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## Dwight Common School Board Reviews Budget/ Discusses Teacher Shortage

Dwight Common Principal/AD Jeremy Jenkins The School #232 Board of Education met in their first meeting of the 2022 - 23 season Wednesday August 10 in the Grade School Library.

Dwight Education Association representative Amie Thompson addressed the Board and expressed appreciation for the exceptional condition of the school building and praise for the Board's decision to expand the number of sections in the K-4 grades.

Principal Julie Schultz reported the maintenance staff had worked diligently all summer and the school was in great shape, ready to receive the 2022 - 2023 students. Although registration is not complete, it looks like enrollment is going to increase about 33 students over the previous year.

She added that Don Shomette, school safety expert, will be speaking to all staff on Tuesday, August 16 from noon to 3 p.m. in the High School Auditorium. Later that evening he will be presenting to parents/guardians and community members beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Nine new faculty members are joining the Redbird team this year: Sarah Sancken, Kindergarten; Leanne Soppe, 1st Grade; Sarah Jones, 2nd Grade; Dakota Irvine, 4th Grade; Kathryn Crouch, 5th Grade; Amy Veselak 3rd/4th SPED; Margaret Donovan, K-8 PE; Jan Baker, Paraprofessional; and Josh DeLong, Superintendent.

The report from Assistant

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## **Dwight Village Board**/ **New Officers Sworn In/ DCC Talks Continue**

indicated 24 athletes tried out for the baseball teams. There will be 12 on each the A and B teams, with the first game being August 10. The Softball team had 30 girls try out and their first game was August 4. Dwight will be hosting the IESA Sectional Tournament on September 17. The new Cross Country team begins with six participants. Allie Schantz and Stinnett Gettinger will be acting as volunteer coaches. There will be a total of six meets, including the State Series.

Potholes in the parking lot are expected to be patched prior to school start date.

Superintendent Josh De-Long reported a program will begin with one student designated as "Redbird of the Month" and recognized at subsequent Board Meetings. He also noted it should be brought to everyone's attention that there is a national and statewide teacher shortage due to a number of variables. The District has had difficulty filling open faculty positions this summer, losing two Band Directors and with the PE teacher spot currently unfilled.

DeLong also presented a recap of the District finances which showed fiscal year 2021 - 22 ending with a surplus of \$1,488,250. Budgeted numbers for 2022 - 23 project revenues of \$7,555,781 with \$6,553,461 of expenses resuts in an additional \$1,002,320 surplus.

by Brandon LaChance

#### Feather Prairie Farm is welcoming an addition.

Through Springfield Plastics, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, the Wetland Initiative and numerous other organizations, Wes Lehman and family are adding a wetlands to Feather Prairie Farm's 20--30 acre pasture at 23335 E. 3200 N. Rd. in Dwight. "I've always been a huge waterfowl hunter at heart and I always envisioned having my own slice of ground. My slice of paradise," Lehman said. "Through my travels dealing with drainage contractors, there are several times a year I run into contractors having these awesome projects whether they're rebuilding habitat, habitat restoration, or new installs.

ers and brats, coolers with beverages, and an opportunity to ask questions and see the habitat project.

from nearby cropland. The Saunemin location handles 73 acres of tiled cropland.

'My slice of paradise'

"My full-time job is with Springfield Plastics. We're an extremely conservation minded company. We work alongside and see if it's the right type of an organization called LICA National (Land Improvement Contractors of America) and every summer they try to do some kind of conservation project," Lehman said. "We were actually working on a wetland a few years ago with the Wetland Initiative and over the course of the few days I was working with them, I learned my pasture offered an opportunity to become a duck habitat. "Over a two-year time period ideas were bouncing around and then I met Jason Bleich with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and he had a huge interest in what I had going on. With me working alongside all of these companies, after a lot of networking and bringing everyone together - Springfield Plastics, Wetland Initiative, Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services - we made this thing a go."

Feather Prairie Farm adding a wetland cludes a cookout serving burg- start doing a few projects in an area and then land owners and the local community hear about our program and it expands from there," Bleich said. "Typically, it's land owners reaching out to me or to one of our partners. We'll come and visit them property and if the land own-

"The wetland has a variety of benefits. The reason the land owner (Lehman) is interested, from a recreational duck hunting standpoint, he wants it to hold ducks and geese so he can hunt out there," Bleich said. "The reason our partners and the general public is interested is these types of projects is im-



above recently built near Saunemin. The wetlands are considered "Smart" because they are specifically sited, designed, and

constructed to improve water quality using the best available data and technology. The wetlands process ag-tile drainage water

The Dwight Village Board met August 8 and formally welcomed two new police officers by swearing in Officers Jake Bakalik and Trevor Sember. Both graduated from the Macon County Law Enforcement Training Center on July 29 following a 14 week program.

Payment of bills to the amount of \$161,497.65 was approved.

There were no comments in the Public Forum portion of the meeting.

In the President's Report, Mayor Paul Johnson gave kudos to all involved with the National Night Out community-building campaign held August 2 in Downtown Dwight. Special recognition was awarded to Officer Gary Beier for his organizing of the event.

Johnson informed the Board that discussion on the potential purchase of the Dwight Correctional Center by the Village was ongoing and that a packet of information had been received from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency. He commented that a cursory review of the documents did not disclose anything that would hinder progressing with the purchase agreement.

Additionally, Mayor Johnson and Village Administrator

Kevin McNamara had met with representatives of Phoenix Investment, new owners of the LSC Communications property. The meeting was positive and it appears the Phoenix Group will become a strong part of the Dwight business landscape.

Chief of Police Mike Nolan acknowledged the swearing in of the two new police officers and reported that two more recruits would be graduating from the academy in the next few weeks.

The Board took a recommendation from the Services Health and Safety Committee, stemming from a meeting held just prior to the regular meeting, and authorized the upgrade and remount of one of the EMS ambulances at a cost of \$265,354.00.

A liquor license was granted to Zeeya LLC, 136 East Main Street. The business known as Dwight Cigarette and Liquor is changing hands.

The Board discussed a request from Station 343 restaurant to block off portions of East Main Street and various parking lots on August 20 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. for a fundraising event to aid the National Fallen Firefighter Foundation which helps families of line of duty deaths. Celebrity Tim (continued on page 2)

"It's always been a dream of mine to wake up, grab a cup of coffee and watch the ducks, geese, and deer flourish on our pasture."

In sort of an open house format, a day of the wetlands construction will be open to the public for everyone to see how a wetlands is created and to showcase the benefits of land owners to take initiative to retaining and improving land.

#### **Feather Prairie Farm will** be open to the public at two different times.

From 11 a.m.-2 p.m. on August 24, different agencies and non-profit groups will be there as the public will see the wetland being built as the goal is to show how to put in a water control structure on a berm. Lunch will be available.

A networking social will be held from 4-8 p.m. which in-

Bleich has been the private lands biologist for U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (a federal organization with federal funding) for two years after being a biologist for Pheasants Forever for eight years.

His ten years of experience helped him recognize Feather Prairie Farm was a perfect location for the next project.

"The start of these projects is a lot of word of mouth. We'll goals align with our goals.

"I have been to Feather Prairie Farm several times now. We did the initial site visit. We've done the topographic survey (locates all surface features and depicts all natural features and elevations). We've done the project planning, the design work, engineering, and the partnership with the Wetland Initiative. It's been very hands on."

Bleich is one of three biologists for the fish and wildlife service in Illinois. His focus area is Will County to Champaign County, and over to McLean County, which is the Interstate-57 and I-55 east central region of Illinois.

He meets with land owners and farmers to help them improve their land for their own purposes and for wildlife.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service can fund any project for any property owner with any type of land as long as its not state or federally owned.

Typically, an entire wetlands project takes 1-2 years with multiple pasture visits and conversations with land owners. The construction usually takes 1-2 weeks.

In terms of money, the wildlife service or their partners will pick up 80-90 percent of the cost while the land owner would need to cover the other 10 percent.

proved water quality

"Everyone considers wetlands the Earth's kidneys. You get the farm runoff and the drainage that comes into the wetlands. It essentially filters it out and then the clean water goes into the creek."

Lehman isn't going to be greedy and keep the wetlands to himself.

He plans to offer his newest addition to the family farm to others who want to train their hunting dogs and to enjoy the habitat.

And he gets to give back to Mother Nature and the Earth.

"If we don't start giving back and worrying about the quality of water that is leaving our farms, this sort of stuff is going to become regulated," Lehman said. "No one likes regulations. Springfield Plastics is draining the excess water from the field, not surface water, so we're not taking anything we shouldn't be as we are not draining a wetlands.

"I'm beyond ecstatic. I'm kind of nervous just for the fact that I want everything to be perfect. I want everything to thrive in one area. That's my goal," said Lehman.

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## FOR THE RECORD

#### **Tickets Issued** by Dwight Police

August 6: Michael R. Furlow, 57, St. Louis, MO, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.

August 7: Erika Rodriguez, 35, Bourbonnais, speeding over statutory limit.

August 8: Tyler J. Kinnunen, 19, Kankakee, driving 11-14 MPH above limit.

August 10: Caitlyn N. Hollowell, 21, Kankakee, speeding over statutory limit.

August 11: Marcus D. Stewart, 32, Lexington, MS, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.

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

#### **12 Written Warnings**

Speeding – 5; Disobey Stop Sign – 3; No Rear Registration Plate Light - 1; Expired Registration - 2; Only One Taillight -1.

#### **Dwight Police Blotter**

August 4: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 400 block of N. Clinton for missing/stolen tools; Dwight Police were dispatched to the 100 block of Julie Dr. for Theft from Motor Vehicle.

August 5: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 900 block of S. Old Rt. 66 for Well Being Check on a subject; Dwight Police made contact with a subject in the 100 block of W. Mazon Ave. who advised someone had illegally put items in their dumpster.

August 7: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 200 block of E. Waupansie for a found dog.

August 9: Dwight Police met with a subject in reference to a child custody/visitation issue

August 10: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 100 block of John St. to speak with a resident about possible ID theft; Dwight Police met with a walk in resident who has been a victim of a scam.

Reckless Driver – 1; Road Hazard -1; Medical Aid -3; Lock Out -1; Walk In -3; Re-

turn Call - 8; Found Dog - 3; Check Area - 2; Suspicious Subject – 1; Well Being – 3; Traffic Stop - 16; Electrical Fire – 1; Check Vehicle – 1; Accident Unknown - 1; Miscellaneous - 2; Extra Patrol -2: Message Delivery - 1; Intoxicated Subject - 1; Domestic Verbal - 1; Juvenile Issue -1; Customer Problem – 1.

#### Accident Report

Friday, August 5, 3:47 a.m., an accident was reported at 1 Aldi Dr. involving a 2001 Frei. Unit #74, driven by Carlos Izurieta, Elmwood Park, which struck a parked 2018 Volvo, driven by Christopher Peters, Columbia, MD, while attempting to back into the dock.



#### **Ambulance Runs** by Dwight EMS

August 4: Main, medical, Riverside; Northbrook, trauma, St. James; Washington, trauma, canceled en route, mutual aid to Gardner.

August 5: Morgan, medical, refusal, mutual aid to Gardner; Storm, trauma, Morris, mutual aid to Gardner; Mazon, medical, Morris; Seminole, medical, Morris.

August 6: Mazon, medical, Morris; Chippewa, medical, Morris; Main, CoQ, canceled en route, mutual aid to Wilmington; Delaware, trauma.

August 7: South, fire; Mazon, medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, Morris.

August 8: Campus Rd., trauma, mutual aid to Gardner; Bannon, trauma, refusal; Livingston Rd., trauma, refusal; Wabash, trauma, St. James, mutual aid to Odell; Morgan, trauma, Morris, mutual aid to Odell.

August 9: Bannon, trauma. refusal.

August 10: Wabash, trauma, refusal, mutual aid to Odell; Stonewall, medical, refusal; Mazon, medical, Morris.

## PLEASE BE VIGILANT IN LOCKING YOUR VEHICLES AND BUILDINGS



## *Temps - 2022*

Aug. 4 - high 86°, low 69° trace precip. Aug. 5 – high  $86^\circ$ , low  $60^\circ$ trace precip. Aug. 6 - high 89°, low 56°

Aug. 7 - high 81°, low 73° .05" precip. Aug. 8 - high 84°, low 57° trace precip.

Aug. 9 - high 78°, low 51° Aug. 10 - high 81°, low 51° One Year Ago-Aug. 17, 2021 high 77°, low 52°



#### **Dwight Fire** Incidents 8/5 - 8/12

Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents: August 7: Electrical Wiring

Arcing - W. South.

August 8: Motor Vehicle Accident - 3300 East 3300 North; Motor Vehicle Accident - Livingston Rd. at Gorman Rd.

August 9: Mutual Aid to Seneca - Canceled.

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

## Dwight Village Board

(continued from page 1) Smith of Discovery Channel's Moonshiner will be riding along with Conrad's Harley Davidson Bootleggers group from Shorewood to Dwight. It is estimated 250 motorcyclists will attend. The consensus of the Board was that completely blocking off Main Street was not the thing to do and approved the request pending the development of an appropriate plan to identify reserved parking areas downtown.

Dwight Pizza and More was



**Campus Illinois - 1907** From Center Street looking west.

## Livingston County Voters to Receive Notice for Vote By Mail Ballot

Kristy Masching, has announced that all registered votreceive by mail within the next few weeks a notice for a vote by mail ballot for the November 8, 2022 General Election, in compliance with the following statute:

(10 ILCS 5/19-2.5)

Sec. 19-2.5. Notice for vote by mail ballot. An election au-

close.

Livingston County Clerk, thority shall notify all qualified voters, not more than 90 days nor less than 45 days beers in the state of Illinois will *fore a general or consolidated* Clerk's office or Vote on Elecelection, of the option for permanent vote by mail status.

> This mailing will allow voters if they so choose to request their Vote By Mail Ballot using one of the following options: 1) Single Election Vote By Mail Application; 2) Permanent Vote By Mail Status.

As always, voters will continue to have the option to Early Vote in the County tion Day at their Polling Place.

The Livingston County Clerk has advised that if anyone were to have additional questions concerning this or any other election information to contact the office at 815-844-2006.

## **GEDC Hosts Internship Recognition Ceremony**

Parents were on hand to cel-Grundy Area Vocational Center ebrate the successes of their (GAVC), also addressed the sons and daughters as the 10th Grundy County Summer Internship Program came to a An internship recognition dinner was held on August 9 to formally recognize and con-

gratulate the students that participated in the paid, hands-on internship program. Nancy Norton, President & CEO of the Grundy Economic Development Council (GEDC) opened the event by welcoming the businesses, educators, par-

crowd and discussed the benefits and opportunities that the experience of the internship had given the students. Copes stated that there were nearly 60 students who applied for the 24 positions and those in the room should be proud that they were selected to participate in the program. Copes also encouraged the interns to keep in touch with their mentors and ask if there are opportunities to Huston. work during school breaks or **D'Arcy** even again next summer.

The 24 paid internships this year were with 11 different companies, offering a diverse set of opportunities for local students. The program began in 2013, with just 12 internships and three companies. To date, over 225 students have gone through the program. The program is open to students attending one of the four Grundy County high schools or the O'Keefe, Reagan Robson. Grundy Area Vocational Center.

mutual desire expressed by leaders in education and industry to highlight local employment opportunities and retain local talent in Grundy County. Senator Rezin, GAVC and the GEDC partnered with local industry and education to launch the program in 2013.

The 2022 Grundy County summer interns were:

Aux Sable: Jacob Conroy, Grayson Weber.

Chamlin & Associates: Blake

Motors: Jonathan Henson, Josh Wright. GEDC: Sophie Pfaff. Joliet Junior College: Caden Hennessy, Robert Osborn. LvondellBasell: McKenzie Collins, Riley Dehler, Joshua Gunther, Georgette Shugart. Morris Hospital: Joseph Albano, Kylee Claypool, Collin Dames, Sophie Hipes, Madelvn Pilch, Sydney Roberts. The Newberg Group: Shaela US Cold Storage: Brynlee Reed, Emily Saavedra. Village of Minooka: Katie



Dinner: Wed., Fri. and Sat. Nights Dwight Country Club • 815-584-9825 approved to receive four Gaming Terminal Licenses. Fees assessed would be \$250 per terminal renewable April 1 of each year.

Trustees at the meeting were Randy Irvin, Pete Meister. Marla Kinkade, Jenny Johnson, and Justin Eggenberger. Absent was Chuck Butterbrodt.

The next meeting of the Dwight Village Board of Trustees will be August 22 at 6:30 p.m. at the Public Services Complex.

ents, and students.

Senator Sue Rezin introduced the company representatives along with their interns. Senator Rezin emphasized that the students should be proud that they were chosen to work at some of the finest businesses in Grundy County.

The internships offer a chance to gain meaningful professional work experience and learn more about the many different employment options within the community.

The Grundy County Intern-Lance Copes, Director of ship Program was based on a Tropp.



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## What Should You Know About IRA Rollovers?

If you've been contributing to an IRA, you've chosen a great way to save and invest for retirement. All IRAs have potential tax benefits and a range of investment possibilities, but not all IRA providers offer the same features. So, if you decide that your current IRA provider is charging higher fees than you'd like, or perhaps doesn't offer as many investment choices as you want, then you might choose to move your IRA assets to another provider. How should you go about making this switch?

Here are some options to consider:

• Trustee-to-trustee transfer or direct rollover - You can ask the financial institution holding your IRA to move the money directly to another IRA. No taxes will be withheld from the amount transferred at the time of the transfer. This method is generally hassle-free, but some IRA sponsors will still only mail the check to your address of record, so you'd have to forward it to your new IRA.

• Indirect rollover - If you take an indirect rollover, also known as a 60-day rollover, the assets from your existing IRA will be liquidated and the custodian or plan sponsor will send you a check or deposit the funds directly into your bank or brokerage account. This payment may be subject to withholding for federal taxes, and possibly state taxes, unless you opt out of withholding. You have 60 calendar days from the time the funds were withdrawn to deposit the money, including any amount withheld, into a new IRA. If you miss this 60-day deadline, the withdrawal may be taxable at your personal income tax rate, and it could also be subject to an early withdrawal penalty if you're younger than 59 1/2.

Given the immediate withholding and the possibility of further taxes if you don't move the money into a new IRA before the 60 days are up, you've got much to consider before initiating an indirect rollover. Consequently, you should consult with a financial advisor and tax professional before you make this type of move.

In addition to a rollover from an existing IRA, you may someday want to move the money from your 401(k) or similar employer-sponsored retirement plan to an IRA. This can occur when you retire or change jobs, although if you do take on another job, you might have the options of leaving your 401(k) with your former employer or rolling it over into your new employer's plan. However, if you do want to move your 401(k) funds into an IRA, you can make what's known as a direct rollover, in which the administrator of your old retirement plan will send you a check made payable to the custodian of your IRA. No taxes will be withheld, but you need to get the funds transferred within 60 days to avoid any potential tax issues.

You spend years contributing to your IRA and 401(k) — and for good reason. So, when it's time to move that money, be careful and consider getting help from your financial and tax professionals. These funds can play a big role in your retirement income, so manage them wisely.

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#### **KEMPTON COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION** DISTRICT ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FISCAL YEAR ENDED MAY 31, 2022

| Receipts Summary                          |              |
|---|--------------|
| Property Taxes                            | \$124,623.78 |
| Replacement Taxes                         | 3,931.50     |
| Interest                                  | 963.53       |
| Illinois Municipal League                 | 442.25       |
| Total Receipts                            | \$129,961.06 |
|   |              |
| Disbursement Summary                      |              |
| Compass Insurance                         | 15,058.00    |
| Fire Service of IL                        | 3,484.92     |
| Frontier                                  | 3,525.99     |
| Kempton Firemen                           | 3,317.00     |
| Riverside Ambulance                       | 3,000.00     |
| W.S. Darely & Company                     | 12,128.72    |
| All Other Disbursements Less Than \$2,500 | 10,788.97    |
| Total Vendor Disbursements                | \$51,303.60  |

#### Compensation Summary

Range Under \$25,000: Roger Gualandi, Volunteers

Summary Statement of Condition

|                                   | General      |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Revenues                          | \$129,961.06 |
| Expenditures                      | (51,303.60)  |
| Revenues over(under) expenditures | 78,657.46    |
| Beginning Balance - June 1, 2021  | 406,448.71   |
| Ending Balance - May 31, 2022     | \$485,106.17 |

The foregoing report is made by the undersigned, Roger A. Gualandi, as Treasurer of the Kempton Community Fire Protection District of the Counties of Ford, Livingston and Iroquois, of all receipts and expenditures of said District for the fiscal year June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022.

Dated this 12th day of August, 2022.

/s/ Roger A. Gualandi, Treasurer Kempton Community Fire Protection District

: SS.

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#### LIVINGSTON COUNTY

Roger A. Gualandi, being first duly sworn, deposes and states that the foregoing is a true, complete and correct condensed report of all monies received by the Kempton Community Fire Protection District of the Counties of Ford, Livingston and Iroquois and disbursed by the Treasurer of said District as appears from the records in the custody of the undersigned for the period beginning June 1, 2021 through May 31, 2022.

#### /s/ Roger A. Gualandi

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, this 12th day of August, 2022.



/s/ Sandra M. Hoerner, Notary Public

**Dwight's Robert W. Stevenson Memorial Swimming Pool** Dedicated in 1977



Forty-five years ago this summer, the Robert W. Stevenson Memorial Swimming Pool in Dwight was dedicated. It was a Memorial Day Observance, May 30, 1977, in Renfrew

Park, Dwight.

A Tribute was given "to the 858 un-named families, individuals, businesses and organizations of the Dwight community who teamed up to donate \$212,888 in cash and pledges plus \$2,900 gifts in-kind, and approximately \$50,000 current land value, to build a swimming pool.

'To the un-named area persons who gave unstintingly of thousands of hours of their time, planning, writing, mailing and assisting donors to contribute a grand total of \$265,788.

"To the village boards of Dwight, the Park board and the Dwight Recreation committee for underwriting the campaign expenses, the facilities and improvement outside of the pool area without raising taxes one cent.

"To the Dwight Swimming Pool Advisory Committee, a special tribute must go to those who were appointed by the Dwight Village Board on January 26, 1976 to investigate the ways and means of building a swimming pool for Dwight. On March 15, this committee concluded that the need was there, the location determined, the size and type was chosen and the cost was within

**GOT NEWS?** 

the dollar limits that could be raised by voluntary contributions without a tax levy or professional fund raising expense. This was approved by the Village Board. The general fund drive was set for the first ten days in May. Early substantial contributions encouraged and enthused solicitors and donors alike. The result of the Swimming Pool committees' work and planning resulted in the signing of a contract with Jensen Swimming Pool Company in June. The ground breaking was held on the Bicentennial 4th of July and the finished product is being opened today, Memorial Day.

"No finer USA Bi-Centennial monument could have been built than this one to the present and future youth of our community. This monument is truly a tribute to Dwight, Ill. USA."

Richard C. Oughton gave the welcome at the Dedication Ceremony, while James R. Baker did the Unveiling of the Plaque; Passing of the Key, B. E. Clapp - Paul McNamara; and Retiring Ground Breaking Shovel - Robert Ohlendorf.

Following an entrance into the pool area, a diving exhibition was given by Perry Walsh and Nancy Tauber; and a swimming exhibition by Mark Buss and Phyllis Tambling.

Benediction was by Rev. Charles Mann, followed by free Cokes and free swimming at 1 p.m.

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** NOTICE OF HEARING ON ANNUAL **BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE OF KEMPTON COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF THE COUNTIES** OF FORD, LIVINGSTON AND IROQUOIS, STATE OF ILLINOIS

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE, in tentative form, of the KEMPTON COMMUNITY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT of the Counties of Ford, Livingston and Iroquois, State of Illinois, for the fiscal year beginning June 1, 2022, and ending May 31, 2023, has been prepared and is now available for public inspection at the Fire Station in the Village of Kempton, Illinois, in said District; and that a public hearing will be held on



## **Bible Study** Group to Begin

A weekly bible study group led by Rev. Bruce Hollister, OPC Home Missionary, will begin meeting Thursday September 15, from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the lower level of St. Peter's Lutheran Church. 326 W. Chippewa St. in Dwight. The theme of the program is "Distinctives of the Reformed Faith." Registration is preferred but not mandatory. To register call 815-603-8533 or email - holliste@flash.net.



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said Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance on Monday, the 19th day of September, 2022, at 8:00 o'clock p.m. at the Fire Station in the Village of Kempton, Illinois, at which time final action will be taken thereon.

Dated this 12th day of August, 2022.

Philip J. Earing, Secretary, Board of Trustees



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## Dwight's Robert W. Stevenson Memorial Pool Dedication Program and Names of Committee Members

Forty-five years ago this summer when the Robert W. Stevenson Memorial Swimming Pool in Dwight was dedicated on Memorial Day, the observance began with a 10 a.m. parade, with William Call acting as parade marshal.

Music was furnished by the Dwight Grade School Band, David Munger, Director; and the Dwight High School Band, Les E. Fonza, Director.

The memorial ceremony, at 10:45 a.m., had Lloyd Gutel as Master of Ceremonies; an Invocation by Rev. Charles W. Mann of the Dwight Methodist Church; Greg Campbell's reading of Logan's General Orders; followed by the Memorial Day address by Father John Naab of St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Following Father Naab's talk, John Clausen sang our National Anthem, and the Legion-VFW Firing Squads gave their salute. James Scott and Mary Tock played taps.

The Dedication Committee was composed of: Robert Ohlendorf, Honorary Chairman; B. E. Clapp and Clement J. Steichen, Co-Chairmen; and Richard C. Oughton, Master of Ceremonies.

Also on the Dedication Committee: James R. Baker, Plaques; George Hager, Grounds; Frank Murphy, Programs; Ronald Vickrey, Publicity; and William Robb, Pool Program.

Pool Advisory Committee: B. E. Clapp, chairman; George Hager, Richard Oughton, Ronald Vickrey, James Baker, Frank

Murphy, Clement Steichen and Harold J. West.

Memorial Day Committee: Lloyd Gutel, August Woods, J. Alfred Jensen, James Call, Kenneth Christenson, Donald E. Scott, Kenneth Hoffman, Frank Riccolo and William Call.

The Renfrew Park Board consisted of John Gibbons, President; R. C. Oughton, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Taylor Moyemont, Secretary; Wilma Neville, Treasurer; Mrs. Alan Bovelle, Mrs. John Clement, Mrs. John Haegele, Laurie Stitzer, Jr., and Alexander McWilliams, Jr.

The Recreation Committee was chaired by William Robb; Mary Satter, Ronald Buss, Ronald Perkins, Kathryn Gardner and Robert Weller.

In 1976, Robert Ohlendorf was Acting President of the Village of Dwight with six Trustees: Leonard Budzius, Patrick Cleary, Arnold Feddersen, Adam Gross, Russell Schultz and David Siebert.

In 1977, Paul McNamara was Village President, with six trustees: Steve Bennett, Leonard Budzius, Adam Gross, Robert Klingler, Russell Schultz and Delbert Wright.

#### 45 Years of Swimming ... at Stevenson Pool, Dwight, thanks to all of the above-named residents!

## Beans-and-Bites, Nonprofit in Coal City, Now Able to Accept Donations

Beans-and-Bites, an up-and-coming nonprofit in Coal City, can now accept donations through a partnership with the Community Foundation of Grundy County (CFGC).

Beans-and-Bites founder, Kris Sayers, recently reached out to CFGC for assistance with setting up the new nonprofit and commented that there is already a great amount of buzz and people wanting to donate.

"As you've seen with the recent 'Megan's Mission Foundation,' one service that the Community Foundation offers is the chance for an up-start nonprofit to start a fund under our administration to 1) get a taste of what it's like to run a nonprofit and 2) to be able to accept and use donations until their 501c3 application is approved by the IRS," explained Julie

Buck, Executive Director.

As of August 9, donations can be made to the new "Beans-and-Bites" fund at CFGC. Online donations can be made via credit/debit card to cfgrundycounty.com/beansand-bites.

If sending a check, make the check to CFGC and put "Beans-and-Bites" in the memo line. Those checks can be mailed or dropped off to CFGC, 520 W. Illinois Avenue, Morris, IL 60450.



**ROBERT W. STEVENSON Pool as it looks today, August** 2022. "No finer USA Bi-Centennial monument could have been built than this one to the present and future youth of our community. This monument is truly a tribute to Dwight, Ill. USA" said Richard Oughton during the dedication ceremony.



## **2022 FAIRBURY FAIR - AUGUST 17-21** - Welcoming John Michael Montgomery to 146th Fair -

The 2022 Fairbury Fair be- ing (Show Barn); Floriculture Activities Begin (Grandstand). gins today, August 17, and runs through Sunday, August 21. Hall). This is the 146th Fair in Fairbury's history.

#### FAIR WEEK EVENTS

#### On the Midway during the

week - Conner Family Amusements, Chainsaw Carving, TaDa Robots, VFW Bingo Tent, Petting Zoo, 4-H Foodstand, Livestock and Home Economics Exhibits, Game Show, Golf Cart Raffle Ticket Sales, (attractions and times vary daily).

#### Wednesday, August 17 Free Gate All Day

• 8:00 a.m.: Junior Swine (Show Barn); Culinary & Textile Judging (Floral Hall). • 8:30 a.m.: Dairy Cattle & Jr Dairy Cattle Judging (Cattle

Barn). • 9:00 a.m.: Open Swine Judg-

& Fine Arts Judging (Floral • 9:30 a.m.: Fruits and Vegetable Judging (Floral Hall).

• 10:00 a.m.: Model Judging (Floral Hall). • 6:00 p.m.: Conner Family

Amusements (Midway). • 7:00 p.m.: Monster Truck Show (Kids ages 3-12 discounted/2 and under FREE) (Grandstand). • 9:00-11:00 p.m.: DJ (Beer Garden).

#### **Thursday, August 18** Free Gate All Day

10:00 a.m.-Noon: Daycare Day Events for area licensed providers (Midway). • 4:00 p.m.: Pinewood Derby (East End of Grounds). 6:00 p.m.: Conner Family Amusements (armband hours 6:00-10:00 p.m.) (Midway) • 6:30 p.m.: Golf Cart Rodeo Saturday, August 20

• 8:00-11:00 p.m.: DJ (Beer Garden).

## Friday, August 19

#### **<u>\$5 Gate Starting at 3:00 p.m.</u>** • 8:00 a.m.: Sheep Judging (Show Barn).

9:00 a.m.: Beef Judging followed by Steers (Cattle Barn). • 12:30 p.m.: Euchre Tournament Check-in (entry fee applies) (Bingo Tent).

• 1:00 p.m.: Euchre Tournament Begins (Bingo Tent).

• 6:00 p.m.: Conner Family Amusements (armband hours 6:00-10:00 p.m.) (Midway).

• 6:30 p.m.: Feudin Hillbillys (Grandstand).

• 8:00 p.m.: John Michael Montgomery (Grandstand). • 9:30-11:00 p.m.: RichRath (REO Speedwagon Tribute Band) (Beer Garden).

<u>a.m. – Military Day (FREE</u> gate for active and retired military with credentials) • 6:45 a.m.: Registration be-

gins for 5K run/2 mile Walk (Main Office Area).

• 8:00 a.m.: 5K Run/2 mile Walk Begins (3rd Street Gate); Junior Beef Judging (Cattle Barn); Market Lamb Show followed by Jr. Sheep (Show Barn).

• 9:00 a.m.: KCBS Barbeque Cookoff begins (West End of Grounds).

• 10:00 a.m.: Rabbit Show (Poultry Building).

• 10:30 a.m.: Talent Ssow and Tribute to Military Service Personnel (Grandstand).

• 12:00 p.m.: Conner Family Amusements (armband hours 12:00-4:00 p.m. and 6:00-10:00 p.m.) (Midway).

• 12:15 p.m.: Kids Baggo Tournament check-in (West End).

\$5 Gate Starting at 10:00 • 1:00 p.m.: Kids BBQ contest Equipment Display (West End **begins** (West End of Grounds); Kids Baggo Tournament begins (West End).

• 2:00 p.m.: Golf Cart Scavenger Hunt begins (American Legion Home).

• 3:00-5:30 p.m.: DJ (Beer Garden).

• 4:45 p.m.: BBQ Awards (West End).

• 5:15 p.m.: STOCK CAR RACING (Grandstand).

• 9:30 p.m.-Midnight: Satisfaction (Rolling Stones Tribute) (Beer Garden).

#### Sunday, August 21 **<u>\$5 Gate Starting</u>** <u>at 10:00 a.m.</u>

• 9:00 a.m.: Dairy Goat and Jr Goat Judging (Show Barn). • 10:00 a.m.: Community

Worship Service (Grandstand). • 11:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.: Sign

up for Kids Drawing (TBA). • 12:00 p.m.: Antique Farm com.

of Grounds).

• 12:00-5:00 p.m.: Chili Cook Off (Beer Garden); Conner Family Amusements (armbound hours 12:00-4:00 p.m.) (Midway).

• 12:15 p.m.: Baggo Tournament Check in (Beer Garden). • 1:00-4:55 p.m.: Silent Auction for Wood Carving (Beer Garden).

• 1:00 p.m.: Baggo Tournament Begins (Beer Garden); DEMO DERBY - Kids 12 & Under FREE (Grandstand).

• 5:00 p.m.: Closing Events -Announcement of Winners for Kids Drawing, Wood Carving, and Golf Cart Raffle (Beer Garden).

Additional events may be added as they are finalized. Refer to thefairburyfair.com to check for updated information. If you have any questions, email thefairburyfair@gmail.



#### Wednesday, August 17, 2022

The Paper

## Judge Paul Lawrence and Helen Ogar to Receive 2022 **Good Scout Award**

The W. D. Boyce Council, casual. The lawn social is Boy Scouts of America will hosted by Cat Wood and held

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honor Paul Lawrence and Helen Ogar with the 2022 Scout Good Award at the Bloomington Lawn Social The Good OF AMERICA tember 22.

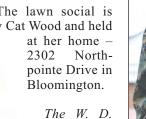
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Scout Award is

an individual in the commu- ria. The council currently imnity, while raising funds to pacts 10,000 kids in 14 provide a quality Scouting experience for at-risk youth.

Social is chaired by Cat Woods with Vice-Chairs, Dr. Tom Nielsen, Dr. Kathy and Exploring/Learning for Bohn, Dr. Jerry and Carole Life, which all serve their Ringer, Mark Wylie, Byron own counties in Central Illi-Blotky and John Meek.

starting at 6:30 p.m. Attire is the council.



Boyce Council, Boy Scouts of Thursday, Sep- BOY SCOUTS America's main office is located at 614 N.E. Madison

given to show appreciation to Avenue near downtown Peocounties spread across Central Illinois. The W. D. Boyce The Bloomington Lawn Council is divided into four districts - Crossroads, Heartland, Lowaneu, Wotamalo, nois. ScoutREACH is the council's outreach effort ded-The event will begin at icated to reaching youth of 5:30 p.m., with the program *all circumstances from within* 



ABIGAIL EDWARDS GRADUATED USMC Officer Candidate School on August 6 in Quantico, VA. At graduation, Edwards received a Special Achievement Award for completing OCS with a perfect physical fitness average of 100%, making her the highest scoring candidate in the Battalion, qualifying her for the Commanding Officer, OCS, Honor List. Abigail is the daughter of Dan and Rachel Edwards, of Dwight.

## **Cook the Book at** Fossil Ridge Library Aug. 22

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

This month's selection is: Sweet Tea Revenge by Laura

Join this month for the licookbook-meetsbrary's potluck. Each member chooses a recipe from the same cookbook voted on by the group and lowing meeting.

Pick up a copy at the front desk, take your appetite, and pull up a seat at the table.

Registration is required and recipes chosen may contain gluten, soy, dairy, etc.

For more information, visit fossilridge.org or call 815-458-2187. Any other questions can be e-mailed to help@fossil ridge.org.



It's back ...

On Sunday, August 21, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., the Friends of Sacred Heart Parish Chapel of Ease (Church), located in Campus, will have its annual fried chicken dinner. It will include fresh fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, beets, cole slaw, rolls, and homemade desserts.

The current Sacred Heart Church stone foundations were laid in June 1893 and it was completed one year later. The congregation uses the funds raised to help to preserve this

which has been painted in the traditional style.

Those who have ever visited Sacred Heart have experienced the beauty of this church and understand why they want to preserve it for future generations.

A fee applies, with children ages five to 12 receiving a discount. Carry-outs are available.

Send a Friend request or join their Facebook page, Friends of Sacred Heart Chicken Dinner Fundraiser, for any updates regarding their efforts to preserve the church and



1 Smart Wetland + 1 Restored Wetland in 1 Week

**Pizzas by Radar** 

7:00 p.m. Childs.

Fossil Ridge Public Library, takes a dish to share at the fol-386 W. Kennedy Rd. in Braidwood, will host Cook the Book Monday, August 22, from 6:00-

# **TO CONSERVATION**

All are welcome to see the construction of a Aug 23-26 le-treatment wetland and a restored wetland

Feather Prairie Farm at 23335 East 3200 North Rd, Dwight, IL 60420

## **3 Free Special Events**

All events will demonstrate water control structures for water management

## Wed, Aug 24 11AM-2PM: Agricultural & Conservation Expo

In-field and edge-of-field ag conservation practices to reduce nutrient loss (12PM Lunch)

## Wed, Aug 24 4PM-8PM: Wetlands, Waterfowl & Wildlife

Recreational conservation practices & habitat management with USFWS, Pheasants Forever, & Ducks Unlimited (5PM Dinner)

## Thurs, Aug 25 4PM-8PM: Contractor Expo

Connection between tile and conservation with ag drainage contractors and Springfield Plastics (5PM Dinner)

### More info: www.smartwetlands.farm/smartwetland6

Event sponsored by The Wetlands Initiative, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Partners for Fish & Wildlife, Illinois LICA, Pheasants Forever, Springfield Plastics, Inc., and IL Sustainable Ag Partnership

## **OBITUARY**

#### Mary K. Stipp

Mary K. 🛯 Stipp, age 82, of Blackstone passed away at her home, surrounded by her family, in Blackstone, Illinois on Friday, August 12, 2022.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Wednes-

day, August 17, 2022 at Hager Memorial Home in Dwight, Illinois.

Visitation will be for one hour preceding the services.

Burial will follow the services in Union Cemetery, rural Blackstone, Illinois.

Memorials in honor of Mary may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation at 200 SE 1st St., Ste 800, Miami, Florida 33131.

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

Mary was born April 23, 1940 in Versailles, Illinois, the daughter of Robert and Peggy (Hurst) Ingram. She married Carl S. Stipp Jr. on June 9, 1962 in Quincy, Illinois. He survives in Blackstone, Illinois.

Also surviving are children: Susan Chaplin, Mark Stipp, Duane Stipp, and Marsha (Peter) Henne; sister, Jeanie Lillard; four grandchildren: www.calvertmemorial.com

Jessica Chaplin, Amber Chaplin, Sara Henne and Logan Henne; and five great-grandchildren: Paul Chaplin, Trevor Chaplin, Naomi Gale, Irie Gale, Empress and Gale. She was pre-

ceded in death by her father, Robert Ingram; mother, Peggy Ingram; sisters: Glenna Kaufman and Margaret Williams; and brother, Glenn Ingram.

She graduated from Quincy, Illinois High School.

She and Carl spent their entire 60 years of marriage on the farm together. She was a master gardener, cook, and enjoyed canning and preserving all of her bountiful harvest. It gave her great joy to cook and care for all who came into her home.

She sacrificed for her family her entire life, always putting others' needs first. She opened her heart and home to generations of children that she cared for. She also enjoyed playing the piano and singing hymns. She loved spending time with her grandchildren and greatgrandchildren.

Condolences may be left at

More obituaries on page 10

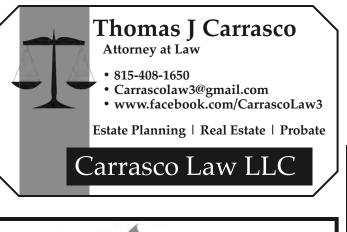
## **New Hours at Piper City Library**

Piper City Public Library, located at 39 Main Street, has updated its hours of operation: Mondays: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 1:00-5:00 p.m. Wednesdays: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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1:00-5:00 p.m. Thursdays: 3:00-6:00 p.m. Fridays: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. 1:00-5:00 p.m. Saturdays:

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## Dwight Rotary says 'Thank You'

would like to thank everyone who attended the Culpepper & Merriweather Circus on August 4th. We had capacity crowds for both shows and people seemed to enjoy the entertainment that was provided. A special thank you to the following ticket outlets: Jeremy's Barbershop, Ace Hardware, Peoples Bank of Kewanee, Midland States Bank and Streator Onized Credit Union. We would also like to acknowledge

The Dwight Rotary Club Dwight Grade School for the use of their playground area and blacktop for parking. Finally, a huge thank you the staff at The Paper for the two front page articles about the circus. Proceeds from the circus will be used by the Rotary Club to support our local and international projects.

> Sincerely, Members of the Dwight Rotary Club

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

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

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.

Thank you to the many family members and friends that wished us well as we celebrated our 60th wedding anniversary. We appreciate you all.

#### ASSUMED NAME **PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that on July 27, 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 Palm Lennox, located at 303 E. Pine St., Chatsworth, IL 60921.

Dated this 27th day of July, 2022.

Kristy A. Masching Livingston County Clerk

#### Notice of Public Hearing **Budget Hearing** South Wilmington CSD#74

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY THE School Board of South Wilmington CSD #74, in the Counties of Grundy and Kankakee, State of Illinois, that a tentative budget for said School District for the fiscal year 2023 beginning July 1, 2022, will be on file and conveniently available



## **Claims!**

Sometimes when you're presented with something, especially involving money, it can seem a little too good to be true. This is especially true when the state of Illinois is involved.

However, one of my good friends told me that I had outstanding money waiting for me from the Illinois State Treasurer. As anyone would be when they receive this information, I was pretty skeptical.

However, after some quick Googling and some digging, I discovered the website; icash.illinoistreasurer.gov.

I'm not sure how I never had heard of, or came across this website prior to this, but sure enough it's about as real as anything can be.

It's fairly straight forward. If you just type your last name in it will show you if you have any amount of money from just about any institution that is still owed to you. At some point, I would assume after a number of years, it gets transferred to the state of Illinois.

I was owed a huge sum of money from Google (about \$50) and honestly I'm not even sure why they owed me. I believe it may have been from a website I used to have running with Google ads on it. Anyway, a giant payday for me. I was even paid .06 cents of interest on the money as it waited in the void to be claimed by me.

As I was searching my last name however I saw a lot of other family members who appeared to be owed (like still relatively) small amounts of money for things from years past just waiting to be claimed.

I realize this sounds a little far-fetched but it's at least worth checking. That's this week's PSA. Search Michael Frerichs on Google (who apparently is our State Treasurer, who knew) and the second link under his name will take you to the search page.

Happy searching for claims to be had, and go, Cubs!

Aaron J. Boma 2016 ISU Grad



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# The Paper

Sincerely, Norm & Judy Lewis

| Baskerville<br>Committed to the Time Honored<br>Celebration of Life<br>815-237-2526<br>www.ReevesFuneral.com  | <ul> <li>bobb organising stary 1, 2022, will be on the und conventionly available to public inspection at 375 5th Avenue, South Wilmington, Illinois in this School District from and after 8:00 o'clock AM, on the 15th day of August, 2022. Notice is further hereby given that a public hearing on said budget will be held at 6:45 o'clock PM, on the 15th day of September, 2022, in this School District #74.</li> <li>Dated this 21st day of July, 2022.</li> <li>School Board of South Wilmington CSD #74, in the Counties of Grundy</li> </ul>                                       | Perfect for eve<br>Also Specia<br>Trophies, Boulder E<br>100 N. Franklin, Dwi<br>www.grieffsmo                               | ery occasion!<br>alízíng ín<br>ngraving, Pla<br>ght • 815-5  | aques<br>84-112                         | 46   |
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| For a Life Worth Celebrating  | and Kankakee, State of Illinois.<br>Heather Buck,<br>Secretary  | TREASURER<br>South Wilmington Fir  |  |   | t  |
| *****Cancellation of Assumed Business Name*****<br>ASSUMED NAME<br>PUBLICATION NOTICE   | PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN  | STATE OF ILLINOIS )<br>) SS  |  |   |  |
| Public Notice is hereby given that on July 26, 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 CTM Overhead Door, located at 1715 S. Mill St., Pontiac, IL 61764.<br>Dated this 26th day of July, 2022.           | (Never known to fail)<br>Oh most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed<br>Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star<br>of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my Mother, Oh, Holy Mary, Mother<br>of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my<br>heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power.  | COUNTY OF GRUNDY )<br>The following is a true rep<br>out by the undersigned Treasure<br>Protection District for the fiscal y | r of the South<br>year ending A                              | h Wilmii                                | ngton Fire   |
| Kristy A. Masching<br>Livingston County Clerk   | Ch, show me herein you are my Mother, Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse in thee. (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands.  | Cash on hand May 1, 2021   | <u>Fund</u> 1  | <u>evenue</u><br><u>Fund</u><br>\$1,812 | <u>Total</u><br>\$8,607                                      |
| ASSUMED NAME<br>PUBLICATION NOTICE<br>Public Notice is hereby given that on July 26, 2022, a certificate<br>was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Livingston County,<br>Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all<br>the persons owning, conducting and transacting business known<br>as Merlino Overhead Door, located at 1715 S. Mill St., Pontiac,     | Holy Spirit, You who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal.<br>You who give me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in<br>all instances of my life You are with me. I want in this short prayer to Thank You for<br>all things aa you confirm once again, that I never want to be separated from You in<br>eternal glory. Thank You for your mercy toward me and mine.<br>The Person must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days the request will<br>be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted. | Receipts:<br>Property Taxes<br>Foreign Fire Insurance Tax<br>Grant Income<br>Total Receipts<br>Total Cash Available          |  | 31,923                                  | \$94,069<br>\$1,690<br><u>\$00</u><br>\$95,759<br>\$104,366  |
| IL 61764.<br>Dated this 26th day of July, 2022.   | NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF TENTATIVE BUDGET<br>FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION   | Disbursements:<br>Malmquist & Geiger<br>Mack & Associates  | \$371<br>\$2,490   |   | \$371<br>\$2,490   |
| Kristy A. Masching<br>Livingston County Clerk   | AND<br>NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING THEREON   | South Wilmington Fire Dept.<br>RLI Insurance   | \$58,000 \$<br>\$525   | 32,000                                  | \$90,000<br>\$525  |
| Notice is hereby given by the Board of Education of School District 435<br>in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, that the budget for said<br>school district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June<br>30, 2023 will be on file and conveniently available to public inspection<br>at Odell Grade School, 203 N. East Street in this school district from and | Notice is hereby given by the Board of Education of Mazon-Verona-<br>Kinsman School District 2C, in the County of Grundy, State of Illinois,<br>that the tentative budget for said School District for the fiscal year be-<br>ginning July 1, 2022, will be on file and available for public inspection<br>at the Office of the Superintendent, 1013 North Street, Mazon, Illinois,<br>in this School District from and after 9:00 o'clock a.m., on the 19th day<br>of August, 2022.  | Grundy Co. E.T.S.B.<br>The Paper<br>Total Disbursements<br>Cash on Hand April 30, 2022                                       | \$2,311<br><u>\$120</u><br><u>\$63,817</u><br><u>\$6,814</u> |   | \$2,311<br><u>\$120</u><br><u>\$95,817</u><br><u>\$8,549</u> |
| after 8:00 a.m. on the 11th day of August, 2022.<br>Notice is further hereby given that a public hearing on said budget will<br>be held at 6:00 p.m. on the 14th day of September, 2022 at Odell Grade<br>School.   | Notice is further given that at 6:45 p.m. a public hearing on said budget<br>will be held prior to final action hereon at the regularly scheduled meet-<br>ing of the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman School District 2C at 7:00 o'clock<br>p.m., on Monday, September 19, 2022, at the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman<br>Middle School Library, 1013 North Street, Mazon, Illinois.   | The above is correct to the<br>best of my knowledge, informati   |  |   | <u>R. Doglio</u><br>Treasurer                                |
| Dated this 9th day of August 2022, Board of Education of School District<br>Number 435, in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois.   | Board of Education of Mazon-Verona-Kinsman ESD 2C, in the County of Grundy, State of Illinois.  | Signed and sworn to before me this 25th day of July, 2022.   |  |   |  |
| Sue Francis<br>Secretary<br>Board of Education  | Keith Pfeifer<br>Board Secretary  | <u>Terry L. Schultz</u><br>Notary Public   |  |   |  |

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## **Bowling League Meetings** at Victory Lanes

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Both the Wednesday and Thursday Bowling Leagues will each hold 7:00 p.m. meetings Wednesday, August 17, and Thursday, August 18, respectively, at Victory Lanes in Dwight.



## **Gas Prices For This Week**

Since last Monday, the national average for a gallon of regular gasoline dropped 10 cents to \$3.96. The national average has not been below \$4 per gallon since March 5. In the spring, oil prices spiked in reaction to Russia's invasion of Ukraine, leading the national average to a new all-time high. According to new data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gas demand increased from 8.54 million b/d to 9.12 million b/d last week. However, the rate is 307,000 b/d lower than last year. Moreover, according to EIA, total domestic gasoline stocks decreased by 5 million bbl to 220.3 million bbl. Al though gasoline demand has increased and supply has tightened, lower oil prices have helped lower pump prices. If oil prices continue to decline, drivers will likely continue to see pump prices decrease. At 🎽 the close of last Wednesday's formal trading session, WTI increased by \$1.43 to settle at \$91.93. Crude prices rose yesterday after the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics reported a smaller than expected increase in inflation last month at 8.5 percent. The rise in market optimism helped to boost prices despite EIA reporting that total domestic crude supply increased by 5.4 million bbl last week.

| City/Village | Aug. 15 | Aug. 8 |          |
|--------------|---------|--------|----------|
| Dwight       | \$3.99  | \$4.46 |          |
| Kankakee     | \$3.98  | \$4.06 | 1        |
| Streator     | \$4.32  | \$4.53 |          |
| Pontiac      | \$4.16  | \$4.34 | $\smile$ |
| Gardner      | \$4.30  | \$4.54 |          |
| Braceville   | \$4.28  | \$4.47 |          |
| Morris       | \$4.27  | \$4.39 |          |
| Herscher     | \$4.11  | \$4.29 |          |
| Chicago      | \$4.66  | \$4.79 |          |
| Illinois     | \$4.27  | \$4.40 |          |
| U.S.         | \$3.96  | \$4.06 |          |
|              |         |        |          |

Sources: GasBuddy.com and U.S. Energy Information Administration. Gasoline price data collected by The Paper and brought to you by Steve's Tire.

## **STEVE'S TIRE & Service Center** 514 Liberty St. • Morris, IL (815) 942-5080

## "The Tire Guys"

HOURS: Mon - Fri: 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Sat:

## **Cousins Take Silver at USA Corn Hole Championship**

by Brandon LaChance

Terry Wilkey and Tyler Cox knew school was approaching soon, so they had to end the summer with something special.

How about a silver medal? The two cousins played in the USA Corn Hole Junior National Championship finals on August 6 at Rock Hills, SC. They lost the gold, but the silver shined on the ESPN broadcast.

"It meant a lot. I was super excited and grateful for the experience," said Wilkey. "It was a lot of fun. I thought we had a chance but it wasn't easy getting there. Every team we played was a good game."

The two Dwight Township High School juniors were not intimidated by the lights.

Or the better competition. Or the possibility of medaling.

They just wanted to play.

"It felt great. It was a great experience. The nerves were pretty high on ESPN, but I wasn't intimidated because of all of the tournaments we play in every year," Cox said. "It was a pretty cool experience being on ESPN; I'd never been on there before.

"Terry and I have great chemistry because we play together so much. We play almost every day and we play in a lot of tournaments."

Wilkey and Cox are just a few members of the family who play corn hole, also known as bags.

They're all playing if there is

## Hole-in-One at Dwight **Country Club**

Paul Seabert, of Dwight, recorded a hole-in-one at the par 3 9th hole at Dwight Country Club August 10.

Paul used a pitching wedge on the 115-yard hole.

The hole-in-one was wit-

a family reunion, picnic, birthday party, anniversary, or any other excuse or reason to bring out the bags.

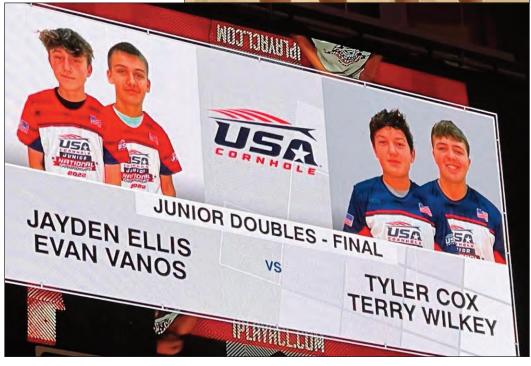
"We started playing when we were 10-or-11-years old with our grandpa in the backyard," Wilkey said. "A couple of years ago, we started playing a lot more. Ever since then, we've just taken off and got a lot better.

"I'd like to thank my grandparents (George and Pam Bowman) because they're usually the ones who bring us to the tournaments."

In order to make it to the national championship on ESPN, Cox and Wilkey had to play in a national to qualify.

There were 10 national corn hole junior tournaments around the country including the event in Bedford Park, which Cox and Wilkey won to advance to Rock Hills, SC.





The team that won the gold medal against the Dwight natives also advanced out of Bedford Park as they were in the top four (20 percent).

In all tournaments, both players have a strategy as Cox would rather block and Wilkey

would rather try to make the bags in the hole.

But neither will say he is the better player because they like their chemistry and understand both of them can play the game at a high level.

year. We have to take gold."

Wilkey and Cox have made the decision that they want to turn professional next year.

Brandon LaChance is a journalist with The Paper. He can be found at 815-876-7941, "I'm thinking about next blachance20@gmail.com, or on Twitter @LaChanceWriter.

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## **DCS LADY REDBIRDS SOFTBALL**

#### Wednesday, August 3 Dwight vs.

Pontiac St. Mary's

The Lady Redbirds were beaten by Pontiac St. Mary's, 13-0, when they met August 3.

Delaney Boucher started the game, going three-plus innings and allowing seven runs on six hits, striking out five. Mikayla Ely tossed two-plus innings in relief.

At the plate, Mikayla Chambers had a hit and walked once. Cloe Gall, Kit Connor, and Addison Sulzberger each drew a walk.

#### Thursday, August 4 **Dwight vs. GSW**

In a rivalry match-up with GSW August 4, Dwight won 9-4.

Getting the win in the circle was Delaney Boucher, giving up just one run on three hits, striking out 11 in seven innings.

Offensively for the Lady Redbirds, Mikayla Chambers went a perfect 4-4 with an RBI and two runs scored. Boucher (3-4, 2 R) and Addison Sulzberger (3-3, 3 R) knocked in two runs each. Avery Crouch batted in one run, with Avery Connor and Raegan Brown each adding two hits and scoring one run. Mikayla Ely, Olivia Buck, and Claire Sandeno each had a hit.

#### Friday, August 5 Dwight vs.

**Streator Woodland** 

On August 5, Dwight fell to Streator Woodland, 14-1.

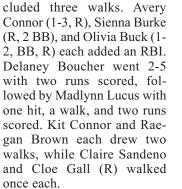
Delaney Boucher suffered the loss, allowing nine runs on six hits, striking out nine in five innings. Mikayla Ely and Madlynn Lucus both saw some relief action.

Mikayla Chambers led at the plate, putting up two hits and scoring once. Raegan Brown drew one walk.

#### Saturday, August 6 **Dwight vs. Pontiac**

The Lady Redbirds got a big win over Pontiac August 6, 17-2.

RBI on a 1-2 showing that in- ties.



**"B"** The Lady Redbirds' "B" team defeated Pontiac 18-11 on August 6.

Pitching for Dwight were Mia Franklin (6 R, 2 SO) and Kinzie Livingston (5 R, 4 SO). Offensively, Shay Sulzberger scored four runs, while Livingston went 2-3, scoring three times. Grace Tjelle was 1-2, scoring once. Nelson-Smith Nekaylee crossed the plate twice, with Franklin going 1-1 and scoring two runs. Cara Wilson scored once, while Breanna Scott scored twice. Addy Pittenger went 1-2 with two runs scored.

#### Monday, August 8 Dwight vs. MVK

Dwight took on MVK August 8, falling 5-3.

Delaney Boucher gave up five runs on six hits in six innings, fanning six. Cloe Gall pitched an inning in relief.

Mikayla Chambers (1-3, R), Avery Connor, and Claire Sandeno (1-2) led with an RBI each. Avery Crouch had two hits, with Olivia Buck and Sienna Burke each drawing a walk and later scoring.

In the "B" game, Dwight was defeated by MVK, 10-9, dropping the squad's record to 1-1 on the season.

Kenzie Livingston went 2-2 at the plate with three runs. Emma Anderson, Mia Franklin, and June Woods each provided a hit, while Shay Sulzberger, Breanna Scott, Kaitlynn Todd, Leanne Ruth, and Nekaylee Nelson-Smith each scored a run.

Livingston and Franklin Avery Crouch led with two combined for the pitching du-



#### Thursday, August 11 **Dwight vs. Pontiac** and Coal City

The Lady Trojans hosted their first home match August 11 at Dwight Country Club, taking second place to Pontiac (214) and edging out Coal City (256). Individual scores are as follows:

Bella Dinelli - 54; Sophia Anderson - 57; Ava Meister -58; MaryClare Phillips – 64.

Dwight is in action Thursday, August 18, at home against Seneca, Roanoke-Benson and Coal City at 4:15 p.m.

## Mavs Pull Off Miracle Win Over GSWB

#### Thursday, August 11 MVK vs. GSWB

On August 11, a meeting of two IVC juggernauts ended with the Mazon-Verona-Kinsman Mavericks rallying to dethe Gardner-South feat Wilmington-Braceville Lions, 6-5.

The Lions' Aiden Mack drove in Hunter Partilla in the first inning to give GSWB the early advantage, 1-0. That score would hold into the sixth, as Partilla threw the ball well, while his team gave him a bigger cushion – extending their lead to 5-0.

Trailing 5-0 heading into

the bottom of the seventh inning, the Mays rallied for six runs – taking full advantage of GSWB's two errors, two hit batsmen, and two walks to complete the six-run, comefrom-behind victory.

Rayce Auckland and Cooper O'Donovan each had run-scoring hits in the seventh. Brant Roe tripled and pitched five innings - allowing no runs on just one hit, striking out 11.

Colton Pfeifer got the win, while catcher Joey Arnold threw out a key runner and would eventually score the winning run.

Partilla gave up just two runs on two hits, striking out six in six innings of work. He would also double and score twice. GSWB's Cameron Gray took the loss in relief, allowing three runs.

Offensively for the Lions, Mack had an RBI single and scored two runs.

"This was a nice win," said MVK head coach Jerry Mc-Dowell. "We were outplayed the whole game and really had good at-bats the last inning. GSWB has a nice team and it's nice to get that victory at home."

"Nobody who ever gave his best regretted it."

## **DCS Redbirds Baseball**

#### Wednesday, August 10 **Dwight vs. Seneca**

Dwight defeated Seneca by a score of 11-4 in baseball action in Seneca August 10.

Carson Sandeno went five innings on the rubber, striking out 11. Michael Leithliter tossed two innings, giving up no runs and tallying two strikeouts.

Offensively, Matt Watchinski singled and tripled, while Collin Bachand added a single and a double. Frank Digilio provided a triple, with Will Anderson and Leithliter each singling once.

In the "B" game, the Redbirds came out with a bang putting up a 19-0 victory over Seneca.

"It was a great first game for all of us," commented Coach Jenkins.

At the dish, Zach Bumpous went 2-3 with six RBI, including a three-run inside-the-park home run.

On the mound, Ace Eggenberger threw a no-hitter through four innings on just 55 pitches.

Friday, August 12 **Dwight vs. Saratoga** 

The Redbirds suffered a 13-

1 loss at home to Saratoga August 12. Evan Olson struck out three

on the mound for Dwight, with Collin Bachand striking out one.

Michael Leithliter led at the dish with a single.

Dwight's "B" team lost a tough one, giving up their 6-5 lead in the bottom of the sixth, leading to an 8-6 defeat.

The Redbirds were unable to make it up in the seventh due to the time limit.

Zack Bumpous went 2-3 with a double and two RBI for Dwight, scoring one run. Kaden Wood doubled in two runs and scored once. Ace Eggenberger (single) and C. Johnson (BB) each added an RBI. R. Woodin singled and scored a run, with A. Wiles walking once, stealing a base, and scoring a run. Logan Pakula, Dalton DeLong (R), and Coe Peters (R) drew a walk each.

Pakula gave up four runs, one earned, on two hits, striking out four. Johnson allowed one earned run on three hits and a hit batter, tallying one strikeout. Wood gave up two earned runs on two hits and two walks, pegging one hitter.



Friday, August 19th 5:30-7:30 P.M.

**(a)** Football **Concession Stand** 

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## **GSWB** LIONS BASEBALL

#### Wednesday, August 10 **GSWB vs. Elwood**

On opening day of the 2022 campaign, the GSWB Lions hosted IVC foe, Elwood.

start, tossing one scoreless inning. The Lions then put up nine runs in the first before Cameron Gray relieved Millette.

GSWB proceeded to score five more to make it 14-0 after two innings.

The ball was then given to Grady Phillips who threw one scoreless inning.

The Lions wound up winning big, 15-0, in three innings

Their three pitchers combined for nine strikeouts while allowing just two hits.

At the plate for GSWB, multiple players had hits and produced runs, with Caden Christensen leading the way going 2-2 with two RBI.

Friday, August 12

**GSWB** vs. Flanagan The Lions hosted Flanagan August 12, winning by a score

of 11-1. Flanagan jumped out to an Reed Millette earned the early 1-0 lead in the first, but Reed Millette got GSWB going with a double, followed by a walk drawn by Aiden Mack. Cameron Gray came up with a big two-out hit to put the Lions up 3-1.

GSWB used a team effort to get their lead to 9-1 after two innings, eventually coasting to the "W".

Millette was 3-3 with two doubles and two runs scored. Gray went 2-2, scoring three times.

Caden Christensen earned the win for GSWB, going three innings and allowing just one unearned run on one hit, striking out two. Case Christensen came on in relief for three innings of shutout baseball, fanning three.

The Lions improve to 2-1 on the season.

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#### **CLAIM NOTICE and NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

Notice is hereby given in the death of Virginia L. Freutel, a resident of Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois, on October 24, 2021. Decedent died at her residence home at 401 East Mazon Avenue, Dwight, Livingston County, Illinois. Notice is hereby given to creditors and unknown heirs of said decedent not named in the Petition for Administration of the Estate of the Decedent, whose names and addresses are not stated in said Petition, of the death of said decedent.

Letters of Office were issued on May 23, 2022, to Kenneth W. Freutel, Executor, whose mailing address is 401 East Mazon Avenue, Dwight, IL 60420, as Independent Executor of the Estate. The resident agent for Claims submission, and the resident agent for Service of Process is Kenneth W. Freutel, Executor, whose mailing address is 401 East Mazon Avenue, Dwight, IL 60420, for any Notice or Demand required or permitted by law to be served on the Independent Executor for any legal purpose. The Attorney for the Estate is Atty. Emmanuel F. Guyon, 5 East Bridge Street, Streator, Illinois 61364. 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 mailing or delivering a Petition to Terminate Independent Administration to the Circuit Clerk of Court.

Claims in the estate may be filed on or before February 17, 2023. Any claim not filed by date of February 17, 2023, is barred. Claims may be filed in the Office of the Livingston County Circuit Clerk, Ms. LeAnn Dixon, Clerk of the Circuit Court, Livingston County Courthouse, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764-1904, or claims may be filed with the Executor as the estate's agent identified herein, or both. If filed with the Clerk, the claimant must, within ten days of filing, mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Independent Executor, and file with the Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery.

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Kenneth W. Freutel, Independent Executor of the Estate of Virginia L. Freutel, Deceased Emmanuel F. Guyon, Attorney 5 East Bridge Street, Streator, IL 61364 Publication Dates: August 17, 24, 31, 2022.

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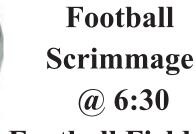
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## South Wilmington Party In The Park

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THE FAMILY OF DAN DOGLIO, pictured above, was present to honor Dan during South Wilmington's Party in the Park. Kara Doglio, his niece, spoke about her uncle and reminded everyone what he set out to achieve by having this fun event at the park.

ANGIE GRIEFF AND FRANK LARDI 'SWISH', pictured below, are hanging up their hats after many years of preparing and helping run Party in the Park.





FRIDAY- Party in the Park. Parade line up at 5:30 at the township shed. Parade will kick off at 6 pm with the fire truck leading. Join us at the park after for burgers, hotdogs, chips & Drinks. Balloon toss, Music

## **OBITUARIES**

### Edward 'Robert' Shaw

Edward "Robert" Shaw, age 82, of Dwight passed away at Heritage Health in Dwight, Illinois on Wednesday, August 10, 2022.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m., Tuesday, August 16, 2022 at the First Baptist Church in Dwight, Illinois. Visitation was one hour

prior to the services. Burial: Oaklawn Cemetery,

Dwight, Illinois.

Memorials in honor of Robert may be made to Midwest Christian Boys Football Camp, 401 N. Clinton St., Dwight, Illinois 60420.

Hager Memorial Home in Dwight is in charge of arrangements.

Robert was born December 18, 1939 in Chicago, Illinois, the son of Walter and Elizabeth (Mange) Shaw. He married Elaine Shaw. She passed away October 26, 2011.

Surviving are a brother, Jim (Shirley) Shaw of Bayview, Washington.

He was preceded in death by his parents, wife, and daughter, Lorrie Simon.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Dwight in Dwight.

## Thomas Bennett, State Representative 106th District **Utility** Assistance **Applications Open September 1**

The autumn round of applications for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) will open September 1.

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The bill backlog has come down from its high point of over \$16 billion five years ago. In the fall of 2017 the state conducted a bond sale which paid down half of the backlog and left the remaining half with a lower interest rate. Since then, the backlog has been gradually shrinking, meaning that vendors have not had to wait as long to get paid for their products and services.

Teresa Marie (Haberkorn) Stark, 92, of Pontiac, passed away Saturday, August 13, 2022 at St. James John Albrecht Medical Center in Pontiac.

A Mass Christian Burial will be celebrated Friday, August 19, at 10:30 a.m. in St. Mary's Catholic

Burial will follow in St. John's Catholic Cemetery, Cullom.

A rosary will be said Thursday, August 18, at 3:30 p.m., followed by a visitation from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Duffy-Baier-Snedecor Funeral Home.

Memorials in Teresa's memory may be made to St. Mary's Catholic Church, Mass offerings, or Evenglow Lodge.

Teresa was born in Chatsworth, Illinois to Leo and Estella (Reising) Haberkorn on July 2, 1930. She graduated eighth grade from Drendel, a one-room schoolhouse, and was a 1949 high school graduate of Our Lady Academy, taught by Sisters of the Holy Heart of Mary, in Manteno, Illinois. On July 1, 1950, she married the love of her life, Charles E. (Chuck) Stark, in St. John's Church, Cullom, Illinois.

She is survived by her devoted husband of 72 years; their six children: Greg (Terri) Stark, Nancy (Michael) Somers, Lori (David) Harroun, Patricia (Mark) McDermott, Sally (James) Moritz, and Jeffery (Christine) Stark; 19 grandchildren; 40 great-grandchildren; four sisters: Barbara Gray, Mary Gillespie, Catherine Bailey, and Rita Winge; and two brothers, Richard and Michael Haberkorn.

### Teresa Marie Stark

Illinois

Church of Pontiac.

Teresa was preceded in death by her parents, Leo and Estella Haberkorn; two sisters, Margaret Ruebling and Roberta "Jane" Shumaker; and brothers. two Thomas and Ronald Haberkorn.

Teresa dedicated her life to farming with Chuck and raising their family together. Her children and grandchildren hold fond memories of gardening, canning, and baking with mom and grandma. Her sewing skills led to beautiful quilts shared with family and friends. She was known for her unique giraffe collection and stylish hats for every occasion.

Actively involved in community service and her faith, Teresa was a member of the Clifton Hospital Auxiliary, GFWC Illinois Women's Club of Cullom and Past Presidents Club, St. John's Altar and Rosary, Daughters of Isabella, and University of Illinois Mothers Association. She also taught CCD classes at St. John's.

Above all, Teresa adored time spent with the family and celebratory gatherings - the bigger, the better! Family vacations and social time with friends, including card and holiday parties, and traveling, rounded out a well-filled life. It was during these special moments that she grew into a prolific photographer.

Teresa said she had been "so blessed" in her life; those who knew and loved her felt blessed, too.

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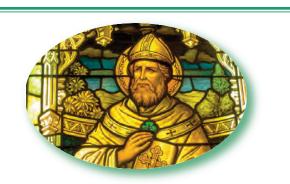
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Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held before the Village of Braceville Planning and Zoning Board located at the Braceville Village Hall at 300 South Mitchell Street, Braceville, Illinois on Thursday, September 9, 2022, at 6:30 p.m., to consider a Zoning Text Amendment filed by the Village of Braceville to amend Title XV, Chapter 156, Subsection 312(D) of the Village of Braceville Municipal Code regarding compensation of the Planning and Zoning Board Members.

All interested parties are invited to attend the Public Hearing and will be given an opportunity to be heard. Questions or comments may be submitted orally, in writing, or both. A copy of the proposed Ordinance amending Title XV, Chapter 156, Subsection 312(D) of the Village of Braceville Zoning Code is on file with the Village of Braceville and available for inspection during normal business hours.

#### VILLAGE OF BRACEVILLE VILLAGE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD



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- Classes start in September and are held on Wednesday night from 4:30-6 p.m. Schedule will be provided on Registration Nights.



## Dwight Common School Board Meets

(continued from page 1) In Consent Agenda items, following actions took place: Accept resignation, Jared

Steck, PE Affirm employment, Jan Baker, Paraprofessional

Affirm employment, Kyle Henson, B Baseball Coach

Approve Volunteer Coach, Joel Sandeno, Baseball

Approve Student Volunteer, Drew Anderson, Baseball

Approve Student Volunteer, Luke Gallet, Baseball

Approve Volunteer Coach, Allie Schantz, Cross Country

Approve Volunteer Coach, Stinnett Gettinger, Cross Country

Board members attending were President Nick Stipanovich, Michael Cornale, Marc Ellis, Mark Christenson, Lori Bowman, and Jaime Mallaney. Absent was Tara Hansen.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is set for September 14.

More information on District Board meetings can be found at

https://www.dwight.k12.il.us/o/ dwight-public-schools.

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## Noah Kelleher, Dwight, Climbs Devil's Tower, Wyoming



far secured \$1,500.00 in match-

ing pledges, but his goal is to

accessible that the energetic ex-

plorer, to whom the ascent of

an ordinarily difficult crag is

but a pleasant pastime, standing

"Its summit is so entirely in-

Noah Kelleher, 16, of Kelleher is a junior. He has thus Dwight, climbed to the top of Devil's Tower (near Sundance/Hulett, Wyoming) on raise over \$10,000.00. August 5, signing the register at the top.

The climb, which took  $4\frac{1}{2}$ hours, was to bring awareness to the God Parent Emergency Crisis Fund at Providence at its base could only look up-Catholic High School where ward in despair of ever planting his feet on the top ... " - Henry Newton, 1875.

"The purpose of the climb was to help increase awareness to the God Parent Emergency Relief Fund and address some of the challenges they face," Kelleher said, "challenges that far exceed those of climbing a greater tower. We have to pull each other up to reach the top."

The fund primarily provides assistance and resources to youth that have lost a parent or other serious misfortune.

"I hope that this steep ascent might inspire generous contributions to that fund," added Kelleher. "In different ways, we must climb mountains or great towers for each other, and with each other, to make sure that everyone can reach the summit of their goals.

"When I reached the summit, I experienced the emotions of exhilaration and exhaustion at the same time, both of which took my breath away. I was experiencing some trigger finger symptoms and other aches to muscles and joints."

The Durrance Route to the top has seven major pitches. Devil's Tower is 867 feet from the base of the summit, and over 1.267 feet above the elevation of the Belle Fourche River. In comparison, the near vertical climb is approximately equal to 65 stories of the Sears/Willis Tower in Chicago, and 237 feet higher than the Arch of St. Louis.

"My first act at the top was to say the Prayer of St. Francis," stated Kelleher. "All of us are channels of his peace, and with this prayer as a daily guide, we are reminded that 'where there is despair, let us bring hope.' Collectively, we can bring a great deal of hope where hope can be scarce."

Upon reaching the top, Noah signed the register, marveled at the beautiful view with wonder, took some pictures, then scaled down to the base.



NOAH KELLEHER OF DWIGHT celebrates above, after reaching the top of Devil's Tower in Wyoming. He made the climb to bring awareness to the God Parent Emergency Crisis Fund at Providence Catholic High School where he is a junior.

Earlier this summer, Kelleher met the easier challenge of walking around Devil's Tower Fund" if you would like to at midnight, with nobody else bring hope in this way. at the park, completing the approximate 1.5-mile trail.

"It was pitch black," he says. "Such that I couldn't see my hand in front of my face and I relied on my phone and lightning strikes to light my path."

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"We can climb small mountains and towers every day, all around, and make a significant difference just helping with homework, comforting someone, running errands and with just simple acts of kindness that bring hope."

