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Tri-Point Schools 2023 Budget Hearing Set for August 24, 2022

The Tri-Point Schools Board established Wednesday, August 24, at 6:45 p.m. for the FY 2023 Budget Hearing to be held in the Tri-Point Board Room. The 2022-23 tentative budget will be on public display in the district office.

Approved at the July 20 Board meeting were: the consent agenda as presented; the dual-credit courses for the 2022-23 school year; and the Early College Program at the HS for the next school year.

It was approved to not release the closed session minutes dated January 2022 through June 2022; as well as the destruction of audio recording of closed sessions more than 18 months old.

The Superintendent was approved to represent Tri-Point at any upcoming windfarm meetings and named Mr. Jeff Bryan

as proxy.

The purchase of i-Ready JH math curriculum at a cost of \$45/student was approved.

Kaylee Shouse was approved as HS Ag teacher, following the acceptance of Kylie Miller's resignation from that position.

Cory Cooper will be employed as HS Spanish/ Science teacher pending official ISBE licensure.

Three coaching positions were filled: Crystal Hummel as HS assistant volleyball coach; and Michael Kelly as head golf coach and assistant boys basketball coach.

Angela Winger-Bryan was reassigned to a half time (90 days) Title teacher for the 2022-23 school year.

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for August 24.

National Night Out is Almost Here Something for Everyone - Tuesday, August 2

by Brandon LaChance

National Night Out in Dwight was announced a month ago.

Well, the month is almost over and it's just about time for a fun-filled community event 5-8 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 2 in downtown Dwight.

"Our mission was to have enough events and good causes to get the entire community involved. I hope we succeed," said Gary Beier, who is the Dwight Police Department detective and school liaison organizing the National Night Out. "I'm super excited to get this put together. It has been a lot of hard work. There has been a lot of great hands helping out. I can't wait to see a bunch of smiling faces on August 2."

"There will be prizes given away. People will put their name on a ticket, and we will draw for prizes. We have donations and we will get other prizes as well. The event is absolutely free, and there are prizes and food, what else could you want?"

The long list of activities, demonstrations, and educational information is meant to entice everyone in the community to come out and enjoy themselves.

DJ Buckeye, horse and carriage rides, bounce houses, ax throwing, a car show, petting zoo, reptile hugs, and a sidewalk



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chalk contest were announced in the original planning.

Since then a few more were added. "We added an airbrush tattoo station. It's like a tattoo, but it'll be air brush painted instead of permanent ink. It's something Streater Onized Credit Union (SOCU) wanted to bring to the table," Beier said. "Kids and adults can get whatever they want painted on their arm."

"Another thing we added is Operation SOS (Support Our Soldiers) is going to collect things for the soldiers. They are looking for items to send to men and women supporting our country overseas."

The items SOS is seeking are individu-

ally-packaged items such as Rice Krispie Treats, fruit snacks, nuts, beef jerky, Slim Jims, power bars, hot chocolate packets, drink mix packets, candy, granola bars, licorice and gum. Cash donations are always appreciated to help cover the cost of mailing the packages.

National Night Out may also have a drug takeback program as anyone with old drug prescriptions can bring them, they'll be collected, and destroyed.

Demonstrations will be held by different organizations.

The Pontiac Police Department will take its show to the sky as they will high-light drone and robot operations. Dwight Emergency Services will host Stop the Bleed, which is about assisting someone with a serious injury while waiting for an ambulance or medics.

Dwight's K-9 Officer, Watson McKee, will show how dogs help police departments. The Dwight Fire Department will display how to properly use air bags and fire extinguishers.

East Main Street will be closed in Dwight at 3:00 p.m. August 2, for National Night Out.

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The Circus is Coming to Town!



Thanks to the sponsorship of the Dwight Rotary Club, the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus will be in Dwight Thursday, August 4, on the grounds of Dwight Common School, located at 801 S. Columbia St., with shows at 5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

C&M Circus has been providing quality, local family entertainment for 37 years. This authentic One-Ring, Big Top Circus has been featured on the A&E Special: Under the Big Top, Nick News: On the Road with Circus Kids, and most recently, OETA's Big Top Town.

This year, they're excited to offer their brand new 2022 performance featuring Big Cats presented by Trey Key, their Aerialist Extraordinaires Simone and Kelly, 10th generation Loyal Bareback Horse Riders, the Perez Daredevil Duo on the Tight Rope and Wheel of Destiny, everyone's favorite Circus Clown Leo Acton, and Brandon Ayala on the Rola Bola.

Circus Day Schedule

9:30 a.m. - Tent Raising & Tour

Everyone is invited to watch the Big Top rise. You'll also get a chance to tour the grounds, learn all about life on the road, see their beautiful animals and learn about their care, and get a

behind-the-scenes look at their show.

4:00 p.m. - Midway

Opens

Pony Rides, Moon Bounce, Giant Slide, Face Painting, Concession Stand, and Box Office open up for some extra fun.

5:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Circus Performance

Get ready for an amazing show the whole family will love. Each show lasts about 90 minutes.

Tickets

Advance tickets can be purchased before Circus Day, with children (2-12) and seniors receiving a discount, from these locations:

- Streater Onized Credit Union
- Midland States Bank
- Peoples National Bank of Kewanee - Dwight Branch
- Jeremy's Barber Shop
- Ace Hardware

A higher percentage of advance tickets goes back to the sponsor, meaning more money back into the community. You'll also save money and can skip the lines at the box office, as ticket prices increase the day of the event.

Box office tickets go on sale at the Circus grounds starting one hour before each show.

To find out more about this year's show, find C&M Circus online, visit their social media, call or e-mail them:

www.cmcircus.com

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& Merriweather Circus

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Wanted: Firefighters and EMTs; Nationwide Epidemic Being Felt Locally

by Brandon LaChance

In recent years the love of volunteering for positions such as firefighters and emergency medical technicians (EMT) has waned.

There isn't as much community involvement as life is busy for everyone since our society is full throttle with career, family, and entertainment plans and schedules every minute of every day.

However, the need for firefighters and EMTs is still there.

Fires haven't stopped scorching everything they touch and the need for ambulances and paramedics will always be needed as long as human beings are walking the planet.

The Paper spoke to a representative of three different departments - Dwight Fire Department, Gardner Fire Protection District, and Essex Fire Protection District - to see how the nationwide epidemic of lack of volunteer numbers is affecting each community.

Dwight Fire Protection

Paul Johnson, the mayor and fire chief of Dwight, is not facing the epidemic the same as other departments.

Dwight has a staff of 48 firefighters and the emergency medical staff is well rounded although it's not seeing a lot of new applications.

"We're not doing too bad with the fire end of things. From the fire protection standpoint, we have 48 firefighters," Johnson said. "Only a quarter of our department is actually from Dwight. They volunteer from home. The rest of the guys are paid to be in the fire house."

"Our recruitment has been pretty good. We're very fortunate and almost an outlier of other departments across the nation. When I tested for the fire department in Downers Grove (where he still works) there was 1,000 people tested for two jobs in 1997. We just did a test recently and 18 people applied. It's unbelievable the way it has changed."

However, Johnson sees where the problem began.

Even before Covid-19, Johnson knew the to-do list to become a firefighter or EMT could be too much for someone to



handle or add to their plate.

"I think it started prior to the pandemic. There are so many requirements to hold a firefighter certificate. There is a ton of requirements to get your EMT and paramedic licenses," Johnson said. "Then you have to do continuing education to keep those certificates and licenses."

"The economy is crap. People are trying to make a living. They have kids and a ton of responsibilities. How do you manage all of that, try to be a volunteer firefighter or paramedic, keep up with all of those hours? Where do you find the time to do it?"

This is also why Johnson feels Dwight is in a good spot.

The list of mandatory requirements doesn't extend the federal and state list.

Also, Dwight is a perfect training ground for career firefighters and EMTs as they'll get the proper training and experience that other departments are looking for but can't offer.

"When we bring people on, they don't have to have any requirements. Years ago when I became the fire chief, it used to be where you had to live in Dwight. Our place is kind of like a stepping stone," Johnson said. "They come to Dwight because they get a decent amount of calls. They get a lot of experience and we put a lot of money

into training them.

"They have access to a pretty cool training facility, which is the old women's prison. That's something that not a lot of places have. We have guys from as far away as Naperville and Plainfield, who are part of our fire department and work shifts. It's because there are no volunteer or part-time opportunities in those suburban areas. They have full-time departments and unless you're already certified, you can't get a job there."

"They come to Dwight, we pay, we train, we get them licensed and certified, and then they can move on when the time comes. If we're talking baseball, we're like a minor league department for the major leagues."

Gardner Fire Protection District

Gardner doesn't have the good fortune of Dwight.

Tim Anderson, who has been Gardner's EMS coordinator since March and a firefighter and paramedic for the last four years, has a problem filling shifts every month.

"My age group is the oldest in the department. The only older members are the chief, Brian Jensen, and our captain, Brett Alford," Anderson said. "We are short staffed just like everyone else, but we are on the younger side. We don't have enough people on staff to fill the shifts we have for the month."

"We have been fighting this epidemic for awhile. We currently have nine people rostered, which is very, very low. Only six of them actively pick up shifts. Mathematically, it's two 12-hour shifts a day or we have guys that work 24-hour shifts, like myself, and we break it up into three colored shifts, black, red, and gold. That's six shifts, so the minimum we need is six. Then people call off because of their full-time jobs. We would need more fill-ins for that."

"When I started, there were 28 people and now we're at nine."

After high school, Anderson originally wanted to be a chef as he went into culinary school.

A friend of his was going to an EMS school and asked Anderson to catch a class

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Tickets Issued by Dwight Police
July 14: Teddy L. Clark, 57, Gardner, expiration of registration.
July 15: Joshua R. King, 38, Dwight, title/reg. possession offenses; Ileana M. Medina, 24, Skokie, fail to stop at intersection, expiration of registration, speeding over statutory limit, fleeing police; Aaron J. Gajda, 17, Dwight, failure to reduce speed.
July 17: Tyrenetta Q. Williams, 25, Normal, possession adult use cannabis in passenger area of motor vehicle - driver; Lisa M. Johnson, 42, Bloomington, expiration of registration.
July 19: Jacob P. Henss, 28, Mahomet, speeding over statutory limit.
July 20: Eugene P. Rose, 51, Dwight, driving 11-14 MPH above limit.

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

10 Written Warnings
Speeding - 2; Stop Sign Violation - 3; Only One Headlight - 2; No Proof of Insurance - 1; Only One Red Taillight - 1; No Rear Registration Plate Light - 1.

Dwight Police Blotter
July 15: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 100 block of John St. for a subject whose phone had been hacked.
July 16: Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop on Rt. 47 for Disobeying a Stop Sign, Speeding, Expired Registration, Fleeing/Eluding. The offender, Ileana Medina, of Niles, fled the scene. Medina was later arrested in another Livingston Cty. area and taken to Livingston County Jail. Dwight's charges were added to the other traffic stop.
July 17: Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop. A passenger, Tyenetta Williams, of Berkley, was issued a citation for Possession of Cannabis, and the driver, Laucherra Johnson, of Kankakee, was given a written warning for only one red taillight.
July 18: Dwight Police met with a resident at DPD who advised they had been a victim of ID theft.
July 20: Dwight Police were dispatched to 300 Spencer to meet with a resident who had been a victim of ID theft and received items they did not order.
July 21: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 400 block of E. Mazon for a theft of merchandise.
Suspicious Noise - 1; Return Call - 5; Traffic Stop - 15; Found Dog - 2; Walk In - 8; Out with Subject - 2; Burglary to Vehicle - 2; Damage to Property - 2; Burglar Alarm - 4; Out with Vehicle - 1; Accident - 2; Cell 911 Open - 1; Medical Aid - 3; Noise Complaint - 1; Well Being - 3; Break In Not in Progress - 1; Check Area - 2; Extra Patrol - 2; Motorist Assistance - 1; Miscellaneous - 1; Subject Walking - 2; Harassment - 2; Follow Up - 2; Warrant Check - 1; Assist Agency - 2; Theft - 1; Lost Dog - 1; Domestic Unknown - 1; Lock Out - 2; Reckless Driver - 1; Identity Theft - 2; Paper Service - 1; Suspicious Subject - 1; Battery - 1; Road Hazard - 1; Suspicious Vehicle - 1; Damage to Vehicle - 1.

Accident Reports
Friday, July 15, 8:00 p.m., a single-vehicle accident was reported at 801 N. Union involving a 2002 Harley Davidson, driven by Joshua King, which dumped while attempting to turn.

Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS
July 16: 2150, trauma, St. James; Mazon, medical.
July 17: Aldi Dr., trauma, refusal; Bannon, medical, Morris.
July 18: Mazon, medical, Riverside; Bannon, medical, Morris; Bannon, trauma, refusal.
July 19: Morgan Rd., medical, refusal, mutual aid to Gardner; Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; Division, medical, Morris, mutual aid to Coal City; Mazon, trauma, Riverside.
July 20: Spencer, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Coal City; Northbrook, trauma, refusal; Mazon, medical, Morris; John, medical, Morris.
July 21: 1900, medical, St. James, mutual aid to Odell; Wabash, trauma, refusal, mutual aid to Odell; Aldi, trauma, Morris; Mazon, medical, Morris.

Dwight Fire Incidents 7/15 - 7/22
Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents:
July 20: Motor Vehicle Accident - Northbrook Dr.
July 21: Mutual Aid to Coal City; Mutual Aid to Morris.
Dwight FPD also responded to 10 medical assists with Dwight EMS.

Free Food to Be Distributed July 27
Free food will be distributed to qualifying households in Dwight Township Wednesday, July 27, from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at the Old Town Hall, Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin St., Dwight.
The pantry is held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, January through October. The November Food Pantry is held on the third Wednesday, while Love Boxes distribute food in December.

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with him. Anderson went and caught the bug to become a firefighter and EMT because he wanted to help save lives and homes.

Anderson understands being a volunteer or part-time worker doesn't pay well and life can be all about money at times. But at the same time, there is still community and the amazing feeling of helping people.

“As of right now, I'm the only active paramedic picking up shifts. We have EMT basics that fill in the other shifts. We have two ambulances with one of them, ALS and BLS,” Anderson said. “When I'm here, our ALS goes out and we help other departments with ambulance calls. When I'm not here, the BLS ambulance goes out and they're strictly to stay in our town and provide care to our citizens. If there is a call that goes beyond their scope, they call in an ALS agency, which would be Dwight or Coal City.

“It's something we've been battling for months. I worked the entire month of May between my full-time job and the fire department. It's insane. It's a very demanding job. We don't run calls every minute of every day, but when we do run calls, the citizens who pay their taxes expect the best of the best. That's what we try to provide. Unfortunately, when you do work 72 hours straight, your mental state is not the best. That's what we try to avoid, but with this epidemic it's hard to.”

Essex Fire Protection District

Essex Fire Chief Austin Vining is feeling the epidemic in multiple ways.

The department he has been the chief of for the last 20 years and a member for 41 years has 18 members on his staff (12 active) and youth is scarce.

“No one wants to step up and volunteer for the community anymore. I don't know what it is. People would rather play their games and watch TV,” Vining said. “I would like to have 18-20 active like it used to be. It's to the point now, where we have 12 volunteers but they're not always around. They might be working or out of town. They're on the staff, but if they're not around they can't help with that particular call.

“We do have Automatic Aid, so if we have four or five people out and then we have other towns coming to help also. We are linked to Salina Township (Bonfield), Herscher, and South Wilmington.”

Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee is currently providing EMS and ambulance services to Essex's district because he doesn't have EMTs or paramedics to perform the duties or drive the ambulances.

If he could get some younger blood behind the wheel, Essex could handle EMS, ambulance calls by itself.

“Most of the older guys are the ones who are active and picking up calls. It's very important to have younger members on the department because most of us are getting up there in age,” Vining said. “We put up a big banner and had it up for months. We've had posters put up all over. My firefighters

have gone around and spoke to recruit. We have a Facebook page and have advertised. It's out there, we're just not having any bites.

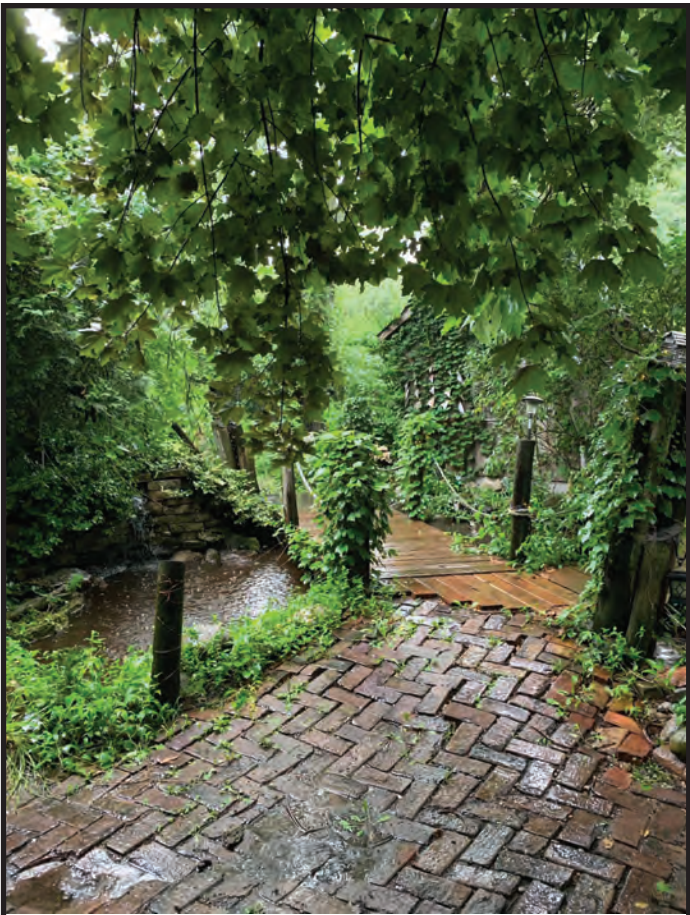
“If our staff becomes too small to handle calls, we would have to ask for a tax referendum to pay people to be up there. This would bring the taxes up for Essex residents. I don't think a lot of people want a tax hike. Of course the city board would have to vote on it, but that would be the ultimatum, we'd have to raise taxes to have a staff.”

Vining said he joined the department and has stayed a member because he loves helping the community, saving people, and the good feeling he gets when he helps someone.

To him, there is nothing like the accomplishment of putting out a fire before it takes everything a family owns.

“I just wish the younger generation felt the same way and would come help us,” Vining said.

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Dwight Pool Extends Swimming Season Into September

The Village of Dwight Pool will have an extended swim season, remaining open through September 3 this year.

“We are excited to stay open through September,” offered Corilyn Hensel-McCullough, Manager and Head Lifeguard at the Dwight Pool. “We will have our regular season hours through Friday, August 12, and begin our transitional hours Saturday, August 13, when we will be open from 12:30-4:30 p.m. Then, starting Sunday, August 14, the open swim pool hours vary as we transition back to school and into fall.”

Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, August 14-16, the Dwight Pool will be open 12:30-4:30 p.m. Then, Wednesday-Friday, August 17-19, the Dwight Pool will be open 6:30-8:30 p.m. On Saturday, August 20, the Pool will be open 12:30-4:30 p.m.,

and closed Sunday, August 21.

The next week, Monday-Friday, August 22-26, the Dwight Pool will again be open 6:30-8:30 p.m. On Saturday, August 27, the hours will be 12:30-4:30 p.m. Finally, Monday, August 29, through Friday, September 2, the Pool will be open 6:30-8:30 p.m. The final day for swimming at the Dwight Pool will be Saturday, September 3, from 12:30-4:30 p.m.

Morning Water Aerobics/AM Lap Swim continues through Friday, August 26, from 7:00-8:00 a.m. Evening/PM Lap Swim has its literal *final lap* Friday, August 12, from 5:30-6:30 p.m.

The Village of Dwight Pool is located at 600 N. Morris Road. For more information, call the Pool at 815-584-3385.

South Wilmington’s Party In The Park July 29, 30, 31

South Wilmington will host its Party In The Park Friday through Sunday, July 29-31. The schedule of events and festivities appears on page 8 today in *The Paper*.

The Party In The Park will kick off a little early this year, with Tap The Keg Thursday from 6:00-9:00 p.m., featuring live music by Dave Elger.

The 2022 Baby Contest will feature 4x6 or 5x7 photos displayed and voted on with monetary donations from family and friends from Friday night to Sunday at noon. The photo with the most monetary votes by the end of the weekend wins. Ages eligible are: 0-24 months. Winners need not be present to win.

The Annual Hometown Parade, Sunday, is seeking people to join the parade, including local businesses, organizations, golf carts, funny costumes, decorated bikes, teams, old cars, tractors, etc.

The parade route will start at 2nd Ave. and travel down Lake St., turn at 7th Ave. and it will end at the park. Take your lawn chairs and hometown spirit to line the route and end the weekend celebration.

Dwight Historical Society Presenting Display of Women’s Hats

The Dwight Historical Society is pleased to present a display of women’s hats at their museum in the Historic Depot. The display will officially open during the Ice Cream Social Sunday, August 7, from 6:00-8:00 p.m., and continue through the winter months.

Highlights of the display include the hats made and donated by Harriet Kuster, who lived and held hat making classes in Dwight during her husband’s tenure as Dwight’s superintendent of schools from 1948 to 1963. Trudy Sullivan DeLong and Karen VonQualen Finley recall that Mrs. Kuster made hats for their weddings, and Darlene Bohlman remembers the Easter bonnets made for her family.

Shannon Patchett Edwards treasures her collection of hats made by her grandmother Mildred Kime, who took a class to learn the art of hat creation. Shannon commented, “For a farm wife, they (the hats) must have been the epitome of high class!”

Alex McWilliams recently gifted the museum with his mother’s extensive collection of hats as well as a case to display them. Among Alice McWilliams’ hats are several bearing the Bes-Ben label, adding the Dwight History Museum to the short list of museums owning the millinery of Benjamin B. Green-Field. The Chicago History Museum, the Indianapolis Museum of Art, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City also have Bes-Ben hats in their collections.

Benjamin B. Green-Field,

the “Mad-hatter” designer, was born in Chicago in 1897. Green-Field and his sister Bessie Warshawsky opened their first hat boutique on State Street in 1920 and later expanded to four more locations. Although his sister left the business early on, her brother’s quirky, frivolous hats continued to be extremely popular, selling, in the 1940’s, for \$37-\$1,000 when hats from Sears went for \$2.

In the 1940’s and 50’s, hats were always worn for dress or business. During World War II, it was unthinkable for a lady to leave home without a basic purse, matching shoes, and a hat and gloves. According to the advertising of that era, “There’s something special about a woman in a hat.” (Betmar Hats)

Vacation Bible School at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dwight, August 1-5

Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Dwight will hold a special Vacation Bible School August 1-5, from 9:00-11:00 a.m., called The Tree of Life: God’s Promise of Salvation.

All children ages four through sixth grade are invited to attend. This VBS examines

God’s plan of salvation through His Son, Jesus Christ.

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MVK Seniors Meet

The MVK Seniors met July 19 at the Mazon American Legion for lunch provided by Community Nutrition Network and furnished by “The Whistle Stop” in Coal City.

President Sherry McIntosh called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. A silent prayer was said for the EMTs, military, policemen and women.

Happy Birthday was sung for Richard Payne and Ernadine Sinnott, and also a belated birthday to Bob Elam. Shirley Peterson did a reading. Door prizes were won by Carl John-

son, Bob Hollenbeck, and Bob Elam.

The Secretary’s and Treasurer’s Reports were read and approved by everyone motioning for them. A motion for ending the meeting was made by Joe Sereno and seconded by Nancy Johnson.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, August 16, 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.

Dwight Preschool Screening August 12

The Dwight Early Learning Program is hosting a birth to six-year old developmental screening Friday, August 12.

This is a play-based screening in the areas of learning, motor, speech, and social development.

Children over the age of three will have a screening of their vision and hearing. It is recommended to have your child screened at least once prior to the start of school. Children 2½ and older must be screened in order to be considered for the preschool program at Dwight Common School.

The screening will be located at the Dwight Methodist Church.

If your child has been screened once before, and you have no developmental concerns, it is not necessary to have your child rescreened. If your child already attends preschool at Dwight, they do not need to be screened again.

To schedule an appointment, call the Dwight Early Learning Team starting Monday, August 1, at 584-6278, 584-6254, or 584-6249.



The family of Doris Fraher, of Emington, is excited to announce her 95th birthday on Monday, July 25, 2022.

Birthday wishes can be sent to Doris at: Box 1 Emington, IL

Melissa Stewart Graces St. Ambrose Dean’s List

Melissa Stewart, of Dwight, earned Dean’s List Honors for the spring semester at St. Ambrose (Davenport, Iowa),

achieving a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Hello World

Eason Thomas Tock entered our world Tuesday, July 19, 2022, son of Marine Master Sergeant Nick and Danielle Tock of North Palm Beach, Florida.

Eason weighed eight pounds, four ounces and was 21 inches at birth.

Eason has a 4-year-old brother, Valor.

Grandparents are Greg and Debbie Tock of Chandler, Arizona; and Daniel and Carrie Hill of Norco, California.

Great-grandparents are Ron and Jeannine Nolte of Monticello, Illinois.

Tom and Louise Tock of

Dwight are also great-grandparents of Eason and Valor, and of Mallory, David, Lucas, Cole, Lilly, Bodhi, Alexander, Olivia, Noah, Layla and Ella.

Ella Grace Tock, born May 27, 2022, is the daughter of Jonathan and Sarah Tock of St. Charles, Missouri.

Noah is her almost-two-year-old brother. Her grandparents are Bob and Pam Tock of St. Paul, Missouri and Dave and Stacey Gerdes of Bartleso, Illinois.

Harold Schreiner of Crawfordsville, Indiana and the late Velda Markle are Ella’s great-grandparents.



Norm and Judy Lewis

Norm and Judy Lewis to Celebrate 60th Anniversary

Norm and Judy (Bellis) Lewis will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Thursday, August 4.

The couple was united in marriage on August 4th, 1962, at St. Paul Catholic Church in Odell, by Monsignor James Garahan.

Therese Bellis Pinkston, sister of the bride, was Maid of Honor, and Richard Verdun, friend of the groom, served as Best Man.

They are parents of two children: Frank (Shelley) of Fisheres, IN, and Kristine Suyko (Andy) of Channahon. They have five grandchildren: Lauryn, Carter, Zachary, William, and Libby.

They have resided at 213 E. Pollard Ave., Dwight, for the past 56 years.

A trip to Charlottesville, VA is planned later for another family wedding.

Summer Reading Finale a Batty Good Time at LTLD

Limestone Township Library District (LTLD) finished off the Summer Reading Program, Read Beyond the Beaten Path, with a presentation by Incredible Bats.

Kids were able to see the bats up close and learn different facts about bats in our world from Dan Peterson of Incredible Bats. But bats are too fragile to touch or hold so Incredible Bats took other animals they could pet, such as a bearded dragon, and Sugar Flyers, marsupials from Australia.

LTLD had 259 people sign up to read at least 300 minutes each. That added up to be 77,700 minutes. However, the final number ended up being 176,200 minutes read. They are ecstatic that the community went far and above the original goal. LTLD extended its thanks to the community for their support in this reading challenge.

Just because Summer Reading is over, doesn’t mean the

fun stops at LTLD.

Community members can still sign up for new cards; check out books, movies, and games; or use the public access computers. They also have faxing, and notary services available to community members. Storytime might be taking a break till September but their S.T.E.M.-onade Stand remains open.

Every Wednesday, kids in third grade and up can come to the library for a new Take-and-Make craft from our S.T.E.M.onade Stand. These bags contain items to make a fun STEM inspired craft. Directions included. July 27 features a pirate paddle boat.

Check their website at www.limestonelibrary.org as well as Facebook and Instagram pages for updates.

Any questions? Call them at 815-939-1696, e-mail them at info@limestonelibrary.org, or message them at Facebook or Instagram.

Prairie Creek Library Wraps Up Summer Reading

Prairie Creek Library, located at 501 Carriage House Lane in Dwight, recently wrapped up a successful summer reading program. This year’s program, the first with in-person events since COVID forced an online alternative the past two years, had a scouting theme where children completed various tasks, read books on certain topics, or attended events to earn badges in a wide variety of subjects.

This year’s children’s program had 87 children participating. A total of 862 books was read by grade school and teen participants. For the adults, the library rewarded anyone checking out a book or audiobook with a scratch-off ticket. Each ticket was good for a prize from a magnetic book mark to a new book. The library gave away 177 prizes with the tickets.

Mason was the top reader in grades K-1st. He won a bag chair. The top reader for grades 2-3, Justin, won a tent. Brady, the top reader in grades 4-5, earned a set of walkie-talkies.

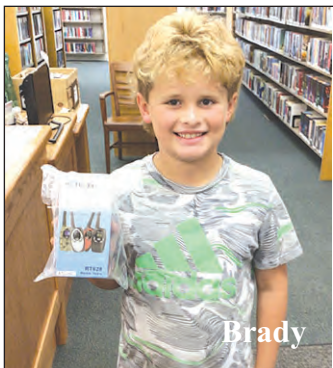
The summer reading program was brought to the community by the library in partnership with local businesses, especially Ace Hardware and Perfect Blend Music Studio.



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Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on July 11, 2022, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Grundy County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting business known as Waupecan Valley Lawn Service, located at 585 S. Baker Rd., Mazon, IL 60444.

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Dwight Township Meeting Aug. 2

The monthly meeting of Dwight Township will be held Tuesday, August 2.

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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Dwight Joint School Boards Meet; First Meeting for New Superintendent DeLong

by Mark Boma

The Dwight Public School Districts #232 and #230 met in a joint meeting on Thursday July 21. Josh DeLong attended his first meeting as newly hired Superintendent.

Both Boards entered to Executive Session to conduct personnel matters prior to reconvening in Regular Session.

Supt. DeLong reported that the first few weeks of his tenure had been hectic as he met with many different stakeholders within the district, including faculty, staff, previous administrators, and others. He pointed out every new school season has its challenges, and the current summer is no exception, considering the Supt. transition and the increased number of classroom sections being added at the Grade School.

Summer projects have been proceeding, including a new water softener being installed at the Grade School. There are serious potholes in the Redbird parking lot, but no action has been taken on them because of the high cost of asphalt repair. Morning drop off protocol around the circle drive at the Grade School was discussed as this seems to be a perennial point of conversation.

At the High School, the upgrade to the crow's nest at the athletic field is nearing completion and lights are up at the tennis/basketball courts north of the football field. Cleaning of the courts will need to be done as the surface appears to be giving off a black residue. The heating upgrade at the High School is about 18 weeks out from commencing.

The High School Board voted yes on the following consent agenda items:

- Accept Resignation, Aly Ferrari, Varsity Volleyball Coach
- Accept Resignation, Jana Brooks, JV Volleyball Coach
- Approve Employment, Steven Lopez, Varsity Volleyball Coach
- Accept Resignation, Eric Englert, English Teacher and JV Scholastic Bowl Coach
- Accept Resignation, Eric Hall, Band Teacher

- Accept Resignation, Jessica Smith, Social Worker
- Approve Employment, Stacy Arellano, Paraprofessional
- Approve Employment, Lindsay Haren, Paraprofessional
- Approve Employment, Allan Zarbock, English Teacher
- Approve Employment, Abby Taplin, Social Worker
- Approve Non-Renewal, Drew Smith, Drama Vocal Music Director
- Approve Employment, Corilyn Hensel-McCullough, JV Scholastic Bowl Coach

A new band teacher had been hired, but resigned after the agenda had been published. The lack of not having a band teacher secured this late in the summer is concerning for the Administration.

The combined Boards approved the Amended Calendar for the 2022/2023 school year and discussed how Inclement Weather Days versus ELearning Days would be handled. Supt. DeLong expressed his strong opinion that ELearning Days had proved to not be effective and every attempt should be made to avoid them.

The Grade School Board approved the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Dwight to provide a Police School Resource Officer.

Athletic participation for various teams was discussed. Something new this fall will be the beginning of a Junior High Cross Country team, which is open to all 5th - 8th grade boys and girls. Practices will begin August first. Athletes will be able to participate in Cross Country and Baseball or Softball simultaneously, if they desire to do both.

At a previous meeting, Transportation Director Angie Goley had asked the High School Board to consider creating an Assistant Transportation Director position. The transportation position duties had grown during Covid and have become increasingly time-consuming due to the current labor conditions. The Boards agreed and gave DeLong the direction to proceed. The Boards also discussed the need to offer increased pay incentives and sign-on bonuses for school bus

drivers.

High School Board members in attendance were Tim Henson, Max Sulzberger, Kevin Berta, Paul Warner, Joel Sandeno, Eric Scheuer, and Sue Legner. Grade School Board members attending were Nick Stipanovich, Mike Cornale,

Marc Ellis, Tara Hansen, and Jamie Mallaney. Absent were Mark Christenson and Lori Bowman.

The next Grade School Board Meeting will be August 10. The High School Board will meet August 17.

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NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS VILLAGE OF DWIGHT ANNUAL AUDIT REPORT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION

An audit of funds of the Village of Dwight for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022 has been completed by the audit firm Mack & Associates P.C., Certified Public Accountants. A copy of the audit report has been filed with the Livingston and Grundy County Clerks and is available for public inspection between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, at the Dwight Public Services Complex located at 209 S. Prairie Avenue, Dwight, Illinois.

Whitney M. Scott, Village Clerk.



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

We welcome your thoughts.

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation,)
Plaintiff,)
vs.) No. 22-FC-25
)
ROBERTA M. KESLER, and unknown owners and non-)
record claimants,)
Defendants.)

NOTICE

Notice is given you Defendants, ROBERTA M. KESLER and 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:

The South Half of Lot 11 and all of Lot 10 in Block 1 in William Cleary's Second Addition to Pontiac, except all coal and minerals underlying said premises and the right to mine and remove the same, in Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 15-22-216-002.

Commonly known as: 816 N. Plum St., Pontiac, IL 61764

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is ROBERTA M. KESLER. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on October 24, 2002 and recorded on October 30, 2002 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 539091, a Modification of Mortgage executed on July 29, 2013 and recorded on August 2, 2013 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois as document No. 624587, a Modification of Mortgage executed on November 8, 2013 and recorded on November 14, 2013 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois as document No. 626345, and a Modification of Mortgage executed on October 19, 2018 and recorded on October 25, 2018 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois as document No. 2018R-04216. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 22-FC-25 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 August 12, 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.

Dated July 5, 2022

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



Cash Cab

Every once in a while you need to give some things their proper respect, where they often go overlooked. That thing in this case is the game show, Cash Cab.

I'm not sure why, but as of late, I've noticed the Cash Cab on the TV channel more and more often. I use YouTubeTV, so I'm not sure if they know I'll always click on it when I see it, but I do.

It's not that different from other game shows in basic terms, as the host asks you questions at various levels, and then there's of course a risk of losing the money at the end.

The thing that makes this show a little different, or at least feel different, (it's possible it's all just as scripted as the other game shows), is that anyone could happen to stumble into the show at any time. Unlike other game shows which require you to plan in advance or be in the audience, this one could happen spontaneously.

I had never been to New York until recently and the Cash Cab isn't even airing a current show, (they canceled because of gas prices). (that's a joke). I had always hoped that I would one day find myself in the New York cab with the flashing lights being driven around by Ben Bailey. In my head I think I shoot about 60% on the questions that he asks the contestant, although it's probably closer to 40%.

I probably would be the person who gets kicked out of the cab after 3 incorrect questions. Even if that happens you're still rewarded with the gift of a free cab ride.

It's probably not even in the top 5 or so of game shows, but I really enjoy it and thought it deserved a brief "shoutout". Thank you Cash Cab and Ben Bailey for providing good, mindless(full) television.

Go, Cubs!

Aaron J. Boma
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY, PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

PNC Bank, National Association,
PLAINTIFF,

Vs.

Ethel Jean Carter; Kelly Garecht; Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Bradley D. Carter; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants; Joseph Dehn, as Special Representative for Bradley D. Carter (deceased),
DEFENDANTS.

2022FC9

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU:

Ethel Jean Carter
Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Bradley D. Carter
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

That this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit:

COMMONLY KNOWN AS:

201 W. Chestnut St.
Fairbury, IL 61739

and which said Mortgage was made by:

Bradley D. Carter

the Mortgagor(s), to National City Mortgage, a division of National City Bank, as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Livingston County, Illinois, as Document No. 00595808; and for other relief; that summons was duly issued out of said Court against you as provided by law and that the said suit is now pending.

NOW, THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the Office of the Clerk of this Court,

LeAnn Dixon,
Clerk of the Circuit Court
110 N. Main
Pontiac, IL 61764

on or before August 26, 2022, A DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU AT ANY TIME AFTER THAT DAY AND A JUDGMENT MAY BE ENTERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRAYER OF SAID COMPLAINT.

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

IN RE: The matter of the Estate of)
) No. 2022-PR-65
MARGARET L. FOGARTY, Deceased.)

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the death of MARGARET L. FOGARTY, whose place of residence at the time of her death was 112 E. South Street, Dwight, IL 60420, and who died on May 23, 2022.

Letters of Independent Executor were issued on July 15, 2022 to MARY ANN DENKER 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 July 27, 2022. 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. 2022-PR-65 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 Executor of the Estate of
MARGARET L. FOGARTY, Deceased.
313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9
Dwight, IL 60420-0009
(815) 584-1525

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PARTY IN THE PARK

July 29, 30, 31

Friday, July 29

- 4:30 p.m. – Register for Kids Home Run Derby (up to 8th Grade)(little field)
- 5:00 p.m. – Kids Home Run Derby Contest
- 6:00 p.m. – Food Vendors Open; Beer Tent Opens; Baby Contest Starts (Nina, 815-252-4335); Sidewalk Chalk Contest (Ages up to 4th grade last school year)(Sign up under the ticket tent at 5:45 p.m.)
- 7:00-10:00 p.m. – Music: **River Road Trio**; Big Wheel
- 8:00 p.m. – Blood Pressure checks w/ Cindy Schultz

Saturday, July 30

- 9:00 a.m. – Food Vendors Open; Baby Contest Voting Open; CoEd Volleyball Tournament (9th Grade and up)(Questions or to register, call Kylie, 815-374-0642)
- 10:00 a.m. – Craft Show (Angie, 237-8076); Talent Show (All ages & talent welcome)(Call Megan Winchell to sign up, 815-823-7524)
- 11:00 a.m. – Weigh in Kiddie Tractor Pull
- 11:30 a.m. – Kiddie Tractor Pull (Sponsored by Sistek Sales)
- 12:00 p.m. – Beer Tent Opens
- 12:00-2:00 p.m. – Strawberry the Clown

- 1:00-4:00 p.m. – South Wilmington Historical Museum Open
- 1:30 p.m. – Root Beer Floats (Served by First Midwest Bank)(Ticket can be purchased under ticket tent where floats will be served); Pam's Forté Arts Center Dancers
- 2:00 p.m. – Jr. Pantherettes & Pantherette Spiritline
- 3:00 p.m. – Cup In Hand Kickball Tournament at VFW Park (Fee applies per team (12 max./7 min.)(To register, contact Lindsey, 815-252-9021, linsann126@yahoo.com) (All proceeds go to South Wilmington Grade School)
- 3:00-7:00 p.m. – BINGO
- TBA – Blood Pressure Checks w/ Cindy
- 7:00 p.m. – Big Wheel
- 8:00 p.m.-12:00 a.m. – Music: **Ethan Bell**

Sunday, July 31

- 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. – Tractor Show (Jimmy, 237-0918)
- 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. – Craft Show (Angie, 237-8076)
- 10:00 a.m. – Church Service (Pastor Jan Chandler)
- 12:00-3:00 p.m. – South Wilmington Historical Museum Open
- 12:00 p.m. – Beer Tent Opens
- 12:00-3:00 p.m. – Polka Music: **Bobby Mutz Band**
- 12:30 p.m. – Kiddie Water Fights (SW Fire Dept.); BINGO Opens
- 1:00 p.m. – Bean Bag Tournament (Entry fee applies) (Kyle Robison, 815-546-5285, krobison1533@gmail.com)
- 3:00 p.m. – Baby Contest Winner Announced
- 3:30 p.m. – Tractor Parade & Hometown Parade (line up at Parish Hall at 3:15 p.m.)(Text Lindsey, 252-9021, to sign up)
- 4:00-8:00 p.m – Music: **BOGO Free**

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Evan Wyllie Takes Over as Lincoln-Way Central Head Coach

Evan Wyllie, Dwight Township High School alumnus, became the 11th Head Boys Basketball Coach in Lincoln-Way Central history when he was hired on June 16.

Bob Ward, incoming athletic director for Lincoln-Way Central, said, “We would like to congratulate and welcome our new Head Boys Basketball Coach, Coach Evan Wyllie. Coach Wyllie has experience as a high school head coach in the state of Illinois and has also spent the last three years coaching as a D-II college coach. We are excited about his enthusiasm and dedication to propel our Knights boys basketball program to the next level.”

Prior to his arrival at Lincoln-Way Central, Wyllie was an Assistant Coach at the University of West Florida for the 2021-22 season.

Wyllie spent the previous two seasons as a Graduate Assistance Coach on UWF’s staff and was one of 22 individuals nationally who were named to the TopConnect Graduate Assistant Leadership Academy in



ian Conference championship in the 2015-16 season. During the 2017-18 campaign, his team set school records for three-pointers made in a game (19) and in a season (229).

Wyllie also spent three years at DTHS as an Assistant Coach from 2012-2015. He helped lead the Trojans to the Class 1A Regional Championship and Sangamon Valley Conference Championship during the 2014-15 season.

A Dwight native, Wyllie was a two-year starter for DTHS, where he earned All-Area honors as a senior.

Wyllie attended Southern Illinois University-Carbondale, where he earned his Bachelor’s degree in Physical Education Teacher Education with a minor in Coaching in December 2010. He completed his Master’s degree in Curriculum and Instruction at UWF in August 2021.

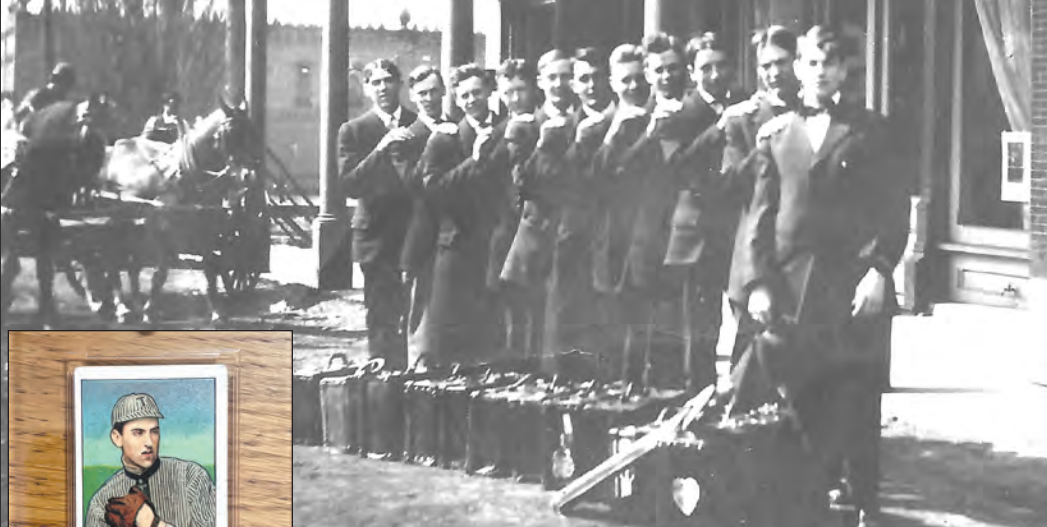
Wyllie married his wife, Rachel, in May of 2018. They reside in Romeoville and have a dog named Bo.



THE DWIGHT WRESTLING CLUB hosted a youth camp July 18-20. Guest instructors were Dillon Sarff and Samuel Edwards.

It’s History

Seattle’s Schmutz Stymies Smith’s Semipro Squad



THE SEATTLE HIGH SCHOOL baseball team took a two-month trip to the Midwest, East and Southwest in the summer of 1907. (David Eskenazi Collection)

At left, CHARLIE SCHMUTZ, as a member of the Tacoma Tigers, is featured on an Obak T212 baseball card. (Dwight Historical Society Collection)

Captivated by the energy of the 1906 World Series between Chicago’s two major-league franchises, Dwight’s Col. Frank L. Smith aimed to bring the same spark back to town. His intent while organizing his namesake baseball team for 1907 was twofold—test his players’ skills while shining a light on his burgeoning political aspirations. The F.L. Smiths challenged a mix of neighboring town teams, salaried semipro squads and traveling novelty acts. Smith dazzled the populace with home games against the Nebraska Indians and Cuban Stars of Havana, while the season culminated with a contest against the American League’s pennant-winning Detroit Tigers. Dwight’s nine finished the campaign winning 22 games.

One of the team’s 16 losses, perhaps unexpectedly, came against a high school team from Seattle, Washington. Seattle’s Charlie Mullen, Roe Hilton, Harold Stewart, Jay Smith, Jimmy “Toots” Agnew, Wee Coyle, Harry Mitt Martin, Mert Hemenway, Ten Million (his actual name), Fred Hickenbottom, Ernie Maguire and Charlie Schmutz are not top of mind for even the most knowledgeable baseball fans. These teenagers traveled to Dwight’s West Side Park on Wednesday, July 24, 1907, and defeated the local semipros, 6-5.

Traveling teen teams are prevalent today, but this Seattle High School squad arranged an unprecedented two-month, 31-game schedule. With “Seattle H.S.” stitched across their chests and “1909” upon their backs, they meandered through

10 states and the District of Columbia as they faced challenges of varied skill sets. With the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exhibition scheduled for June-October 1909, Seattle business leaders funded the tour as a marketing opportunity for the upcoming event that would publicize the Pacific Northwest’s economic viability.

How Smith learned of this tour is unclear, but perhaps he saw the letter Seattle’s teenage manager penned to the sporting editor of the Joliet Evening Herald-News. Published in the July 14th issue, Harold Stewart requested games against “some fast amateur or semi-professional team in your city some day during the week of July 21st.” Stewart requested a \$60 guarantee and 60 percent of the gross receipts.

“These young men were given a hero’s send off when they left Seattle on June 14, 1907,” said David Eskenazi, a Pacific Northwest sports historian. “[They] remain a celebrated part of Seattle’s athletic lore.”

“We played at Dwight, which is the headquarters for the Keeley cure for drunkenness,” Stewart said, during an interview with the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. He added that numerous clients “turned out to see us play and cheer for us.”

Glancing at the final score suggests a competitive game, but Dwight’s Star and Herald noted that the home team “lacked the fast, snappy work that won so many games” ear-

lier that year. That afternoon, 16-year-old pitcher Charlie Schmutz puzzled the local squad. Described as “an elongated youth” with “a typical amateur delivery,” Thomas S. Rice of The Washington Times noted that Schmutz’s pitching could confound players of semipro caliber.

“Schmutz was in fine form,” The Seattle Star said, “and but for one bad inning would have had a shutout.” He delivered a so-called “wicked spitball” with a “peculiar style” and a “shot-put motion” that stymied the locals for the first seven frames. A scoreless affair after two innings, Seattle then pounced on Dwight’s hurler, Jimmie Brown. The Seattleites plated all six of their runs during the middle frames and extended their 6-0 lead into the bottom of the eighth.

“Timely hitting, bunched swats with errors to assist” was how The Seattle Daily Times summarized the action. With a runner on first and two outs in the home half of the eighth, the F.L. Smiths scored all five of their runs to close the gap. Despite the late rally, the youngsters shut down the locals in the ninth to secure the win.

“[The tour] was a bold and unprecedented idea, and a wild success,” said Eskenazi. “The remarkable young athletes that comprised the team played a terrific brand of baseball, finishing the tour with a winning record.”

Col. Smith likely disagreed. (continued on page 11)



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ORDINANCE NO. 22-07-01		(continued from previous column)	
ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE			
For the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Allen Township Fire Protection District of LaSalle, Livingston and Grundy Counties, Illinois, BE IT ORDAINED by the District's President and Board of Trustees as follows:			
SECTION 1: The fiscal year for the fire protection district commences on the 1st day of May, 2022 and ends on the 30th day of April, 2023.			
SECTION 2: The following budget for the General Corporate Fund contains a statement of cash on hand, estimate of the cash expected to be received and estimate of the expenditures and an estimate of cash to be on hand at the end of said fiscal year as follows:			
GENERAL CORPORATE FUND			
Total Income and Opening Balances		\$	176,188.29
Opening Balance May 1, 2022	\$	55,177.55	
LaSalle County Tax	\$	92,337.17	
Grundy County Tax	\$	5,052.53	
Livingston County Tax	\$	12,621.04	
State of Illinois	\$	5,000.00	
Foreign Fire Insurance Payment	\$	900.00	
Interest from NOW Account	\$	100.00	
Refunds, Grants and Misc. Income	\$	5,000.00	
Expenses			
Administrative		\$	11,525.00
Dues	\$	400.00	
Postage and Office Supplies	\$	1,400.00	
R and R Program	\$	2,000.00	
Trustee Mileage and Exp. Reimbursement	\$	225.00	
Community Support Programs	\$	7,500.00	
Equipment Fund			
		\$	29,350.00
Apparatus Maintenance	\$	1,500.00	
Fire Equipment Purchases	\$	9,000.00	
Fire Equipment Supplies	\$	1,500.00	
Fuel and Oil	\$	750.00	
Portable Equipment Maintenance	\$	2,000.00	
Pump, Hose Ladder & Rescue Tool Testing	\$	3,000.00	
Repairs to Apparatus and Equipment	\$	10,000.00	
SCBA Fit Testing	\$	1,600.00	
Legal Fund			
		\$	3,900.00
Attorney Fees	\$	3,000.00	
Court Costs	\$	100.00	
Publications Fees	\$	800.00	
Licensing Fund			
		\$	200.00
Licenses	\$	100.00	
Vaccines & Medical Expenses	\$	100.00	
Station Fund			
		\$	16,430.00
Building Security System	\$	900.00	
Building and Ground Maintenance	\$	1,600.00	
Electricity	\$	1,400.00	
Natural Gas Expense	\$	5,000.00	
Dispatch Services	\$	480.00	
Telephone	\$	3,400.00	
Water Fund	\$	3,000.00	
Generator Maintenance	\$	650.00	
Contingent Fund			
		\$	3,070.25
Contingency Expenses	\$	3,070.25	
Transfer to other Funds			
		\$	93,120.00
Transfer to General Corporate Reserve Fund	\$	90,000.00	
Transfer to Volunteer Fund	\$	2,500.00	
Transfer to Audit Fund	\$	620.00	
Total Income	\$	176,188.29	
Transfer to other Funds	\$	93,120.00	
Total Expenses	\$	64,475.25	
Ending Balance	\$	18,593.04	
SECTION III: That the following budget for the Ambulance Service Fund contains a statement of cash on hand, an estimate of the cash expected to be received and an estimate of the expenditures and an estimate of cash expected to be on hand at the end of said fiscal years as follows:			
Ambulance Fund			
Total Income and Opening Balances		\$	163,515.47
Opening Balance May 1, 2021	\$	59,904.42	
LaSalle County Tax	\$	85,622.72	
Grundy County Tax	\$	4,685.05	
Livingston County Tax	\$	11,703.28	
Interest from NOW Account	\$	100.00	
Refunds, Grants and Misc. Income	\$	1,500.00	
Expenses			
Administrative		\$	11,525.00
Dues	\$	400.00	
Postage and Office Supplies	\$	1,400.00	
R and R Program	\$	2,000.00	
Trustee Mileage and Exp. Reimbursement	\$	225.00	
Community Support Programs	\$	7,500.00	
Ambulance Equipment Fund			
		\$	15,250.00
Maintenance	\$	1,000.00	
Ambulance Supplies	\$	4,000.00	
Fuel and Oil	\$	750.00	
Maintenance of Medical Equipment	\$	2,000.00	
Purchase of Equipment	\$	3,500.00	
Repairs of Ambulance and Equipment	\$	4,000.00	
Legal Fund			
		\$	3,900.00
Attorney Fees	\$	3,000.00	
Court Costs	\$	100.00	
Publications and Printing	\$	800.00	
Licensing Fund			
		\$	310.00
Licenses	\$	210.00	
Vaccines & Medical Expenses	\$	100.00	
Station Fund			
		\$	10,030.00
Building Security System	\$	900.00	
Electricity	\$	900.00	
Natural Gas Expense	\$	1,500.00	
Telephone	\$	3,500.00	
Dispatch Services	\$	480.00	
Water Fund	\$	850.00	
Generator Maintenance	\$	400.00	
Building and Grounds Maintenance	\$	1,500.00	
Contingent Fund			
		\$	2,050.75
Contingency Expenses	\$	2,050.75	
(continued in next column)			
		Transfer to other Funds \$ 93,120.00	
		Transfer to Ambulance Reserve Fund \$ 90,000.00	
		Transfer to Volunteer Fund \$ 2,500.00	
		Transfer to Audit Fund \$ 620.00	
		Total Income \$ 163,515.47	
		Transfer to other Funds \$ 93,120.00	
		Total Expenses \$ 43,065.75	
		Ending Balance \$ 27,329.72	
SECTION IV: That the following budget for the Audit Fund contains a statement of cash on hand, an estimate of the cash expected to be received, an estimate of the expenditures and an estimate of cash expected to be on hand at the end of said fiscal year as follows:			
Audit Fund			
Total Income and Opening Balance		\$	4,208.13
Opening Balances May 1, 2021	\$	261.43	
LaSalle County Tax	\$	2,272.26	
Grundy County Tax	\$	123.86	
Livingston County Tax	\$	310.58	
Transfer from General Corporate Fund	\$	620.00	
Transfer from Ambulance Fund	\$	620.00	
Expenses			
		\$	4,000.00
Audit Fee	\$	4,000.00	
Contingent Fund			
		\$	200.00
Contingency Expenses	\$	200.00	
Total Income	\$	4,208.13	
Total Expenses	\$	4,200.00	
Ending Balances	\$	8.13	
SECTION V: That the following budget for the Insurance Liability Fund contains a statement of cash on hand, an estimate of the cash expected to be received, an estimate of the expenditures and an estimate of cash expected to be on hand at the end of said fiscal year as follows:			
Insurance Fund			
Total Income and Opening Balances		\$	32,886.98
Opening Balance on May 1, 2021	\$	18,679.70	
LaSalle County Tax	\$	11,757.09	
Grundy County Tax	\$	643.18	
Livingston County Tax	\$	1,607.01	
Misc. Income & Refunds	\$	200.00	
Expenses			
		\$	15,145.00
Commercial Package	\$	11,100.00	
Accident and Health	\$	1,910.00	
24 hr. Accidental Death and Dismemberment	\$	225.00	
Workers' Compensation	\$	1,910.00	
Contingent Fund			
		\$	757.25
Contingency Expenses	\$	757.25	
Total Income	\$	32,886.98	
Total Expenses	\$	15,902.25	
Ending Balance	\$	16,984.73	
SECTION VI: That the following budget for the General Corporate Reserve Fund contains a statement of cash on hand, estimate of the cash expected to be received, an estimate of the expenditures and an estimate of cash on hand at the end of said fiscal year as follows:			
General Reserve Fund			
Income			
Total Income and Opening Balances		\$	252,229.54
Opening Balances May 1, 2021	\$	162,229.54	
Transfer from General Corporate Fund	\$	90,000.00	
Expenses			
		\$	94,000.00
New Door Openers and remotes	\$	9,000.00	
New Fire Truck Chassis Purchase	\$	75,000.00	
Meeting Stipend	\$	5,000.00	
Mutual Aid Fees	\$	5,000.00	
Contingent Fund			
		\$	4,700.00
Contingency Expenses	\$	4,700.00	
Total Income	\$	252,229.54	
Total Expenses	\$	98,700.00	
Ending Balance	\$	153,529.54	
SECTION VII: That the following budget for the Ambulance Reserve Fund contains a statement of cash on hand, an estimate of the cash expected to be received, an estimate of the expenditures and an estimate of cash expected to be on hand at the end of said fiscal year as follows:			
Ambulance Reserve Fund			
Income			
Total Income and Opening Balances		\$	209,080.77
Opening Balance as of May 1, 2021	\$	119,080.77	
Transfer from Ambulance Fund	\$	90,000.00	
Expenses			
		\$	85,600.00
Remotes and door repair	\$	600.00	
New Fire Truck Chassis Purchase	\$	75,000.00	
Meeting Stipend	\$	5,000.00	
Mutual Aid Fees	\$	5,000.00	
Contingent Fund			
		\$	4,280.00
Contingency Expenses	\$	4,280.00	
Total Income	\$	209,080.77	
Total Expenses	\$	89,880.00	
Ending Balance	\$	119,200.77	
SECTION VIII: That the following budget for the Volunteer Fund Contains a statement of cash on hand, an estimate of cash expected to be received, an estimate of the expenditures and an estimate of cash expected to be on hand at the end of said fiscal year as follows:			
Volunteer Fund			
Income			
Total income and Opening Balances		\$	9,024.15
Opening Balance on May 1, 2021	\$	4,024.15	
Transfer from Corporate Fund	\$	2,500.00	
(continued on page 11)			

Seattle’s Schmutz Stymies Smith’s Semipro Squad

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Though largely forgotten today, these Seattle ballplayers built remarkable resumes with five players reaching professional baseball. Two of them—Schmutz and Mullen—earned spots on major-league teams.

Following high school, Schmutz played seven seasons of professional baseball primarily in assorted minor leagues. He enjoyed a brief stint with the National League’s Brooklyn Robins (today’s Dodgers) in 1914 and 1915. During his playing days, he shared roster spots with two players of local interest. With the Robins, he called Wilmington’s George Cutshaw a teammate. As a member of the 1911 Tacoma Tigers, he shared pitching duties with Dwight’s Eddie Higgins.

“That game is not forgotten in Dwight,” Dwight Historical Society’s Kim Drechsel said.

“Our Baseball in Dwight collection includes a Schmutz Obak baseball card. He’s depicted as a member of the Northwest League’s Tacoma Tigers.”

“Visitors can stop by the museum now through November,” Dwight Historical Society President Mary Flott said. “The doors are open to the public every second and fourth Saturday from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Special appointment times are available, too.”

Bill Pearch, a lifelong Cubs fan, serves as newsletter editor for SABR’s Chicago chapter. He has contributed to SABR’s publications about old Comiskey Park, the 1995 Atlanta Braves, and has written the SABR biographies of Col. Frank L. Smith and Eddie Higgins. Follow him on Twitter: @billpearch



CHARLIE SCHMUTZ, donning his Seattle High School uniform, warms up prior to a game in 1907. (David Eskenazi Collection)

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Allen Twp. Fire Prot. District		(continued from page 10)	
Transfer from Ambulance Fund		\$	2,500.00
Expenses			\$ 5,900.00
EMS Training		\$	2,500.00
Fire Training		\$	2,500.00
Professional Services			
EMS Inservice Training Fees		\$	900.00
Contingent Fund			\$ 295.00
Contingency Fund		\$	295.00
Total Income		\$	9,024.15
Total Expenses		\$	6,195.00
Ending Balance		\$	2,829.15

SECTION IX: That the following amounts, or so much thereof as shall be authorized by law, are appropriated for said fiscal year to defray all necessary and proper expenses and reserves, the object and purposes of such appropriated amounts being described in above SECTIONS II, III, IV, V, VI, VII and VIII

FUND	Appropriated Expenditures	Appropriated Transfers	Totals
General Corporate Fund	\$ 64,475.25	\$ 93,120.00	\$ 157,595.25
Ambulance Fund	\$ 43,065.75	\$ 93,120.00	\$ 136,185.75
Audit Fund	\$ 4,200.00		\$ 4,200.00
Insurance Liability Fund	\$ 15,902.25		\$ 15,902.25
Ambulance Reserve Fund	\$ 89,880.00		\$ 89,880.00
General Corporate Reserve Fund	\$ 98,700.00		\$ 98,700.00
Volunteer Fund	\$ 6,195.00		\$ 6,195.00
Total	\$ 322,418.25	\$ 186,240.00	\$ 508,658.25

SECTION X: That the unexpended balance of any item or items of any appropriation made by this Ordinance may be guaranteed in making up any deficiency in any items under the same general appropriation made by this Ordinance.

SECTION XI: That should any portion of this ordinance be declared invalid, then all other portions of this Ordinance shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

SECTION XII: That this Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval and publications as provided by law.

The foregoing Ordinance was duly passed by the Board of Trustee of the Allen Township Fire Protection District this 20th day of July, 2022.

Jayne Corsini
District President

Henry F. Hepner
District Secretary Pro-Tem

CERTIFIED ESTIMATE OF REVENUES

State of Illinois)
County of LaSalle)

To the County Clerk of LaSalle, Grundy and Livingston Counties

In compliance with 30ILCS 200/18/50, I the undersigned chief fiscal officer of the Allen Township Fire Protection District do hereby certify to you that the following is an estimate of all revenues, by source, anticipated to be received by the Allen Township Fire Protection District for the fiscal year commencing May 1, 2021 and ending on the 30th day of April, 2022.

REVENUE FROM PROPERTY TAXES

Levy for General Corporate Fund	\$	110,000.00
Levy for Ambulance Fund	\$	102,000.00
Levy for Audit Fund	\$	2,700.00
Levy for Insurance Liability Fund	\$	14,000.00

OTHER REVENUE

Foreign Fire Insurance Payment	\$	900.00
Interest from NOW Account	\$	400.00
State of Illinois	\$	5,000.00
Refunds and Misc. Income	\$	6,700.00

Dated this 20th day of July, 2022

Henry F. Hepner
District Treasurer & Chief Fiscal Officer

Adult Programs at Fossil Ridge Library

Fossil Ridge Public Library, 386 W. Kennedy Rd. in Braidwood, is hosting the following upcoming Adult Programs:

Wits Workout
(Registration Required)
Every Monday of August 10:00-11:30 a.m.

Did you know that social connectedness and intellectual engagement are two lifestyle factors that contribute to your brain’s health? Simply put, coming together and learning new things is good for your noggin. Join the Wits Workout group, where you’ll engage in all kinds of interactive puzzles and games and learn what you can do in your daily life to keep your brain healthy. 60+.

Tai Chi
Every Tuesday, Aug. 2-Sept. 6 3:15-4:00 p.m.

Join for this gentle exercise class designed for all fitness levels. This class consists of therapeutic Tai Chi chair exercises, full body stretching, and a basic 9 form Tai Chi set, all with focus on balance and mobility with time for contemplation. You are guaranteed to feel energized without even breaking a sweat.

Gas Prices For This Week

Lackluster demand for gas and lower oil prices led to pump prices falling again. The steady decline is due to low domestic demand for gasoline and oil prices that remain in the mid-\$90s per barrel. The price of gas has now fallen every day since hitting a record \$5.01 on June 14. If gas demand remains low as stocks increase, alongside a continuing reduction in crude prices, drivers will likely continue to see pump prices decline. Today’s national average of \$4.35 is 63 cents less than a month ago and \$1.20 more than a year ago.

City/Village	July 25	July 18
Dwight	\$4.58	\$4.87
Kankakee	\$4.52	\$4.70
Streator	\$4.79	\$4.96
Pontiac	\$4.77	\$4.95
Gardner	\$4.89	\$5.05
Braceville	\$4.92	\$4.91
Morris	\$4.79	\$4.99
Herscher	\$5.09	\$5.09
Chicago	\$5.22	\$5.63
Illinois	\$4.82	\$5.01
U.S.	\$4.36	\$4.52

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

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’20 F150 Crew XLT, 19K, 4WD.....	\$47,900
’20 F150 Crew XLT, 25K, 4WD.....	\$45,900
’20 F150 Crew Lariat, 15K, 4WD.....	\$54,900
’18 F150 Crew XLT, 27K, 4WD.....	\$35,900
’18 F150 Crew XLT, 70K, 4 WD.....	\$32,900
’18 F150 Crew XLT, 56K, 4WD.....	\$36,900
’18 F150 S/C XLT, 76K, 4WD.....	\$29,900
’17 F150 Crew XLT, 82K, 4WD.....	\$29,900
’16 F250 Crew XLT, 46K, 4WD, Diesel.....	\$48,900
’15 Ram 2500 Crew Tradesman, 126K, 4WD.....	\$25,900
’15 F250 Crew XLT, 74K, 4WD, Diesel.....	\$41,900
’13 F150 Crew XLT, 117K, 4WD, New Tires.....	\$19,900
’11 F150 Crew XLT, 163K, 4WD.....	\$14,900
’11 Silverado 1500 Crew LT, 114K, 2WD.....	\$15,900

CARS

’19 Mustang EcoPremium Conv., 19K.....	\$36,900
’18 Fusion Titanium, 44K, AWD.....	\$25,900

VANS and SUVs

’21 Escape SEL, 2K, Hybrid.....	\$40,900
’20 Escape Titanium, 19K, AWD.....	\$37,900
’20 Escape SEL, 21K, AWD.....	\$31,900
’20 Edge SEL, 83K, AWD.....	\$26,900
’20 Corsair, 16K, AWD.....	\$38,900
’20 Explorer ST, 13K, 4WD.....	\$52,900
’20 Explorer LTD Hybrid, 18K, 4WD.....	\$46,900
’20 Explorer XLT, 31K, RWD.....	\$33,900
’19 Explorer Platinum, 56K, 4WD.....	\$39,900
’19 Nautilus Reserve, 13K, AWD.....	\$47,900
’19 EcoSport Titanium, 13K, 4WD.....	\$24,900
’18 Escape SEL, 68K, FWD.....	\$23,900
’18 Terrain SLT, 75K, AWD.....	\$26,900
’18 Explorer LTD, 62K, FWD.....	\$31,900
’17 Mazda CX-5 Grand Select, 29K, AWD.....	\$27,900
’15 Escape SE, 86K, FWD.....	\$15,900
’14 Escape SE, 94K, FWD.....	\$14,900
’14 Escape SE, 103K, FWD.....	\$13,900
’10 Escape LTD, 201K, 4WD.....	\$6,900

ASSUMED NAME
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on July 25, 2022, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Livingston County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting business known as Aaron Disc Sharpening, located at 612 E. Elm, Fairbury, IL 61739.

Dated this 25th day of July, 2022.

Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

Dwight Public Schools
Fall Registration Information
2022-2023

Dwight Public Schools is pleased to announce registration information for the 2022-2023 school year. The first day of school will be Wednesday, August 17th. Mondays will continue to be our early release days for school improvement. Please see other important information below:

Regular School Days

- PK-4th Grades: 8:00AM to 3:00PM
 - (AM-PK) 8:00AM to 10:45AM
 - (PM-PK) 12:15PM to 3:00PM
- 5th-8th Grades: 8:00AM to 3:05PM
- HS: 8:10AM to 3:10PM

Early PM Dismissals and All Mondays

- PK-4th Grades: 8:00AM to 2:00PM
 - (AM-PK) 8:00AM to 10:30AM
 - (PM-PK) 11:30AM to 2:00PM
- 5th-8th Grades: 8:00AM to 2:05PM
- HS: 8:10AM to 2:10PM

GRADE SCHOOL SPECIFIC REGISTRATION INFORMATION

RETURNING STUDENTS ONLY: ONLINE registration open July 1st through August 12th.

www.dwighk12.org

Once at the Dwight Public Schools website, you will need to be on the appropriate school page, Dwight Common School. From there, click on the REGISTER NOW button. Please make sure all information is correct in Skyward. Any questions regarding online registration should be directed to Mr. Skrapates in the technology department at skrapatesd@dwighk12.org.

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION BEGINS AUGUST 3RD: New students (new to the district or PreK/Kindergarten) will need to register in-person at the grade school and/or high school offices beginning on August 3rd between 8:00A - 3:00P. The grade school and high school offices will be closed through August 2nd.

IMPORTANT: EMERGENCY & GENERAL CONTACT INFORMATION

As you register, please review the emergency contact information and general contact information (phone numbers & email) provided. All students need THREE different emergency contacts listed. It is also important that the emergency contacts are able to arrive at the school quickly to pick-up a sick child.

GRADE SCHOOL HEALTH AND MEDICAL INFORMATION

PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

In addition to being in compliance relative to immunizations, children must receive physical examinations prior to entering Illinois schools for the first time, prior to the date of entering PreK, Kindergarten or first grade, prior to entering sixth grade, and prior to entering ninth grade. Children who have not received physical examinations, as required, are considered to be in noncompliance whether or not they have received the required immunizations.

DENTAL

Illinois law (Child Health Examination Code, 77 Ill. Adm. Code 665) states all children in kindergarten and the second, sixth and ninth grades of any public, private or parochial school shall have a dental examination. The examination must have taken place within 18 months prior to May 15 of the school year. A licensed dentist must complete the examination, sign and date this Proof of School Dental Examination Form. If you are unable to get this required examination for your child, fill out a separate Dental Examination Waiver Form.

VISION

Illinois law requires that proof of an eye examination by an optometrist or physician (such as an ophthalmologist) who provides eye examinations be submitted to the school no later than October 15 of the year the child is first enrolled (Kindergarten; not required for PreK) or as required by the school for other children. The examination must be completed within one year prior to the first day of the school year the child enters the Illinois school system for the first time. The parent of any child who is unable to obtain an examination must submit a waiver form to the school.

5TH-8TH GRADE EXTRACURRICULAR INFORMATION

Students that plan to participate in a fall sport are required to register on 8 to 18 for each individual sport prior to attending the first practice each season. The student must be registered by a parent/guardian.

Any student who is participating in a sport is required by the IESA to have a current sport physical prior to attending any practices or activity on file in the office. Athletes should visit their primary doctor for all physicals.

Athletic Fees:

\$30 one athlete/one sport; \$60 one athlete/multiple sports; \$90 max per family

GRADE SCHOOL REGISTRATION COSTS

PreK=\$0	5th-8th Locks Fee=\$10
ECE Half Day=\$50	5th-8th PE Uniform Fee=\$7.50 shirt/\$7.50 shorts
ECE Full Day=\$100	
K-8 Students=\$100	
5th-8th Technology Fee=\$25	*Free and Reduced Student Fee=\$0

HIGH SCHOOL SPECIFIC REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Online Registration: July 1st - August 12th (returning students only)
- To register online, please visit the school website and click on the Register Now button.
- In-Person Registration: August 3rd - August 12th 7:30AM - 2:30PM (for students new to district or parents that are having issues with online registration)
 - All students must be registered before school begins on August 17th
- All students that are in ANY activity or sport are required to register on 8 to 18 for each individual activity or sport prior to attending a practice each season. This includes Marching Band, Pep Band, Chorus, Scholastic Bowl, Drama, Winter Guard, all sports, etc. The student must be registered by a parent/guardian.
- Any student who is participating in a sport is required by the IHSA to have a current sport physical prior to attending any practices or activity. (see code 2.150 of the IHSA Constitution). Athletes should visit their primary doctor for all physicals.
- According to the State of Illinois requirements, all students entering grade 9 or a student who is new to a school in the State of Illinois, must have a physical examination and proof of a dental exam.
- **IMPORTANT: EMERGENCY & GENERAL CONTACT INFORMATION**
As you register, please review the emergency contact information and general contact information (phone numbers & email) provided. All students need THREE different emergency contacts listed. Please make sure your information is accurate. High school students' phone numbers should also be added.

DTHS Registration Costs Beginning 2022-2023 School Year

Dwight Township High School will continue to have a flat fee for student registration next fall. The annual fee will include any classes the student would like to take (including all classroom fees for projects), book rental, yearly planner and entry into all home athletic events (excluding tournaments). The Board of Education will review this flat fee and may adjust it accordingly on an annual basis.

In order to qualify for the Free and Reduced student rate, the student(s) must either be directly certified through the Medicaid system already; or you may complete the paperwork to determine if your student(s) qualify.

REGISTRATION COSTS*

Student Fee \$125.00

Free and Reduced Student Fee \$35.00

*This cost includes one PE uniform, set of locks and Behind the wheel for all Freshmen and students new to the district.

If a student participates in sports or LACC, there is an additional cost that will be added to this fee. Additional PE clothes and locks may be purchased if needed at the cost listed below.

A la Carte Options				
Item	Price	Class Available		
PE Shirt	\$ 8.00	All		
PE Short	\$ 8.00	All		
PE Set	\$ 16.00	All		
Single Lock	\$ 6.00	All		
Double Lock	\$ 12.00	All		
LACC 1	\$ 100.00	Junior/Senior		
LACC 2	\$ 200.00	Junior/Senior		
Sports Fee Per Student	\$ 75.00	All		

Dwight Pool Staff Inservices
Spine/Neck Water Rescue

As a part of the continuing education and physical conditioning requirements for employment as a guard at the Dwight Pool, guard staff on July 19 inserviced a water rescue scenario having a victim with a spinal injury.

“While in the water, a *Long Spine Board* is the device used in pre-emergency transportation or pre-hospital trauma care to offer rigid support during movement of a victim with suspected spinal or limb injuries,” offered inservice-provider, life-guard, and pool manager, Corilyn Hensel-McCullough.

“The LSBs have adjustable straps to help keep one’s head, neck, and spine more stable thereby allowing us to more easily and safely mobilize a person from the water to the land. Inservices and scenarios like this help us successfully learn how to offer very specific rescue care, build our team-pool-family bond, and prepare us for emergency situations that could present themselves at the Pool. We prefer to be prepared than stupified when it comes to water protection, the safety of our patrons, and the safety of our staff, so we practice.”

During these structured ER-type of recreations, the staff also practices other safety procedures that are a part of any pool/water emergency situation. Staff must blow the whistle, get the attention and assistance of the other on-duty guard(s), yell, “*Clear the water*” safely enter the water with the rescue buoy, make sure other swimmers are cleared from the water, extend specific assistance needs to staff by name like, “*Joe, call 9-1-1; Jane, get the AED; and, Jim, clear everyone back safely from the scene.*”



GUARDS AT THE SPINE/NECK Water Rescue Inservice at the Dwight Pool July 19.

The Dwight Pool staff also workshoped the spine-kit bag, how to handle persons standing by at the scene, what to say to a victim during a water emergency, how to approach or inform the victim’s family or friends during and after a water/pool emergency, how to assist one another once the victim is out of the water, and the importance of timely documentation in the victim log when it is *all clear*. The Village of Dwight Pool staff hopes to never need these rehearsed safety practices on a real victim; but just in case, they continue to ready themselves.

Successfully participating in the spine/neck water rescue inservice led by Hensel-McCullough were Caiden Nelson, Claire Robison, Carson Collet, Destinie Drapeau, Ellora Mc-

Cullough, Hayden Colclasure, Jacob Weissmann, and Reece Mortensen, Jennifer Ramirez, concession staff, also participated in the inservice focusing

on bandages and wraps.

The Village of Dwight’s Pool is located at 600 N. Morris Road. For more information, call 815-584-3385.



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BIDDING CLOSES: THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 2022
STARTING AT 10:00 AM^{COT}

Physical Address: 32169 E 835 N, Chatsworth, Illinois 60921



HIGHLIGHTS: Cat D6M dozer, 7,313 hrs., SN 4JN01465; Hyundai Robex 160LC-7 excavator, 2,390 hrs., SN N05110547; 2007 Bobcat 331 mini-excavator, 2,544 hrs., SN 2343173; Cat 4' pull-type sheepsfoot roller; 2011 Kaufman R30 39' step-deck flatbed trailer, VIN 5VGFR-3928BL000143; 2000 Dynaweld 53' step-deck flatbed trailer, VIN 4U181DJR0Y1040037; 1991 Trail-King TK20 24' deck-over flatbed trailer, VIN 1TKC02429MM108015; 1971 JD 4320 2wd tractor, 9,660 hrs., SN 012831R - new starter; JD 7000 6 row 30" planter, SN 049480; Behnke 1,000 gal. tender trailer; New Holland 311 small square baler, SN 660401; International 1190 9' mower conditioner, SN 107155; New Idea 1 row pull-type corn picker; Vulcan OmniPro 220 multi-process welder; Bridgeport vertical milling machine; Industrial surface grinder on workbench; Crown B-67 electric pallet jack; Energair upright air compressor; Merritt aluminum headache rack for semi

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BIDDING CLOSES: TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2022
STARTING AT 10:00 AM^{COT}

Physical Address: 2423 N 44th Rd., Leland, Illinois 60531



HIGHLIGHTS: '89 Case-IH 9150 4wd tractor, approx. 6,500 hrs.; '84 International 5488 MFWD tractor, 6,026 hrs.; '04 Case-IH 2366 2wd combine, 3,390 eng./2,236 sep. hrs.; Case-IH 1020 25' platform; Case-IH 1063 6 row 30" corn head; International 3444 2wd backhoe, showing 1,340 hrs.; Cat 955 crawler loader; Cat 17 road grader; Krause 3100 27' soil finisher; Case E30 26' disk; Glencoe 11-shank disk chisel; McFarlane 27' 8-bar harrow; Pepin FX9 26' 9-bar harrow; International 720 5-bottom plow; LBI 5-shank 3-pt. V-ripper; International 133 12 row 30" cultivator; Kewanee 470 30' rotary hoe; Case-IH 5200 15' 3-pt. grain drill; Woods BW180 15' batwing mower; JD 307 6' 3-pt. rotary cutter; Ford 930 6' 3-pt. grooming mower; Rhino LR38 8' 3-pt. landscape rake; 6' 3-pt. blade; Ford 903 3-pt. post hole digger; JD N manure spreader; Brent 820 grain cart; M&W 37552 gravity wagon; (2) M&W 300S gravity wagons; M&W 300B gravity wagon; Bradford 335 gravity wagon; (3) Feterl 10"x34' augers; Feterl 8"x60' auger; Feterl 10"x60' auger; City Welding 29' aluminum dump trailer; 45' equipment trailer; EZ-Steer steering system w/ FM-750 display & Trimble AFS receiver; (2) 20.8R42 tires w/ wheels; (2) 20.8R42 tires w/ 10-bolt wheels; (4) 445/55R22.5 tires; 3-pt. head mover; Cat III quick hitch; Shop built log splitter

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Pet of the Week

Cheese is a dairy product produced in wide ranges of flavors, textures and forms. Jack is my name and I came in with my sister, Colby, who found her forever home. I am VERY flavorful and my texture is SOFT and my form is PERFECT. I am a snuggler and silly when I come out of my ravioli shell. My favorite thing is laying around and melting into my favorite person's lap. I have so much cheesy love to give that I know that I can melt your heart.



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