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**Dwight Police Blotter**  
Dwight Police arrested a man for seriously beating a female in the 200 block of East North Street around 11:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 2.

Ralph Coyle, 45, of Dwight, was charged with Aggravated Domestic Battery, a class two felony, and two counts of Domestic Battery, both class four felonies. Coyle is accused of seriously beating a female acquaintance and pushing her down the stairs at the aforementioned address.

Police officials say the female was transported to Morris Hospital. Due to the nature of her injuries, the victim was then transferred to another hospital. Coyle has two prior domestic battery convictions out of LaSalle County.

He remains in the Livingston County Jail on a \$50,000 bond.

October 5: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 300 block of E. Spencer. A resident reported they had damage to a window and siding. The damage appeared to have been made by a BB or pellet gun.

Theft – 2; Criminal Damage – 2; Return Call – 7; Missing Person – 1; Burglar Alarm – 2; Assist Agency – 2; Accident/Property Damage – 1; Suspicious Activity – 1; Check Vehicle – 1; Traffic Stop – 3; Medical Aid – 3; Unknown Domestic – 1; Found Item – 1; Loose Dog – 1; Suspicious Person – 1; Fire Alarm – 1; Check Area – 1; Intoxicated Subject – 1; Unknown Problem – 1; Well Being – 2; Found Dog – 1;

Man Arrested for Pushing Woman Down Stairs


On Saturday, October 2, at 11:30 p.m., Dwight EMS responded to a female who had reportedly fallen down the stairs in the 200 block of East North Street.

The victim was in and out of consciousness and transported to Morris Hospital Emergency Department. At Morris Hospital, staff learned the victim had been pushed down the stairs and notified the Dwight Police Department.

The victim was later transferred to a higher care facility due to her injuries.

Dwight Police, with the assistance of the LaSalle County

Lockout – 5; Walk In To DPD – 9; Out with Vehicle – 1.



**Dwight EMS**

**Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS**

September 30: Mazon, medical, Morris; Northbrook, medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, refusal; Coal City, mutual aid to CCFD.

October 1: Elk, medical, St. James, mutual aid to Odell; Mazon, medical, Morris; Spencer, medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, Riverside; Coal City, mutual aid to Coal City.

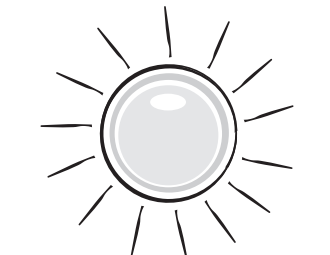
October 2: Mazon, fire; Elk, trauma, St. James, mutual aid to Odell; Waupansie, medical, refusal; Wolf, medical, St. James, mutual aid to Odell; Mazon, medical, Morris; North St., trauma, Morris.

October 3: High St., medical, Dwight; Gardner, fire, mutual aid to Gardner; Mazon, medical, St. Mary's; Sunset, medical, Morris.

October 5: Delaware, trauma, refusal; Watters, fire alarm; Julie, medical, Morris; 3300, trauma, refusal; Mazon, medical, St. James, mutual aid from Gardner.

October 6: Mazon, medical, Morris; Union, trauma, refusal; Odell, trauma, lifeflight, mutual aid to Odell; Mazon, medical, Morris; William, medical, refusal; East Rd., trauma, refusal, mutual aid to Odell.


October 7: I-55, trauma, canceled, mutual aid to Gardner.



**Temps - 2021**

Sept. 30 – high 88°, low 54°  
Oct. 1 – high 86°, low 55°  
Oct. 2 – high 79°, low 61°  
1.1" precip.  
Oct. 3 – high 77°, low 62°  
trace precip.  
Oct. 4 – high 73°, low 62°  
.05" precip.  
Oct. 5 – high 69°, low 59°  
.02" precip.  
Oct. 6 – high 70°, low 61°  
.74" precip.

**One Year Ago – Oct. 13 2020**  
high 80°, low 46°



**Dwight Fire Incidents**

**10/1 - 10/8**

Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents:

October 1: Mutual Aid to Coal City – structure fire.  
October 2: Automatic Fire Alarm – E. Mazon Ave.; Mutual Aid to Gardner.  
October 3: Mutual Aid to Seneca – canceled; Mutual Aid to Gardner.  
October 5: Automatic Fire Alarm – Watters Dr.  
October 7: Mutual Aid to Gardner.

Dwight FPD also responded to 12 medical assists with Dwight EMS.

Vermilion Valley ETSB Date Changes

Vermilion Valley Regional Emergency Communications Joint Authority has posted the following changes to its upcoming meetings:

They will have an ETSB Finance Committee meeting Friday, October 15, at 10:00 a.m.; an ETSB meeting Wednesday, October 20, at 11:00 a.m.; and an ETSB meeting Wednesday, November 17, at 11:00 a.m.

Thank You for Reading!

**NOTICE**

Water Deposits for all Renters have increased to \$100.00 for the Village of Dwight – effective 10/01/2021.



DWIGHT HISTORICAL SOCIETY Cemetery Walk October 17. Tickets are sold in advance. Call 815-584-3728 to purchase your ticket today.



Dwight Historical Society Presents ‘A Walk Through Dwight History’ Cemetery Walk October 17

Archibald Bard Dunlop was a great-nephew of Major Thomas McDowell, who came to Dwight in 1853 and purchased several thousand acres of land around Nevada Township from the government.

Major McDowell hired his nephew, and Bard's father, to oversee the running of the farming operation. Bard did not work with his father, but left for southern California at the age of 28. He was interested in travels, fortunes and adventures.

After spending six months in southern California visiting with family and former Dwight residents, he headed to Seattle, Washington. There he met up with another cousin, leading an expedition to Alaska to search for gold.

Alas, during the journey they encountered rough weather and the schooner sank. Bard was not one of the survivors.

Bard, as well as the location of burial sites of Civil War soldiers and Tim Hall, will be featured at McDowell Cemetery during “A Walk Through Dwight History”, presented by the Dwight Historical Society Sunday, October 17.

Buses will leave the Historic Depot at 1:00 p.m., 1:30 p.m.,

Mobile Food Pantry in South Wilmington Oct. 18

On Monday, October 18, at 4:00 p.m., Catholic Charities' Mobile Food Pantry will be distributing food at St. Lawrence Church (135 Rice Road in South Wilmington) in the church parking lot (rain or shine).

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

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

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

**Gas Prices For This Week**

Since last week, the national average for a gallon of regular gasoline has increased by seven cents to \$3.27, the highest pump price since October 2014. According to new data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), total domestic gasoline stocks increased by 3.3 million bbl to 225.1 million bbl last week. Gasoline demand also increased slightly from 9.40 million b/d to 9.44 million b/d. The slight increase in gas demand has contributed to the rise in the national average. However, the main culprit for rising pump prices remains high crude prices above \$70/barrel. The trend is expected to continue.

City/Village	October 11	October 4
Dwight	\$3.34	\$3.25
Kankakee	\$3.49	\$3.29
Streator	\$3.38	\$3.34
Pontiac	\$3.25	\$3.28
Gardner	\$3.45	\$3.35
Braceville	\$3.37	\$3.28
Morris	\$3.40	\$3.29
Herscher	\$3.46	\$3.35
Chicago	\$4.06	\$3.54
Illinois	\$3.64	\$3.40
U.S.	\$3.27	\$3.20

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

**Gasoline price data collected by The Paper and brought to you by Steve's Tire.**

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**Financial Moves for Women Business Owners**

If you're a woman who owns a business, you may have some challenges not shared by your male peers – but you also have several opportunities to help improve your financial future.

You may already be taking some or all the right steps, but here are some ideas to be sure you're considering and revisiting as your business grows:

- **Refresh your network.** Are you involved in networking with other women business owners? Many of them may have insights into the issues women face in the business world, as well as suggestions about lending programs and business-friendly banks. You may also enjoy passing along your lessons learned to others.
- **Review your business structure.** If you go into business as a sole proprietor, you'll have to report your business income on your personal income tax return. If you incorporate or form a limited liability company (LLC), you can protect your personal assets – such as your house and your investments – from creditors because these assets will be separated from your business assets and debts. You might also consider other, more complex entities, known as C and S corporations. There's no single "correct" business structure and the most appropriate one for you may change over time, so, in choosing one that's right for your needs, you'll want to consult with your tax and legal advisors.
- **Invest for growth.** Ideally, hard work produces results, and one of the main results you want from your investments is growth – that is, you want your investments to appreciate in value so they can eventually help you meet your goals. But if you are over-concentrated in vehicles such as certificates of deposit (CDs) and government securities, you may end up lowering your growth potential. That's not to say that CDs and Treasury bills are in some sense "lazy." They can provide you with income and help you reduce the impact of market volatility on your portfolio. But to achieve most of your goals, you'll need a reasonable number of growth-oriented investments working for you, with the exact percentage based on your needs and life stages.
- **Do an insurance checkup.** To protect yourself and your business, you may want to review your insurance to make sure you have the right kinds and amount of coverage. General liability insurance can be appropriate for sole proprietors, if you've established an LLC or you've incorporated your business. If you provide some type of professional service (i.e., legal, accounting, engineering and so on), you might need professional liability insurance. And no matter what business you own, you might want to add disability insurance to replace some of the income you'd lose if you were injured or became ill.
- **Consider all your retirement options.** If you've got your own business, you're solely responsible for funding your retirement. Fortunately, as a business owner, you've got several attractive options, including an "owner-only" 401(k), a SEP-IRA and a SIMPLE IRA. In deciding which plan is right for you, you'll need to consider several factors, including the number of employees, if any, and the nature of your business. However, all these plans are relatively easy to set up and administer and offer potential tax benefits.

And even though you've got plenty to do already, you should make the time to establish or review your own retirement plan – because eventually you'll need all the resources you can accumulate to enjoy life as a former business owner.

You can also find valuable information on programs for women business owners by visiting the Small Business Administration's website at www.sba.gov and searching for "women-owned businesses."

Running your own business can be challenging – but by making some positive financial moves and getting the support you need, you can also find business ownership to be highly rewarding, personally and professionally.

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## Support Groups and Resources for Breast Cancer Patients

A strong support network can help breast cancer patients navigate their treatments and all of the uncertainty that can arise after a cancer diagnosis. Many women undergoing treatment for breast cancer lean on friends and family for everything from emotional support to help with household tasks and much more. Though family and friends are often invaluable to women during their battles with breast cancer, sometimes a little support from women going through the same ups and

downs can be just what patients need to stay the course and overcome their disease. According to the World Cancer Research Fund, breast cancer is the most common cancer in women across the globe. The WCRF estimates that breast cancer accounts for roughly 25 percent of all cancers in women. The World Health Organization reports that 2.3 million women were diagnosed with breast cancer in 2020. Those figures are significant, but it's important that women recognize that five-year survival rates have improved dramatically in recent decades. In fact, the American Cancer Society notes that the five-year survival rate for localized breast cancers is 99 percent,

while the rate for breast cancers that have spread outside the breast to nearby structures or lymph nodes is 86 percent. Rising survival rates for breast cancer mean that millions of women across the globe have already survived the disease, and many such women play vital roles in support groups that help women every day. CancerCare® is a national organization in the United States that is dedicated to providing free, professional support services to anyone affected by cancer. All CancerCare® services are provided by oncology social workers and renowned cancer experts. The following are just a few of the support groups cancer patients

can access through [www.cancer.org](http://www.cancer.org).  
• **Breast Cancer Patient Support Group:** This free, 15-week online support group is for people diagnosed with breast cancer who are currently receiving treatment. Access the group at [https://www.cancer.org/support\\_groups/43-breast\\_cancer\\_patient\\_support\\_group](https://www.cancer.org/support_groups/43-breast_cancer_patient_support_group).  
• **African American Triple Negative Breast Cancer Patient Support Group:** This group is for African Americans diagnosed with triple negative breast cancer who are currently receiving treatment. The group is free and continues for 15 weeks. Access the group at [https://www.cancer.org/support\\_groups/197-](https://www.cancer.org/support_groups/197-african_american_triple_negative_breast_cancer_patient_support_group)

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• **Metastatic Breast Cancer Patient Support Group:** This free, 15-week support group is for people diagnosed with stage IV metastatic breast cancer who are currently receiving treatment. Access the group at [https://www.cancer.org/support\\_groups/44-metastatic\\_breast\\_cancer\\_patient\\_support\\_group](https://www.cancer.org/support_groups/44-metastatic_breast_cancer_patient_support_group).  
• **Breast Cancer Post-Treatment Survivorship Support Group:** Patients who have completed their breast cancer treatment within the past 18 months are eligible for this free, 15-week support group. Access

the group at [https://www.cancer.org/support\\_groups/180-breast\\_cancer\\_post-treatment\\_survivorship\\_support\\_group](https://www.cancer.org/support_groups/180-breast_cancer_post-treatment_survivorship_support_group).  
Each CancerCare® online support group is available exclusively to residents of the United States, including people in Puerto Rico and U.S. territories. The Canadian Cancer Society has a database that cancer patients in Canada can use to find local support services in their area. That can be accessed via the CCS Community Services Locator at [www.csl.cancer.ca](http://www.csl.cancer.ca).  
Support groups can be invaluable resources for women as they navigate breast cancer treatment.

### When was your last mammogram?



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### Are There Different Types of Breast Cancer?



Millions of women are diagnosed with breast cancer every year. According to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation, more than 2.3 million women across the globe were diagnosed with breast cancer in 2020. The BCRF also notes that breast cancer is the most frequently diagnosed cancer among women in 140 of 184 countries worldwide.

Breast cancer statistics can give the impression that each of the millions of women diagnosed with the disease is fighting the same battle, but breast cancer is something of an umbrella term. In fact, there are various types of breast cancer, including ductal carcinoma in situ, invasive ductal carcinoma, inflammatory breast cancer, and metastatic breast cancer. Learning about each type of breast cancer can help women and their families gain a greater understanding of this disease.

**Ductal carcinoma in situ (DCIS)**  
DCIS is a non-invasive cancer that is diagnosed when abnormal cells have been found in the lining of the breast milk duct. The National Breast Cancer Foundation notes that DCIS is a highly treatable cancer.

**Invasive ductal carcinoma (IDC)**  
IDC is the most common type of breast cancer. The NBCF reports that between 70 and 80 percent of all breast cancer diagnoses are instances of IDC. An IDC diagnosis means that cancer began growing in the milk ducts but has since spread into other parts of the breast tissue. This is why IDC is characterized as “invasive.” Though IDC can affect people, including men, of any age, the ACS notes that the majority of IDC cases are in women age 55 and older.

**Inflammatory breast cancer (IBC)**  
The NBCF describes IBC as an “aggressive and fast growing breast cancer.” Breastcancer.org notes that IBC is rare, as data from the ACS indicates that only about 1 percent of all breast cancers in the United States are inflammatory breast cancers. Many breast cancers begin with the formation of a lump, but Breastcancer.org reports that IBC usually begins with reddening and swelling of the breast, and symptoms can worsen considerably within days or even hours. That underscores the importance of seeking prompt treatment should any symptoms present themselves.

**Metastatic breast cancer**  
Metastatic breast cancer may be referred to as stage IV breast cancer. When a woman is diagnosed with metastatic breast cancer, that means the cancer has spread, or metastasized, into other parts of the body. The NBCF indicates that metastatic breast cancer usually spreads to the lungs, liver, bones, or brain. Symptoms of metastatic breast cancer vary depending on where the cancer has spread. For example, if the cancer has spread to the lungs, women may experience a chronic cough or be unable to get a full breath.

These are not the only types of breast cancer. A more extensive breakdown of the various types of breast cancer can be found at <https://www.breastcancer.org/symptoms/types>.



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## How Physical Activity Can Help in the Fight Against Breast Cancer

Breast cancer is a complex disease that affects millions of women across the globe each year. Though the American Cancer Society reports that only about 4 percent of women diagnosed with breast cancer in the United States are under age 40, women of all ages can take steps to protect themselves against this deadly disease.

Exercise benefits women in myriad ways, and that includes lowering their risk for breast cancer. The ACS notes that researchers are increasingly linking exercise to a reduced risk for breast cancer. Though the reasons behind that link remain unclear, some theorize that the positive effects of exercise on body weight, inflammation, hormones, and energy balance could be why regular physical activity helps women reduce their risk for breast cancer

### Body weight and breast cancer

The National Cancer Institute reports that being obese

after menopause can significantly increase a woman's risk for breast cancer. In addition, the ACS attributes the rise in hormone receptor-positive breast cancers to an increased prevalence of excessive body weight. Routine exercise is a highly effective way to lose weight and keep weight off, which in turn could lower women's risk for breast cancer.

### Being sedentary and breast cancer

Exercise is not a sedentary activity, and that could be another reason why women who are physically active have a lower risk for breast cancer. The ACS notes that more than one study has linked sitting time to a higher risk of various diseases, including breast cancer. Researchers with the ACS analyzed data from 77,462 women, who they followed for an average of 15.8 years. None of the participants had cancer when the study started, but researchers found that women

who sat for six or more hours per day during their free time had a 10 percent greater risk for invasive breast cancer than women who sat for less than three hours per day during free time.

### Does physical activity really reduce breast cancer risk?

The human body is complex, and a host of factors, including those like age that women have no control over, can affect cancer risk. However, engaging in routine physical activity seems to be an effective way for women to reduce their risk for breast cancer. In fact, the Breast Cancer Research Foundation estimates that one-third of all breast cancer cases could be prevented with positive lifestyle choices that help women maintain a healthy weight, including exercise.

Routine physical activity can be a significant weapon in women's arsenal as they continue their efforts to prevent and overcome breast cancer.

## The Role of Staging When Diagnosing Breast Cancer

Staging is complex, and patients should know that staging alone does not dictate prognosis. The following breakdown, courtesy of the NCI, is a brief description of the five stages of cancer (stages 0 through IV). A more detailed description of breast cancer stages can be found at <https://www.breastcancer.org/symptoms/diagnosis/staging>.

- Stage 0: This is diagnosed when abnormal cells are present but have not spread to nearby tissue. Stage 0 is also called carcinoma in situ, or CIS. CIS is not cancer, but it may become cancer.
- Stages I through III: Cancer is present in these stages. The higher the number, the larger the tumor is and the more it has spread into nearby tissues.

- Stage IV: The cancer has spread into distant parts of the body.

Staging plays an important role in treating cancer. Recognizing the role of staging can help patients better understand their disease and the direction of their treatments. More information about staging is available at [www.cancer.gov](http://www.cancer.gov).

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Early detection is the best defense. When cancer is found early and confined to the breast, the five year survival rate is over 95%. The best way to find breast cancer early is through regular breast exams

and mammography screenings. Women age 40-64 should receive a mammogram every one to two years, following their physician's recommendation. Women age 65 and older should consult their physician about whether to continue receiving mammograms. In addition to getting screenings, paying attention and knowing how your breasts normally look and feel is important. If you notice any change in your breasts, see your health care provider immediately.

Are you uninsured and need a mammogram? The Illinois Breast & Cervical Cancer Program (IBCCP) is here to help. The IBCCP, administered in the county by the LCHD, as-

sists women ages 40-64 who do not have insurance attain mammograms free of charge. For those women with insurance whose mammograms result in diagnostic testing that must be paid for out of pocket, IBCCP offers assistance by paying for the cost of this testing up until their deductible is met. There are no income or health insurance deductible requirements. The LCHD also has Susan G. Komen-funded gas cards available for women travelling to their breast health appointments, including mammogram screenings.

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### ‘Dinner with the Old Bags’ Benefit Oct. 30 in Kankakee

The General Federation of Woman's Club of Kankakee is hosting an event to benefit non-profit organizations in the Kankakee County Area, as they present “Dinner with the Old Bags” Saturday, October 30, at the Civic Auditorium in Kankakee.

Tickets are available for a fee. There will be a silent auction of purses with something in them, along with dinner and entertainment.

They will be honoring “GFWC Woman of Kankakee – Outstanding Woman”.

For more information, contact Dondi at 815-715-8405.

### 2021 Dwight UMW Ham Loaf Sale October 22

On Friday, October 22, the Dwight United Methodist Women will host their annual Ham Loaf Sale, with a drive-thru pick-up.

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### St. Paul School’s Fall Raffle, Steak Dinner November 13

St. Paul School will hold its annual Fall Raffle and Steak Dinner Saturday, November 13, at **St. Paul School** in Odell.

The dinner will be drive-thru **only** again this year. Tickets are available now, and only 500 tickets will be sold for the raffle.

Ticket purchases come with two complimentary steak dinners and the holder’s chance at some of the \$15,000 in prize money, including the grand prize of \$10,000. Additional dinners are available for purchase.

Dinner will be served from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Simply take your ticket stub and pull up to the front of St. Paul School along West Street in Odell. A volunteer will take your ticket and bring out your dinners – all without you having to leave your car.

The raffle drawing will take place **virtually** at approximately 7:00 p.m. on St. Paul School’s Facebook page – [www.facebook.com/stpaulschoolodell](https://www.facebook.com/stpaulschoolodell). For those who do not have internet access, winners will be contacted immediately following the drawing.

For tickets or more information, call 815-998-2194 or e-mail [schooloffice@saintpaulodell.com](mailto:schooloffice@saintpaulodell.com). Tickets can also be purchased at the Odell Bank or St. Patrick’s Parish Hall in

Dwight.

Any tickets purchased or postmarked by October 18 will have a chance at winning the \$250 “Early Bird” prize. That prize is drawn the night of the raffle on November 13. The winner will go back in the drawing for a chance at additional prize money.

All proceeds benefit St. Paul Catholic School in Odell.

### Dwight FPD Celebrates 2021 Appreciation Dinner

On October 2, the Dwight Fire Protection District celebrated its 2021 appreciation dinner at Station 343 in Dwight.

During this annual event, the firefighters, officers, trustees, and family members celebrate each other for the dedication and commitment of everyone involved in making the organization a top quality emergency service.

Members of the Dwight Ambulance service and Dwight Police Department were also present and appreciated for their services, as well.

“We all work together to provide the best emergency service possible for our community and visitors,” stated DFPD Deputy Fire Chief Justin Dyer.

The members of Dwight Fire extended their thanks to everyone involved that helps shape their team and for the continued support through the years.

Also during this celebration, awards were given to several

members for outstanding service. These awards were selected by the firefighters and then presented by Fire Chief Paul Johnson and Deputy Chief Justin Dyer.

Listed are the recipients of the awards:

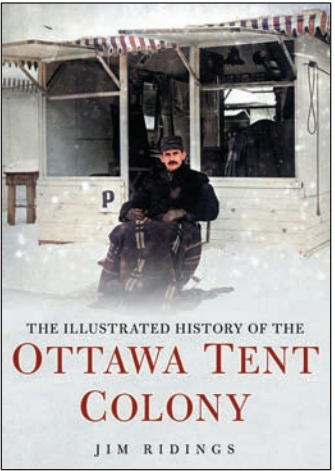
- Probationary Fireman of the Year – Patrick Hir
- Firefighter of the Year – Kelsey Christensen
- Officers of the Year – Lieutenant Brandon Sheldon and Captain Joshua Jahn

Engineer Crag Kozubowski and Hunter Kenny also received awards for their dedication to the department.

The department extended a special thank you to Battalion Chief Craig Cousins, Deputy Chief Justin Pierce, Deputy Chief Justin Dyer, and Fire Chief Paul Johnson, stating “without your hard work, our organization would not have developed into what it has today.”

### Author Jim Ridings to Talk October 18 at Dwight Historical Society

Herscher Author Jim Ridings will give a talk about his new book, “The Illustrated History of the Ottawa Tent Colony”, at 7:00 p.m. Monday, October 18, at the Dwight Historical Society in the historic depot building on West Main Street.



The book tells the story of tuberculosis treatment in the early 1900s. There was no cure for tuberculosis when the Ottawa Tent Colony opened in 1904 along the south shore of the Illinois River. Dr. James W. Pettit of Ottawa started his colony with the revolutionary idea of treating TB with fresh air and a nutritious diet. Patients were kept outdoors in tents, in weather that could be 20 degrees below zero or a 100-degree heat wave. They also were fed a nutritious yet incredibly fattening diet. It seems odd, but it worked for patients in the early stage of the disease.

The 1600s to the 1800s wiped out half the population of Europe several times. In just the last 200 years, The Centers for Disease Control and the World Health Organization have estimated that TB killed one billion people worldwide. The CDC and WHO said that by the dawn of the 19th century, TB had killed one in seven of all the people who ever lived.

Tuberculosis attacks the lungs and wastes away the body. The fresh air and food worked to reverse those effects. The book recounts the early days of the facility and how it grew into the LaSalle County Tuberculosis Sanitarium.

Even today, TB kills 1.6 million people worldwide every year.

Stories of TB treatment elsewhere is chronicled, as well as another TB tent colony at Buffalo Rock – and how Buffalo Rock almost was sold to a sand company to be leveled.

In addition, Ridings will also take time to discuss another of his books, “The Society of the Living Dead” – about the scandal concerning the radium girls.

Ridings cites statistics that tuberculosis has been the number one killer in human history. Tuberculosis pandemics from

A short business meeting of the Dwight Historical Society will follow the program, which will include election of officers.

All meetings and programs of The Society are open to the public. All who are interested in Dwight history and its preservation are welcome.

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## Grundy County Sheriff Ken Briley Announces 2022 Re-Election Run

On October 4, Grundy County Sheriff Ken Briley announced his intention to run for re-election in 2022.

Briley is currently in his first term as Sheriff after having won the election in 2018. Sheriff Briley highlighted the successes and some of the challenges that the department currently faces.

“These past couple of years have been challenging for everyone in law enforcement across the nation. We are lucky enough to live in a safe county where our hard work and values are appreciated. I love my job and I love this community, and I will do my best to stand up for the profession of law enforcement and lead your Sheriff’s department for another four years,” Briley stated.

In the past year, 16 Illinois Sheriffs have retired from law enforcement mid-term, many as a result of radical anti-police legislation passed in Springfield earlier this spring. Sheriff Briley believes now more than ever the citizens of Grundy County need a strong Sheriff who will stand up for law abiding citizens and lock up those who try to bring havoc and lawlessness to Grundy County.

Over the past three years, Sheriff Briley and his administrative team have worked hard to rebuild morale in the Sheriff’s Office through better support, training, and proper equipment to assist each deputy in doing their job safely.

Sheriff Briley started



Grundy County’s first Pro-Active unit with the cooperation of local police chiefs. Since March 2021, this unit made 33 arrests, removed four illegal firearms, seized 969 grams of illegal narcotics, including the recent arrest of three individuals for possession of 2.2 pounds (kilo) of pure heroin.

A Safe Passage program was started in Grundy County to assist residents with drug treatment at no cost to the participant.

Grundy County Deputies now carry tasers, a less lethal option available when dealing with combative subjects.

All squad cars are now equipped with spike strips to assist in terminating high speed pursuits in order to better keep roads safe.

Sheriff Briley and his team have conducted several roadside safety checks in Grundy County over the past three years, something that hasn’t been done in over 20 years.

“Ensuring our roads are safe has been, and will continue to be a top priority for our administration,” Briley said.

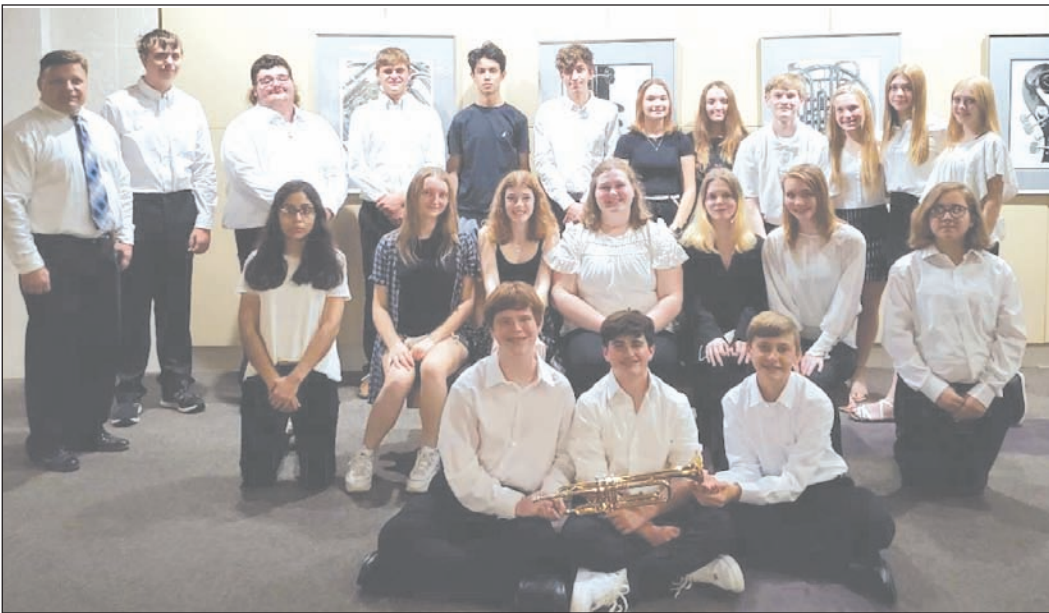
The Sheriff’s Office under Briley’s leadership is a more active participant in Drug and Mental Health court programs, ensuring a police presence is available as a resource for the courts.

School safety has been a top priority and for the first time Grundy County has a full-time School Resource Officer assigned to schools in Grundy County. Deputies have increased school patrols at times when students are dropped off and picked up. All schools have been trained in active shooter events and now have *stop the bleed* kits in every school.

Additionally, hundreds of Fire Fighters, EMTs, and police officers in Grundy County are now trained in Rescue Task Force principles in the event of an active shooter.

“My goals moving forward into a second term will be to seek more input from staff and gather their thoughts and concerns for this department’s future. I will also be talking to the citizens of Grundy County; I want to know what’s important to them for **their** Sheriff’s office as we go forward.”

The Sheriff’s election is November of 2022. Sheriff Briley extended his thanks to the citizens and Sheriff’s office employees for the confidence and support shown over the last three years.



GARDNER-SOUTH WILMINGTON High School’s Band Program had 21 members selected for the 2021 River Valley Conference Honor Band Festival, an extraordinary band composed of the finest young musicians from each of the ten conference schools. Only the most talented and trustworthy band students have the distinguished honor of being part of this event. The concert was held at Kresge Auditorium in the Larsen Fine Arts Center at Olivet Nazarene University. Pictured, front row, from left, are Tyler Wilkey, Robbie Shutes, Jarrek Hirsch; second row, Edith Ochoa, Ambiance Krah, Cora Pierard, Melissa Traver, Alyssa Woodworth, Alexis Riggs, Brianna Nelson; third row, Band Director Michael Leone, Tyler Ambrogio, Jacob Mammoser, Braxton Brassard, Miguel Ochoa, Josh Leveille, Madison Wells, Cheyenne Jett, Robert Gunty, Makaila McDaniel, Ava Brassard, and Abbey Granger.

## Dwight Sales Tax Revenue Balloons in 2nd Quarter

by Tom Tock

The second quarter 2021 Illinois sales tax report for Dwight showed an increase of \$100,347 in revenue when compared to the second quarter of 2020.

The second quarter, April, May, June of 2021 produced sales tax income of \$329,488. Only \$229,141 was collected in 2020, reflecting the serious monetary effect of the Covid pandemic.

Sales tax revenue in Dwight for the second quarter of each year since 2017 are shown below:

2017 -- \$275,562  
2018 -- \$296,461  
2019 -- \$286,161  
2020 -- \$229,141  
2021 -- \$329,488

The sales tax category of

*Automotive & Filling Stations* had sales tax production in Dwight, Livingston County, of \$97,222. It was \$79,052 in the second quarter of 2020. (Activity in this category for the Grundy County part of Dwight is not available.)

Meanwhile, *Drinking & Eating Places* in Dwight, Livingston County, had sales tax collections during the second quarter of 2021 totalling \$21,869. The total for Dwight, Livingston County, was \$12,396 in 2020. (No figures are available for the Grundy County portion of Dwight.)

The category of *Drugs and Miscellaneous Retail* showed collections of \$67,713 in the second quarter of 2021 compared to \$13,588 in 2020. Dwight, Livingston and

Grundy Counties, had 124 businesses reporting sales tax receipts in the second quarter of 2020,

Below are year to year comparisons of sales tax revenue for selected communities in Livingston and Grundy counties:

	2nd Quarter Municipal Sales Tax	
	2021	2020
Dwight	329,488	229,141
Fairbury	197,432	219,747
Pontiac	945,909	711,362
Odell	15,708	7,897
Saunemin	6,841	3,028
Herschler	120,763	85,006
Gardner	54,136	44,551
Mazon	23,436	12,816
Morris	2,074,929	1,515,992
S. Wilm.	14,594	8,908

### Dwight School Boards Review Financial Reports – –

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In maintenance matters, Superintendent Richard Jancek reported that an update to the Grade School playground was scheduled. The High School will use their grant money toward a project for a stadium press box renovation.

Discussion of long term Board goals was put on hold until the High School had more time to finalize theirs.

Jancek led discussion on the potential of hiring additional nursing staff support as the workload has mushroomed due to Covid testing. Both boards

were in agreement that it made good sense to add to the staff in the short term and determine at a later date if it made sense to make the position permanent.

The Boards went into executive session, with no formal action taken afterwards.

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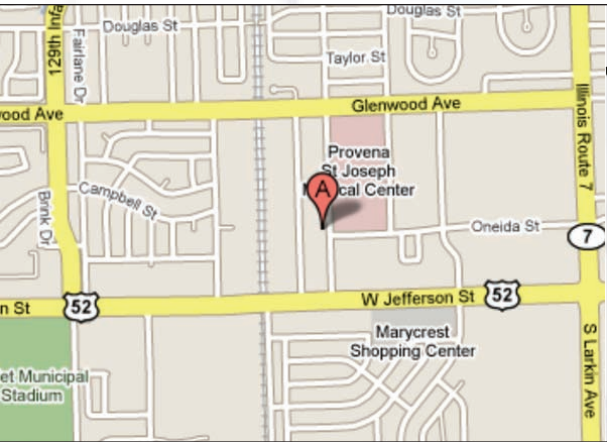


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# Two golfers represent Seneca at state golf

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“I was a little shocked. I wasn’t expecting to go, but it made me feel like I’m compared to all the other golfers and right there with them.”

Quigley shot an 86 during the first round at state’s Prairie Vista Golf Course in Bloomington to miss the cut by three strokes.

However, he enjoyed every second of becoming a state qualifier.

“I felt like I knew the course pretty well after the practice round the day before,” Quigley said. “I had a rough start and tried figuring it out as I went around the course.

The people and the environment, it was all exciting. I couldn’t have dreamt about a

better weekend.”

Besides hitting the greens at state, Quigley experienced another amazing moment during regional when he and his twin brother Owen both advanced.

“He played really well at regionals. I know he wishes he played better, but it was a lot of fun to have him there,” Noah Quigley said. “He came to state and watched me play.”



## GSW LADY PANTHERS VOLLEYBALL

**Monday, October 4**  
**GSW vs.**

**Streator Woodland Varsity -**

In action against Streator Woodland October 4, GSW fell in two sets, 22-25, 18-25.

Hannah Frescura led with two aces, 18 assists, six digs,

and a kill. Colby Grieff added eight kills and six digs, with Claire Hennessy (10 digs) and Addison Fair (6 digs) each contributing four kills.

**JV -**

The JV Lady Panthers also

took a loss to Streator Woodland, 21-25, 20-25.

Ava Schultz had three aces, 12 assists, and a kill. Jessica Dominguez provided 15 digs and two kills. Eva Henderson added five kills and four digs.



A PRESS BOX is being built at the baseball diamond in Herscher’s Village Park.



## GSW PANTHERS BASEBALL

**Tuesday, October 5**  
**GSW vs. Putnam County Varsity -**

The Panthers wrapped up their fall season with a 2-1 win over Putnam County October 5.

Both squads put up a run in the first inning. Then it wasn’t until the bottom of the fourth that another run was put on the board – and it was the only run necessary, as GSW squeaked

out the victory.

Blake Huston doubled and batted in two runs. Ethan Maxard singled, doubled, and scored once. Garrett Grant walked and later scored.

Earning the win on the mound was Huston, hurling six innings of shutout ball, striking out 13 and allowing just one unearned run on seven hits – all singles. Gabe McHugh pitched

in relief, compiling two strikeouts.

GSW committed three errors in the contest.

“It was nice to have the kids out and playing this fall,” stated head coach Allan Wills. “I am looking forward to our main season in the spring.”

The Panthers end their short fall 2021 campaign with a record of 1-2-1.



## PTHS INDIANS SWIM TEAM

**Thursday, October 7**  
**Pontiac vs. Kankakee**

The Indians swim team was in action against Kankakee October 7, putting up the following results:

200 medley relay: Emma DeWald, Emma Nelson, Abby Lauritsen, Kassyn Harcharik, 3rd, 2:36.50.

200 freestyle: Ellora McCullough, 1st, 3:22.04; DeWald, 3rd, 2:41.19.

200 IM: Tessa Collins, 1st, 3:30.68; Nelson, 3rd, 2:47.60;

Nia Eggleston, 5th, 3:23.72.

50 freestyle: Eliza Stock, 1st, 41.91; Harcharik, 3rd, 35.45; Molly Masching, 5th, 35.85.

100 butterfly: Eggleston, 1st, 1:38.52; Nelson, 3rd, 1:16.81; Kyra Shehorn, 5th, 1:36.16.

100 freestyle: Cora Morris, 1st, 2:02.36; DeWald, 3rd, 1:12.13; Stock, 5th, 1:23.76.

400 freestyle: Hayden Mies, 1st, 7:08.21; Lauritsen, 3rd, 5:53.69; Harcharik, 5th,

6:05.37.

200 freestyle relay: Masching, Collins, Stock, Eggleston, 3rd, 2:12.75.

100 backstroke: Morris, 1st, 2:21.00; Masching, 3rd, 1:33.62; Shehorn, 5th, 1:38.53.

100 breaststroke: McCullough, 1st, 1:59.42; Lauritsen, 3rd, 1:35.65; Collins, 5th, 1:47.23.

400 freestyle relay: DeWald, Lauritsen, Harcharik, Nelson, 3rd, 5:02.84.



## DCS LADY REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

**Monday, October 4**  
**Dwight vs. Ottawa Shepherd 8th Grade -**

The Lady Redbirds lost to Ottawa Shepherd, 27-14, when they went head-to-head October 4.

Sophie Buck led with four points, six steals, and three rebounds. Delaney Boucher added three points, three steals, two boards, and one assist. Kit Connor (1 steal, 1 rebound) and Makayla Wahl-Seabert (2 steals, 1 rebound) each put up two points. Sarah Parker put in a free throw, in addition to pulling down five boards, dishing one assist, and coming up with one swipe. Kamryn Folkers chipped in with two steals and one rebound. Dori Wilson grabbed one rebound to add to one steal.

**Dwight vs. Ransom**

**6th Grade -**

In a sixth grade match-up with Ransom at home, Dwight came away with the “W”, 21-10.

Leading the Lady Redbirds was Olivia Buck with 17 points, ten rebounds, and eight steals. Grace Tjelle contributed two points, four boards, and two steals. Leanne Ruth also scored two points. Kaitlyn Todd and NeKaylee Nelson Smith had nine rebounds each, with June Woods snagging three boards and playing great defense.

**“B” -**

In the “B” game, Dwight won big, 24-2.

Shay Sulzberger was high scorer with eight points. Cara Wilson added six points, three rebounds, and three steals. Elizabeth Hansen provided

four points, five boards, with Bianca Noriega, Emma Anderson, and Leanne Ruth all scoring two points each.

**Tuesday, October 5**  
**Dwight vs. Morris 6th Grade -**

Dwight’s sixth grade Lady Redbirds traveled to Morris October 5, falling 16-10.

Leading Dwight in scoring was Addie Avilez with four points. Kaitlyn Todd, NeKaylee Nelson Smith, and Elizabeth Hansen all scored two points. Grace Tjelle led the team with eight rebounds.

**“B” -**

In the “B” game, the Lady Redbirds lost, 14-10.

Shay Sulzberger led with four points, while Emma Anderson (6 rebounds), Cara Wilson, and Elizabeth Hansen scored two points each.



## DTHS LADY TROJANS VOLLEYBALL

**Monday, October 4**  
**Dwight vs. GCMS Varsity -**

The varsity Lady Trojans lost in two sets to GCMS October 4, 25-10, 25-14.

Kassy Kodat came up with an ace, five digs, four assists, and three kills. Alexis Thetard had ten digs, two blocks, a kill, and one assist. Maci Johnson put up six digs, two assists, and one kill. Erin Anderson (1 kill) and Jordan Schultz (3 kills) had 13 and 12 digs, respectively.

**Freshmen -**

In the freshmen meeting, the

Lady Trojans were victorious, 25-23, 25-14.

Maci Johnson (7 digs, 3 assists, 1 kill) and Sophie Richie (1 dig) led with four aces each. Ella Legner added seven digs, one assists, and a kill, while Lilly Duffy put up seven digs and one kill. Emerson Peters provided five digs, with Isabella Bunting coming up with two kills.

**Tuesday, October 5**  
**Dwight vs. Fieldcrest Varsity -**

In varsity volleyball play October 5, the Dwight Lady Trojans lost to Fieldcrest in two sets, 13-25, 10-25.

**JV -**

In the JV meeting, Dwight was beaten by Fieldcrest, 11-25, 10-25.

Maya Green’s two aces, one block, one kill, and a dig led the Lady Trojans. Cheyanne Condrey (4 assists), Ella Legner (1 kill), and Avery Scheuer (1 kill) each had four digs. Isabella Bunting added two kills and a dig. Kira Bean and Erica Vigna put up nine and five digs, respectively.

**Freshmen -**

Fieldcrest defeated Dwight’s freshmen girls, 25-13, 25-15.

Maci Johnson (7 digs, 4 assists, 2 kills) and Sophie Richie (3 digs) led with an ace each. Lilly Duffy (1 assist) and Ella Legner (2 kills) had 11 and nine digs, respectively. Emerson Peters (8 digs) and Brynn Connor (5 digs) added two kills each. Isabella Bunting contributed a block and a kill.

**Saturday, October 9**  
**Dwight vs. Seneca and Putnam County Varsity -**

The Lady Trojans took an 11-25, 21-25 loss to Seneca, then a 17-25, 19-25 loss to Putnam County in a volleyball double-dip October 9.

Maci Johnson had two aces, two digs, and two kills. Alexis Thetard (17 digs, 4 kills, 2 blocks) and Kira Bean (7 digs, 2 kills) added an ace each. Kassy Kodat came up with nine assists, five digs, three kills, and a block. Jordan Schultz supplied ten digs, two kills, and one assist.



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# Fall FIX-IT PAINT-IT IMPROVE-IT

## ‘It’s hard to sell from an empty showroom’ Furniture stores adapt to society’s changes

By Brandon LaChance

Covid-19 has changed quite a few things in how we buy and sell items in the United States of America, including furniture. Once upon a time, you could walk into a furniture store and either buy something on the showroom or wait a few weeks to a month for a custom order to arrive at your home.

With laborer shortage, price raise in materials and inflation, times are different for furniture stores.

“In several ways we’ve been fortunate that we’re getting merchandise in. Our showrooms and our warehouses are actually full,” said Bill Alvey, a salesman for Wright’s Furniture in Pontiac who has been with the company for 36 years. “We sell from the floor and our warehouses. Custom ordering on furniture is still a waiting period of six or seven months, but we’ve anticipated some of these delays and have ordered stock to have things available for our community and our customers.

“The other issues you run into are appliances can be kind of sketchy with the delays and the problems that have come up, especially freezers and occasionally refrigerators. It takes patience and sometimes a good fortune to find things.”

Alvey, who is also the Mayor of Pontiac, names supply as a culprit of finding and obtaining items because materials once easy to obtain have now become rare or scarce. Also, prices of key furniture ingredients such as wood have risen considerably.

Although these factors have made the furniture business a tad tougher, Wright’s has managed to do more than stay afloat by keeping its main store in Pontiac of 10 showrooms spread over 50 thousand square feet and its three warehouses stocked for consumers.

“There are always adjustments that have to be made. With rising cost of materials, there has been some price adjustments,” Alvey said. “Like most places that have been in business for many years, we

offer great values on the furniture we have from various famous manufacturers such as Flexsteel, La-Z-Boy, Bassett and companies like that. We’re very competitive and in our case we tout our services such as our free delivery within 50 miles and extended credit terms.”

“With the ups and downs of everything, our business has been good. Having merchandise makes a big difference. It is hard to sell from an empty showroom, so having things on display is a benefit. The big downside right now is on special or custom orders and the time frame from getting something ordered and to the home. We’re trying to create enough inventory so people have enough time and selections to choose from. There used to be a time when there would be a promotion for an item like an Arnold Rug and there was one rug. We like to give people an opportunity and as much exposure to a variety of product as we can.”

Rick Wilson and Fairbury

Furniture have experienced the same issues.

Wilson, who is the owner and president of Fairbury Furniture that reopened the doors five years ago after it had closed when original owner Norm Rittenhouse passed away, stated the number one issue right now is the wait time for his business and the customers.

“A lot of our items are special order. The lead times are so long, so what we’ve been trying to do is to have more on hand for immediate purchase,” Wilson said. “Part of the problem is a lot of these manufacturers are shutting down plants and then they’re having a hard time getting employees. Producing the furniture with these issues equals a long lead time.

“As far as how we’re adapting, we’re trying to order a truck load instead of ordering a smaller list. It used to take six weeks to receive an order. Now it takes anywhere from six months to a year to receive an order. We get the full truck now so we have merchandise cus-

tomers can get that day instead of waiting a year for it.”

Like any successful business owner, Wilson has adapted Fairbury Furniture’s strategy in not only ordering more at one time as manufacturers remain backed up, but also in what items are a higher priority and better sellers.

Inside the furniture store is a store within a store as WC Mar-

ket offers a wide variety of home décor which wasn’t a thing awhile back. Mattresses have been a big mover as Fairbury currently has 20 on display.

These high-sell points have helped combat the issues tormenting the business realm across the country.

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## Must-Have Features In Your Bathroom Remodel

Veteran homeowners recognize the value of remodeling their kitchens and bathrooms. Kitchens and baths tend to appear dated more quickly than other spaces, such as living rooms and bedrooms, which can always be revamped with some fresh paint and new furnishings.

The home improvement pricing resource Home Guide indicates an average bathroom remodel costs anywhere from \$5,500 to \$15,000 depending on the size and scope of the renovation. However, a bath redo can increase a home's resale value and can return as much as 68 percent of homeowners' investments. As homeowners plan

their bathroom renovations, it's a good time to consider improvements that will improve function and add design appeal for years to come.

- **Floating vanity:** Add an airy feeling to the room by creating space between the vanity and the floor. A floating vanity can be a counter with a vessel sink or even have cabinets, as long as the vanity doesn't extend to the floor.
- **Freestanding traditional sink or tub:** There's something elegant about a freestanding tub or pedestal sink. Such features can lend a classic vibe to a space. However, freestanding fixtures also come in modern or eclectic

forms, so there are options for any design style.

- **Frameless showers:** Switch to a walk-in shower option, which improves aesthetics and makes it easier to "age in place" in a home. Pair that frameless shower with clear glass shower doors so sightline in the space remains unencumbered.
- **Natural textures:** Create a calm and serene sanctuary in the bathroom with light, natural hues and materials. Nature-inspired colors on tiles, walls and vanities can add to the spa vibe.
- **Dual sinks and vanities:** With a double vanity, two people can share the space and easily use the bathroom without getting in

each other's way. One vanity with two sinks works, but homeowners can create even more personal space by dividing vanities and mirrors.

- **Small textured tile on shower floors:** Small textures are appealing and add safety. The added texture and grouting will keep feet from slipping on wet floors. Also, opt for mold-resistant grout to make cleanup even easier.
- **Special shower heads:** Invest in shower heads that can run the gamut from creating steam showers to rainfall effects. Some showers will have multiple shower jets to offer an invigorating experience.

- **Improve drainage:** Increase the diameter of the drain pipe in the bathroom from the standard to a two-inch drain pipe. This will reduce the risk of clogs and overflow leaks.
- **Install a window:** Natural light and air flow can reduce the risk for mold and mildew growth, and windows add some aesthetic appeal to a space. Just be sure to choose frosted privacy glass.

Additional considerations for a bath remodel include heated floors, well-placed and attractive storage options and a toilet enclosure (water closet) for added privacy. These and other bathroom renovation ideas can

add value and improve the appeal of the room.



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## Furniture stores adapt to society's changes – –

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"Inflation has been a factor, too, with price increases. One of the main problems with prices is shipping. Shipping prices are just outrageous, especially overseas," Wilson said. "The freight charges have gone through the roof as some of them have doubled and tripled. With those prices going up, we have to raise our prices."

"Our sales have been pretty good; at least the same or a little bit better. We have done some things to help that out. One of the big things is we have furniture to sell. From what I understand a lot of other stores don't have furniture in stores and have to order it. That helps us a lot because we have items for immediate purchase. We also run sales to help us and the customers."

At the end of the day, furni-

ture companies and the ones running them will find ways to survive and adapt.

We all need a mattress to lay our head on, chairs to sit on, re-

frigerators to keep our food cold and the rest of the amenities for a comfortable household.

"We deal with the changes

the best we can," Wilson said. "We thank our customers."

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## Tips to Freshen Up Your Home for Fall

Cooler fall temperatures mean you're likely to spend more time indoors.

### Tidy Outdoor Spaces

Before stashing your lawn care equipment, give your home and landscape some end-of-season attention. Clean out gutters and remove debris from flower beds to encourage proper drainage.

### Check for Repair Projects

Give your home a thorough inspection to identify any problems that need attention before cold weather sets in. Look for concerns like loose shutters or siding, cracked or loose shingles, cracks and gaps around doors and windows that may allow moisture or cold air to creep in.

### Eliminate Dirt and Dust

Moving indoors, take time to remove any dirt and grime that has accumulated. Wash textiles like curtains and rugs. Wipe down kitchen and bathroom surfaces with an antibacterial solution. Dust other parts of the house, including blinds, windowsills, baseboards and other hard-to-reach places.

### Promote Air Quality

While you're spending more time indoors, scheduling service for your furnace can help ensure it's in good condition before cold weather hits. This is also a good time to replace your air filter and consider a duct cleaning.

### Swap Seasonal Essentials

A new season brings change, whether it's simply swapping out your wardrobe or gearing up for a busy season of school activities and sports. Make time to put away out-of-season clothes and other necessities to make room for the things you'll need for the autumn months. Keep only the things you need and store the rest to help keep clutter under control.

Find more tips for efficient fall home maintenance and cleaning at ecovacs.com.



Fall

FIX-IT PAINT-IT IMPROVE-IT

Budget-Friendly Dining Room Renovation Ideas



If the kitchen is the heart of the home, then the dining room may be akin to one of its arteries. The mood created in the kitchen spreads to the dining space where family and friends gather to eat and enjoy one another's company.

Dining rooms can get lost in the home renovation shuffle, as many homeowners tend to focus on renovating kitchens and bathrooms instead. Homeowners do not have to invest a

lot of money in renovations to give their dining spaces awe-inspiring makeovers. Here's how to do so on a budget.

- **Lighten and brighten.** Dining rooms were once very formal spaces. Dark woods, large pieces of furniture, over-the-top chandeliers, and other details could be found in many homes. But now that houses are being built with open floor plans, dining rooms can blend with other spaces, which have moved to lighter colored walls, flooring and furniture. A fresh coat of vibrant paint can work wonders and it doesn't cost much. If you can't remove a floor, cover it with a brightly colored area rug.
- **Switch things up with slipcovers.** Slipcovers can be changed each season to dramatically alter the look of a dining room for little investment. Slip covers also protect chairs and can be easily laundered after spills.
- **Add floating shelving.** Floating shelves provide much-needed storage or display space without the need to invest in another piece of furniture. Depending on the shelving, they can work in modern design schemes or even farmhouse

dining spaces.

- **Clear out the clutter.** It might be time to say "so long" to that large curio cabinet and the knickknacks within it. Curio and china cabinets used to be de rigueur, but plenty of people now prefer more open and airy dining rooms. For those who want to keep the cabinet, try decluttering inside to only include the very best display pieces and see if the cabinet can be refinished with paint or a lightly colored stain.
- **Improve lighting.** Make the chandelier the statement piece of the space. Go for a bold color or an innovative design. Then add accessories throughout the space that coordinate with the chandelier.

- **Add bench seating.** Those who need additional seating may not have to get entirely new furniture. Swap out some chairs for benches, which can fit a couple more guests than chairs.
- **Create depth with color.** HGTV says that using various shades of the same color in a space can add depth. Coordinate drapes, walls, seat fabrics, and accessories for a cohesive design.

Renovating a dining room doesn't require a large investment of time and money. A few simple steps can give dining spaces a whole new feel without busting homeowners' budgets.

Hire Smart for Home Remodeling

When you decide to make the investment in a home improvement project, you're likely entrusting a professional contractor to bring your vision to life on time and on budget.

Remodeling contractors are diverse, so it's important to take your time, ask lots of questions and do your research before selecting the right one for the job.

**Choose local.** A local home improvement contractor with an established business in your area is likely connected to your community and has a vested interest in doing a job well. Referrals are an important source of business for local companies.

**Check references.** A reputable contractor should be able to produce a list of past customers who can attest to the remodeler's workmanship and service. You can contact the government Consumer Affairs Office and the Better Business Bureau to check for complaints on record for the contractor. Also ask if the remodeler is a member of any trade groups or associations.

**Verify licensing.** Many states, but not all, require contractors to be licensed, bonded

or both. Contact your state or local licensing agencies to ensure the contractor meets all requirements. Ask the remodeling contractor for current copies of applicable licenses.

**Confirm insurance.** Ask to see a copy of the remodeling contractor's certification of insurance or the name of his or her insurance agency to verify coverage. Most states require a contractor to carry worker's compensation, property damage and personal liability insurance. Make sure the contractor's insurance coverage meets all the minimum requirements.

**Compare bids.** There are a number of different factors that go into pricing a remodeling project. Be sure that every estimate reflects the same scope of work. If the estimates don't fully spell out what work is going to be done, go back to the contractor for clarification in writing.

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IN RE: The matter of the Estate of )  
 )  
KEVIN S. ROWLAND, Deceased. ) No. 2021-P-114

**CLAIM NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given of the death of KEVIN S. ROWLAND, whose place of residence at the time of his death was 25179 N. 2600 E. Rd., Odell, IL 60460, and who died on September 19, 2021.


Letters of Independent Executrix were issued on September 30, 2021 to LORI D. ROWLAND, 25179 North 2600 East Road, Odell, IL 60460 and whose attorney is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Claims against the estate may be filed within six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or within three (3) months from the date of mailing or delivery of a copy of this notice to a known and reasonably ascertainable creditor, whichever date is later. The date of first publication of this notice is October 13, 2021. Any claim not filed on or before the above dates is barred. Claims against the estate may be filed at the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at the Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764, in cause No. 2021-P-114 or with the Independent Executrix or both. Copies of all claims filed with the Circuit Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Independent administrator and the administrator's attorney within ten (10) days after the claim has been filed with the Circuit Clerk.

**DONALD R. MCCLAREY**  
Attorney for the Independent Executrix of the Estate of KEVIN S. ROWLAND, Deceased  
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Tract 2 & 3 are located approximately 8 miles northeast of Hoopeston, IL, or 15 miles southeast of Milford, IL. These tracts are further described as being located in the East Half of Section 35, T24N•R11W, Prairie Green Township, Iroquois County, IL.

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NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

October 13, 2021

Village of Braceville  
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Braceville, IL 60407  
815-237-8655

These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Village of Braceville.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about October 29, 2021 the Village of Braceville will submit a request to the Department of Commerce and Economic Development (DCEO) for the release of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (Public Law 93-383), as amended, to undertake a project known as Eastside Stormwater Improvements and Grant Administration for the purpose to stop flooding and basement backups in the Village of Braceville. Estimated funding is \$464,165 from State CDBG grant funds.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Village of Braceville has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at Braceville Village Hall at 300 S Mitchell St, Braceville, IL and North Central Illinois Council of Governments (NCICG) at 613 W. Marquette Street, Ottawa, IL and may be examined or copied weekdays 9 A.M. to 3 P.M.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the office of NCICG. All comments received by October 28, 2021 will be considered by the Village of Braceville prior to authorization submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION**

The Village of Braceville certifies to DCEO that David Wright in his capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. DCEO approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Village of Braceville to use program funds.

**OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS**

DCEO will accept objections to its release of funds and the Village's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Village of Braceville; (b) the Village has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by DCEO; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to DCEO at 500 East Monroe, Ridgley-2nd Floor, Springfield, IL 62701. Potential objectors should contact DCEO to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

David Wright, Mayor  
Village of Braceville.

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Crystal Sheridan  
Treasurer, Reddick Community Fire Protection District

Subscribed and sworn to before me,  
a Notary Public, this 27th day of May, 2021.

Carrie L. Inczauskis  
Notary Public

(SEAL)

**REDDICK COMMUNITY  
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT  
ANNUAL STATEMENT  
OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 4-30-2021**

Beginning Cash Balance all Checking as of 5-1-2020	\$24,657.78
Capital Reserve C.D.'s	\$26,771.74
Capital Reserve IL Funds	\$27,839.15
TOTAL CASH ON HAND AS OF 5-1-2020	\$79,268.67

<b>RECEIPTS 5/1/2020 - 4/30/2021</b>	
Donations	5,868.00
Donations for sign	10,000.00
Enbridge Grant	7,500.00
Grundy Co. Tax Distribution	7,890.57
Interest	651.74
Kankakee Co. Tax Distribution	51,229.62
Livingston Co. Tax Distribution	35,748.81
Reimbursements	17,398.47
Sale of Equipment	5,000.00
Smoke Detector Inspections	100.00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$141,387.21

<b>DISBURSEMENTS 5/1/2020 - 4/30/2021</b>	
<b>Expenditures over \$2,500.00</b>	
Capital One Commercial	2,518.88
Com Ed	6,731.57
Compass Insurance	14,347.00
Connor Co.	2,656.45
Frontier	2,934.88
Liberty Mutual Insurance	3,502.00
Motorola Solutions Inc.	3,049.94
Nicor Gas	5,636.35
Quad Co. Fire Equipment	14,374.17
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Stewart Signs	11,292.00

<b>REMAINDER BY CATEGORIES</b>	
Apparatus	940.89
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Loose Equipment	2,500.00
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TOTAL STIPENDS	10,350.00
Training	2,654.24
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	110,414.33

Ending Cash Balance as of 4/30/2021	55,038.16
Capital Reserve C.D.'s	27,311.32
Capital Reserve IL Funds	27,892.07
TOTAL CASH ON HAND AS OF 4/30/2021	\$110,241.55



‘Christmas for Kids’ in 29th Year of Helping Families in Need

Christmas for Kids is a program started 29 years ago in Dwight to help families in need at Christmas. Using funds donated by various Dwight area organizations and individuals, a volunteer committee sends offers of help to in-need families who are parents or legal guardians of children living in the Dwight school district. Those families are asked to fill out a “Wish List” of items needed and/or wanted by their children. These wish lists will be provided by the committee.

Once the “Wish Lists” are returned, the committee determines how much money can be contributed for each child, depending upon the funds available at that time.

Then the committee needs your help! Volunteers are needed to shop for the children using the “Wish Lists” and funds from the Christmas for Kids committee.

The committee asks that gifts be returned wrapped and properly labeled. The committee then organizes the gifts to be delivered. Volunteers are again needed to help deliver the gifts before Christmas.

**To shop for a family:** Please go to the Dwight United Methodist Church, 701 S. Columbia St. (next to the Dwight Grade School) between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Thursday, November 11. Gifts will need to be dropped off at the church by Thursday, December 9, between 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

**To deliver gifts:** Go to the Dwight United Methodist Church on Saturday, December 11, at 9 a.m. Delivery of Christmas for Kids gifts is done along with the delivery of Love Boxes (a program that provides food boxes for families in need).

**Last, but not least: Monetary donations are needed!** The program buys gifts from each child’s “Wish List” and therefore cannot accept donations of general items. Monetary donations are accepted at each of the four Dwight banks. Checks should be made payable to “Christmas for Kids.”

If you have any questions, you may contact the Christmas for Kids Committee at 815-584-2179.

MVK Seniors Meeting

The MVK Seniors met September 21 at the Mazon American Legion Hall for a long-awaited luncheon thru the Community Nutrition Network.

It had been 18 months since the last meal, because of the COVID pandemic. Everyone was overjoyed to meet their friends again.

President Rita called the meeting to order and gave the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. She thanked CNN and their many volunteers. There was a silent prayer for five of their deceased members.

Members sang “Happy Birthday” for Nancy Burchfield, Bill Rolando, Rita Mills, Frank Sereno, Sherry McIntosh, and even Bob Hollenbeck – who turned 102 on October 1.

Door prizes went to Rita Mills, Bob Elam, and Sandy Chismarick. The secretary’s and treasurer’s reports were read and approved.

President Rita opened up a discussion about her retiring as President. Several people were nominated but they were not interested. This discussion will be continued at the next meeting.

Linda Poppleton made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Helen Griffiths seconded.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, October 19, with Euchre starting at 10:30 a.m. and Bingo following the business meeting.

Anyone 60 or older is invited to join for a small donation. Be sure to call CNN at 815-941-1590 and make a reservation.

Rock Painting Craft Time at Piper City Library Oct. 22

Piper City Public Library, 39 W. Main Street, is hosting Rock Painting Craft Time Friday, October 22, for ages pre-k through fourth grade from 2:00-3:00 p.m.; then from 3:30-4:30 p.m. for ages fifth grade through eighth grade.

Register by Wednesday, October 20, by stopping by the library or calling them at 815-686-9234. Regular hours are as follows: Monday, 2:00-3:00 p.m.; then from 3:30-4:30 p.m. for ages fifth grade through eighth grade.

Victory Lanes, Dwight LEAGUE SCORES

Sportsman League Bowlers

HSG: Brandon Petry, 257; Bosco Gassman, 243; Kevin Oelschlager, Sr., 226; Jeff Gallup, 223; Reco Stevenson, 222. HSS: Brandon Petry, 635; Dane Sorensen, 627; Bosco Gassman, 610; Rob Teno, 602; Kevin Oelschlager, Sr., 598. HSG/HHG: Victory Lanes, 994. HSS/HHS: Victory Lanes, 2771.

League Standings	W	L
Rockey’s Pub	17	7
Star Trucking	17	7
Willy’s Pub	15	9
Care 110 West	15	9
Victory Lanes	14	10
Rambo Construct.	14	10
Jeremy’s Barber	13	11
Rury’s Tap	11	13
Jensen BP II	11	13
DeLong Ford	6	18
Jensens I	5	19

Commercial League Bowlers

HSG: Doug Gassman, 259;

Ken Benson, 243; Eric Knobbe, 220; Terry Wilkey, 215; Scot Banks, 214 – Jessica Bzdusek, 177; Paula Watts, 171; Brandi Farcus, 164; Mickey, 157; Joyce Fox, 155. HSS: Doug Gassman, 672; Ken Benson, 639; Eric Knobbe, 605; Terry Wilkey, 596; Michael King, 569 – Paula Watts, 500; Brandi Farcus, 463; Jessica Bzdusek, 453; Joyce Fox, 435; Stacy Richie, 426. HSG/HHG: Benson Racing #19, 907. HSS/HHS: Benson Racing #19, 2683.

League Standings	W	L
Dairy Queen	17½	6½
Benson Racing	17	7
Victory Lanes	15	9
Maxwell Truck.	15	9
Cherry RR	14	10
Agritile	13	11
Whiskey Cav.	13	11
Willy’s Pub	13	11
Gaston Construct.	11½	12½
Coleman/Son	7	17
Pumpkin Patch	6	18

Morris Hospital Offers CPR, First Aid Training Nov. 4

Morris Hospital & Healthcare Centers is offering the American Heart Association’s Heartsaver CPR AED & First Aid Training course Thursday, November 4, from 4:00-8:30 p.m. at the former Shabbona School, 725 School St., Morris.

The course is for anyone interested in learning skills that could save the life of a loved one, friend, co-worker, or community member. Participants will learn the skills needed to perform high quality CPR, proper use of an automated external defibrillator (AED), relief of foreign-body airway obstruction, and basic first aid. A fee applies.

Register online at [www.morrishospital.org/events](http://www.morrishospital.org/events). For more information, call 815-705-7360.

Thomas Bennett, State Representative 106th District

Illinois State Fair Approaches Attendance Record

The attendance figures are in from August’s Illinois State Fair and they show a significant rebound. Like so many other summer fairs and festivals, the state fair had to be cancelled in 2020 due to the pandemic, but it came back in a big way in 2021, with 472,000 people passing through the gates during the 11-day run, the second-largest crowd ever to attend the annual summer expo in Springfield.

The State Fair sold more than 44,000 tickets to grandstand shows, bringing in \$1.5

million in revenue. When adding in the additional collections from admissions and other sources, the State Fair is estimated to have brought in around \$5 million in revenue in 2021.

Next year’s Illinois State Fair is scheduled for August 11 through 22 at the state fairgrounds in Springfield

**Public Health warns hunters to guard against tick bites.** The Illinois Department of Public Health has issued a warning to hunters to be on guard against tick-borne illnesses as hunting season gets underway. IDPH is reminding hunters to check themselves and their pets for ticks if they have been in woods or areas with tall grass. Removing a tick within 24 hours of a bite can reduce the risk of contracting such tick-borne illnesses as Lyme disease. Some tick-borne illnesses can be life-threatening.

IDPH has created a tick-surveillance map which shows where different kinds of ticks are known to exist throughout the state, including in the counties of our district. The map also contains pictures which can be helpful in identifying the kind of tick.

**How much do we owe?** As of the time of this writing, the State of Illinois owes \$5,323,677,148 in unpaid bills to state vendors. One year ago, the backlog stood at \$8.1 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, such as unfunded pension liability.

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