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Collection Series: Article I

Remembering Mom Through Rosaries

Connolly inherited her mother’s rosaries and keeps collecting

Editor’s Note: This is the first article of a series dedicated to collectors and their collections. With so many different items to collect, we want to know what you have saved and the stories behind the collections.

by Brandon LaChance

When Stacey Connolly would go over to her mother’s home, she would find Arlene Munyon creating rosaries.

She saw a rosary next to her mother’s bed. In the living room. And in every other room.

If they went shopping, Munyon more than likely had a new rosary in her hand.

When Munyon passed away, it seemed only natural for Connolly to inherit her mother’s collection.

“I’m a spiritual person, but I’m not a practicing Catholic. I don’t go to church every Sunday. I came into collecting rosaries by accident,” Connolly said. “My mom, after my father, Morrell “Brent” Munyon, passed away pretty late in life, converted to Catholicism. One of the things she did was, she made rosaries.

“They’re absolutely beautiful rosaries. She was also an avid antique collector, so she would buy a rosary when she saw them at antique stores. When she died, I got all of her rosaries. Then I started shopping for them at antique stores and it’s kind of snowballed since then.”

Connolly’s collection is now at 80.

She has all different lengths, shapes, colors, and varieties.

But she has some favorites as well.

“I do particularly look for the smaller rosaries that are made for children for baptisms and things like that,” said Connolly, who moved to Dwight in 2001 with her husband, Sean, from their previous home in Wheaton. “I love to find those. They also have single decade rosaries, which is only 10 beads, and you can hold it in your hand. They are a very compact rosary.

“My favorite is the rosary



STACEY CONNOLLY, who has lived in Dwight since 2001, began collecting rosaries after her mother, Arlene Munyon, passed away and left her daughter rosaries she had either made or bought. Connolly keeps the memory of her mother alive by adding rosaries to the collection.

THE BLACK ONYX rosary Arlene Munyon made, used every day, and sat by her bed, is her daughter Stacey Connolly’s favorite in her collection of 80 rosaries. Connolly started with her mother’s rosaries and has added company.

my mother made and used every day. It’s made out of black onyx. It’s the most special one for me. She used it all of the time. I sat right next to her bed.”

Connolly stores her favorite rosaries on a statue of a saint, which was also my mother’s. She wraps them around the saint’s neck in a giant rosary



cluster.

She says, “It looks cool because there are so many colors.”

Connolly doesn’t just keep them to herself either.

If you’re a relative or a friend in need of some blessings, she has a rosary for you.

“The ones that my mom (continued on page 12)

Reeb Returns Home

Comedian performing in Dwight for first time in 42 years

by Brandon LaChance

Many people thought giving a speech in speech class was a bad assignment or a waste of time.

Not Larry Reeb.

Before he graduated from Dwight Township High School in 1975, he figured out what he was going to do with the rest of his life.

From a speech.

“In high school, I had a speech teacher, Mr. Scheidecker, and he let us do a speech on anything we wanted. I decided to do a funny speech,” said Reeb, who was born in Pontiac, grew up in Dwight, and has lived in Chicago for the last 40 years. “I got up there, I got laughs, and he gave me an A-. That was the first time I ever got an A in my life. I then decided to become a comedian.

“My dad (Roy Reeb) liked comedians, so I grew up watching Rodney Dangerfield, Jackie Gleason, Red Skelton, and the Ed Sullivan Show. That was it. I knew what I wanted to do.”

“My whole goal was to never have a day job. I’ve accomplished that so far. I think I’m funny, I write good lines, and I’m a good performer. I do a lot of visuals and crazy stuff.”

Reeb, who became a comedian in 1975 and hasn’t had a day job since 1979, hasn’t performed in Dwight since the town festival in 1980.

After 42 years, the comedian is bringing his talents back home for Harvest Days as he will perform at 7 p.m., Friday, Sept. 23 at Cherry Red Roasters BBQ & Catering.

“I had just started comedy and I really wasn’t that good yet. My mom (Marie Reeb) wanted me to perform in Dwight, so I did it,” said Reeb, who recently visited Dwight with his sister, Tarra, and his brother, Jim, for Tarra’s class reunion. “It was outside by the railroad track on Main St. The train came through while I was performing. It looked like the train was going to hit me. Outdoor shows are not really good for comedy. You need a more intimate setting.



LARRY REEB has made people laugh from stages all over the country, Canada, and on cruises. The 1975 Dwight Township High School graduate is bringing his act back home for the first time since 1980 as he is performing at Harvest Days, 7 p.m., Friday, Sept. 23, at Cherry Red Roasters BBQ & Catering.

“Cherry Red’s will be a great atmosphere for this show. There are a lot of people I haven’t seen in a long time that will probably show up. It should be fun and a good show. I’m looking forward to it.”

During his 45 year career Reed has performed all over the country, Canada, and has been outside of state and Canadian borders on cruise ships.

He works Las Vegas every year and just returned to his Chicago home from a comedy trip in Reno, Nevada.

Although Reeb started his career in 1975, it wasn’t until 1989 that he became a known name in the stand-up comedy world.

Iconic comedian, Rodney Dangerfield, hosted a four-part HBO Special where he would showcase the young, up and coming talent. Reeb was featured on the third installment.

Since then, he’s been everywhere and made people laugh about anything.

“In the 1990s I was on VH1, MTV, Comedy Central, Showtime and the Comedy Club Network All-Star Show,” Reeb

said. “In 2013, Billy Gardell, from Mike & Molly, did a thing called Billy Gardell Presents Road Dogs, where he put on comedians that had been around for a while and that he liked.

“I’ve been a comedian for so long, I have a list of people who have opened for me such as Larry the Cable Guy, Steve Harvey, Ron White, Tim Allen, and Arsenio Hall. They all opened for me.”

When Reeb performs at Cherry Red’s on Harvest Day Friday, he’ll only be a couple blocks away from the monument shop his father owned, which is now Grieff’s Precious Monuments.

One speech in high school has led to a 45-year career and Reeb’s comedic venture coming full circle as he comes back to Dwight.

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Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

August 25: Jaden A. Llorens, 22, Bourbonnais, insurance-operate uninsured.

August 26: Marissa N. Vlach, 23, Streator, operation of uninsured motor vehicle, not wearing seat belt.

August 27: Steve Conley, III, 20, Kansas City, MO, driving on susp./revoked license.

August 28: Joseph R. Tezak, 25, Dwight, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Jakobi T. Odeneal, 24, Kankakee, speeding over statutory limit.

August 29: Marcus E. Fontana, 36, Montgomery, disregard stop sign.

August 30: Olga L. Ramirez, 49, Streator, speeding.

August 31: Jonathan J. Ware, 33, Odell, DL expired more than a year.

September 1: Mark B. Sorokowskyj, 32, Gardner, driving under the influence, illegal lane usage, improper lane change w/o signal.

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

16 Written Warnings

Disobey Stop Sign – 5; Speeding – 6; No Headlights – 1; Fail to Signal – 1; Improper Merging Into Traffic – 1; No Taillights – 1; No Rear Registration Plate Light – 1.

Dwight Police Blotter

August 26: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 100 block of Julie Dr. for a report of a battery incident.

August 27: Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop for Failure to Stop at Stop Sign. Cited for Driving While License Suspended was Steve Conley of Kansas City, MO. Arrested for Possession of a Firearm and Ammunition by a Felon was Terrell Griffin of Gardner, KS. Griffin was taken and booked into Livingston Cty. Jail; Dwight Police were dispatched to the 200 block of Spencer for neighbor issues.

August 29: Arrested on an In-State Warrant was Andre Shorter. He was issued a new court date and was able to post bond.

August 30: Dwight Police were advised of damage to property in the 400 block of W. Waupansie.

August 31: Arrested for an In-State Warrant was Danielle Miles of Dwight. She was issued a new court date and was able to post bond; Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop. Arrested was Jonathan Ware of Odell for no valid Driver’s License.

September 1: Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop. Arrested for DUI was Mark

Sorokowskyj of Gardner. Sorokowskyj was transported to Dwight Police Department, where he was processed and given a court date. He was able to post bond and was released. His vehicle was towed from the scene.

Check Area – 2; Traffic Stop – 23; Cell 911 Open Line – 2; Walk In – 6; Battery – 1; Lock Out – 4; Subject Removal – 1; Damage to Vehicle – 1; Check Vehicle – 1; Extra Patrol – 6; Motorist Assistance – 1; Suspicious Vehicle – 1; Burglar Alarm – 2; Warrant Check – 2; Well Being – 2; Information – 1; Unknown Problem – 1; Wanted Subject – 2; Accident – 2; Check for Truancy – 1; Criminal Damage to Property – 1; Check for Order of Protection Violation – 1; Medical Aid – 2; Funeral Escort – 1; Wires Down – 1; Suspicious Noise – 1.

Accident Reports

Thursday, August 25, 1:06 p.m., an accident was reported at Rt. 47 and I-55 involving a 2017 GMC carryall, driven by Dale Hall, of Beach Park, which struck a 2008 Pete., driven by Ken McGill, of Saunemin, while attempting to exit the I-55 ramp.

Monday, August 29, 4:07 p.m., an accident was reported at W. Mazon Ave. and Old Route 66 involving a 2013 Dodge Journey, driven by Carl Haywood, of Dwight, which struck a 2003 Saturn Ion, driven by Christopher Figueroa, after failing to yield.



Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

August 25: Waupansie, fire; Franklin, medical, refusal; I-55, trauma, no pt.

August 26: Deer St., trauma, St. James, mutual aid – Odell; Julie, fire; Mazon, trauma, Morris; Northbrook, medical, Morris; Main, medical, Morris; Rt. 47, medical, Morris.

August 27: Mazon, trauma, Morris; William, trauma, St. James; Mazon, trauma, Morris.

August 28: Wilmac, medical, St. Mary’s.

August 29: Spencer, medical, refusal; Mazon, medical, Morris; Bannon, medical, refusal; Armour St., COQ, mutual aid to Seneca; 2700 E. Rd., medical, St. James; Union St., medical, St. James, mutual aid – Pontiac, Braceville; Mazon, medical, Morris.

August 30: Chicago, medical, St. James.

August 31: John, trauma, Morris; Prospect, no pt.

Temps - 2022

Aug. 25 – high 79°, low 61° .35” precip.

Aug. 26 – high 76°, low 51°

Aug. 27 – high 79°, low 40°

Aug. 28 – high 77°, low 62°

Aug. 29 – high 84°, low 61° .65” precip.

Aug. 30 – high 78°, low 55°

Aug. 31 – high 86°, low 55°

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high 82°, low 56°



Dwight Fire Incidents 8/26 - 9/1

Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents:

August 26: Automatic Fire Alarm – Julie Dr.; Report of an Illegal Burn – Spencer.

Dwight FPD also responded to 16 medical assists with Dwight EMS.

Mobile Pantry in Dwight, Odell Monthly

St. Nicholas Mobile Pantry, a ministry of Catholic Charities, serves those in need in the Diocese of Peoria. The van stops in Dwight, in the parking lot of St. Patrick Church, and Odell, in the St. Paul Church parking lot, on the second Thursday afternoon of each month.

This month, the date is **Thursday, September 8.**

Individuals are given items such as blankets, socks, cleaning products, personal hygiene products, and baby products. These items may change monthly depending on needs and what is donated.

You must fill out an application in order to utilize this monthly service. You can do so at cdop.org/catholic-charities. Click on Region 3 and then the Link button.

If you need assistance, contact the Diocese at 309-671-1550 and ask for Catholic Charities.

GERALD ANDERSON AND JACK MOSSBERGER take a break from their greeting duties to pose in front of the recently installed interactive Route 66 sign at the Ambler Texaco Station in Dwight. The sign was provided by the Heritage Corridor Convention & Visitors Bureau and 12 of them will be placed at locations along the route.

Shredding and Ewaste, CFL Bulb Recycling and Eyeglass Reuse Events in Morris

The Grundy County Land Use Department will be hosting a shredding event for residents Wednesday, September 14, from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the parking lot to the north of the Grundy County Animal Control Facility, which is located at 310 East DuPont Road in Morris.

Limit your shredding materials to two standard paper ream boxes in order for more people to be able to participate. No plastics or metals in the papers.

As this event will save you the time of shredding sensitive documents, the cost of a shredder, and recycle the most recoverable material, it is a complete win for you and the environment.

The process that takes place at the shredding event the day of is the following:

- Paper is dumped into a shredding device that is part of a box truck
- Documents are shredded on-site by a shredder located inside the box truck
- Shredded paper is weighed and then recycled
- Grundy County residents give back to the Earth’s resources

In addition, the Land Use Department will also host its fall electronic ewaste event Saturday, September 17, from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

This event will also include recycling for CFL bulbs (limited amount available) and eyeglass reuse through ICARE International.

Ewaste Recycling:

TVs taken for recycling will be charged, with a price increase for projection-size TVs.

Other electronics besides TVs will be accepted at the event. White goods, dehumidifiers, and air conditioners will not be accepted.

CFL Bulb Recycling:

CFL bulb recycling will be provided at the event for only a limited amount of time, based on the amount of prepaid recycling containers available. Once those containers are full, they will not accept any further CFL bulbs.

Take only bulbs that are whole or not broken and are contained in a clear sealed bag. To ensure that more residents may participate, limit the amount of bulbs to five per car.

Eyeglass Reuse:

Eyeglasses will be accepted by representatives from ICARE International. All eyeglasses shall be whole, in gently used conditions (no scratches/loose lenses), and no cases will be accepted. These eyeglasses are cleaned, sorted by prescription, and sent to Central and South America to be distributed to fulfill the needs of those communities.

If you should have any questions, feel free to contact their office at 815-941-3228.

Thomas Bennett, State Representative 106th District

Pre-apprenticeship program expanded

The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity has announced the \$15 million expansion of its Illinois Works Pre-Apprenticeship program. The program is aimed at enhancing opportunities for job training in the state’s construction industry and building trades.

The program started a year ago as a way of increasing access to apprenticeship programs which can help participants obtain employment in the construction trades. Since then, the program has awarded close to \$10 million in funding to 22 organizations serving around 1,000 participants.

The Illinois Works Pre-Apprenticeship Program is part of the Illinois Works Jobs Program Act passed by the General Assembly to help Illinoisans prepare for jobs created by the capital improvement and infrastructure program enacted in 2019.

The deadline to apply is September 27.

Legislative Inspector General “a watchdog, not a prosecutor.” Marking six months since his appointment was approved by the General Assembly, Illinois’ Legislative Inspector General Michael McCuskey said in an interview that “his role is to serve as a watchdog, not a prosecutor.”

McCuskey is a former federal district court judge who was appointed to be the General Assembly’s top ethics officer after his predecessor resigned in protest of weak ethics reform legislation passed in 2021.

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When Should You Adjust Your Investment Mix?

There are no shortcuts to investment success — you need to establish a long-term strategy and stick with it. This means you'll want to create an investment mix based on your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon — and then regularly review it to ensure it's still meeting your needs.

In fact, investing for the long term doesn't necessarily mean you should lock your investments in forever. Throughout your life, you'll likely need to make some changes.

Of course, everyone's situation is different and there's no prescribed formula of when and how you should adjust your investments. But some possibilities may be worth considering.

For example, a few years before you retire, you may want to reevaluate your risk exposure and consider moving part of your portfolio into a more conservative position. When you were decades away from retiring, you may have felt more comfortable with a more aggressive positioning because you had time to bounce back from any market downturns. But as you near retirement, it may make sense to lower your risk level. And as part of a move toward a more conservative approach, you also may want to evaluate the cash positions in your portfolio. When the market has gone through a decline, as has been the case in 2022, you may not want to tap into your portfolio to meet short-term and emergency needs, so having sufficient cash on hand is important. Keep in mind, though, that having too much cash on the sidelines may affect your ability to reach your long-term goals.

Even if you decide to adopt a more conservative investment position before you retire, though, you may still benefit from some growth-oriented investments in your portfolio to help you keep ahead of — or at least keep pace with — inflation. As you know, inflation has surged in 2022, but even when it's relatively mild, it can still significantly erode your purchasing power over time.

Changes in your own goals or circumstances may also lead you to modify your investment mix. You might decide to retire earlier or later than you originally planned. You might even change your plans for the type of retirement you want, choosing to work part time for a few years. Your family situation may change — perhaps you have another child for whom you'd like to save and invest for college. Any of these events could lead you to review your portfolio to find new opportunities or to adjust your risk level — or both.

You might wonder if you should also consider changing your investment mix in response to external forces, such as higher interest rates or a rise in inflation, as we've seen this year. It's certainly true that these types of events can affect parts of your portfolio, but it may not be advisable to react by shuffling your investment mix. After all, nobody can really predict how long these forces will keep their momentum — it's quite possible, for instance, that inflation will have subsided noticeably within a year. But more important, you should make investment moves based on the factors we've already discussed: your goals, risk tolerance, time horizon and individual circumstances.

By reviewing your portfolio regularly, possibly with the assistance of a financial professional, you can help ensure your investment mix will always be appropriate for your needs and goals.

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National Recovery Month Part I

Be proud to recover

National Recovery Month spotlights how important, successful recovery is

Editor's Note: This is the first story of a four-part story dedicated to National Recovery Month. For the next four weeks, we will speak with recovery service providers, service providers who went through treatment, people who are currently in the recovery process, and family members who helped their loved ones through recovery.

by Brandon LaChance

When the calendar flips to September every year, most of us think about school projects, football games, summer leaving and fall entering.

However, we should all be thinking, or at least paying attention, September is the National Recovery Month.

Started in 1989, National Recovery Month focuses on the national observance to promote and support new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices.

It is also on the calendar to spotlight the recovery community, the ones who realized they needed recovery and made it through, and the dedication of the service providers.

The Paper spoke with three recovery specialists involved with different organizations, who either help people with their Substance Abuse Disorder or get the word out of the ins and outs of recovery and how important is is to go through the process.

Teresa Diemer
Institute for Human Resources Counseling Services
Clinical Director of the Substance Abuse Program

Diemer began her career as a Livingston County probation officer but made the jump to IHR in Pontiac 23 years ago because she felt strongly about the importance of recovery.

She works daily with people on all levels whether it's before addiction, beginning of treatment, halfway through, returning to therapy, and every case and situation in between.

"At IHR we actually have a full-prevention program that is in five junior highs in Livingston County and soon to be grade schools also," Diemer said. "We like to start all the way at the beginning and try to prevent anything from starting.

"When you get to the treatment side, we can see kids that get their first offense that are either caught by police and referred to us as a diversion program. We get a lot of referrals from the schools and the athletic departments. We try to work with them to prevent any future problems.

"We can go all the way up to people who have more severe alcohol or drug problems. I perform a lot of DUI evaluations and help them get their license reinstated,"

Diemer has been successful

and has stayed in the behavior health field based on some of her job principals.

She understands the differences, varieties, exceptions, special situations she witnesses every day.

"Our approach is to meet the client and see where they're at in their treatment. Maybe they're in recovery, but they need some more support," Diemer said. "Then we're going to meet them where they are in their lives to help support them and get to the next step.

"My personal goal is to make their life a little better than it was before they came here. They may not be abstinent forever because we can't ask that because every day is a work in progress to be in recovery. Every little bit we can do to help move them forward is what I teach my staff.

"I'm not here to judge you. I'm here to help you. Everybody has something in their life and I just want to make your life better. A third of our staff at IHR are people in recovery. To see people go through the process and get their life back – get some manageability back, hold a job, be respected, and help others – that's huge."

Diemer added IHR tries to show people in the recovery process that they can still have dreams, can move forward, are valued, and can value other people.

"We really work a lot on the shame, the guilt, and really valuing who they are as a person because what they did – the drugs and alcohol – is not who they really are," Diemer said. "That was the effects of the alcohol and the drugs.

"It's about valuing them and building their self-esteem as well as all of the therapies. I find the biggest thing is connecting with the person. Letting them know that you are here for them. To me, that's been my biggest success. All they want to know is that you care and the rest will come."

David King
Carle Health
Community Outreach Manager for Carle Addiction Recovery Services

Spreading the word about recovery and how it changes lives has been King's life and career for 30 years.

He has lived it, he has worked in the field, and he is currently 1 year, 3 months into the State Opiate Response Grant that specializes in addressing the opiate epidemic and overdose fatalities.

"I'm in a position where my daughter has experience with recovery. I think through that experience and with ongoing exposure to harm reduction, using risks, and understanding

the true nature of addiction, there has been plenty to learn," King said. "What I do is community outreach to a pretty large geographic area. I'm primarily trying to address stigma and reduce stigma. We're trying to promote the philosophy of harm reduction and motivational interviewing. We're trying to help people understand that Substance Abuse Disorder is a brain disorder. It's a disorder, it's not a matter of failing.

"There are multiple pathways to recovery, not simply one. It's not a one size fits all. That means, in addition to the traditional approaches in the 12 Step community, that there are other models and methodologies that help and have been shown to be the best practices."

King's main duties are to identify the service gaps in terms of location and geography and to promote the access to recovery.

If someone needs help, King tries to find the closest rehabilitation center.

At a recent conference with the Illinois Harm Reduction & Recovery Coalition, King learned another valuable lesson.

"A guy spoke about how people with addiction or Substance Abuse Disorder have been dehumanized for a number of years. For decades, honestly. It shows up in our language when we call people junkies, addicts, hopeless, or a failure.

"When we use that language, we're conveying that it is their fault. When we try to use person-centered language, we say, 'They're a person who uses drugs,' or 'They're a person who has experience.' What we are trying to do is see them as a person, understand it's a disease that is treatable, people can recover, and not treat this disorder any differently than we would any other health disorder."

To King, National Recovery Month is special because it's used to refocus what the intention of recovery truly is and that service providers are al

ways looking to embrace new pathways to help people.

Frankie Ward
Livingston County ROSC (Recovery Oriented Systems of Care)

Recovery Support Specialist

When Diemer spoke about people who have gone through recovery and are now working with others to help them through, Ward is exactly who she was talking about.

Maybe not by name, but Ward went through a battle with opiates, realized she needed help, took the help, and is now an everyday warrior for others going through what she already has.

"It started at Harvest Days. I always knew I wanted to do something in this field, but I walked up to a tent where they were explaining how to use Narcan. The conversation started and it went from there," said Ward, who has been with ROSC since Nov. 1, 2021.

"I've been in recovery for five years for Opiate Use Disorder. Since I started this job, it hasn't felt like a job. I didn't realize there is more than one path to recovery. Going through treatment and being told what you have to do was over arching recovery paths that were taught to everyone.

"I love what I'm doing right now. I'm helping people understand that there are multiple paths to recovery. Every individual is different, so why would we think one recovery path would work for each individual."

She doesn't take offense to the recovery path she took, but knowing what she knows now would have helped her.

Instead of being mad, she is sharing her new knowledge with all she can to make their lives better.

"If I would have been told that when I went through recovery, I think it would have made me more comfortable and less intimidated by recovery," Ward said. "I think by doing that, more people will be comfortable entering recovery.

"That has made me excited and wanting to get the word out. It's not something that is talked about a lot. It's a good feeling. I just want to help in any way I can by being loud and proud about my recovery story. I want to help reduce the stigma that comes with Substance Abuse Disorder, which is a huge barrier."

Ward is happy to be someone who cannot only share her knowledge, but her experiences.

Actually, it brings the people who are going through recovery closer, more connected, because the service provider has been through some of the same situations.

"We, in recovery, know what we've gone through. Every person's story, journey, trauma is different, but we can all kind of relate on the same level regardless of what substance is involved," Ward said.

"What I'm learning through training is the missing pieces of Substance Abuse Disorder and changing things, are the voices in recovery. The people with experience.

"Across the country, especially in Illinois, there are more and more job opportunities who have gone through the recovery experience. Clinicians and lawmakers are learning what was missing was our voice. The people who have gone through recovery.

"I never thought I'd have a career begin out of such a dark time in my life. You can turn the disorder into something so amazing and so great. You can help other people, but it helps you every day as well.

"I want more people like myself to know about the opportunities that are out there."

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Children and Youth Programs at DUMC

R.E.A.L. and Ignite Youth Group programs will resume for the school year Wednesday, September 14, from 7:30-9:00 p.m. at Dwight United Methodist Church.

The youth will be having a Biblical Escape Room Party.

R.E.A.L. is their seventh and eighth grade group. Ignite is their ninth through 12th grade group. The groups will meet every Wednesday during the school year.

Youth gather as a large group for opening videos, as well as contemporary praise

and worship songs that introduce and reinforce the lesson. Students spend time doing an activity or playing a game, also related to the theme, which enhances team building. Youth groups may divide into smaller groups to delve deeper into the lesson.

Students will learn more about Jesus, the Bible, and how to make connections to their own lives.

R.E.A.L. and Ignite welcome all youth. Register online at dwightumc.org.

Kids Klub and R.E.A.L.

Kids will resume for the school year Wednesday, September 21, from 3:00-5:00 p.m. at DUMC.

Kids Klub is open to all children who are currently in kindergarten through fourth grade. R.E.A.L. Kids serves their fifth and sixth grade preteens.

Children begin in a combined large group opening with videos, songs, games, and interactive Bible story introductions. They then break up into age level small groups that are interacting and engaging ways to reinforce and apply the Bible story or theme.

Children come back together for closing worship of high energy praise songs.

Kids Klub and R.E.A.L. Kids will meet every Wednesday during the school year, and they welcome all children, who must register online at dwightumc.org.

Contact DUMC at 815-584-3420 or stacey@dwightumc.org if you have any questions or need more information.

Go to LTLD for Storytime

Fall has returned and so will Storytime at Limestone Township Library District. Starting Wednesday, September 7, they will meet at 10:15 a.m. in person with Mr. William to read a picture book or two and work on a craft to help preschoolers discover the joy of reading. Storytime will meet every Wednesday from now until the middle of December.

They are kicking off September with STEM fun.

Their S.T.E.M.-onade Stand remains open. Every other Wednesday, kids in third grade and up can go to the library for a new Take-and-Make craft from their S.T.E.M.-onade Stand. These bags contain items to make a fun STEM-inspired craft. Directions are included. September 7 features a Basic Robot. September 21 features Pan Pipes.

Cursed Art Night takes place Thursday, September 8, at 6:30 p.m. Young adults aged 13-18 can go to compete to see who can make the worst piece of cursed art using various materials found in their Art Closet.

Adults can join for a Craft Night as they make Fall Lumi-

naries Monday, September 12, at 6:30 p.m. They will utilize Mason jars and acrylic paint to create a luminary to use in fall décor.

Adult Book Club meets Tuesday, September 13, at 6:30 p.m. This month, they are discussing Dopesick by Beth Macy. Copies of the book are available at the Front Desk.

Saturday, September 17, at 1:00 p.m. will see another Adult Craft session – this time making Fall Glitter Leaves from book pages.

Families can have fun together making Decorative Leaf Bowls at Family Craft Night Monday, September 19, at 6:00 p.m. With the help of Modge Podge, Families can turn leaves into a bowl.

Teens are invited to go for Open Game Night Tuesday, September 20, starting at 6:00 p.m. You can try out their ping pong table as well as various board games including Cards Against Humanity – Family Style.

You don't have to have a library card to attend programming. Check their website at limestonelibrary.org, as well as



LIMESTONE TOWNSHIP LIBRARY DISTRICT invites young preschoolers and their parents to visit with George, their lovable stuffed monkey, at Storytime every Wednesday at 10:15 a.m. George wants to listen to new readers as well. For more information, call the library at 815-939-1696.

Facebook, Instagram, and *The Paper* for updates. Any questions? Call them at 815-939-16965, e-mail them at info@limestonelibrary.org, or message them at Facebook or Instagram.

To the Electors of the State of Illinois:

The Illinois Constitution establishes a structure of government and laws for the State of Illinois. There are three ways to initiate change to the Illinois Constitution: (1) a constitutional convention may propose changes to any part; (2) the General Assembly may propose changes to any part; or (3) a petition initiative may propose amendments limited to structural and procedural subjects contained in the Legislative Article. The people of Illinois must approve any changes to the Illinois Constitution before they become effective. The purpose of this document is to inform you of proposed changes to the Illinois Constitution and to provide you with a brief explanation and a summary of the arguments in favor of and in opposition to the proposed amendment.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ADD SECTION 25 TO ARTICLE I OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I — BILL OF RIGHTS

SECTION 25. WORKERS' RIGHTS

- (a) Employees shall have the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing for the purpose of negotiating wages, hours, and working conditions, and to protect their economic welfare and safety at work. No law shall be passed that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and work place safety, including any law or ordinance that prohibits the execution or application of agreements between employers and labor organizations that represent employees requiring membership in an organization as a condition of employment.
- (b) The provisions of this Section are controlling over those of Section 6 of Article VII.

EXPLANATION

The proposed amendment, which takes effect upon approval by the voters, adds Section 25 to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section will guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate safety conditions, wages, hours, working conditions, and economic welfare. The amendment prohibits the passage of any new law within the State that restricts or prohibits workers from engaging in collective bargaining with their employer over wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment, like safety protocols or training.

Arguments In Favor of the Proposed Amendment

This amendment will protect workers' and others' safety. That includes guaranteeing nurses' right to put patient care ahead of profit and making sure construction workers can speak up when there's a safety issue. It will protect workers from being silenced when they call attention to food safety threats, shoddy construction, and other problems that could harm Illinoisans. This amendment protects firefighters and EMTs who put their lives on the line to protect Illinoisans. It means they get the training and safety equipment they need to do their jobs, and can speak out when they see a problem without fear of retaliation. This amendment will help our economy by putting more money in workers' pockets who join together and get raises. That will mean more money going into our communities and small businesses as people join the middle class with good-paying jobs.

Arguments Against the Proposed Amendment

A fundamental right provided to all citizens under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution is the right to free speech and freedom of association. This amendment prohibits any law or ordinance that allows union workers to choose whether they wish to be a member of the union or not. Under the 2018 United States Supreme Court decision Janus v. Illinois AFSCME, non-union government workers cannot be required to pay union dues as a condition of working in the public sector. Approval of this constitutional amendment will deny that protection to private sector workers. The amendment also states that lawmakers could never "interfere with, negate, or diminish" certain rights. These terms are broad and undefined and leave lawmakers without the ability to clarify through legislation. Our Illinois Constitution provides such protection to public employees. The result of that protection has been to squash efforts by state lawmakers and voters to address Illinois' pension fund deficits.

FORM OF BALLOT

Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

Explanation of Amendment

The proposed amendment would add a new section to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution that would guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate wages, hours, and working conditions, and to promote their economic welfare and safety at work. The new amendment would also prohibit from being passed any new law that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and workplace safety. At the general election to be held on November 8, 2022, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

YES _____ For the proposed addition of Section 25 to Article I of the Illinois Constitution.

NO _____

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I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments in Favor of the Amendment and Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call as the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, as set forth in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, Done in the City of Springfield, this sixth day of September, 2022.

Jesse White
Jesse White
Secretary of State

The link below has information about a proposed constitutional amendment that will be considered at the November 8, 2022 general election.

以下连结提供将在2022年11月8日大选中提出拟议的宪法修正案相关信息。

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Poniższy link zawiera informacje na temat proponowanej zmiany konstytucyjnej, która zostanie rozpatrzona w wyborach powszechnych w dniu 8 listopada 2022 r.

El siguiente enlace contiene información sobre una propuesta de enmienda constitucional que se considerará en las elecciones generales del 8 de noviembre de 2022.

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Sassenger Reunion Held

On July 16, the 57th Annual Sassenger Reunion was held at Renfrew Park in Dwight. There were 79 family members and 12 guests in attendance.

The family traveled from Kihei, Hawaii, Cape Coral, Florida, Marshall, Missouri, Carmel, Indiana, Humble, Texas, and Dana, Chicago, Morris, Channahon, Towanda, Palatine, Emington, and Cabery.

A family meeting was held and the following new officers were elected: Mike Kowal – President; Leslie Sassenger – Vice President; and Vicki Thomas – Secretary/Treasurer.

This year’s games were provided by Vice President Jake Thomas. Team Donna won the Casey’s gift card. Guessing games were won by Charlotte Sassenger, Kayleigh Robbins, Phenyx Eggenberger, Madlyn Lucus, Maddux Binkley, and Mason Binkley. The adult game was won by Glenda Kutos.

There were five births this year: Issiac Anhony Espisito, Ava Bernice Sancken, Claire Helen Morgan, Maci James Monical, Jolene and Finley; one adoption: Mason Lyle and Makalya Binkley; one marriage: Sean Cleveland and Tessa Wulfren; two deaths: Deb Sassenger and a very close friend, Randy Haacke.

Milestone birthdays included: Deb Weller (70); Darrell Holm, Denny Sassenger, and T.J. Stacy (50); Chris Sassenger and Aj Giannerini (40); Colton Holm (21); and Olivia Kowl (1). Jack Statler celebrated his eighth grade graduation.

Next year’s reunion will be held on July 15, 2023.



MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 1957 from Dwight Township High School gathered for lunch at Dwight Country Club August 30. Pictured, front row, from left, are Barbara Burk Morphey, Shirley Wilkey Holzhauer, Delores Klehm Lazzar; back row, Karen Bossert Kehoe, Glenda Sassenger Kutos, Keith Telford, Lee Jensen, Art McBeath, Sharon Perschnick Snader, Jim Scott, Irene Johnson Burris, and Joan Hoffman Bundt. This class was the first to graduate from the current high school. They moved from the old school (where Heritage Health is now) their senior year. Many remember helping with the move – packing and unpacking boxes and helping arrange the new classrooms.

Church of Hope Returning to Regular Worship Time

The Church of Hope will be changing back to its regular worship time of 10:00 a.m. starting Sunday, September 11.

They will continue to record and post the service on Facebook, Church of Hope, on Sunday afternoons.

Their Sunday School will begin September 18 at 9:00 a.m. It is for all ages from preschool through adult, with the adult study being by Adam Hamilton about The Lord’s Prayer.

All are invited to go and worship at 202 North Monroe in Gardner.

Join In On Book Clubs and Crafts at Dwight’s Library

Prairie Creek Public Library in Dwight offers a wide variety of events and activities free and open to the public.

On Thursday, September 8, the **Pop Fiction Book Club** will meet at 6:30 p.m. to discuss “The Clover Girls” by Viola Shipman. Elizabeth, Veronica, Rachel, and Emily met at Camp Birchwood as girls in 1985, where over four summers they were the Clover Girls until the last summer that pulled them apart. Now approaching middle age, the women are facing challenges they never imagined as teens.

The Making It Reel Book-to-Movie Club will meet at 6:00 p.m. Thursday, September 15. They will discuss “Sarah, Plain and Tall.” Participants should have read the book and watched the movie to compare.

Crafternoon will return at 1:00 p.m. Monday, September 12. This month, crafters will be creating a mini basket weave. Sign-up by Thursday, September 8 is required in order to ensure the correct amount of supplies.

If you are disabled and plan to attend a program at the library, you are invited to call the library in advance at 815-584-3061 to make sure they are aware and prepared to meet your needs. Their building is accessible and equipped with an elevator.

‘If I Could Turn Back Time’ Gallery Show

The Greater Livingston County Arts Council September Gallery Show is “If I Could Turn Back Time” by Teresa Beard-Lowell, which will be featured in the Joe Bailey Gallery at the GLCAC Art Center.

The show is open and will continue through Wednesday, September 28.

The Joe Bailey Gallery is located upstairs at the Art Center. An elevator/lift is available.

Teresa is an artist from Chenoa. She specializes in acrylic painting, hand-built ceramics and several other different kinds of media. Teresa states, “The preparation for this show has been a journey of emotions, it was fun and an honor to make art pieces inspired by my family and in the memory of some family that are no longer with us. I hope you enjoy it as much as I enjoyed creating it.”

The Art Center at the GLCAC and Gallery is located at 209 W. Madison St., Pontiac. The show may be viewed during regular hours, which are Monday through Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and Sunday, noon to 4:00 p.m. There is no admission fee and the public is welcome.

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I would like to thank all my family, friends, and neighbors who remembered me on my 90th Birthday.

- Donna J Earing

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 11TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT LIVINGSTON COUNTY – PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

MFA 2017-RPL1 TRUST, MORTGAGE-BACKED NOTES, SERIES 2017-RPL1, PLAINTIFF,

vs.

MICHAEL E. ADAMS; JILL R. ADAMS; DEFENDANTS.

2020 CH 35

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF’S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on June 10, 2022, I, Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois, will on September 29, 2022 at the hour of 10:00 AM at the Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL, 61764, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Livingston, State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representations as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

Pursuant to 735 ILCS 5/15-1512, the amounts of any surplus bid will be held by the sheriff until a party obtains a Court Order for its distribution, or for 60 days following the date of the entry of the order confirming sale, at which time, in the absence of an order directing payment of the surplus, it may be automatically forfeited to the State without further notice.

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IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW.

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff’s attorney: Johnson, Blumberg & Associates, LLC, 230 W. Monroe St., Chicago, IL 60606, telephone 312-541-9710. Please refer to file number IL 20 7795.

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Notice is hereby given that the Livingston County Board has duly selected persons as Election Judges, as provided by law. A list of judges of election is available for public inspection in the office of the election authority, Kristy A. Masching, Livingston County Clerk, at the Livingston County Courthouse, 112 West Madison Street, Pontiac, Illinois.

Application for confirmation and approval has been made to the Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit of said County. Judge Jennifer H. Bauknecht has set the date for the hearing on objections to the confirmation and approval of those prospective judges on September 16, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in Room #1 of the Livingston County Law and Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois.

Anyone having knowledge of any reason why these individuals should not be confirmed and approved by this Court must file his objection, in writing, on or before the opening of Court on said day.

Notice is further given that, if no cause to the contrary be shown as specified; such appointments shall be confirmed by Order of the Court, as provided by law.

Date: August 30, 2022.

Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

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Upcoming Programs at Fossil Ridge Public Library

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

Adult Programs

- **Friday, September 9: Blood Drive (Reg. Required), 12-4 p.m.**
- **Saturday, September 10: Land Navigation and the Appalachian Trails (Reg. Required) (One-time payment for Survival programs and hikes Sept.-Dec.), 9-10:30 a.m. at Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area, Morris (Ages 8-18).** These skills will be expanded upon with the upcoming class on September 13.
- **Monday, September 12: Maker Monday: Rubber Ball, 4-5 p.m.**
- **Tuesday, September 13: Land Navigation and the Appalachian Trails Class (Reg. Required) (One-time payment for Survival programs and hikes Sept.-Dec.), 1-2:30 p.m. (Ages 8-18).** This class focuses on restating and expanding on what was learned from the previous hike.
- **Teen Anime Club, 6-7 p.m.**

Kids Programs

- **Fridays, September 9 and 23: Kids BINGO (Reg. Required), 3:30-4:30 p.m.** Limit: 30 participants.
- **Mondays, September 12 and 19: Crafternoon (Reg. Required), 5-5:30 p.m.**
- **Thursday, September 15: Kids Can Cook (Reg. Required), 5:30-7 p.m.** Instructor-led program. 20 children maximum.
- **Homeschool Programs**
- **Wednesday, September 14: Homeschool Bugs Bonanza and Waterways Exploration (Reg./Fee Required), 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.** Welcome to homeschool with some outdoor fun explorations.

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

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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.

OBITUARIES

Lisa Tutterow

Lisa Tutterow, age 53, of Savanna, Illinois and more recently Dwight, Illinois, lost her battle with cancer. She passed away peacefully on Sunday, August 28, 2022 at Park Pointe Rehabilitation & Healthcare in Morris, Illinois, surrounded by her family.



Lisa was born April 15, 1969 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and was the daughter of Frank and Carol (Greathouse) Semerau, each of whom predeceased her. She married David Tutterow on April 14, 2019 in Venice, Florida. He survives her and resides in Dwight, Illinois.

Lisa is also survived by several children: Devan (Mike) Chinderle of Joliet, Illinois; Danielle (Allen) Faletti of Edgewater, Florida; Matthew Tutterow of Dwight, Illinois and Christopher Tutterow of Dwight, Illinois.

Also surviving are her sister, Michelle (Robert) Sparling of Midland, MI; nephew, Josh Paris of Traverse City, MI, and his children, Payton and Raven; nephew, Jason (Hannah) Paris of Holland, MI; and grandchildren: Kara, Dominic, Ella, Killian, Logan and Ryker; as well as fur babies, Choochoo and Zusie.

Over the years Lisa worked as a Sales Representative for Viking Chemical Company’s Water Resources Group, headquartered in Rockford, Illinois. The team at Viking were her extended family. She enjoyed being involved in the community, and over the years she was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary Fraternal Order of the Eagles and most recently The Moose Lodge of Savanna. The Moose Lodge, where she has been a member for 14 years, held a very special place in her heart.

Lisa loved traveling, and most recently had the biggest love to travel to Florida with family. She also loved boating! It didn’t matter whether she was a river rat on the Missis-

sippi or boating the waters of Michigan, just as long as she was on a boat with sunshine on her face and spending her days with family and friends.

One of her greatest loves throughout life was skiing. She started skiing at a very young age and was

a beautiful skier. She made sure to keep the skiing tradition alive by going out of her way to teach her nephews and other family members how to ski. Another passion for which she was widely known was her love for Halloween. Her obsession for creating haunted houses and with her over-the-top Halloween decorations at her home in Savanna was appreciated by many in the community.

Lisa always wanted to brighten your day and often carried small bags of candy to give away to everyone with whom she came in contact. It didn’t matter whether it was a server at a restaurant or the caregivers at the medical facilities for her own care, she tried to lift the spirits of everyone around her.

She had amazing courage and bravery throughout her battle with cancer, never vocalizing a complaint and was always looking to the future! She “finished strong” and never gave up! Her bubbly spirit and optimism is already greatly missed by those who knew her.

Lisa’s heart will be forever with Family and in Savanna, the place she called home.

Lisa Tutterow’s Celebration of Life will be on September 24, 2022 from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at the Moose Lodge located at 125 Main St., Savanna, Illinois 61074.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her honor to the American Cancer Society or the Humane Society of Carol County in Savanna, Illinois.

Hager Memorial Home in Dwight is handling all arrangements.

Gregory Kelleher

Gregory Kelleher, age 57, of Springfield, Illinois and formerly of Pontiac and Dwight, Illinois, died Friday morning, August 26, 2022 at his home following a battle with cancer.



Born August 11, 1965, Gregory was a son of Patrick A. Kelleher Sr. and Sharon Eaton (nee Meredith).

Greg will most be remembered for his love of family, spending time and traveling with his children; and never missing one of the kids’ events, whether it be sporting events, scholastic bowl meets, or band performances.

He was a huge Chicago sports fan, especially the Bears, and he was blessed to attend several Bears/Packers games with his son, Joel.

In addition to family, Greg also enjoyed being with friends, participating in euchre and spades tournaments; playing chess with Joel; and eating at The Whistle Stop Cafe in Diamond.

Greg was a great man, a loving and supportive father, and he was generous to everyone who was fortunate enough to know and love him.

Survivors include his three children: Alexandra (Elijah Grigsby) Kelleher of Springfield, Illinois; Gregory “Joel” Kelleher of Chicago, Illinois; and Alicia LaRouech of DeKalb, Illinois; four grandcats: Katniss, Pearl, Tubbs, and

Juno.

Also surviving are five siblings: Martha (Valentino) Salinas, Patrick “Andy” (Tracy) Kelleher Jr., Bernie (Tammy Jameson) Kelleher, and Sherry (Tom) Leonard, all of Dwight, Illinois,

and Angela Kelleher of Braidwood, Illinois; step-mother, Sue Kelleher of Braidwood, Illinois; 13 nieces, eight nephews, 15 great-nieces and nephews, and special friends: Tiffany LaRouech of Coal City, Illinois; Jacob Mueller of Springfield, Illinois; and the Sharer/LaRouech family of Dwight, Illinois and Coal City, Illinois.

Greg was preceded in death by his parents.

Cremation rites have been accorded.

A Celebration of Life will be announced at a later date.

Preferred memorials in Greg’s memory may be made to St. Jude’s Children’s Research Hospital, American Cancer Society, or to Malala Fund.

Family and friends are encouraged to sign the guestbook, upload photographs, and share Greg’s memorial page online through social media: www.ReevesFuneral.com

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

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation,
Plaintiff,

vs.

CHRISTY STANTON, and unknown owners
and non-record claimants,

Defendants.

No. 22-FC-26

NOTICE

Notice is given you Defendant, Christy Stanton, 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:

Lots 1, 2 and 3 in Block 9 in D.S. Myers’ First Addition to the City of Pontiac, and a parcel of land in Lot 1 in Block 1, in E.M. Schrock’s Addition to the City of Pontiac, described as follows:

Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Lot 1, thence extending South along the West line of said Lot 1 to the North line of the first alley South of Wabash Street, thence East to the line of the right-of-way of the Wabash Railroad, thence Northwest along the line of the right-of-way of the Wabash Railroad to the Place of Beginning, all situated in Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 15-15-487-017

Commonly known as: 1228 N. Walnut St., Pontiac, IL 61764

The title holder of record to the above described real estate is CHRISTY STANTON. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on June 13, 2018 and recorded on June 14, 2018 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2018R-02334, and a Modification of Mortgage executed on November 12, 2021 and recorded on November 15, 2021 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois as document No. 2021R-05708. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 22-FC-26 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, CHRISTY STANTON, 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 October 1, 2022, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

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

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City Rating

It’s time for another city review. I attended a bachelor party this weekend and it took place in Louisville, Kentucky. Also, for the record, I did not hear anyone at any point during the weekend pronounce it the “local” way and call it Loo-ville, or however it is they claim it’s supposed to be said.

This was actually my second time in Louisville, I went once as a kid and went to the Louisville Slugger bat museum. It was awesome, I would highly recommend visiting that if you’re someone who’s interested in the game of baseball and how the bats get made. It’s probably even more interesting now that everything is hyper personalized for each player.

One of the most interesting takeaways from visiting this time is that it really felt like the intersection of the midwest, east coast and south. It just felt like there were people from every area kind of all jammed into one. It didn’t feel as quiet, as southern as, say, Nashville, but also not nearly as metro/urban as somewhere like Chicago.

Its layout was questionable at best. I didn’t really get a feel for why certain places were where they were. It felt like parts of the city changed block to block and didn’t really have a flow like you would maybe expect in a city of that size.

For gambling purposes, which we did some of, it was very nice to be that close to the Indiana border. This isn’t really about the city of Louisville but the location of the city has to be taken into account in its overall rating.

Overall I would say that Louisville was fairly enjoyable, it’s also basically driveable from just about anywhere in the midwest/east coast/south as well. Wasn’t my favorite place, but had more endearing qualities than not.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
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LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS

BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation,
Plaintiff,

vs.

Unknown heirs of GREGORY A. NOVAK a/k/a GREG NOVAK, Special Representative of Gregory A. Novak a/k/a Greg Novak, Deceased, EDWARD NOVAK, Heir, CARLI NOVAK, minor heir, by and through her mother and next Friend, HEIDI NOVAK, and unknown owners and non-record claimants,

Defendants.

No. 22-FC-36

NOTICE

Notice is given you Defendants, unknown heirs of GREGORY A. NOVAK a/k/a GREG NOVAK, 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:

TRACT 1:
Commencing at the Southeast corner of the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 30 North, Range 4 East of the Third Principal Meridian, thence North along the East line of the said West Half of the said Southwest Quarter 267.5 feet to the point of beginning; thence from said point of beginning West 264 feet, thence North 165 feet, thence East 264 feet to the East line of the said West Half of the said Southwest Quarter, thence South along said East line of the West Half of the said Southwest Quarter 165 feet to the point of beginning, Livingston County, Illinois.

TRACT 2:
Commencing at the Southeast corner of the West Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section 32, Township 30 North, Range 4 East of the Third Principal Meridian, Livingston County, Illinois, thence North along the East line of the said West Half of the said Southwest Quarter 432½ feet, thence West 128 feet, which is the point of beginning, thence North 130 feet, thence West 136 feet, thence South 130 feet, thence East 136 feet to the place of beginning.

PIN: 02-02-32-300-002

Commonly known as: 27051 N. 725 E. Rd., Manville, IL 61319.

The title holders of record to the above described real estate are the Heirs and Legatees of GREGORY A. NOVAK a/k/a GREG NOVAK, Deceased. The mortgage sought to be foreclosed is a mortgage executed on April 19, 2019 and recorded on April 24, 2019 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2019R-01403. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 22-FC-36 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 heirs of GREGORY A. NOVAK a/k/a GREG NOVAK, 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 September 30, 2022, a default may be entered against you at any time after that date and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of the Complaint.

Dated this 12th day of August, 2022.

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

ASSUMED NAME
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on August 30, 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 businesses known as Hobart Sky High Videography, located at 501 Johnson St., Cornell, IL 61319.

Dated this 30th day of August, 2022.

Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

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

In the Matter of the Estate)
)
of) NO. 2022PR85
)
LOUISE T. DAVIS, Deceased.)

CLAIM DATE NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of Louise T. Davis, and Letters of Office were issued on the 26th day of August, 2022, to Michael D. Oughton, 404 Morris Road, Dwight, IL 60420 as Independent Executor, whose attorney is JOAN N. HARROP, 220 West Main Street, Suite 300, Morris, Illinois 60450.

The estate will be administered without court supervision unless, under 755 ILCS 5/28-4, any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Circuit Clerk.

E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <https://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit <http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp>, or talk with your local circuit clerk’s office.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Circuit Clerk, Probate Division, Livingston County Law and Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois, 61764, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 13th day of March, 2023. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within ten days after it has been filed.

Michael C. Oughton
Independent Executor

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MVK LADY MAVERICKS SOFTBALL

MVK vs. Wilmington
The Lady Mavs defeated Wilmington, 4-3.
Kaylee Klinker led with two hits and one RBI, scoring twice. Hayden Pfeifer pitched a complete game two-hitter, striking out 14.
Amelia Weber made the play of the day, saving runs with a catch down the right field line.

MVK vs. Saratoga
MVK defeated Saratoga, 6-3. Kaylee Klinker supplied two hits, two runs, and one RBI, with Grace Biros adding one hit, one run, and an RBI.
Hayden Pfeifer struck out 12 in another complete game two-hitter.

MVK vs. Grand Ridge
Morgan Starwalt pitched a no-hitter, striking out six, in the Lady Mavs' 16-0 win over Grand Ridge.
Addison Kilmer (2 hits) and Marlie Lissy (double) each had three RBI. Starwalt knocked in two, with Kaydynce Wardlow, Hayden Pfeifer, and Brynlee Hunt each doubling.
Every MVK hitter scored a run in this game.

MVK vs. Dwight
The Lady Mavs won 5-3 over Dwight, backed by Hayden Pfeifer's complete game two-hitter in which she fanned 13 batters and also added two hits.
Brynlee Hunt, Marlie Lissy, and Blair Nevins each had RBIs.

MVK vs. Michael's
The winning continued for MVK, beating Streator-St. Michael's, 14-0.
Hayden Pfeifer's 11 strikeouts helped her to another complete game, as she allowed just one hit.
Brynlee Hunt had two hits, including a home run, batting in four runs. Pfeifer (double) and Morgan Starwalt each supplied two hits and three RBI. Kaylee Klinker tripled and scored four times.

MVK vs. GSW
In a match-up with GSW, MVK snuck by with a 3-1 "W".
Hayden Pfeifer pitched six innings, striking out 16 to get the victory. Morgan Starwalt pitched the seventh inning, striking out two to get the save.
Kaydynce Wardlow and Brynlee Hunt each had RBIs. Kaylee Klinker, Wardlow, and Starwalt each had hits.

MVK vs. Beecher
The Lady Mavs suffered their first loss of the season, 5-1, to Beecher.
Brynlee Hunt had the lone hit for MVK.
Hayden Pfeifer went six innings, compiling eight strikeouts.

MVK vs. Beecher
MVK lost to Beecher for the second straight game, this time, 6-5.


Morgan Starwalt pitched six-plus innings, fanning four.
Brynlee Hunt had three hits, including a double, knocking in two runs. Kaydynce Wardlow singled, doubled, and batted in a run. Kaylee Klinker doubled and scored three runs.

MVK vs. Saratoga
The Lady Mavs beat Saratoga, 6-2.
Hayden Pfeifer struck out 15 in a complete game effort.
Amelia Weber batted in three runs. Kaylee Klinker singled and doubled, with Grace Biros, Blair Nevins, and Morgan Starwalt each laying down sacrifice bunts.

MVK vs. Seneca
MVK took on Seneca, winning big, 10-0.
Hayden Pfeifer (9 SO) and Morgan Starwalt (2 SO) combined for a no-hitter.
Starwalt had two hits, including a home run. Kaydynce Wardlow, Pfeifer, and Marlie Lissy all drove in runs. Aurora Weber, Starwalt, and Lissy all scored multiple times.

MVK vs. Morris
In a meeting with Morris, MVK won, 5-0.
Hayden Pfeifer pitched a complete game shutout with 12 strikeouts, in addition to hitting a homer and batting in two runs. Brynlee Hunt added two hits.

MVK vs. Serena
The Lady Mavs kept on win-



DCS REDBIRDS BASEBALL

Wednesday, August 23
Dwight vs. Ransom
Dwight had a match-up with the Defenders from Ransom August 23, with Trevor Jensen (2 H, BB, 5 SO) and Mike Leithliter (H, BB, SO) each tossing three innings for the Redbirds.
On offense, Evan Olson (single), Carson Sandeno (single), and Will Anderson each batted in a run. Matt Watchinski added a single, while Blake Thetard drew three free passes. Frank Digilio, Jensen, Leithliter, and Ethan Holte each walked once.

Saturday, August 27
Dwight vs. Seneca
IVC Tournament
Dwight faced Seneca in the IVC Tournament August 27.
Evan Olson started the game, tossing two innings and striking out five of the seven batters he faced, allowing no hits. Carson Sandeno threw two relief innings, giving up just one hit.
Matt Watchinski tripled twice, batting in three runs. Mike Leithliter (2 singles, BB) and Olson (2 singles) each added two RBI. Blake Thetard singled, doubled, walked, and knocked in a run. Collin Bachand drew a walk and singled twice. Will Anderson walked twice, while Sandeno, Trevor Jensen, and Frank Digilio drew one walk each.
Dwight's defense turned two double plays in the contest.

Dwight vs. Saratoga
The Redbirds would get bounced by Saratoga, 10-0, ending Dwight's IVC Tournament run.

Dwight vs. MVK "B"
In the "B" team tourney, Dwight edged out MVK on a walk-off walk, 9-8.
Zack Bumpous went 2-2 with a walk, two RBI, and two runs scored. C. Johnson (3 BB, R), R. Woodin (single, 3 SB, 2 R), and Coe Peters (2 BB) each batted in a run. A. Wiles and K. Delisle (BB, R) added a single each. Ace Eggenberger and Dalton DeLong each drew two walks, swiped two bags, and scored once. Logan Pakula drew a free pass.
Pakula pitched one inning, allowing six earned runs on two hits and four walks, fanning three. Woodin threw three innings, giving up one earned run on two hits and four walks, striking out five.

Dwight vs. Saratoga "B"
The Redbirds had their IVC Tournament run ended by Saratoga, losing 10-4.
Eggenberger went four innings, giving up seven earned runs on nine hits and three walks, striking out four. Bumpous allowed one earned run on three hits and a hit batsman in two innings.
At the dish, Bumpous (2-4, double), Delisle (single), and Peters (single) each had one RBI. Pakula provided two singles, a walk, a stolen base, and a run, with Woodin and Johnson (2 BB, SB, 2 R) each singling once. Wiles was hit by a pitch and later scored. Eggenberger and Wood (SB) each walked once.

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On the opposite end of the spectrum, individuals may not realize that failing to drive their vehicles regularly also can affect performance. Here's a closer look at what can happen when vehicles sit idle for lengthy periods of time.

- **Battery loses its charge.** The battery in a vehicle is still being used even if the car isn't running. Batteries power various components in a car, such as the vehicle computer, phone chargers and more. If the engine does not turn over and help to recharge the battery, the battery will eventually die. People who drive infrequently may want to consider a trickle charger that's plugged in during periods of non-use.
- **Tire rot can set in.** Dry tire rot is deterioration that sets



into the rubber. The material dries out and becomes brittle, causing splits and cracks to form. Driving with tire rot can cause tires to deflate.

- **Rust and corrosion can occur.** There is still plenty of metal in modern vehicles. A vehicle that has been exposed to salt or rain or one that is stored in a moist climate can be susceptible to undercarriage or engine rust. This may cause damage that's not easily repaired.
- **Damage from sap or droppings.** A vehicle parked in one location for a long time could be a target for bird droppings, fallen berries, sap, and other substances that are potentially harmful to the paint job. Leaving the car or truck out in the sun also means UV rays can cause clear coat over the paint to oxidize and begin to fail, which can produce blotchy or peeling spots.
- **Poor brake performance.** When vehicles are left to sit, corrosion could build up on the

rotors and the brake pads may become less flexible. Moisture also may seep into brake lines, causing issues with pressurization of brake fluid. Each of these factors adds up to brakes that do not work properly — which is a big safety hazard.

- **Formation of tire flat spots.** When tires are not used frequently, the weight of the car can continually put pressure on the same parts of the tires, leading to flat spots. Tires also can lose pressure if they sit too long.
- **Oil and other fluids may lose efficacy.** Various fluids can go stale in a vehicle if it isn't regularly driven. Gasoline also may develop condensation, which can reduce efficiency and performance. Taking short trips helps avoid this issue.

Infrequent driving can cause damage to a car or truck. But many potential issues can be avoided by driving vehicles more often.


Gas Prices For This Week

Since last Monday, the national average for a gallon of regular gasoline dropped six cents to \$3.79. According to new data from the Energy Information Administration (EIA), gas demand increased slightly from 8.43 million b/d to 8.59 million b/d last week. However, the rate is nearly 1 million b/d lower than the last week of August 2021. Moreover, according to the EIA, total domestic gas stocks decreased by 1.1 million bbl to 214.5 million bbl. Although gasoline demand has increased and supply has tightened, lower oil prices have led to falling pump prices.

City/Village	Sept. 5	Aug. 29
Dwight	\$3.99	\$3.99
Kankakee	\$3.87	\$3.93
Streator	\$3.93	\$3.98
Pontiac	\$3.90	\$3.93
Gardner	\$3.98	\$3.98
Braceville	\$3.66	\$3.84
Morris	\$3.99	\$4.08
Herscher	\$3.89	\$3.95
Chicago	\$4.48	\$4.54
Illinois	\$4.10	\$4.14
U.S.	\$3.79	\$3.85

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

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Item Requirements 4x6 or 5x7 Photo (non returnable)

Baby's Name: _____ Parents: _____

Age: _____ Cannot turn 3 before Sept. 15, 2022

Baby's Birthday _____ Entry Fee: \$5 by Sept. 14. \$10 Late Entry

Information about Baby (Likes, Pets, Hobbies, Siblings, Friends)

Mail Entry Form and Picture to:
Dwight Harvest Days Cutest Baby Contest
132 East Main St., Dwight, IL 60420



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PARADE PARTICIPATION INFO

Caribbean Theme Parade: Sunday, Sept. 25 @1p.m.

Please call or email with any questions or concerns
Parade Chair: Melissa Haller (815) 830-1662 Email: dwightharvestdaysparade.com
In Person or Mail to: Melissa Haller 132 East Main St., Dwight, IL 60420
Entries: NO LATER THAN SUNDAY, SEPT. 5
Text photo of app to: 815-830-1662

Judging: Entrants and Participants will be judged based on the incorporation of this theme in their entry. Incorporation is inclusive of, but not limited to: themed decorations, clothing, music, etc. The more the theme is embraced in the entry, the more fun the audience will have watching the Parade and the better your score will be. **Trophies awarded for the top 3 entrants!**
Cost: There is no cost to participate in the parade.

Harvest Days Parade Entry Application

:: Entrant:

• Entrant Contact Name: _____

• Entrant Contact Number: _____

• Entrant Contact Email: _____

:: Entrant Category: Check appropriate option below

• Business Float/Walkers	• Horse Group
• Organization Float/Walkers	• Vehicle
• Antique Vehicle/Farm Equipment	• Politician
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• Brief description of float (i.e.: number of vehicles/trailers/approximate length, etc.): _____

• Quick announcement for the MC (i.e. persons to mention, vehicle description, upcoming event, recent award, ad, etc.): _____

• Will the float/vehicle have music playing? Yes No

• Will promotional items be handed out? Yes No

• Driver Name: _____

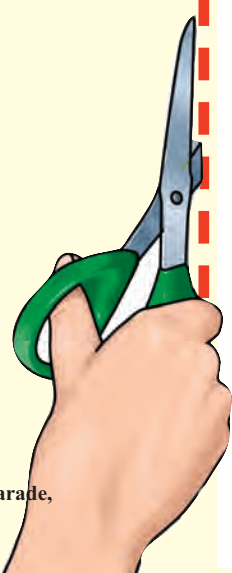
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By signing and/or returning this entry form the entrant agrees to hold the City of Dwight and the Harvest Days Committee harmless for any and/or all negligent or maliciously intentional acts made by any participating HD Parade entrant throughout the duration of the Parade, which includes the initial line-up time through the disbanding of the Parade.

Entrant Contact Signature: _____

Signature Date: _____



**Dwight Harvest Days
5k Run & 3K Fun Run/Walk
Renfrew Park Dwight, IL**

Saturday September 24th, 2022 8:30 a.m.

Registration: Both events- \$25 received by 9/23 - \$30 day of race. Online registration available

Packet Pick-Up: Packet pick-up available between 7:00-8:15 am the day of the race at the North Pavillion of Renfrew Park Dwight, IL

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Age Groups: 14 & under, 15-19, 20-24, 25-29, 30-34, 35-39, 40-44, 45-49, 50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80 & above

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**OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM
2022 HARVEST DAYS 5K RUN & 3K FUN RUN/WALK**

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DTHS/GSW TROJANS FOOTBALL

Friday, September 2
DTHS/GSW vs.
Bismarck-Henning

The Trojans took a 46-8 loss to Bismarck-Henning on the road September 2.

The only score for DTHS/GSW was in the second quarter on a three-yard TD run by Austin Burkhardt, followed by a successful two-point conversion by Conner Telford.

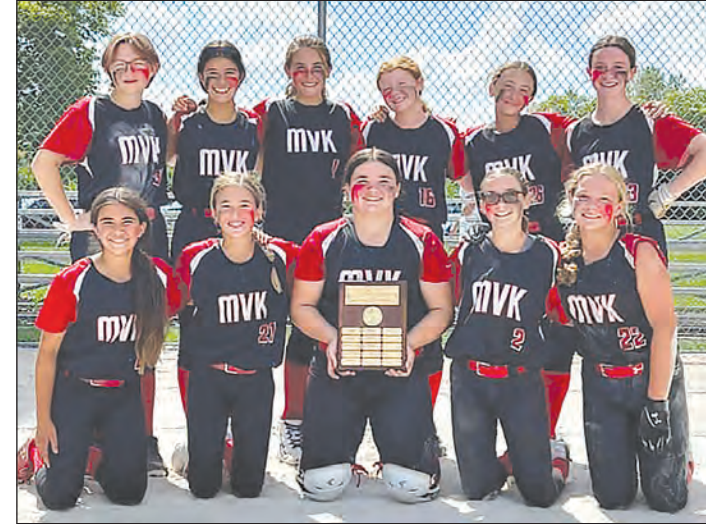
Telford ended up with eight yards in the air on 4-10 passes, tossing two picks. He picked up 16 yards on six carries on the ground.

Burkhardt had 68 rushing yards on 16 attempts, including the touchdown, while making three catches for 13 yards. David Paige-Gomez ran for 47 yards on 13 touches, with Caiden Nelson tallying seven yards on six carries.



THE DTHS/GSW TROJANS CROSS COUNTRY team competed in Seneca’s Twilight in the Woods September 2. Pictured, from left, are Brooklynn Todd (8th), Tristan Chambers (10th), Xander Pempe (64th), Michael Michon (31st), and Mikalah Bregin. Story next week!

Send us your team’s stats! thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net



IVC TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS! For only the second time in school history, the MVK Lady Mavericks’ softball program was crowned IVC Small School Conference champs. Pictured, front row, from left, are Ameliah Weber, Marlie Lissy, Kaydynce Wardlow, Morgan Starwalt, Brynlee Hunt; back, Grace Biros, Aurora Weber, Blair Nevins, Brooklyn Sheedy, Kaylee Klinker, and Hayden Pfeifer. Story on page 8!




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MVK MAVERICKS BASEBALL

Monday, August 22
MVK vs. Milton Pope

The MVK Mavericks won their fifth game in a row with a 7-2 victory over Milton Pope August 22.

The Mavs trailed 2-0 in the fifth before rallying.

Kolten Pfeifer was the winning pitcher for MVK.

Brandt Roe got things started with a triple, while


Tucker Yard and Ethan Hasselbring each contributed key at-bats.

Monday, August 29

On August 29, the Mavs took a tough loss, 8-5, despite

taking a 5-2 lead into the seventh inning.

Brandt Roe and Joey Arnold each scored two runs, while Max Sproul knocked in two runs.



DCS LADY REDBIRDS SOFTBALL

Tuesday, August 23
Dwight vs. Bishop Mac

Dwight’s “B” softball team played three innings against Bishop Mac August 23, falling 12-2.

Grace Tjelle had two RBI for the Lady Redbirds, with Breana Scott and Cara Wilson each scoring once.

Leanne Ruth and Shay Sulzberger pitched for Dwight.

Saturday, August 27
Dwight vs. Saratoga
IVC Tournament -

In IVC Tourney play August 27, Dwight fell to Saratoga, 2-1.

Avery Crouch had the only hit of the day for the Lady Redbirds, a triple. She would then go on to score on a wild throw to third.

Dwight vs. MVK and Saratoga
“B” -

Dwight’s “B” team had better luck in the IVC Tournament, defeating MVK, 19-15, and Saratoga, 22-3, to take the tourney crown.

In the first game against MVK, Kenzie Livingston and Mia Franklin combined pitching efforts to earn the victory.

On the offensive side, June Woods (4 R) led with two singles and a double. Franklin (2 R) was also 3-3 with three singles, while Cara Wilson (2 R) singled and doubled. Livingston (2 R) singled twice, while Breanna Scott doubled (R). Emma Anderson (2 R) chipped in with a single. Shay Sulzberger and Elizabeth Hansen each scored two runs, with Grace Tjelle, Leanne Ruth, Penny Parker, and Addy Pittenger scoring a run each.

In the championship game versus Saratoga, the offense stayed hot.

Livingston went 4-5 (3 R) with a double and three singles, and also pitched a complete game – holding Saratoga to one hit and striking out nine batters.

Woods’ (4 R) hot bat continued, going 4-4 with four singles. Sulzberger (2 R), Franklin (R), and Nekaylee Nelson-Smith (R) each singled once. Tjelle, Hansen, Ruth, and Anderson each crossed the plate twice. Bianca Noriega, Scott, and Kaitlyn Todd scored a run each.

Tuesday, August 30
Dwight vs. Reed-Custer

The Lady Redbirds fell to Reed-Custer, 13-1, on August 30.

The only hit of the night came from Mikayla Chambers, who would go on to score on a wild throw.

In the “B” game, Dwight lost to R-C, 15-3.

Kenzie Livingston, Mia Franklin, and Shay Sulzberger each saw pitching action.

The Lady Redbirds put the ball in play, but Reed-Custer’s defense kept them scoreless in the first inning.

June Woods (R), Kaitlyn Todd, Leanne Ruth, and Bianca Noriega (R) each went 1-1, while Sulzberger went 1-2. Breanna Scott scored a run.

Wednesday, August 31
Dwight vs. Wilmington

In a match-up against Wilmington August 31, Dwight lost 12-4.

Mikayla Chambers led with a single, a double, and a triple, followed by a single and a double by Claire Sandeno. Olivia Buck, Mikayla Ely, Sienna Burke, and Raegan Brown

each singled.

Thursday, September 1
Dwight vs. Herscher

Dwight’s Delaney Boucher went seven innings against Herscher September 1, striking out 12 while allowing just seven hits – leading the Lady Redbirds to a 7-5 victory.

Cloe Gall led at the plate with a single, a triple, and two RBI. Claire Sandeno (single), Mikayla Chambers (single), and Madlynn Lucas (2 H) each had one RBI. Boucher bashed two triples in the game.

Next up is regional action for Dwight Saturday, September 10 in Mazon at 11:00 a.m.

The “B” game saw the Lady Redbirds drop a 20-9 decision. Mia Franklin, Shay Sulzberger, and Cara Wilson all pitched for Dwight.

Offensively, Kenzie Livingston was 2-2, while Breanna Scott hit a big double. Leanne Ruth (2 R), Grace Tjelle (R), Kaitlynn Todd (R), Nekaylee Nelson-Smith (R), and Bianca Noriega (R) each supplied a hit. Franklin and Emma Anderson each scored once.

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DTHS Senior Lola Furbee Earns Academic Recognition

Lola Furbee, a senior at Dwight Township High School, has earned academic honors from the College Board National Recognition Program. These National Recognition Programs grant underrepresented students with academic honors that can be included on college and scholarship applications and connect students with universities across the country.

This prestigious recognition helps students to meaningfully connect to colleges and stand out during the admission process.

Lola was recognized through the Rural/Small Town Recognition through the College Board's Student Search Service.

"We are thrilled that Lola has earned this recognition," said Andy Pittenger, DTSHS Principal. "We are very proud of her for her achievements in the classroom and on College Board assessments."

Students who may be eligible have a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and have excelled on the PSAT/NMSQT or



PSAT 10, or earned a score of 3 or higher on two or more AP Exams; and are National African American or Black, Hispanic American or Latinx, Indigenous, and/or attend school in a rural area or small town.

Eligible students will be invited to apply during their sophomore or junior year and will be awarded at the beginning of the next school year. Students will receive their awards in time to include them on the college and scholarship applications.

Remembering Mom Through Rosaries

(continued from page 1) made, I have given some of those to other people," Connolly said. "I had a good friend whose husband was very, very ill, so I took her one. I've given my children and my nieces rosaries to put in their wedding bouquets."

Although the saint's neck is awfully weighted down, the collection is not going to stop at 80.

Connolly wants to keep adding to it because rosaries are beautiful, the craftsmanship is exquisite, and there is a wide variety of rosaries.

The first reason, of course, is her mother's memory.

"I'm just glad to have them," Connolly said. "They were a special part of my mom. I really treasure them."

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CONGRATULATIONS TO GSW JUNIORS, pictured, from left, Rianna Platt, Ava Schultz, Addi Fair, and Ava Brassard. They will be representing Gardner-South Wilmington High School and participating in the Grundy County Corn Festival Queen candidate ceremony Friday, September 30, and the parade on Sunday, October 2, in Morris. One of these four ladies will be crowned Queen of GSW High School September 30.

Gardner-South Wilmington High School Seeking Nominations for Distinguished Panther Hall of Fame

Gardner-South Wilmington High School is seeking nominations for the GSW Distinguished Panther Hall of Fame.

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

our school and community."

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

Criteria for nominees:

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

demonstrate outstanding character.

3. A person whose outstanding citizenship has achieved international, national, or local recognition.

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

5. A person whose accomplishments are outstanding or whose leadership is considered exceptional.

6. Posthumous nominations will be accepted.

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

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

staff members.

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

d. Family members of the nominee.

Nomination forms must be received at GSW by September 30, 2022. Nomination forms can be found on the school website at www.gswhs73.org/ or picked up at the GSW office.

Nomination forms may be mailed to:

GSW High School
Panther Hall of Fame
500 East Main St.
Gardner, Illinois 60424

Nomination forms can also be e-mailed to John Engelman: jengelman@gswhs73.org

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