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The Man Behind the Name Tag



by Brandon LaChance

John "Jack" Ruskin has been looking at this name for years.

When he saw the same name on a guest speaker list for a Certified Public Announce-

ment convention in San Diego, he knew he recognized the name and decided to reach out on LinkedIn to see if it was the same person or a relative.

When Ruskin – a Dwight Township High School 1982 graduate, retired Navy veteran, and married to Patty Slattery with two children – heard back from Art delaCruz he found out he was the guy behind the name sewed onto his flight suit 26 years earlier.

"I got to looking through the guest speaker list and one of



DWIGHT NATIVE JOHN "JACK" RUSKIN (LEFT) MET Art delaCruz recently in San Diego after rescuing him after an airplane crash on July 6, 1996 in Fallon, Nevada. The Navy members have had zero interaction over the last 26 years except for a bottle of scotch delaCruz sent the Search and Rescue Unit. Ruskin had delaCruz's flight suit name tag sewn on his flight jacket with four others as it's a Navy custom for a pilot to give his name tag to the person who saved them.

the names - Art delaCruz caught my eye; it looked very familiar," Ruskin said. "At first, I thought he was a helicopter pilot that I may have flown with in the Navy. I sent him a message via Linkedin saying, 'Do you happen to be related to or are you a helicopter pilot?' I told him I was Search and Rescue in Fallon, Nevada.

"He said, 'No, but I was a TOPGUN instructor. One of your huckleberries picked me up in the Nevada desert when I ejected in 1996.' I got to thinking, that was me. There is a Ruskin has had. custom in the Navy, when you rescue pilots, you get to keep their name tag. You take their name tag off of their flight suit.

"I kept the five name tags that I have all of these years. I still had his name tag. I offered to give it back to him when we were at the convention. He said

it would mean more if you keep it. He was a guest speaker and I was at a booth during the convention and he came down and we were able to meet."

The meeting was special for Ruskin and delaCruz.

Ruskin spent 20 years, six months and 22 days in the Navy including stops in San Diego, Oceanside, Calif., North Carolina, a Mediterranean tour, Key West, Fla., Cherry Point, NC, Guam, Fallon, Nevada, and Cuba.

In 40 rescues, delaCruz is the only chance meeting

"I can't explain what it meant to actually meet him and get a picture with him. It was just a really cool feeling," Ruskin said. "You hear stories of people developing a kindred spirit with other people who have been in the service. This was an electrical moment. I

changed my flight to come home so I could hear him speak.

"It's all about service; servicing and helping others. You got to wear a flight suit and they paid you an extra \$400 a month, which was good money then with a wife and two little kids. But it's not about that, it was about helping others. I was on 40 rescues and they were all different whether it was a pilot (Ruskin has five name tags from pilot rescues), Coast Guard rescues where I'd get lowered to a ship, someone getting lost in a national forest. or getting injured in the Sierra Nevada Mountains, or getting trapped in a flash flood. Just taking someone and helping them was the reward."

The pilot who was saved on July 6, 1996, delaCruz, was ec-(continued on page 3)

Making Music for Route 66

by Brandon LaChance

If you're a traveler, a United States of America historian, or live in or around a town on U.S. Route 66, you know the importance of the highway.

Rt. 66 was established on Nov. 11, 1926 and became one of the most famous roads in the country as it runs from Chicago, all throughout Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and it finishes in Santa Monica, California.

The highway covers 2,448 miles

Nolan Stolz knew the geographic and other information easily found on Google, but he wanted a closer, more intimate look. To do so, he took a yearlong sabbatical to tour Rt. 66 and create music inspired by his findings.

"In 2013, I wrote a piece titled "The Lincoln Highway

Suite" for orchestra and wanted to write a follow-up piece about another historical highway," said Stolz, a music professor at the University of South Carolina Upstate. "Rt. 66 was the obvious choice. Also, Rt. 66 turns 100 in 2026, so this is the best year for me to get on the road to learn about Rt. 66 and spend as much time on it as possible so I can start orchestrating a piece that truly reflects and represents the road.

"It's the most famous road in the world. It's quite historical and important for America. Turning 100 years old is special for anything, even a road. I'm on Rt. 66 every summer when I go to Missouri. That's where I go to compose music.

"This is the first time I've done the entire road start to finish in multiple settings. I'll get to Chicago and turn around. I'll go to Los Angeles and turn

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NOLAN SOLTZ, A MUSIC PROFESSOR AT UNIVER-SITY OF SOUTH CAR-OLINA UPSTATE, is in the middle of a year sabbatical touring Rt. 66 as he is drawing inspiration for an orchestra composition. The idea is to take photos and videos of things he sees and experiences he has and then turn them into music.

Dwight ESDA to officially disband April 1

by Brandon LaChance

The Emergency Services Department Agency (ESDA) has helped track weather in Dwight for more than four decades.

The volunteer group was created to help monitor storms and give the community awareness of potential disasters such as tornados by initiating sirens.

However, on March 14 at a Dwight Village Board Meeting, it was announced ESDA would not be funded and it will be non-functional on April 1.

"We didn't fund it. We took ESDA out of the budget. Historically, when civil defense was a thing and when ESDA was more prolific, there was a need," Mayor Paul Johnson said. "ESDA is almost a redundant agency now. Their primary mission is storm spotting and they utilize volunteers. ESDA was around when we had a volunteer fire department. We didn't have the EMS Department how it's currently set up and we didn't have as many police of-

ficers on the street. "Over time, the tasks that they have been viewing has been very few. Their budget has been around \$10,000 per year for quite a few years. The majority, 90 percent, pays for village dispatching fees for 911 and for maintaining the four tornado sirens around town. We didn't get rid of that money, we just put it in a different account. The only money we essentially spent on ESDA was the payroll and maybe some training ex-

"Since I've been the mayor, since last May, never once have the ESDA co-directors, Rodney LeRoy and Kevin Holohan, come to a Village Board Meeting or a Public Health and Services Committee Meeting. In fact, the board wasn't even really sure who was on

Johnson added disbanding ESDA is not new in Illinois or in the country as the agency isn't as needed as it once was because

Dwight has more EMS members, firefighters, and cops who are all watching the weather when they're on duty.

Adding to the reasons why the board voted for the Dwight ESDA to disband was communication is-

"I asked three or four times and it was crickets. I didn't hear anything. The board wanted to know what they were doing because the biggest issue with them is liability," Johnson said. "They go out and do a storm spotting in their personal vehicles. We wanted to see if they had defensive driving training or storm spotting training. We wanted to make sure they were trained and they had a training

"We never received anything. We checked to see if ESDA put in a budget request for the year, they did not. If they haven't put in a budget request and their directors haven't come to any budget meetings or regular board meetings, and

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Numbers

as of

3/28/22

Statistics via:

dph.illinois.gov

Confirmed Cases: 3,061,224;

Probable cases are individuals

who have been tested and are

found to have a positive test re-

sult by a local clinic using

"rapid" tests that are not, at

this time, IDPH-approved tests.

Probable Deaths: 4,282;

Total Tests Performed:

Illinois -

56,891,628.

Deaths

365

381

136

136

113

65

Deaths: 33,307;

<u>Town</u>

Dwight

Herscher

Gardner

Odell

Mazon

Essex

Braceville

Saunemin

Cullom

Reddick

Verona

Cabery

Ransom

Kempton

Emington

Kinsman

Campus

County

LaSalle

Grundy

Kankakee

Livingston

Iroquois

Ford

Union Hill

Blackstone

Buckingham

S. Wilmington

FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

March 18: Mallory C. Ramsey, 36, Dwight, operate uninsured motor vehicle; Cody L. Miller, 29, Dwight, electronic commu. device.

March 19: Edward A. Lohman, II, 19, Bourbonnais, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

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

16 Written Warnings

Speeding – 6; One Tail Light – 1; Fail to Signal – 1; Fail to Yield Private Drive − 1; No Registration Plate Light – 2; Disobey Stop Sign – 1; Violate Lights and Lamps Act - 3; Expired Registration – 1.

Dwight Police Blotter

March 17: Arrested on an In-State Warrant was Cody Miller, 29, of Dwight. He was transported to Dwight Police Department. He was given a court date, posted bond, and was released.

March 21: Arrested on an In-State Warrant was John Brummett, 23, address listed as Auburn, IL. Brummett was transported to Dwight Police Department. He could not post bond, and was transported to Grundy Cty. Jail.

Medical Aid - 5; Traffic Stops – 17; Return Call – 9; Extra Patrol -2; Lockout -2; RR Crossing Issues – 1; Information – 1; Out with Vehicle – 1; Warrant Check - 1; Walk In – 6; Assist Agency – 5; Fire – 1; Miscellaneous – 1; Out of Control Subject – 2; James; Delaware, medical.

Wellness Check – 2; Identity Theft -1; Burglar Alarm -1; Customer Issue – 1; Well Being Check - 2; Check Area - 2; Cell 911 Open Line - 1; Unknown Problem - 1; Found Item -1.



Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

March 17: 3425 E. Rd., fire, no patient, mutual aid to Reddick; Delaware, medical, refusal; Seminole, medical, no patient; Watters, trauma, St. James; Franklin, trauma, Morris; Mazon, medical, Morris.

March 18: James, medical, Morris; Prairie, medical, Morris; John St., medical, Morris; Rt. 47 and I-55, trauma, two refusals; John St., medical, Mor-

March 19: Seminole, medical, Riverside; Julie Dr., medical, St. James; Mazon, medical; Old Mazon, medical, mutual aid to Mazon; Union, fire; Mazon, medical, Morris.

March 20: County Road, medical, Morris; North, fire; Mazon, medical, Morris.

March 21: John, medical, Morris; Gooseberry, trauma, refusal; Chippewa, fire; Seminole, medical, Morris.

March 22: Main, fire, cancelled; Dwight, medical, cancelled; Aldi, trauma, Morris; Julie, lift assist.

March 23: Mazon, trauma, Morris; Linden, medical, Morris; Watters, medical, St.



Dinner served 5-7 p.m. Live Auction begins at 7 p.m.

Many items have been donated from local businesses for the auction.

If you would like to support the Dwight FFA or have any questions, call Dan Parker @ 815-228-4706.

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Don't Be Surprised By Social Security Taxes

When you reach the appropriate age, it's easy to apply for Social Security retirement benefits – just go to Social Security's website, fill out the online form and you're essentially done. But many people overlook the next step – completing Form W-4V, which asks you how much federal income tax you want withheld from your benefits. And if you skip this step, you could face an unpleasant surprise when it's tax-filing time, because Social Security benefits can indeed add to your taxable income.

Here are the details:

• If you're a single filer...If your "combined" income is between \$25,000 and \$34,000, you may have to pay income tax on up to 50 percent of your Social Security benefits. ("Combined" income includes your adjusted gross income, nontaxable interest, and one-half of your annual Social Security benefits.) If your combined income is more than \$34,000, up to 85 percent of your benefits may be taxable.

• If you're married and file jointly... If you and your spouse have a combined income between \$32,000 and \$44,000, you may be taxed on up to 50 percent of your benefits. If your combined income is more than \$44,000, up to 85 percent of your benefits may be taxable.

These numbers might seem high, but they don't mean you'll lose 50 percent, or 85 percent, of your benefits - they are just the percentages of benefits you may be taxed on, at your personal income tax rate.

To help avoid a big tax bill or an underpayment penalty, you can file Form W-4V with the Social Security Administration and request to have 7, 10, 12 or 22 percent of your monthly benefit withheld. Your tax advisor can help you choose the withholding percentage that's appropriate for your situation.

The amount of taxes you may need to pay will also depend on when you start taking Social Security. The earlier you take benefits, the smaller your monthly checks, and the smaller the taxes. But taxes should not be a key issue in deciding when you need to begin collecting your payments. Rather, you should consider other factors, such as your anticipated life expectancy, your employment situation, your spending needs and the benefits for your spouse.

Here's something else to keep in mind: Because Social Security taxes are based on your overall income, as described above, the amount of money you withdraw during retirement, and where that money comes from, can also affect your tax situation. For example, withdrawals from a traditional IRA are taxable and will increase your adjusted gross income, but withdrawals from a Roth IRA will be tax-free, provided you've had your account at least five years and you're over 59 -1/2, so this money won't enter into your taxable income calculations and it won't increase the tax you owe on your Social Security benefits. Similarly, withdrawals from health savings accounts (HSAs) used for qualified health expenses also won't count toward your taxable income.

By knowing exactly what to expect from Social Security, including the tax effects, you can more effectively incorporate your benefits into your overall retirement income planning – and the better your plans, the more you'll be able to enjoy

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Temps - 2022

Mar. 17 - high 72°, low 41° Mar. 18 – high 45°, low 37° .73" precip. Mar. 19 – high 44°, low 31° trace precip. Mar. 20 - high 63°, low 33° Mar. 21 – high 73°, low 42° .14" precip. Mar. 22 – high 57°, low 48° .29" precip. Mar. 23 – high 59°, low 39° .38" precip. One Year Ago-Mar. 30, 2021



high 46°, low 28°

Dwight Fire Incidents 3/18 - 3/25

Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents:

March 18: Motor Vehicle Accident – Rt. 47 at I-55.

March 19: Mutual Aid to Mazon; Smoke Scare/Odor -N. Union.

March 20: Carbon Monoxide Incident – North St.

March 21: Cooking Fire -W. Chippewa.

March 22: Automatic Fire Alarm – W. Main.

March 25: Smoke Detector Activated – Julie Dr. Dwight FPD also responded

to 17 medical assists with Dwight EMS.

Dwight Township Meeting Apr. 5

The monthly meeting of Dwight Township will be held Tuesday, April 5.

All regularly scheduled meetings are held in the Dwight Township Hall, 201 North Franklin Street, Dwight, at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

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as an incentive to recruit more volunteer firefighters. Volunteer firefighters are critical to public safety in districts like ours which have so many small towns and so much rural terrihave to do better.

The credit is also a way of saying thank you to our volunteer firefighters for their serv-

Unemployment debt repayment plan takes a wrong turn. Things can change very quickly in Springfield. Last week I told you about the efforts to finally begin paying back the \$4 billion which Illinois had to borrow from the federal government in order to pay the surge of unemployment claims that resulted from the lockdowns during the pandemic. This week the repayment planning took a wrong turn and started moving toward a tax increase on jobs.

Most other states used federal ARPA funds to pay back their debt. But the Democrats who run the General Assembly in Illinois took a different path: spending much of our ARPA funds on new programs and one-time expenditures, leaving the debt unpaid and beginning to accumulate interest.

This week Democrats in the General Assembly rolled out a plan to pay back about half of the debt while leaving a \$1.8 billion hole to be filled by Illinois taxpayers. They would then take the remaining ARPA funds and use them for their spending wish list: hundreds of millions of dollars for pork projects only in Democrat-held districts.

Bill Would Create Tax Credit

for Volunteer Firefighters

Area COVID-19 Stats

Cases

1,183

512

487

378

364

329

269

171

160

160

145

141

132

119

109

102

86

72

45

29

19

<u>Cases</u>

28,723

28,819

12,582

10,680

7,149

4,390

Thomas Bennett, State Representative 106th District

Total Tests

Performed

25,814

6,142

5,586

5,927

3,986

4,148

2,707

2,118

2,685

3,256

2,004

1,678

1,987

1,758

1,510

1,764

1,115

1,252

1,332

Tested

469,424

481,381

150,428

239,617

109,612

74,097

This week I spoke at a press

conference in support of Senate

Bill 3027, legislation I am co-

sponsoring to create a tax

credit for volunteer firefighters.

This bipartisan bill has passed

the Senate and is now awaiting

The tax credit would serve

action in the House.

tory.

783

275

If we do not use the ARPA funds to pay back all of what we owe, our only choices for eliminating the debt will be raising taxes on jobs or cutting unemployment benefits to those who need them. I cannot believe we are considering either of those as options when a better choice is available. We

Legislation to fight high gas prices. The spike in gas prices in recent weeks has affected us all. It follows a year or more of steadily rising prices for gas and almost everything else Illinoisans need to buy.

Prices have increased by an average of 7.9% over the past year according to the Consumer Price Index and some products have gone up much more than that. A lot of the cause of the inflation is due to factors coming from Washington, but there are a few things we can do at the state level to bring prices down right away.

Illinois is one of the few states that charges a sales tax on gas – on top of the state and federal gas tax. So when the price of gas goes up, the amount of sales tax you pay for it goes up as well.

I am one of the sponsors of a bill which would cap that sales tax so that when prices shoot upwards like they have this month, the sales tax would stop going up. It isn't a silver bullet, but it is something we could do right now that would bring the price down a little bit. In the meantime, our country needs to get back to pursuing

policies which make us energy independent.

Honoring a fallen service**member.** Army Corporal Robert D. Janssen of Minonk gave his life for our country on June 3, 1968 in Vietnam. He was born in Bloomington and graduated from Minonk-Dana-Rutland High School in 1966. He had been in the Army for just under a year when he was killed in action.

As a way of memorializing Corporal Janssen and his service, Senator Jason Barickman and I are sponsoring a joint resolution to rename the section of Interstate 39 outside his hometown of Minonk the "Cpl. Robert D. Janssen Memorial Highway," so that those who live here and those who visit will know his name and reflect on his sacrifice.

Donating pay raise. This month I was proud to donate my state legislators' pay raise to Rick Allen and the American Legion Skinner-Trost Post 122 in Cullom for their Gift to the Yanks program.

How much do we owe? As of the time of this writing, the State of Illinois owes \$3,382,118,049 in unpaid bills to state vendors. One year ago, the backlog stood at \$5.0 bil-

Did you know? Illinois has 102 counties and ranks sixth in the nation for the number of counties. Only Texas (254) has a larger population than Illinois. Other states with more counties than Illinois - Georgia (159), Kentucky (120), Missouri (114) and Kansas (105)

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(continued from page 1) around. I stay in Missouri in an artist residency called Osage Arts Community (in Belle, MO). That's my home base during this project, even though I'm hardly there.'

Soltz, who was born in Milwaukee, grew up in Las Vegas and resides in Spartanburg, SC.

However, he has not been to his South Carolina residency since June 2021 as he set out for his Rt. 66 voyage on July 1,

His sabbatical cut his salary in half from South Carolina Upstate, but he was awarded with a break from his teaching duties to tour Rt. 66 and create

"I'm taking pictures and video of places I find inspiring and interesting," Stolz said. "I bring those back to my studio so I have something to help me remember the images I saw and the experiences I had. What I'll do is I'll find the 1926 alignment and I'll take that route when I'm taking photos of things and places that existed then. It helps me imagine what it looked like in 1926.

"The whole orchestral piece is going to be titled "A.D. 1926." The whole thing is going to represent the beginning of the highway. I'll look for neon signs, lit or not, and I may get some inspiration for music from them."

Stolz's musical composition will feature different movements including one on theaters, gas stations, lodging, and

"I am also going to go to theaters. The last movement I'm going to call, "The Show Must Go On." That's going to represent theaters of all eras of Rt. 66," Stolz said. "It'll feature pre-1926 theaters such as opera houses where they may have had vaudeville shows or silent movies. Then you have the drive-in movie theaters and I'm going to go to them as well. If it's still a theater, great and I'll stop and see a movie, concert, or a show. If it's turned into something else, that's OK, too. If I can go into the building and take a look, great. I'll imagine what it looked like when it was

"Another movement is titled, '26 Gas Stations.' It's paying homage to a 1963 photography book called, "Twentysix Gasoline Stations." It was made by Ed Ruscha. He drove from Los Angeles to Oklahoma City in 1962. He took photographs of gas stations along the way.

"Last year, I spent 26 weeks tracking down where all of those stations were and then went to them. Most of them have been torn down and there is something else there. Some of them still exist. I decided to travel the whole route and select 26 stations or former stations that I find interesting or have a personal connection. Maybe they've turned into a mom and pop restaurant or gas station."



DURING HIS RT. 66 VOYAGE, SOLTZ will visit Dwight a total of eight times. His plan is to visit every town on Rt. 66 at least once. The South Carolina resident has made Osage Arts Community in Belle, Missouri his central position as he takes two-month trips in one direction on Rt. 66 and then returns to work on his music.

twice during his travels and plans to make a stop in the village a total of eight times as it will be part of multiple move-

The Texaco Station will be in 26 Gas Stations" while Paulson Court and Hotel Frances will be in the lodging collection.

The music professor plans to Stolz has been to Dwight write the music inspired by Rt.

66 by the end of 2022 or beginning of 2023 and hopes to have it fully orchestrated in 2024 with woodwinds, brass, strings, and percussion sections.

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The Man Behind the Name Tag –

(continued from page 1) static to meet Ruskin.

Even though they share a life and death moment, there has been zero contact between the two since the day delaCruz said thank you as he was being carried out of a helicopter and he sent the search and rescue unit a bottle of scotch.

"It's one of those things that you don't forget or that you can't forget. I was assigned as an instructor at TOPGUN. In 1996, I was in my fifth year of my career," delaCruz said. "I got my wings in 1992. I was a pretty young Lieutenant in 1996 and I stayed in the Navy until 2013. I did 22 years in the

"One of the things we did often at TOPGUN is we train against other people. It was two F-14s participating in a training flight, Air Combat Maneuvering (ACM). During the flight, we were doing some pretty aggressive maneuvering and we had a mechanical failure that resulted in a flat spin. We ended up in a flat spin in an area of the desert outside of Fallon, Nevada. We had to eject from the airplane. We executed the emergency procedure and ejected while the airplane continued to spin underneath me. It hit the ground and exploded as it had



The wreckage of the F-14 from which John Ruskin helped rescue Art delaCruz after a mechanical error on June 6, 1996.

14,000 pounds of fuel in it.

"Where Jack comes in, he's essentially a member of a fire department. He's constantly training, constantly prepared and they have to have the ability to project and rescue air crew across a vast area of land. They can travel out a 100-plus miles into the middle of nowhere because that's where in a moment's notice when anyone is flying."

During the rescue, Ruskin told delaCruz he was in shock. The other pilot being rescued with delaCruz had a high heart rate while delaCruz's was calm. The traumatic circumstance had him, his whole body, in a stunned state.

Once delaCruz could assess the situation, he was thankful he was in the Navy with

"brothers" who he trusts to save his and others' lives.

"I think it's expected. It's a demonstration of something military veterans learn. It's literally from the second you put on a uniform, it's in your DNA," delaCruz said. "People are relying on you and you'll rely on them. I've become accustomed to it because I know an 18-year old we do our training. They're at is looking at a \$50 million jet and the ready to be able to respond saying, 'This jet is ready to go today.

"I think in that moment, you appreciate that people are going to pick you up. I think Jack's mission also extends to search and rescue and combat zones. You always had this assumption that people like Jack, who are trained to do search and rescue, are going to do everything they can to bring you home even if you're in a hostile area or situation."

delaCruz is now the CEO of

Team Rubicon, which is a nonprofit organization that helps with disaster relief. Meeting Ruskin, delaCruz asked if he'd like to join Team Rubicon.

Ruskin declined stating, 'I'm past my prime.'

However, this will not stop Ruskin and delaCruz from staying in touch more than they have in the last 26 years.

"I suppose this chance meeting with Art was my reward for all of the years of doing search and rescue. I was like a teenage girl at a Justin Bieber concert when I met him in San Diego," Ruskin said. "I went total groupie. To know this connection I had with this man and not seeing him or having any communication in 26 years, and then to have a chance to meet him was astonishing.

"I used to have the name tags of pilots sewn on my leather flight coat. They went on the jacket's sleeve. That's why the name seemed so familiar to me because the name was on my sleeve for so many years."

Ruskin and delaCruz took a photo of their chance meeting and Ruskin posted it on LinkedIn. The photo has more than 22,500 views.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE DWIGHT ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Public Hearing shall be held before the Dwight Zoning Board of Appeals on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at the hour of 6:30 P.M. at the Public Services Complex Bldg., 209 South Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois. The Public Hearing is with respect to a Zoning Appeal for Variance being made by Michael J. Cornale and Kelly A. Cornale for premises commonly known as 307 Julie Drive, Dwight, Illinois, which is more particularly described as follows:

> Lot 20 in Scott's Fourth Subdivision to the Village of Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois, as per Plat recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Livingston County, Illinois, on May 15, 1996 as Document Number 485004.

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The Variance being requested, for which the Public Hearing is set, is as follows:

> To decrease the rear yard requirement for the construction of an addition from the required thirty (30) feet to ten (10) feet. This would be a variance of Section 7.01(6) of the Comprehensive Amendment to the Dwight Zoning Ordinance which states that no building shall be erected or enlarged unless the rear, side or front yards are maintained. The request would allow for a rear yard of not less than ten (10) feet. The side and front vard setbacks as otherwise required in this R-1 Zoning District will be maintained.

At the time and place of the Public Hearing, all interested parties are invited to attend and make their views known, either orally, in writing, or by a representative. Thereafter, the Zoning Board of Appeals will make a recommendation to the Village Board of Trustees as to whether or not the requested Variance should be granted, and/or under what circumstances or restrictions. Copies of the Zoning Appeal for Variance, together with attachments, are available for public inspection by any interested party at the Dwight Public Services Complex Bldg., 209 S. Prairie Ave., Dwight, IL, during regular business hours.

Inquiries with respect to the requested Variance should be directed to the following:

> Kevin McNamara Village Administrator **Public Services Complex Building** 209 S. Prairie Avenue Dwight, IL 60420 PH#: 815/584-3077

> > WHITNEY SCOTT, Village Clerk Dwight Public Services Complex Building 209 South Prairie Avenue Dwight, Illinois 60420 815/584-3077 E-Mail: villageclerk@dwightillinois.com



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St. Paul School in Odell is time, including use of the playground if weather permits.

For the convenience of parents, bus transportation from Dwight, Campus, or Saunemin is offered for an additional

Registration for the 2022-23 school year now is being accepted, with limited openings available in both classes.

Past parents of St. Paul's preschool program have been happy with the academic progress their children have made throughout their year in preschool. Different academic instruction is provided to threeand four-year old students, with an emphasis on learning basic math skills and beginning to read. Plenty of time for play and socialization with other children also is worked into the

For more information on St. Paul's preschool program, or to register for next school year, call 815-998-2194.

HONOR ROLLS

Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Middle School Third Quarter

High Honor Roll

Eighth Grade: Lexie Buis, Drew Clarm, Cody Clennon, Vincent Corrado, Chloey Coyne, Madison DeGrush, Rionah Denato, Evan Eplin, Jaxson Finch, Tessa Krull, Lilly Pfeifer, Avery Phillips, Izzy Salinas, Brady Sheedy, Lauren Thomas, Ruthie Steffes.

Seventh Grade: Rayce Aukland, Aiden Basaraba, Audrey Claypool, Ethan Hasselbring, Daniel Isham, Kendall Jones, Hayden Pfeifer, Brant Roe, Tori Skelton, Gracie Smith, Payton Turner, Aurora Weber. Sixth Grade: Breckin Anderson, Mark Brookman, Addison Kilmer, Bailey Kruger, Hunter Milton, Brooklyn Sheedy, Alex Spear, Morgan Starwalt, Kaydynce Wardlow, Tucker Yard. Fifth Grade: Blake Claypool, Liam Jones, Marlie Lissy, Braden Skelton, Benjamin Theobald, Jacob Warning, Ameliah Weber.

Honor Roll

Eighth Grade: MaryLou Acosta, Michael Breisch, Wyatt Coop, Devon Daemicke. Clinton Darling, Jayden Hesik, Kyler Krull, Rowan Linder, Ethan Othon, Landyn Ramsey, Cameron Shriev, Mason Thom, Landen Venecia.

Seventh Grade: Vivienne Cronkrite, Dane Ferrara, Pierce Gilbertson, Kaylee Klinker, Tyler Maretta, Zach Naines, Jennifer Orozco, Sarai Ramirez, Max Sproull.

Sixth Grade: Vivianna Barrera, Colton Baudino, Matthew Bauerly, Grace Biros, Brynlee Hunt, Marissa Marcellis, Cooper O'Donovan, Hailie Power, Ximena Valenciano. Fifth Grade: Elina Akre, Jolene Arnstrom, Jaxon Baudino, Kennedi Bleifield, Jordyn Both, Lorenzo DeOliveira, Noah Grant, Keigan Leach,

Lily Paputsa, Emberlyn Paquette, Maggie Pfeifer, Lesli Pichardo, Jacob Pierce, Karla Riddle, Kendall Slattery.

PUNS and Adult Developmental **Disability Supports: Understanding Your Options**

On Tuesday, April 12, from 6:00-8:00 p.m., an informational session will be held at the Pontiac Rec Center, 900 N. Elm St., on services available to adults with developmental disabilities. It is being presented by Megan Mutti, QIDP from the ARC of Illinois Ligas Family Advocate Program, and hosted by the Transition Planning Committee through Livingston County Special Services Unit.

Topics will include: Understanding the adult developmental disability support system, CILA services, Home-based Supports, ICFDD, Supportive Housing, Hourly-CILA, and related services and supports through the Medicaid Home and Community Based Waiver.

Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC), the Independent Service Coordination Agency (ISC) for Livingston County residents will be on hand to answer your questions. If your son/daughter is not currently on the PUNS list, you will have the opportunity to schedule a time with them to complete the paperwork.

The targeted audience is families with children or adults with special needs, special education teachers, social workers, psychologists, lawyers, and agencies that provide supports to individuals with special

This event is free and registration is not necessary.

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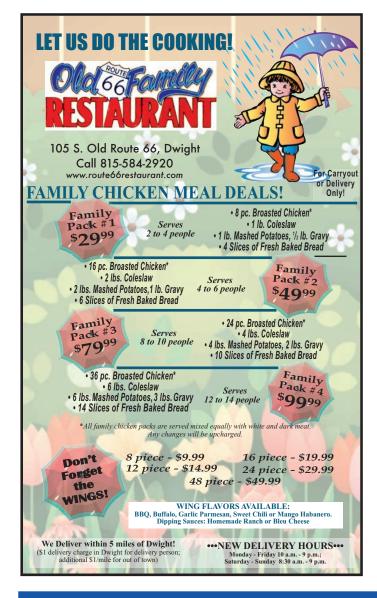
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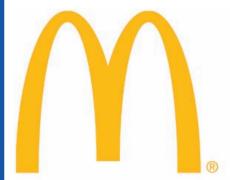
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Alpha Beta Members Enjoy **Book Folding Crafts**



ALPHA BETA MEMBERS Nancy Wier, Joan Smeltzer (Fairbury), and Karen Harms (Fairbury) seek to complete their decorative book folding craft.

Alpha Beta Chapter met at Edinger's Filling Station in Pontiac March 19. Barb Baumann (Minonk) taught members how to craft a book so that when it is displayed a viewer will see a heart. Each member took a 300-350-page book, a ruler with centimeters, and a mechanical pencil.

To craft the book, one follows a page of directions that list the measurement to use in two places on a page. Then each page is folded in those two marked areas. The number of folds is half the number of pages in the book. Directions for different shapes can be found at various online links, such as foldedbookart.co.uk/ foldthepage.com/freedownloads/. Or go to Pinterest and search "Book Folding".

Jan Secretary Liston (Bloomington) reported that many thank you notes have been received from the organizations and endeavors that the chapter supports with contributions. Funds were collected for another well in Malawi. Treasurer Janet Kilgus announced that she is collecting \$90 for dues from active members and \$10 dues from collegiate members who have not graduated in

Co-President Lou Ann Jacobs (Normal) encouraged members to attend the upcoming Illinois Convention which will be held April 29-May 1 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Springfield. There are still a few openings for the pre-convention tour to the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum on Friday after-

Membership Chair Louann Harms asked members to distribute applications for the \$100 Early Career Teacher grants that are awarded at the May meeting. At the convention, two Alpha Beta members will be recognized for their number of years as DKG members - Carol Hughes (55 years) and Janet Kilgus (45 years).

Nominations Chair Nancy Wier (Fairbury) announced the officers who will serve for the 2022-24 biennium are as follows: President – Marcia Wahls

(Chenoa); 1st Vice President – Louann Harms (Fairbury); 2nd Vice President – Carol Hughes (Roanoke); Recording Secretary – Connie Rich (Fairbury); and Treasurer and Correspondence - Janet Kilgus (Fair-

Marcia Wahls, Educational Excellence Chair, said that some high school senior and college junior women wanting to be teachers have applied for the Alpha Beta \$200 grant, which will be awarded at the May meeting.

Barb Baumann, Creative Arts Chair, announced that the Creative Arts Retreat, which will be held on June 21-23, at Allerton Park in Monticello still has a few openings.

The next meeting will be held on May 17 at the El Paso Golf Club. Featured will be the recipients of chapter grants, convention reports, and installation of officers.

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

Omicron Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society Hosts Members of Seneca Speech Team



SENECA HIGH SCHOOL SPEECH team members Brady Danek, Audrey Jenkins and Miranda Araugo with Coach Marilee Applebee, an Omnicron member.

Members of the Seneca High School Speech Team presented the program at the March meeting of Omicron Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Coached by Omicron member Marilee Applebee, seniors Brady Danek, Audrey Jenkins and Miranda Araujo entertained and inspired with their presentations.

Danek's original piece--Info on Dad Jokes entitled "It's How Eye Roll" was filled with humor and surprises. He plans to attend the University of Missouri and major in engineering. Jenkins presented several heartfelt poems on "Love and She will attend Loss." Carthage College and study theater and political science. Araujo's piece was originally given by actress America Ferrera. It was titled "My Identity is Not an Obstacle—It's My Superpower." She is undecided on a school at this time but plans to study the environmental sciences. All three are four year members of the speech team.

The business meeting was conducted by Co-Presidents Heather Reardon and Linda Ernst. After general announcements the election of officers for the 2022-2024 biennium was held: President, Mary Jo Farrell of Ottawa; Co-First Presidents. Vice Paula Freepartner of Seneca and Patty Hopkins of Ottawa; Second Vice President, Judy Hooper of Ottawa; Recording Secretary, Marilee Applebee of Seneca; and Corresponding Secretary, Heather Reardon of Ottawa.

Omicron member Stephanie Benson was recognized for her work as the current president of the Illinois Reading Council. Also, member Alaina Weatherford was recognized as the president of the Starved Rock Reading Council along with serving as a regional director. Several members indicated that they plan to attend the upcoming Illinois State Organization Convention which will be held in Springfield April 29-May 1. Thank you notes were read from the Mendota Area Christian Food Pantry, Community Food Basket of Ottawa and the IL Valley Food Pantry in Peru for the monetary donations. Letters of thanks were also read for the donations to the international projects: Schools for Africa and fresh water wells in Malawi.

The next meeting will be April 19 at Pitstick's Pavilion. The program, Farm Stew (A Recipe for Abundant Life) will be presented by Cherri Olin, the assistant to Joy Kauffman, the executive director and founder of Farm Stew. Farm Stew's mission is to improve the health and well-being of poor families and vulnerable people by sharing the recipe for abundant life throughout the world.

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is a professional honorary society of women educators.. Omicron Chapter is in its 84th year and welcomes membership inquiries. For more information about membership call 815-



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Prairie Creek Library Plans Spirit Week

In observance of National Library Week from April 3-9, Prairie Creek Library, located at 501 Carriage House Lane in Dwight, will host a Spirit Week pants. Each day, participants into a drawing.

The week will kick off on April 3 with **Sharing Sunday**. To be entered into the drawing, participants will share a librarythemed (and family-friendly) GIF under the appropriate library post.

April 4 is Member Monday. Renew an expired card or become a new member. To get a card, patrons will need to take in two pieces of mail with their current address and a photo ID. Teens under 18 years of age will need their guardian with them. Anyone who is already a cardholder can stop in and receive a sweet treat.

On April 5, patrons are invited to attend a free tech help and Prairie Creek will issue a class from 2:00-3:00 p.m. for with daily drawings for all Tech Help Tuesday. The class still in good shape, the patron local teen and adult partici- will cover the e-resources that will receive a special gift just are available for library pawill have a way to get entered trons. The library also will post a video on how to print from a phone at the library. Anyone who prefers a one-on-one tech time can book a librarian by calling 815-584-3061.

April 6 is Website Wednesday. Participants are invited to browse the website and find items on a scavenger hunt list that can be found on the website prairiecreeklibrary.

org or the library's Facebook page. When the hunt is completed, answers can be private messaged through Facebook or e-mailed to 4pclibrary@ gmail.com.

April 7 is Trade-in Thursday. If a patron's library card is in bad shape, they can stop in, new one. If a patron's card is for stopping in and showing card.

April 8 is Facebook Friday. To be entered in the drawing, simply comment or like a post on the Prairie Creek Library Facebook page.

Because the library did not want to leave out their younger patrons, Saturday, April 9, will be Searching Saturday. Grade school-aged children can stop in the children's library and pick up a scavenger hunt list of items to find in the library. Any children who complete the hunt will receive a gift.

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OBITUARIES

Jeff Hines

Jeff Hines, age 62, of Gardner, Illinois died March 19, 2022 at Morris Hospital, Morris, Illinois.

Born March 20, 1959 in Morris, Illinois, Jeff was a son of Paul "Jim" and JoAnn (Schiman-

dle) Hines. He was raised and educated in Coal City, and graduated from Coal City High School with the class of 1977.

On December 21, 1979, Jeff married Patricia Lardi in Morris, Illinois, and together they raised their family and made a home together in Gardner.

Jeff was employed as a Chemical Operator, and retired from Stepan Chemical following 25 years of service. In his free time, Jeff enjoyed shooting pool, music, and drag racing. He will be remembered as a great fan of the Chicago Blackhawks.

Survivors include his wife of 42 years, Patti; daughter, Jennifer (Terry) Memmel of Dwight; and son, Kyle (Diana) Hines of Diamond; grandchildren: Carter Memmel and Beau Hines; brothers: Perry (Lori) Hines and Brian Hines, both of Coal City; father-inlaw and mother-in-law, Norman and Donita Lardi of South

Wilmington; brothers-in-law: Norman (Donna) Lardi of South Wilmington and Ron Lardi of Dwight; and several nieces nephews, as well as special friend, Sawyer Bennett.

Jeff was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and JoAnn Hines.

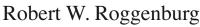
Green flameless cremation rites have been accorded.

The family received friends for a memorial visitation and celebration of Jeff's life at Reeves Funeral Home in Gardner on Saturday, March 26, 2022 between the hours of 12 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Jeff's memory to the Michael J. Fox Foundation or to the Gardner Fire Department.

Family and friends are encouraged to sign the online guestbook, upload photographs, and share Jeff's memorial page through social media.

Green flameless cremation services and memorial arrangements have been made under the direction and care of Reeves Funeral Home in Gardner (815) 237-2526 / www.ReevesFuneral.com



CABERYRobert W. Roggenburg, 85, of Cabery, Illinois passed away Wednesday, March 23, 2022 at his home with his family by his side.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

A private burial will be held in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, Illinois.

Hager Memorial Home in Dwight, Illinois is in charge of the arrangements.

Robert was born September 30, 1936 in Cabery, Illinois, the son of Albert and Marie Martha (Stickle) Roggenburg. He married Shirley Ann Scott on April 28, 1962. She survives in Cabery.

Also surviving are his children: Robert (Suzanne) Roggenburg of Reddick, Illinois: Richard (Faith) Roggenburg of Kankakee, Illinois; Melinda Roggenburg of Seattle, Washington; his five grandchildren: Dustin Roggenburg, Tyler Roggenburg, Kyra Gunther, Sydney Gunther, and Scott Gunther; his sister,



Marceline Herb of Dwight, Illinois; and his special cousin, Sherry Miller Oconomowoc, Wisconsin.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother-in-law, Ed Herb.

Robert was a lifelong farmer. He graduated from Reddick High School. He served in the United States Army. He was the owner and operator of Trails End in Campus. He served as a member of the Tri-Point school board.

He was a lifetime member of the Cabery Methodist Church, and was a member of the Campus Lions Club and the Bradley Moose Club. He enjoyed 4-H, traveling, gardening, hunting and fishing. He loved to spend time with family and friends.

In lieu of flowers, donations to Uplifted Care Hospice will be greatly appreciated.

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

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

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.





Retirement!

I would do a tournament check-in with the picks I made, but there's no need for that because they're all gone - all of them lost. This year has been especially chaotic, so I guess it's not that bad, all things considered. But the bracket process was very much

However, this column does have some good news; great news, actually. My dad, Mark Boma, is retiring from work after 38 years on the job. He works (for a few more days) for LSC Communications in Pontiac, formerly RR Donnelley before they were bought out/merged.

38 years! That's a long time. I'm about to turn 28 years old. So my dad has worked my life roughly 1.5 times over, I'm exhausted from just existing for 28 years, let alone working for them.

The 38 years also includes raising 3 kids, coaching basketball teams, co-running a newspaper, being a drop-of-the-hat electrician, a great cook, and everything else that comes along with the day-to-day grind of being a person. And he did it well.

I know Coach K retiring after the season is over is getting a lot of the national talk, but I thought it was very necessary to redirect some of the local focus to Mark Boma for being an exemplary worker for almost 4 decades.

Maybe the most incredible thing about his run is he never once called in sick for work. I've done that and I work from home. Is he made of steel? Am I soft? The answer to both these questions is probably "yes."

Congratulations on retirement, Dad. You can finally put your feet up and relax. And by put your feet up and relax...I mean probably work some more. But a reason for celebration nonetheless!

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN To the legal voters, residents of the Town of Goodfarm in the County of Grundy and State of Illinois, that the Annual Town

Tuesday, April 12, 2022

being the second Tuesday of said month at the hour of 7:00 P.M. at

Goodfarm Town Hall

for the transaction of the miscellaneous business of the said town;

and after a Moderator having been elected, will proceed to hear

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Go, Bulls.

Aaron J. Boma 2016 ISU Grad



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Village of Saunemin is accepting bids for mowing Village property. Information can be provided by contacting Village Clerk, Nancy Haag at 815-832-4334 (leave a message) or stop by State Bank of Graymont – Saunemin Office for info – during the day. Bids may be for one or two years and must be submitted by 3:00 p.m. on April 8, 2022. Mail bid AND proof of insurance to: Village of Saunemin, Mowing Bid, PO Box 283, Saunemin IL



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

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fax: 815-584-2196 or email: thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net

LEGAL NOTICE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN**

To the legal voters, residence of the Town of Highland in the County of Grundy and State of Illinois, that the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING of said Town will take place on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 being the second Tuesday of said month at the hour at 6:45 p.m. at the Kinsman Community Center for transaction of the miscellaneous Business of said town; and after a Moderator Having been elected, will proceed to Hear and consider reports of officers, and Decide on such measure as may, in pursuance Of law, came before the meeting.

Dated: March 23, 2022 Kelly Baudino, Clerk

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE LEGAL RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF ODELL

IN THE COUNTY OF LIVINGSTON AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THAT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SAID TOWN WILL TAKE PLACE ON

TUESDAY, APRIL 12th, 2022 BEING THE SECOND TUESDAY OF SAID MONTH

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

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

ESTATE OF:

No. 2022-PR-26

BARBARA K. McCLELLAND, : Deceased

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE is given of the death of Barbara K. McClelland. Letters of Administration were issued on March 9, 2022 to Barbara L. Hand, 315 North Washington Street, Apt. 3, Wilmington, IL 60481, as Independent Administrator. The representative's attorney of record is Alan M. Schrock, Blakeman & Schrock, Ltd., 307 West Washington Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764. The estate will be administered without court supervision unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/28-4) any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by e-filing a Petition to Terminate with the Livingston County Circuit Clerk, pursuant to instructions found on the Circuit Clerk's website.

Claims against the estate may be e-filed on or before the 1st day of October, 2022 or if by mailing or delivery of a notice to the Independent Executor as required by Section 8-3 of the Probate Act (755 ILCS 5/18-3) by the date stated in this Notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Claims may be efiled in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at the Livingston County Law and Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, IL 61764, or claims may be filed with the Independent Executor or to the attorney for the estate, or both. If e-filed with the Clerk, the claimant must, within ten (10) days, mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Independent Executor and to the attorney for the estate and e-file with the Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery.

Dated this 17th day of March, 2022.

Barbara L. Hand, Administrator of the Estate of Barbara K. McClelland

Alan M. Schrock BLAKEMAN & SCHROCK, LTD. Attorney for Estate 307 West Washington Pontiac, IL 61764 Telephone: 815-844-6177 Fax: 815-842-3288 E-mail: alan@sbsltd.com

and consider reports of officers, and decide on such measures as may, in pursuance of law, come before the meeting. Dated March 28, 2022.

Roland Gantzert (Town Clerk)

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

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY, INC., an Illinois Not-for-Profit Corporation,

Plaintiff,

GEORGETTE TONEY, and unknown owners and non-record claimants,

Defendants.

No. 22-FC-13 **NOTICE**

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

Lot 73 of the First Addition to Westview Subdivision to the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois, as per Plat recorded October 16, 1979, as Document Number 387228. Situated in the County of Livingston and State of Illinois.

PIN: 15-15-16-452-026

Commonly known as: 1404 Nixon Dr., Pontiac, IL 61764

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is GEORGETTE TONEY. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on August 19, 2011 and recorded on August 19, 2011 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 611104. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, HABITAT FOR HU-MANITY OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY, INC., an Illinois Notfor-Profit Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 22-FC-13 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

Consequently, unless you, unknown owners and non record claimants, file your answer to the complaint in this action or otherwise enter your appearance in the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit, Livingston County, Illinois, held in the Law & Justice Center in the City of Pontiac, Illinois, on or before April 30, 2022, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

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



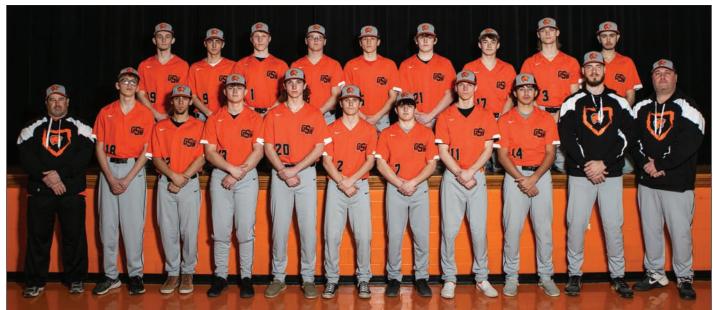


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GSW Panthers Baseball

Head Coach: Allan Wills (71-60, 8 seasons) **Assistant Coaches:** Trevor Sampson, Chris Halpin, **Bill Asbridge** JV Coach: Bill Asbridge 2021 Record: 14-10

The Panthers have a sour taste in their mouths after ending last season with a 6-4 loss in a regional final.

And they have just the type of lineup to win a regional like GSW in 2019 as Allan Wills thinks his team has a solid lineup and a large number of arms in his bullpen.

If his pitchers can continuously find their strike zones and the defense can stay consistent with routine plays, Wills feels his team will rack up tallies in the win column.

"We hope to compete for the River Valley Conference championship and to get to another regional championship, and win it this year," Wills said. "Beecher has been at the top of the RVC and will most likely be solid again. Clifton Central was added to our conference and it is usually a good team. I think those two teams, Grant Park and us will compete for the crown.'

2022 GSW Panthers Baseball Roster

2	Noah Wise	OF	JR
3	Garrett Grant	OF	SR
5	Cale Halpin	P/IF	SO
6	Blake Patterson	IF/OF	SR
7	Dane Halpin	P/OF/IF	JR
8	Keith Page	OF	JR
9	Bryce Handzus	P/OF	SR
10	Cole Hampson	P/IF	FR
11	Bennett Grant	P/C/IF/OF	SO
13	Ethan Maxard	P/C/IF	JR
14	Gabe McHugh	P/IF	FR
15	Ethan Mack	C/IF/OF	SR
17	Ryan Cacello	P/IF/OF	JR
18	Braxton Johnson	OF	JR
19	Blake Huston	P/IF	SR
20	Brody Fatlan	OF	JR
21	Nathan States	P/IF	SO
22	Kaden Grivetti	P/IF/OF	SR

Seneca Fighting Irish Baseball

Head Coach: Tim Brungard Assistant Coach: Dan McCarthy JV Coach: Jace Walsh 2021 Record: 13-7

It's 2022, and the Fighting Irish are prepared to improve on their 13-7 showing from last

Returning starters for the Seneca squad include Austin Aldridge (C/P),Sulzberger (OF/P), and Matt Cruise (INF/P).

Also returning for the Irish are Bryce Roe (C/INF), Owen

Quigley	(INF/OF), Noah
1	Matt Cruise
2	Zack Sulzberger
3	Paxton Giertz
4	Dalton DeGrush
5	Austin Aldridge
6	Kelton Coffey
7	Brady Barla

Calvin Maierhofer

Quigley (INF/OF/P), Jake Gerding (OF/P), and Kelton Coffey (OF/P).

The team's newest additions are Paxton Giertz (OF/P), Casey Clennon (INF/P), Calvin Maierhofer (INF/P), Brady Barla (INF), Zack Sulzberger (C/INF), Dalton DeGrush (INF/P), Aiden Wood (INF), and David Hatz (INF/P).

Cruise, a 2021 Tri-County 1st Team All-Conference player, will lead a pitching staff also Sulzb Aldric

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11	Owen	Quigl	ley

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3	Jake Gerding
4	Noah Quigley
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Casey Clennon 15 21 Aiden Wood

Tyler Sulzberger David Hatz

Herscher Tigers Baseball

Head Coach: Eric Regez (737-273-4, 30th Season) Assistant Coaches: Wloter, Tanner Regez JV Coaches: Craig Bisaillon, Dale Hall

Herscher has been a dominant baseball program during coach Eric Regez's career.

In his 29 seasons, the Tigers have won 315 of its last 372 conference games (River Valley Conference, Interstate 8 Conference, and the current Illinois Central Eight Conference), 51 championships, and have advanced to the IHSA State Tournament four times.

However, last year was a struggle as Herscher had a 10-24 record and lost in a regional semifinal to Hall.

Behind 10 returining lettermen (Rylan Hendershott, Miles Hoffman, Joe Holohan, Bailey Hubert, Cody Lunsford, Tyler Murray, Myles Saffer, Clay Schultz, Landon Schultz, and Brock Wenzelman, Regez is ready for his club to get back on the winning track.

"The Tigers played 34

games in a matter of six-plus weeks during the summer to provide some much-needed experience," Regez said. "A number of players return from last year's squad that will be expected to perform at important positions.

"Senior Tyler Murray (pitcher and first baseman) will be expected to provide leadership and hit in the middle of the order after driving in 31 runs last year. Shortstop Clay Schultz returns after getting 125 plate appearances at the top of the order in 2021.

"Senior Joe Holohan logged 25 innings and had 34 strikes last year, while junior Brock Wenzelman had 11 appearances and 34 innings on the mound. Juniors Braden Dewald, Jace Holt, Hayden Johnson, Travis Jones, and AJ Patrick will be counted on to chew up innings throughout the duration of the season."

Herscher's goal is to improve every day in order to remain near the top of the Illinois Central Eight Conference.

Pontiac Indians Baseball

Head Coach: Adam Lawrence (3 Years) JV Coach: Matt Starker 2021 Record: 6-16

to the diamond in 2022, and have their sights set on being one of the teams atop the Illini Prairie Conference standings and have hopes of capturing a regional title.

"The IPC is very tough again this year," said head coach Adam Lawrence. "We are hoping to be one of the top three teams in the conference this year."

Pontiac boasts a strong pitching threat, backed by Logan Barnett, Henry Brum-

1	Henry Brummel
2	Colin Gould
5	Brady Donovan
6	Dakoda Ackerman
7	Logan Barnett
8	Tanner Legner
9	Nolan Verdun
10	Nick Krueger
11	Jonny Lenox

mel, and Parker Francis.

In addition, the Indians have a defense led by sophomore outfielder Michael Kuska, senior outfielder Colin Gould, senior shortstop Jonny Lenox, and The Indians have returned senior utility player Alex Trevino

> "Our pitchers need to be mentally tough and attack hitters," says Lawrence. "And our batters, better situational hitting and less strikeouts.

> "We return all but two starters from last year," adds Coach Lawrence, "and we started two freshman and two sophomores last year."

> With a more experienced and better-equipped team taking the field in 2022, look for Pontiac to make an impact.

> > Peyton Cheek

14	Parker Francis
16	Kaleb Elzey
23	Hunter Wilson
25	Zayn Eilts
27	Alex Trevino
29	Drew Wayman
30	Michael Kuska

OWIGHT

Dwight Trojans Baseball

ference.

JV Coach: Brian Trainor JV Assistant Coach: Justin Eggenberger 2021 Record: 3-13

The Dwight Trojans are

coming off of a 3-13 showing

in 2021, looking to knock the

Head Coach:

J. Golden (4 Years)

Assistant Coach:

Jared Steck

cover off the ball en route to a shot at the crown in a new con-

"Our strengths this year will be our hitting," stated Coach J. Golden. "We should have a solid lineup with some spots still up for grabs. We have some very talented young players who should get a lot of playing time and experience."

When asked about where his improving, squad needs Golden says: pitching.

"I think every year we will need to improve our pitching staff. We have a lot of players who can pitch this year, and we're hoping to see some improvement as the season moves

"We want to continue teach-

photo by J7Images

ing the boys, while also being competitive in games. We always want to have the goal of winning our conference. We need to improve in a lot of areas for that goal to become a reality, but the kids are buying into what the coaching staff is teaching. We look forward to being in a new conference this year and the challenges that

will bring."

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GSW Lady Panthers Softball

Head Coach: Cassi Carlson (5th Season) **Assistant Coaches: Dave Bexson,** Darren Farris, Kylie Hawks 2021 Record: 8-11 **Conference Record: 7-3**

Although the Lady Tigers have a roster on the younger side, senior Katelyn Farris at first base, junior pitcher Jayden Buchanan, junior Aspen Lardi (shortstop), and sophomore catcher Bella Vyce have the experience to lead the team.

"We should overall be a more competitive team this year," coach Cassi Carlson said. "Last year, we had one senior and two juniors and a lot of first-time players. This year, everyone has more experience under their belt.

"This is Buchanan's second year pitching at the varsity level and she will have some help from freshman Hannah Balcom. Vyce was one of the top hitters in the River Valley Conference last year as a freshman, so I'm excited to see her growth. Lardi is a force at the plate. We'll be moving her from third to shortstop this season.'

While the returners will have opponent's attention at the start of the season, sophomore center fielder Makaila McDaniel has the potential to add herself to the must watch list for the Lady

With the lineup consisting of mostly freshmen and sophomores, Carlson is going to sort through different lineups during the season to see which one works best for her squad.

Positions will change and situational drills understanding base running will be a priority in practice plans.

Beecher has had the RVC in a headlock and will probably keep a tight grip this season as well.

However, Carlson thinks the Lady Panthers are a strong enough team to only have two losses on the season, to Beecher.

2022 GSW Lady Panthers Softball Roster

Ashley Frideres, Madison Wells, Lexi Latimer, Katelyn Farris, Jayden Buchanan, Hailey Johnson, Grace Olsen, Hannah Balcom, Aspen Lardi, Hannah Frescura, Makalia McDaniel, Mary Clare Phillips, Bella Vyce.



DTHS Girls Softball

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Pontiac Softball

Head coach: Nicole Hayner (143-159, 10 years) **Assistant Coaches: Jake** Krause, Sara Solberg, Brian Masching JV Coach: Jake Krause Last Season's Record: 15-5

Conference Record: 10-4

The Lady Indians return six experienced players this season, but still have a young roster as there are four seniors, two juniors, five sophomores, and nine freshmen.

With the youth expansion, offensive speed and agressive defense has come with it.

Nicole Hayner, who led Pontiac to a regional championship in 2018 and a sectional championship in 2019, likes the versitility of her team as it can play small ball or swing for extra base hits and RBIs.

Having a young team, Hayner and the Pontiac coaching staff is placing an expanded focus on the mental game, offensively and defensively, for the players to concentrate on

their gameplan and not the opponent's strategy.

"We want to get better each day whether it be at practice or at a game. We want to stay mentally focused on what the individual needs to do for the team in game situations," Hayner said. "Our team motto is 'Individuals can play the game, but teams beat the odds. As always, we strive to get better to be where we need to come postseason.

"We have a tough schedule year round, purposely built to help us become better in May.'

Pontiac will have its hands full in the Illini Prairie Conference as three teams played for sectional championships at the end of the 2020-21 season in Olympia, Bloomington Central Catholic, and Unity High, which went to the state series and finished fourth.

Hayner's goal is to be a top contender in the conference by playing the Indians' style of play and staying focused on improving each day.

2022 Pontiac Lady Indians Roster

0	Brooke Fox	IF	SR
1	Cameron Trost	IF	SR
2	Maddie Gourley	OF/IF	SO
3	Tessa Collins	OF	FR
4	Bailey Masching	IF/C	SO
5	Addison Dearth	IF	FR
6	Elena Krause	P/IF	FR
7	Adriann Sutton	OF/C	SO
9	Kendall Pitchford	IF/P	FR
10	Addisyn McKinney	IF	FR
11	Mackenzie Coates	OF	JR
12	Aubrey Shepherd	P/IF	SO
13	Samantha Johns	IF	SR
14	Makayla Metz	P/IF	JR
15	Brooke Burger	IF	FR
16	Sophia Karr	OF	FR
17	Olivia Lindsay	C/IF	FR
18	Alix Robinson	OF	SR
19	Cadence Helms	IF	SO
21	Rylee Zimmerman	C/IF	SR
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Tri-Point Lady Chargers Softball

Head Coach: Will Patterson (7-79, 5 seasons)

Assistant Coach: Brittany Lane

In 2019, Tri-Point did not roster a softball team.

The last two seasons, one being the Covid-19 year which saw no softball. Tri-Point has been in a co-op with Donovan.

Coach Will Patterson is team being improved.

He believes the infield's strength as some of his playence in Donovan. Patterson hopes the defensive play he

saw last year will improve for this team.

"Just the fact that we are starting the season with a group of girls who have all played softball before is a plus," Patterson said. "We started a junior high program in 2018 and played in a co-op with Donovan in 2021, so everyone has at least some experience.

"This was not the case positive about this year's when we forfeited our season in 2019.

With a team being fielded, defensive skills will be a the next goal is to be a competitive team, which will ers gained valuable experi- have to happen with tough, dedicated practices.

2022 Tri-Point Lady Chargers Softball Roster

2	Tessa Heinkel	OF	JR
3	Millie Ruiz	2B	SO
6	Kori Weber	OF	SO
7	Rosmond Prisock	SS	FR
10	Abrie Dyrby	IF	SO
11	Destiny Hensley	OF	FR
15	Kasi Hughes	P	FR
16	Maddie Stites	1B	SO
21	Kyla Kemplin	IF	FR
23	Haley Jensen	3B	SO
24	Kyra Cathcart	C	JR
25	Abby Bilotto	OF	SO

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Dwight ESDA to officially disband April 1 – – –

(continued on page 1) they've been non-responsive in providing the information we've requested numerous times, it's obvious we shouldn't be funding this organization.

"When we asked the ESDA Director Kevin McNamara how many calls ESDA had been on in the last year, he said 'one.' When we had the bad storms over the last few years when we had trees and power lines down, that's what ESDA was supposed to do. No one from ESDA was there. It was just the fire department and the cops. It's like, 'Why are we doing this?"

The Director of ESDA is also the Village Administrator, Kevin McNamara.

McNamara declined comment, but said ESDA Assistant Director Rodney LeRoy and Kevin Holohan, not officially titled but an acting Assistant Director, run the show.

According to Holohan, ESDA didn't know anything about the disbanding until a day prior to the meeting and claimed McNamara wanted the program to shut down.

"This is a problem we've had for a long time. The way it's written in the ordinance is

the Village Administrator, Kevin McNamara, is the Director of ESDA," Holohan said. "As the director, his responsibilities were to continue the communications and move stuff forward. Unfortunately, the director has not communicated with ESDA in a very, very long time.

"In the 17 years I've been with ESDA, McNamara has never attended an ESDA meeting. He never attended any functions either. The communication was very lax. Anytime we would try to get ahold of him, it fell on deaf ears. We weren't given any information about this situation. I was then told that the board was trying to scrap ESDA to find ways to save money.

"I then found out the board wanted to disband ESDA because no information was provided on request. The director had not given them the budget proposal or anything else that they had asked for. That is in the director's job responsibilities. In that case, McNamara never gave us the information of what Mayor Johnson or the Village Board needed.'

Holohan, who first volunteered for ESDA in 2000, has

been a lifelong public service employee.

He thinks ESDA is still important in 2022, even with extra public works employees in different departments, because ESDA can do a little bit of everything for all departments.

"I've always been in the emergency services field. I've actually been in it since 1998," Holohan said. "I started with the Dwight Fire Department and was part of it until 2014 when I retired from fire service. I am also trained in the medical field, so I worked for EMS while I was with the fire department. I wanted to expand even further and joined ESDA. I was part of Dwight EMS, Dwight Fire Department, and Dwight ESDA all at the same time.

"I find it very important because there is a lot more things that we can do as an emergency service than some of the others that we can assist with. For an example, everyone in ESDA has different strengths. Some people specialize in law enforcement, fire service, and EMS. We can assist with traffic control or in the winter we do a lot of storm duties such as sheltering.'

Jesse White Awards More Than \$1.4 Million in Grants to School Libraries; Area Schools to Benefit

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Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White has awarded more than \$1.4 million in FY 22 School District Library Grant Program awards to 672 public school districts. More than 1.5 million Illinois students served by school library programs will benefit from the grants.

"As a former public school teacher and administrator, I know our school libraries are critical in helping students learn and prepare themselves for the future," White said. "Illinois was the first state to implement a school district grant program, and I'm pleased that we can continue to provide school libraries with some of the financial resources they need to produce well-educated students.'

From FY 22 appropriations approved by the General Assembly and the Governor, school library grants were awarded based on a formula of \$.885 per student, with a minimum grant award of \$850. The School District Library Grant Program is used

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Tri-Point Chargers Track

Head Coach: Matthew Mogged Assistant Coach:

Joe Santillo, Virginia Blake Matthew Mogged is excited

about his track team as he has the most athletes on the roster he has ever had.

"We finally have numbers this year, with nearly 30 aththe future of our program. year."

2020 Tri-Point Chargers Track Roster

Seniors: Jose Amador, Bobby Mogged, Ayden McNeill, Paul Langer, Brendan Likes.

Juniors: Mihreteab Gilleland, Donovan Conner, Franky Bar-

These kids come to practice every day, working hard and having fun." He also has some help he

hasn't had before, as he will be helped by Joe Santillo, the Tri-Point girls track head coach, and Virginia Blake to help the throwers.

"We just need to build on exclaimed Coach last season," adds Mogged. "We Mogged. "We have a very would like to get a couple more young team, which is great for athletes to Charleston this

riga, Cole Bruner.

Sophomores: Kaleb Metke, Jonah Yohnka, Colton Dohe.

Freshmen: Josh Melican, Anthony Harrell, Spencer Moreno, Hunter Davies.

Tri-Point Lady Chargers Track

Head Coach: Joe Santillo Assistant Coaches: Matthew Mogged, Virginia Blake

The Lady Chargers track and field roster will see 13 names this season.

There are four seniors, three juniors, two sophomores, and four freshmen on the squad.

Not only is there a variety of classes, but there are also options for coach Joe Santillo as he has a little bit of everything when it comes to distance runners, sprinters, hurdlers, jumpers, and throwers.

However, this season, the

2022 Tri-Point Lady Chargers Track Roster

Seniors: Mikaayla English, Lanie Woods, Melina Schuette, Tabitha JaBaay.

Juniors: Katelyn Poe, Emma

Lady Chargers will have to operate without senior captain Melina Schuette, who is out with an injury.

"She will still have a big role on this team in getting these girls ready to compete," says their coach.

But, there is a silver lining as seniors Mikaayla English, Tabitha Jabaay, and Lanie Woods all return to do work in 2022.

"All three girls are looking to take advantage of their final chance to punch a ticket to Charleston.'

Creek, Haley Hastings.

Sophomores: Abbie Bilotto, Cali Statier.

Freshmen: Lainey Bertrand, Alli Schuette, Kasi Hughes, Rosmond Prisock.

Dwight Trojans Track and Field

Head Coach: Larry Lane (27 Years) **Assistant Coaches:** Paul Lebryk, Allie Schants, **Mitch Thompson**

The 2022 track and field season is here, and the Trojans have 22 student-athletes on the team this spring and high hopes to send numerous athletes to state in May.

"Starting the season, the coaches know the team must have athletes competing in the jump events and the hurdle races," Coach Larry Lane states. "After the early season meets, Trojan athletes in those events are showing up with much promise."

Dwight has depth this season in many events with qual-

> **Boys** Carter Butterbrodt

Emmett Emmons Shawn Romanetto Gabe Seabert Sam Edwards Austin Burkhardt Thomas Dochterman

Cade Croy Jack Duffy Michael Michon Xander Pempe

Girls

Njomza Asllani Isabella Bunting Tru Connor

Cree Croy **Tristian Chambers** Tracer Brown Landon Burkhardt Dylan Crouch Tristan Larkin Owen Woods Ayden Roff Frank Lasser Caiden Nelson

ity performers, including nine

talented and hard working

freshmen currently helping the

high goals in their individual

events and several relays,"

Lane adds. "The early im-

provement on the team is excit-

vorite in the conference, having

run away with it in 2021, Lane

realistically sees his team fin-

ishing in the top three this sea-

son. With other schools like

Low Point-Washburn and

Henry vying for those positions

as well, the Trojans will have

their work cut out for them. But

they are up to the challenge.

With Seneca the likely fa-

ing to watch."

"All of the athletes have

team have indoor success.

Hailey Heath Kassy Kodat Ellora McCullough Ava Meister

Tyler Wilkey

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(87-54-2, 13 seasons) JV Coach: Steven Corrigan 2021 Record: 3-8

growing pains last year with a young team.

Head Coach: Nick Vogt

Nick Vogt went through

the fruit from the seeds as he has four players returning with full-time varsity experience and three other players who saw the varsity court significantly last season.

One improvement the Indians hope to see reach fruition is This year, Vogt hopes to see for the team to finish matches

strong and come out of tournaments with better results than a season ago.

Pontiac Indians Tennis

Vogt feels if his team competes at a high level in pracmatches, tournaments, Pontiac will finish with an above .500 regular season record and push for playoff success.

2022 Pontiac Indians Tennis

Justin Woodford, Chance Smith, Hunter Trainor, Nate Miller, Hunter Milam, Andrew Rice, Blake Kuerth, Walker Gerdes, Andrew Pelletier, Nate Traylor, Austin Oakes, Santi Pina, Abe Jean-Jacques, Tim Logan, Sam Kelly, Devin Skrzypiec, Luis Mora

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GSW Panthers Baseball

Monday, March 21 **GSW** vs. Reed-Custer

The GSW Panthers got knocked off by Reed-Custer, 11-2, on March 21.

"When you give good teams extra outs in multiple innings, the result is 11-2 losses," said Coach Allan Wills. "Besides the errors (5), I thought we played a pretty good game. Hopefully we can get in the games the rest of the week and get in the win column.'

Blake Huston provided a spark for the Panthers with a home run, while Gabe McHugh singled twice, walked once, and batted in a run. Dane Halpin had a single, reached on an error, and scored once. Kaden Grivetti and Ethan Mack both singled.

On the mound, Grivetti took the loss, allowing three earned runs on six hits and two walks, striking out two. D. Halpin tossed three innings, giving up four earned runs on five hits, a walk, and a hit batsman, fanning five.

Friday, March 25 **GSW** vs. Woodland

On March 25, the Panthers picked up their first win of the a run.

season, beating Woodland 14-4.

"With only four hits, we were able to take advantage of walks and mistakes," Coach Wills said. "It was a cold, windy day, but well worth it to get a 'W'.

Gabe McHugh earned the win, allowing two earned runs on two hits and two walks, striking out five hitters in three innings. Cale Halpin hurled two innings, giving up two earned runs on four hits and three walks, tallying two strike-

Offensively, Ethan Mack led with three RBI, going 1-3 with a single, a walk, two stolen bases, and three runs scored. McHugh had a single, two walks, a sacrifice, two stolen bases, scored twice, and batted in two runs. C. Halpin (BB, SB, R), Blake Huston (double, 3 BB, 2 R), Bennett Grant (2 BB, R), and Garrett Grant each supplied an RBI. Nathan States singled, was hit by a pitch, and scored a run. Kaden Grivetti drew two free passes, got beaned, stole a base, and scored twice. Ethan Maxard walked once and later scored. Cole Hampson scored



DTHS LADY TROJANS SOFTBALL

Monday, March 21 Dwight vs. Fieldcrest

A nine-run fourth inning led the Lady Trojans to an 11-1 victory March 21 against Field-

Dwight's offense in the inning was led by Mia Buck, Jordan Schultz, Alexis Thetard, Averi Jury, Erin Anderson, and Avery Scheuer – all sending runners across the plate with RBIs in the inning.

Samantha Harsh earned the "W", allowing one earned run

on four hits and a walk, striking out three - backed by an errorless defensive effort.

Schultz (2-3, double, 2 R), Thetard (single, R), and Scheuer (single, R) led with two RBI each. Rachel Heath (3-3, R), Jury (2-2, BB, R), and Buck (single, R) each added an RBI. Megan Livingston singled, doubled, walked once, and scored twice, while Anderson singled and scored two runs. Maci Johnson drew one



GSW Lady Panthers Softball

Monday, March 21 **GSW** vs. Reed-Custer

The Lady Panthers were defeated by Reed-Custer March

Jayden Buchanan tossed all seven innings, allowing three earned runs on 13 hits and four walks, tallying eight strikeouts.

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"When you give good teams extra outs in multiple innings, the result is 11-2 losses," said Coach Allan Wills. "Besides the errors (5), I thought we played a pretty good game. Hopefully we can get in the games the rest of the week and get in the win column."

Blake Huston provided a spark for the Panthers with a home run, while Gabe McHugh singled twice, walked once, and batted in a run. Dane Halpin had a single, reached on an error, and scored once. Kaden Grivetti and Ethan Mack both singled.

On the mound, Grivetti took the loss, allowing three earned runs on six hits and two walks, striking out two. D. Halpin tossed three innings, giving up four earned runs on five hits, a walk, and a hit batsman, fanning five.

Friday, March 25 **GSW** vs. Woodland

On March 25, the Panthers picked up their first win of the a run.

season, beating Woodland 14-4.

"With only four hits, we were able to take advantage of walks and mistakes," Coach Wills said. "It was a cold, windy day, but well worth it to get a 'W'.

Gabe McHugh earned the win, allowing two earned runs on two hits and two walks, striking out five hitters in three innings. Cale Halpin hurled two innings, giving up two earned runs on four hits and three walks, tallying two strike-

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DTHS LADY TROJANS SOFTBALL

Monday, March 21 Dwight vs. Fieldcrest

A nine-run fourth inning led the Lady Trojans to an 11-1 victory March 21 against Field-

Dwight's offense in the inning was led by Mia Buck, Jordan Schultz, Alexis Thetard, Averi Jury, Erin Anderson, and Avery Scheuer – all sending runners across the plate with RBIs in the inning.

Samantha Harsh earned the "W", allowing one earned run

on four hits and a walk, striking out three - backed by an errorless defensive effort.

Schultz (2-3, double, 2 R), Thetard (single, R), and Scheuer (single, R) led with two RBI each. Rachel Heath (3-3, R), Jury (2-2, BB, R), and Buck (single, R) each added an RBI. Megan Livingston singled, doubled, walked once, and scored twice, while Anderson singled and scored two runs. Maci Johnson drew one



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Victory Lanes, Dwight Bowling League Results

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DeLong Ford	17	7
LTG Shuttles	14	10
Rockey's Pub	14	10
Stumble Inn	14	10
Jeremy's Barber	13	11
Willy's Pub	11	13
Jensen's I	10	14
Jensen BP II	10	14
Cafe 110 West	9	15
Rury's Tap	8	16
Rambo Construct.	6	18



Commercial League Bowlers

HSG: Paul Seabert, 267; Trey Trevino, 247; Michael King, 244; Doug Gassman, 225; Brandon Petry, 222 -Chris Bryant, 221; Jessica Bzdusek, 197; Kailtin Kenny, 188; Linda Dunlap, 154; Paula Watts, 149. HSS: Paul Seabert, 715; Brandon Petry, 635; Trey Trevino, 613; Doug Gassman, 604: Terry Wilkey 588 - Chris Bryant, 604; Kaitlin Kenny, 455; Jessica Bzdusek, 455; Linda Dunlap, 415; Paula Watts, 407. HSG/HHG: Ben-

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Willy's Pub	5	11
Coleman/Son	5	11
Whiskey Cav.	4	12





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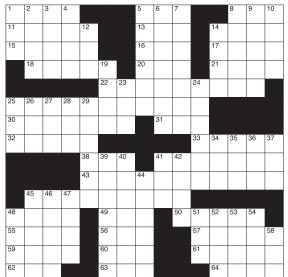
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- 57. French opera composer 59. Six (Spanish)
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- 61. Spiritual leader of a Jewish congregation

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- 64. Tall plant
- 62. A curved shape 63. Make a mistake

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- 40. One who cites
- 41. Midway between east and southeast 42. North wind
- 44. One or the other 45. Cavalry sword 46. Of the Hungarian language
- 47. Life stories 48. Flat tableland with steep edges
- 54. One point east of northeast
- 51. Swiss river 52. Plant that makes gum 53. French cleric

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY - IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

DEBORAH J. PALMORE,

Deceased.

Case No.: 2022-PR-27

CLAIMS NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to you of the death of DEBORAH J. PALMORE who died on February 5th, 2022. At the time of her death, DEBORAH J. PALMORE was a resident of Forrest, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on March 2nd, 2022, to SEAN PALMORE, Independent Executor, whose address is 220 N. Center St., Forrest, IL 61741. His attorney is WILLIAM J. GERBER, 210 W. Oak St., Fairbury, IL 61739, whose phone number is (815) 692-2224.

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DATED: MARCH 7, 2022

Sean Palmore

Independent Executor

William J. Gerber, attorney Prepared By: William J. Gerber Attorney at Law Law Office of William J. Gerber, LLC 210 West Oak Street Fairbury, IL 61739 Telephone: 815.692.2224

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STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY - IN PROBATE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

ROGER C. BACHTOLD, Deceased.

Case No.: 2022-PR-34

CLAIMS NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to you of the death of ROGER C. BACHTOLD who died on February 21st, 2022. At the time of his death, ROGER C. BACHTOLD was a resident of Fairbury, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on March 16th, 2022, to ROGER H. BACHTOLD, Independent Executor, whose address is 21592 E 922 N Rd., Fairbury, IL 61739. His attorney is WILLIAM J. GERBER, 210 W. Oak St., Fairbury, IL 61739, whose phone number is (815) 692-2224.

Claims may be filed on or before September 24th, 2022. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Claims may be filed with the office of the Clerk of Livingston County Court at 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764, or claims may be filed with the Independent Executors, or both. If filed with the Clerk, claimant must within 10 days mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Executors and to their attorney and file with the Circuit Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery.

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DATED: 3/24/2022 Roger H. Bachtold Independent Executor /s/William J. Gerber, attorney

Prepared By: William J. Gerber Attorney at Law Law Office of William J. Gerber, LLC 210 West Oak Street Fairbury, IL 61739 Telephone: 815.692.2224 Facsimile: 815.692.8227 Email: will@gerberlaw.net ARDC #: 6303375



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Candidates must hold the appropriate Illinois Pro-

fessional Educator License (PEL) and demonstrate

the following characteristics: excellent leadership and communication skills, knowledge of a variety

of teaching strategies and exceptional technology

Salary is based upon the negotiated teacher contract

Please submit a letter of interest, resume, and three

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in Limestone Township Library District and use various herbs. Participants will receive herb seeds at the program.

Story Time has a new day, moving to Wednesdays starting April 6. They will meet at 10:15 a.m. in person with Mr. William to read an exciting picture book or two to help preschoolers discover the joy of reading.

Their previously postponed STEAM Workshop, featuring Stuffed Froggy Dissection, will take place Saturday, April 2, at 10:00 a.m. in person. Mr. William will also post a video to Face-

Every Saturday, there is a new Take and Make craft that anyone can pick up for their kids who are in first through fifth grades. On April 2, the project is Smart Snails.

The Friends of the Library Semi-Annual Booksale takes place Monday, April 11, through Friday, April 29, during library hours. If you would like to make a donation, you may do so during the week of Monday, April 4, through Friday, April 9. Remember that they cannot accept text books, encyclopedias, and books regarding business, computers, or health issues that are five or more years old.

Programming Is Springing Forward

The Friends of the Library will hold their next meeting Tuesday, April 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. This volunteer group that helps provide various services and items for the library is always looking for new people who

The library continues to reserve its first hour of operation as a time for seniors and immunocompromised patrons/ community members, with the remaining hours of operation open to the entire community. The use of masks within the library is optional. Patrons may wear or not wear masks as they feel comfortable

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