek, in which Sophia Anderson tied for first place overall with a 97. Anderson had to go into a sudden death hole playoff - tying the first hole, then falling short on the second hole. This earned Sophia a second place medal. Kendahl Weller also had a good tournament, with a third place finish, scoring a 105. Other scores were Darien Guyer - 127; MaryClare Phillips - 128; Ashley Thompson – 141; and Murphy Connolly – 145. Pictured, from left, are Murphy Connolly, Sophia Anderson, Kendahl Weller, Darien Guyer, Ashley Thompson, and MaryClare Phillips.

Pictured at left, Kendahl Weller. She placed third in the Tri County Tournament.

# **Trojans Host Dwight Invitational** Seneca Places 3rd; Dwight Takes 5th

# Thursday, September 23 **Dwight Invitational**

Dwight Country Club was the setting for the 2021 Dwight Invitational, held September

The Invite saw the Seneca Fighting Irish take third place Quigley shot a 77, followed by

224. The Trojans would take Kaleb Powell. fifth place with a 231.

Seneca's Noah Cade and Noah Quigley tied for first

out of 12 teams with a score of a 79 from Jake Gerding and

Dwight, For Jack Groves/Dane Halpin and Will Trainor/Jack Denker each colplace overall as a duo, shooting lectively shot a 76. Reid Gall a 68. Rylee Stenzel and Owen and Dawson Carr scored a 79.



## Saturday, September 5 **Dwight at Herscher Invite**

The Dwight Trojan Cross Country team traveled to Herscher September 25 to compete in the Herscher Invitational.

Tristan Chambers placed second in the JV race, running a 19:07. Michael Michon ran a 19:33, Ethan Mack came in at 21:50, and Xander Pempe finished with a time of 25:36.

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# Monday, September 13 Seneca vs. Henry

The Fighting Irish went up against Henry September 13 at Morris Country Club, cruising to a 178-214 victory. Individual results are as follows:

Noah Cade – 41 (medalist); Noah Quigley - 44; Owen Quigley – 46; Kaleb Powell –

#### Tuesday, September 14 Seneca vs. Roanoke-Benson and Marquette

Seneca was at home hosting Roanoke-Benson (167) and Marquette (202) September 14, winning with a score of 164. Individual results are as fol-

Rylee Stenzel - 39; Noah Cade – 40; Noah Quigley – 41; Kaleb Powell – 44; Jake Gerding - 44.

SENECA FIGHTING IRISH GOLF

#### Wednesday, September 15 Seneca vs. Putnam County and Midland

The Seneca Fighting Irish were at Edgewood Golf Course September 15, winning over Midland (196) and Putnam County (222) with an overall score of 162. Individual scores are as follows:

Rylee Stenzel - 38 (medalist); Noah Quigley – 40; Owen Quigley – 40; Noah Cade – 44.

The Irish improve to a perfect 15-0 on the season, and sit at 3-0 against conference foes.



## Monday, September 13 **Dwight at Pontiac Invite**

The Dwight Lady Trojans

Connolly – 128.

# Wednesday, September 15

Dwight's girls golf team traveled to Edgebrook Golf Course in Sandwich September 15 to take on Sandwich (210) and Plano (223), falling short with a score of 234. Individual results are as follows:

70; MaryClare Phillips – 76.

# **SENECA LADY** FIGHTING IRISH GOLF

### Monday, September 13 Seneca at Pontiac Invite

At the Pontiac Invitational at Wolf Creek Golf Course September 13, Seneca had a team score of 444, with Laura Yegge's 93 placing her ninth overall individually. Other individual results are as follows:

Addison Stiegler - 105; Julia Hogan - 121; Brandi Johnson - 125.

## Thursday, September 23 Seneca vs. Plano and Earlville

The Lady Irish took on Plano (213) and Earlville (239) September 23, taking second with a score of 220. Individual scores are as follows:

Julia Hogan - 52: Laura Yegge – 53; Brandi Johnson – 57; Addison Stiegler – 58; Shelby Welsh – 73.

Seneca is now 12-9 overall.

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### Monday, September 13 Dwight vs. St. Anne and Streator Woodland Varsity -

On the par-36 Dwight Country Club course September 13, the Trojans competed against St. Anne and Streator Woodland, winning with a score of 193. Individual results are as follows:

Jack Groves - 48; Will Trainor – 48; Dawson Carr – 48: Jack Denker - 49; Reid

Gall - 49; Dane Halpin - 50. Dwight is now 6-8 on the year.

In the JV meeting, Dwight shot a 200, beating St. Anne's 216. Individual results are as follows:

Andrew Gartke – 44; Jace Gall - 44: Carlos Castaneda -54; Tracer Brown – 58; Cole Boucher – 59; Zak Kinzler –

### Thursday, September 16 Dwight vs. **Ottawa Marquette** Varsity -

In boys golf play September 16 at Dwight Country Club, the Trojans took on Ottawa Marquette (196), posting an overall score of 178 to get the win - improving to 7-8 for 2021. Individual scores are as

follows:

Jack Groves - 42; Will Trainor - 54; Dawson Carr -45; Andrew Gartke – 49; Reid Gall - 56; Dane Halpin - 42.

Dwight's JV boys put up the following scores:

Carlos Castaneda – 45; Tracer Brown - 45; Cole Boucher – 62; Zak Kinzler –

# Friday, September 17 **Dwight at Grant Park Invite**

The Trojans competed in the Grant Park Invitational at Minne Monesse Golf Course September 17, finishing with a total score of 379 on the par-72 course. Individual results are as follows:

Jack Groves - 87 (10th overall); Will Trainor - 89; Dane Halpin – 100; Dawson Carr - 103; Carlos Castaneda – 110; Andrew Gartke – 116.

# Monday, September 20 **Dwight vs. GCMS**

**DTHS Trojans Golf** 

Varsity -

The varsity Trojans moved to 8-8 following a 181-190 win over GCMS September 20. Individual scores are as

Jack Groves - 44; Dane Halpin – 44; Will Trainor – 45; Dawson Carr - 48; Jack Denker – 50; Reid Gall – 51.

In the JV meeting, Dwight totaled a score of 203, with the following individual results:

Andrew Gartke - 45; Tracer Brown - 46; Cole Boucher - 52; Carlos Castaneda – 60; Zak Kinzler – 68.

### **Tuesday, September 21** Dwight vs. Momence and Wilmington Varsity -

Dwight visited par-34 Aspen Ridge in Kankakee September 21 for a triangular with Momence (227) and Wilmington (219), winning with an overall score of 167. Individual scores are as fol-

Jack Groves - 39; Will Trainor – 41; Reid Gall – 43; Dawson Carr - 44; Jack Denker – 46; Andrew Gartke –

The Trojans up their season record to 10-8.

# Wednesday, September 22 Dwight at **Tri County Tournament**

The Trojans finished third out of eight teams in the Tri County Tournament held September 22, with a score of 370.

Roanoke-Benson was victorious, with Seneca, Dwight, Woodland, Putnam County, Midland, Henry, and Ottawa Marquette participating.

Dwight scores are as fol-

Will Trainor - 89 (4th); Jack Groves – 92 (6th); Dane Halpin - 94 (11th); Dawson Carr – 95; Jack Denker – 101; Reid Gall – 115.

Jack Groves finished sixth, while Will Trainor finished tenth in All Conference, with points based on League Play and the Conference Tourna-

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# **SENECA CROSS COUNTRY**

## Tuesday, September 21 Seneca vs. Marquette **Academy and Plainfield East**

The Seneca High School Cross Country team hosted a Triangular Meet with Marquette Academy and Plainfield East at the SHS Land Lab Sep-

tember 21. The girls team finished 1st, with the boys taking second

Ashley Alsvig was the meet champion for the girls race, and teammate Evelyn O'Connor finished right behind her in second. Gracie Steffes came in sixth, while Lauren Cronkrite took seventh. Also scoring points for the girls was senior Jessica Daggett.

Austin Aldridge was the meet champion for the boys race. Brady Danek finished in

third, with Calvin Maierhofer and Andrew Danek taking seventh and eighth place, respectively. Nate Sprinkel finished in 15th.

Individual results are as fol-

# Girls (2:05.17) -

Alsvig, 1st, 21:15.34; O'-Connor, 2nd, 21:22.17; Steffes, 6th, 23:50.58; Cronkrite, 7th, 25:59.18; Daggett, 17th,

#### 32:48.77. Boys (1:41.16) -

Aldridge, 1st, 18:12.93; B. Danek, 3rd, 19:04.88; Maierhofer, 7th, 20:32.71; A. Danek, 8th, 21:03.35; Sprinkel, 15th, 22:21.85; Connor Pabian, 18th, 22:57.26; Eli Hill, 24th, 24:37.28; Carter Thomas, 25th, 25:10.49; Chris Smith, 27th, 28:01.06.

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# **GSWB Lions Lose in Regional**

Monday, September 20 GSWB vs. Joliet St. Raymond Regional -

Ayden Christians was named the starting pitcher for GSWB in their regional title match-up with Joliet St. Raymond September 20.

After getting two quick outs in the first inning, the Rockets rallied to go up 2-0.

The Lions struggled to get any offense going, but managed to get two singles in the fourth, then draw a walk, to load the bases with two outs. However, they were not able to push across a run.

Tuesday, September 14

The varsity Lady Panthers put up a

Hannah Frescura led with nine aces.

In the JV meeting, GSW won in two sets over Donovan, 25-10, 25-16.

Ava Schultz had a team-high five

aces to go with eight assists. Hannah

Balcom contributed two aces, six kills,

and an assist. Maya Cacello added an

ace and four kills. Eva Henderson

The GSW Lady Panthers celebrated

The five seniors that were celebrated

Hannah Frescura had 15 assists, five

digs, and two kills, with Colby Grieff

adding 12 kills, six digs, and one assist.

Conger contributed six assists, three

kills, and a dig. Cerutti had three kills.

GSW's JV girls won over G.P., 25-

Maddie Olsen led with four aces,

In a match-up with Henry September

Kassy Kodat (9 assists, 7 digs, 1

kill), Alexis Thetard (14 digs, 4 kills, 2

assists, 1 block), and Maci Johnson (3

digs, 1 kill) had two aces each. Jordan

Schultz (15 digs, 4 kills) and Erin An-

derson (20 digs, 3 kills) each added one

ace. Lilly Duffy contributed 19 digs and

a kill, with Avery Scheuer supplying

The Lady Trojans took on Wilming-

Alexis Thetard (15 digs, 5 kills, 3

ton September 22, falling 14-25, 18-25.

com had two aces, six kills, three digs, ace.

three kills, and two digs. Hannah Bal-

Thursday, September 16

16, Dwight lost 13-25, 23-25.

three digs and one kill.

Wednesday, September 22

**Dwight vs. Wilmington** 

Tuesday, September 14

Seneca vs. Marquette

Varsity -

an early senior night win over confer-

ence opponent Grant Park September

were Katelyn Farris, Taylor Conger,

Riley Klingler, Claire Hennessy, and

15 assists, and two kills. Colby Grieff

added four aces, ten kills, and two digs.

Olivia Cerutti had three kills.

chipped in with three kills.

Wednesday, September 15

**GSW** vs. Grant Park

15, 25-22, 25-17.

Olivia Cerutti.

23, 25-19.

Varsity -

25-7, 25-8 win over Donovan Septem-

GSW vs. Donovan

Varsity -

ber 14.

JV-

a few runs each inning to 10-0 victory in five in-

The Rockets only

struck out one time in the

game, and hit the ball

well up and down the

lineup. GSWB turned double-plays in the midst of the scoring attack from St. Raymond.

Reed Millette and Gavin Bafia had the only two hits for the Lions, with Aiden Mack, Aiden Himes, and Brock Enerson drawing a walk each.

the loss, allowing four 2022.

**GSW L**ADY PANTHERS VOLLEYBALL

Freshmen -

victorious, 25-15, 25-21.

Thursday, September 23

mence in two sets, 25-18, 25-19.

**GSW vs. Momence** 

thers won 25-23, 25-17.

chipped in with nine digs.

Freshmen -

DTHS LADY TROJANS VOLLEYBALL

provided ten digs.

Varsity -

JV -

St. Raymond piled on earned runs on six hits and six walks, tallying ultimately take home a one strikeout. Millette pitched in relief, giving up two earned runs on three hits and a walk.

> GSWB's season closes with an overall record of 14-9. The Lions will be losing Bafia, Enerson, Himes, and Owen Vitko to graduation – all having had major impacts on the baseball program's success, while compiling a 33-24 record and leading the team to back-to-back regional championship appearances.

The young Lions will Christians was hit with return seven players in

and a block. Eva Henderson added five

digs, three kills, and an ace. Ava Schultz

came up with nine assists and four digs.

The freshmen Lady Panthers were

Hannah Balcom's three aces, five

kills, three digs, and one assist led the

way. Kendall Huston (3 kills, 3 digs),

Maya Cacello (3 kills, 2 digs), and Tess

On September 23, GSW topped Mo-

Hannah Frescura's four aces, 20 as-

sists, and one kill led the way, with

Colby Grieff adding an ace, seven kills,

and five digs. Addison Fair supplied

nine kills and nine digs, while Claire

Hennessy had eight digs and five kills.

In the JV match-up, the Lady Pan-

Hannah Balcom had three aces and

four kills, with Eva Henderson con-

tributing two aces, seven digs, and three

kills. Ava Schultz supplied eight assists

and three digs. Jessica Dominguez

GSW tied with Momence in the

Hannah Balcom led with two aces,

freshmen meeting, losing the first set

23-25, then taking the second set 25-17.

five kills, and four digs. Kendall Hus-

ton (3 kills, 2 assists, 1 dig), Tess

Brooks (5 assists, 2 kills), and Maya

Cacello (2 kills, 1 dig) each added an

blocks, 2 assists), Avery Scheuer (2

digs, 1 block), and Erin Anderson (11

digs) had one ace each. Jordan Schultz

added 18 digs and two kills, with Kassy

Kodat putting up nine assists, eight digs,

two kills, and a block. Maci Johnson

In JV action, Dwight lost in two sets

Cheyanne Condreay led with three

aces, three digs, three kills, and two as-

sists. Bri Kosek came up with an ace,

three kills, two digs, and one assist.

Maya Green added six digs, a block,

and one assist, while Milana Bradley

contributed four digs, a block, and a kill.

Maci Johnson had seven digs and one

assist, with Emerson Peters chipping in

to Wilmington, 18-25, 12-25.

with four digs and an assist.

Brooks (11 assists) had one ace each.



Dwight vs. Saratoga The Redbirds went up against Saratoga September 11, winning by a score of 6-2.

Saturday, Sept. 11

Joey Starks started on the mound for Dwight, pitching sixplus innings and allowing two runs on three hits, fanning 14

en route to the "W". At the plate, the Redbirds scattered 12 hits in the contest. Bachan, Tarnowski,

Zappa, and Cox each had multi-hit showings, with Bachan and Tarnowski leading the way with three hits each.



Tuesday, Sept. 21 GSW vs. **Putnam County** Varsity -

The Panthers fell to Putnam County, 3-1, when they met September 21 - succumbing to the strikeout 17 times.

"Way too many K's at the plate," admitted Coach Wills after the game. "We did a good job of getting the run back in the first, but we still left guys on base with two K's."

Kaden Grivetti took the loss, allowing two earned runs on four hits and two walks,

striking out two. Bryce Handzus threw in relief, striking out two while giving up one hit and three walks in two innings. Blake Huston also tossed two innings, allowing no hits and striking out one.

Garrett Grant provided a double and a stolen base at the plate, with Dane Halpin hitting a single. Gabe McHugh drew two walks and swiped a bag. Ethan Maxard, Ryan Cacello, and Grivetti were each walked once. Blake Patterson stole one

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McCullough, 7th, 1:47.59. 400 freestyle relay: DeWald, Harcharik, Lauritsen, Nelson, 3rd, 4:34.42; Stock, Eggleston,

McCullough,

# **MVK Lady Mavericks Softball**

MVK vs.

**LaSalle Trinity Catholic** The Lady Mavs defeated LaSalle Trinity Catholic, 6-4, when they met September 18.

Hayden Pfeifer won it with 11 strikeouts, allowing four earned runs on five hits, a hit batter, and three walks in a complete game effort.

Lexi Buis (3-4, HR, double, R), Lily Pfeifer (3-3, BB, SB, R), and Morgan Starwalt (double) each had two RBI. Aurora Weber was 3-4 with a double, a stolen base, and a run scored. Kaylee Klinker (R) and Hayden Pfeifer (double, R) each collected two hits. Madison DeGrush (HBP, R) and Gracie Smith (BB) added a single

# **Lady Mavericks Fall** to Pawnee at State

Friday, September 24 MVK vs. Pawnee

Tuesday, September 14

MVK fought off a tough

Hayden Pfeifer earned the

win in the circle, allowing

three earned runs on seven hits

and four walks, striking out

seven in seven innings of work.

triple, 2 R) and Kaydynce

Wardlow (2-4) each had three

RBI. Kaylee Klinker was 3-4

with two doubles, an RBI, and

three runs scored. H. Pfeifer

(BB, SB) and Madison De-

Grush (R) each singled. Mor-

gan Starwalt (R) and Aurora

Weber drew one walk each.

Saturday, September 18

Lexi Buis (3-4, 2 doubles,

Seneca team September 14,

MVK vs. Seneca

winning 7-3.

At Champion Fields in Normal September 24, MVK had their 2021 season come to a close as they fell to Pawnee, 3-1, in IESA state softball action.

Pawnee scored all three of its runs in the bottom of the first inning. The Lady Mavs scored in the top of the sixth – but that would be it.

Hayden Pfeifer took the loss, allowing three earned runs on six hits and three walks, tal-

lying seven strikeouts.

Offensively for MVK, Lily Pfeifer knocked in the team's only run, going 2-2 with a walk. Lexi Buis added a single and a double, with Kaydynce Wardlow singling and later scoring her squad's lone run. Madison DeGrush and H. Pfeifer chipped in with a single each. Kaylee Klinker was beaned by a pitch.

The Lady Mavericks end the year with a record of 12-7 overall



# **GSWB** LIONS BASEBALL

Monday, September 13 **GSWB** vs. Coal City

In their last regular season game of the year, the Lions hosted the Warriors of Coal

Hunter Partilla got the nod for GSWB and was flawless, sitting down six via strikeout and surrendering no runs on three hits in four innings.

In the bottom of the fourth, Owen Vitko would draw a walk and later score on a Brock Enerson single to give the Lions a 1-0 lead heading into the fifth.

Coal City scored a run in the top of the fifth, but GSWB managed to get out of a basesloaded jam.

Logan Rice drew a walk and Aiden Bodine singled to set the table in the bottom of the fifth inning for the Lions, as Vitko and Enerson drove them each in to gain a 3-1 edge entering the sixth.

However, it got interesting in the sixth inning as Coal City was awarded three walks and an HBP – giving the Warriors a 4-3 advantage.

Reed Millete would reach on an error, then Cooper Biros

would get a free pass to start the sixth for GSWB. Aiden Mack had an RBI single and GSWB scored on a wild pitch to take a 5-4 lead entering the final frame.

September Cameron Gray, shut down Coal City in the sixth with the bases juiced and nobody out, and came back in the seventh to get the Warriors to go three-up, and three-down.

In his debut for GSWB, Gray earned the win on the bump, allowing no runs on no hits, striking out two in two innings. Biros gave up two earned runs on one hit and two walks. Partilla struck out six, while allowing three hits in four innings. Millette gave up two earned runs on two hits and

Offensively, Vitko (BB, SB, R), Mack (single), and Enerson (single, BB, SB) had one RBI each. Bodine singled and later scored. Biros and Rice each walked once and scored a run. Aiden Himes drew a walk, while Millette scored once.

The Lions end the 2021 regular season with a 12-8 record.

Thursday, September 23

Pontiac vs. St. Thomas More

action September 23 taking on St.

Thomas More and Urbana, with

both Pontiac squads taking sec-

ond (118) and third (95), respec-

tively. Individual results are as

Masching, Abby Lauritsen,

Emma Nelson, Kassyn Har-

charik, 1st, 2:22.85; Eliza Stock,

Nia Eggleston, Kyra Shehorn,

1st, 2:26.89; Ellora McCullough,

200 freestyle: Emma DeWald,

200 IM: Nelson, 1st, 2:33.74;

50 freestyle: Harcharik, 1st,

100 butterfly: Shehorn, 3rd,

100 freestyle: DeWald, 2nd,

500 freestyle: Lauritsen, 1st,

200 freestyle relay: Masching,

100 backstroke: Nelson, 1st,

1:11.20; Shehorn, 3rd, 1:33.56;

1:30.14; Eggleston, 4th, 1:30.69;

1:05.15; Stock, 4th, 1:15.46; Mc-

6:42.20; Harcharik, 2nd, 7:00.83.

Eggleston, Mies, DeWald, 2nd, 2:14.85; Shehorn, Morris, Mc-

Cullough, Stock, 4th, 2:38.52.

Cora Morris, 4th, 2:59.58.

Hayden Mies, 3rd, 3:26.38.

31.94; Masching, 3rd, 34.38.

Mies, 5th, 1:41.48.

Cullough, 7th, 1:21.11.

200 medley relay: Molly

The Indians swim team was in



# **PTHS Indians Swim Team**

and Urbana

follows:

3rd, 3:02.02.

Tuesday, September 14 Pontiac vs. Normal West and Lincoln

Pontiac took on Normal West (309) and Lincoln (79) on September 14, taking second overall with a score of 185. Individual results are as follows:

200 medley relay: Molly Masching, Emma DeWald, Emma Nelson, Abby Lauritsen, 2nd, 2:19.16; Libby Imhoff, Tessa Collins, Kyra Shehorn, Hayden Mies, 4th, 2:37.09. 200 freestyle: DeWald, 4th,

2:28.13; Imhoff, 5th, 2:45.35; Ellora McCullough, 6th, 3:03.23. 200 IM: Lauritsen, 3rd,

2:48.02; Eliza Stock, 3:10.41; Nia Eggleston, 7th, 3:12.72. 50 freestyle: Kassyn Har-

charik, 5th, 31.98; Masching, 6th, 33.05; Mies, 7th, 33.69. 100 butterfly: Nelson, 2nd,

1:09.20; Shehorn, 5th, 1:30.25; Stock, 6th, 1:32.85. 100 freestyle: DeWald, 4th,

1:06.93; Collins, 5th, 1:14.93; Mies, 6th, 1:16.98. 500 freestyle: Lauritsen, 4th,

6:49.89; Harcharik, 5th, 7:03.62; Imhoff, 6th, 7:05.53. 200 freestyle relay: Stock, McCullough, Collins, Mies, 4th,

2:22.20. 100 backstroke: Masching,

5th, 1:28.56; Shehorn, 6th, 100 breastroke: Collins, 5th,

1:39.32; Eggleston, 6th, 1:39.54;

Imhoff, 5th,

Morris, 5th, 2:07.03. 100 breaststroke: Lauritsen, 1st, 1:30.55; Eggleston, 3rd, 1:35.08.

400 freestyle relay: DeWald, Harcharik, Lauritsen, Nelson, 1st, 4:33.69; Masching, Stock, McCullough, Mies, 4th, 5:23.16.

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HSG: Doug Gassman, 244; Kevin Oelschlager, Sr., 235; Trey Trevino, 226; Jeff Friedman, 214; Eric Knobbe, 214 -

**Commercial League Bowlers** 

Marquette September 14, 23-25, 25-19,

Victory Lanes, Dwight

Sheri Colebank, 174; Paula Watts, 166; Anne Sporrer, 164; Shelah Gaston, 154; Stacy Richie, 143. HSS: Doug Gassman, 666; Blain Wilkey, 588; Jeff Friedman, 587; Paul Norton, 578; Eric Knobbe, 556. HSG/HHG: Agritile, 934. HSS/HHS: Benson Racing #19, 2530.

League Standings  $\underline{\mathbf{L}}$ Dairy Queen 9½ 2½ 9 3 Whiskey Cav Agritile 4 Pumpkin Patch

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The win moves Seneca's record to 7-

The Lady Irish earned a big win over 3 overall and 3-0 in conference action.

**League Scores Sportsman League Bowlers** 

HSG: JD Gernentz, 257; Shawn Delong, Jr., 246; Josh Gernentz, 242; Kevin Oelschlager, Sr., 233; Doug Gassman, 226. HSS: Josh Gernentz, 670; Shawn Delong, Jr., 643; Kevin Oelschlager, Sr., 634; Doug Gassman, 625; Chris Cook, 620. HSG/HHG: Rockey's Pub, 1071. HSS/HHS: Rockey's Pub 2051

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Cafe 110 West	11	5
Jensen BP II	10	6
Star Trucking	9	7
Rury's Tap	9	7
Willy's Pub	9	7
Rambo Construct.	9	7
Jeremy's Barber	9	7
Victory Lanes	8	8
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DeLong Ford	2	14
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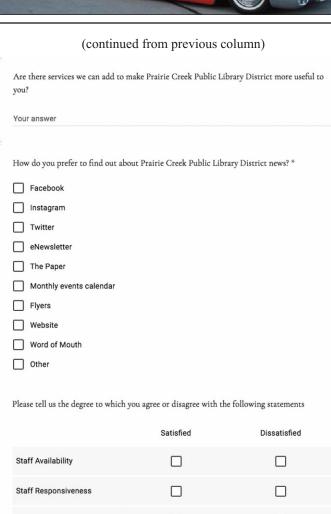
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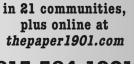


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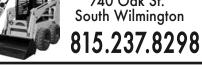
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Cullom - All-Town Garage Sale. October 1st and 2nd.

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**COLLECTION FOR SOLDIERS. Braceville Elementary School students and staff collected** items to be donated to the Braceville United Methodist Church to be sent to soldiers in need. SPPRC Chairperson Patty Domagala's granddaughter MP Alexis Bressley Miller's unit will be deployed soon to the Middle East. They will not have access to stores to purchase many necessities. The students also completed "thank you" coloring sheets to be sent along with the donations. The school collected \$56 to put towards shipping and the church collected a total of 100 pounds of items. Pictured, front row, from left, are BES students Wyatt and Robert; back row, Patty Domagala, Lynn Jencon (BUMC NOW Committee), Miss Patty (BES Secretary), and Mrs. Susan Avery (BES Principal).

# **Gardner-South Wilmington High School Board Talks Numbers, Sports and More**

(continued from page 1) home volleyball games, a home baseball game, parent/teacher conferences from 3:00-6:30 p.m., and the Grundy County Health Department will be presenting the "In Plain Sight" trailer at GSW from 3:00-6:30 p.m.

- Mr. DeLong informed the board that he signed a document that went to ISBE and media outlets in Springfield in support of local control for School Boards.
- GSW Band Did an awesome job at the Dwight Harvest Days parade. They got 1st place in every category they were entered in.
- Triple I Conference update: The board conference in

Chicago is still a go at this

- Vaccine / testing mandate: GSW has a plan in place, but they are still waiting for further direction as the guidance from the state changes often.
- TIF Extension: The TIF I extension was approved by the state. The extension will run through 2034 and benefits the district.
- Solar Farm update: They were told by the GEDC that this is still in the developmental stage. It will be a while before this project is complete, but in the end, it is a good thing for the taxing bodies.
- GSW Website Ms. Dallion has been working on giving the website a fresh makeover.

Action Items included the following:

- · Hire Kurt Fosnaugh as parttime cook
- Hire John Sippel as part-time custodian
- Approve the second reading of job descriptions for custodial and kitchen positions
- · Approve the second reading of Press Policy Update 107
- Approve the fiscal year 2022 district budget
- Approve the fiscal year 2021 teacher/administration compensation report
- · Approve Chamlin & Associates as project design engineer for the parking lot renovation project
- · Approve early graduation request

# Harvest Days a Success - -

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deleted for Harvest Days 2022 scheduled Sept. 22-25, which is still a week before Morris' Corn

"This was Harvest Days' 42nd year. After every year, we take notes of what worked and what didn't work," Irvin said. "We try to improve on those and we'll try to change things for next year. We've tried the escape room for three years. It was a good thing to have for three years, but our rule is if you try something for three years and it doesn't improve or maintain then we'll try to find something to take its place. We'll probably forgo the mobile escape room next year.

"We will keep the ax throwing for next year, but we're going to change the day from Sunday to Saturday. The bags tournament will remain on Saturday. We've also tried the tractor show on Sunday by DeLong's and Cherry Red Roasters. With our realization of the new layout, we had more room downtown, so next year the tractors will be downtown by Willy's Pub. We will bring the tractors downtown next year so people realize they are there because they were kind of

year."

Irvin added the themed movie night and short film festival have run their course. After its three- or four- year run, the movies haven't progressed in attendance. The committee will find Friday family fun outside of the carnival to replace the films.

Entertainment will change like it does every September as different acts will be showcased. Next year it will be Bernie Kelleher's duties to find people for the stage as he is taking over as entertainment direc-

One issue Harvest Days always has to deal with is lack of volunteers. This year was no different.

"We were short this year, which has been one of our problems in the last few years. There is a limited pool of volunteers, so we did condense a few things this year," Irvin said. "Normally we have the Harvest Days tent and we have people selling buttons and 50/50s. This year we kind of kept it all in one location so we didn't have to have as many people volunteer for those times.

"The high school senior,

hidden behind buildings this junior and sophomore classes all did a fantastic job. They help us out every year and are pretty much set on the different events that they help us with. The football team helped us with placing garbage cans. Several other organizations help us out with the carnival booth. Their dedication has helped us out a ton, also.

> "We only have so many volunteers, so some items that we've had in the past that volunteers have run, we've had to kind of give up. You can only stretch so many volunteers so far, which is a shame because of a town with 4,200 people we're only asking a few hours from volunteers. We're hopeful for the future that the high school students are realizing Harvest Days is a great event to be a part of. We're getting more and more of those volunteers every year."

The Harvest Days Committee is going to meet Oct. 4 at the Guardian Angel Basset Rescue to begin the process of figuring out next year's downtown four-day bash.

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# The Waddle of the Bassets –

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be a change to survive. They did and here we are."

Usually, the Basset Hounds are dressed up in costumes for the waddle, but with a plus 90degree day, owners decided against it. However, some of the owners were dressed up to the parade's theme, Alice in Wonderland.

Besides the waddle, the Littles and the Basset community

took part in their traditions such as Pastor Randy saying a blessing and the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" before the walk.

On Sunday, Pastor Randy helped do a service for the Basset Hounds who have passed away in the last year. The names are read and a bell is rung in their memory.

Larry Little said this year's waddle and ceremonies were amazing, but he's anticipating an even better celebration in 2022 as it will be celebrating its 25th Anniversary.

"We have something that has helped and it has been a big part of Dwight," Larry Little said. "I intend for it to continue for a lot of years; a lot of years after I'm no longer here."

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