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Not the Same Harvest Harvest Days Adds Events, Attractions

By Brandon LaChance

Every year, there is a goal behind Harvest Days. Actually, multiple goals. The members of the Harvest Days Committee Board want people to be entertained with free events and attractions, vendors and local businesses to make money, and everyone leaving thinking about next year and returning to Harvest Days. This year, Harvest Days President, Randy Irvin, and his team have added some new attractions to keep the goals in motion. "That's our main goal, we're pushing for family-friendly entertainment that's free," Irvin said. "We have the carnival and other things that cost money, but if you look at the large picture of everything you can come and do, Harvest Days is one heck of a festival for our area. We have 12 committee members that work year round to make sure that this happens. Everyone is 100 percent volunteer and they work their butts off to make sure Harvest Days is put together. "We're getting a large amount of new vendors. We're going to have over 200 vendors between craft, food, and carnival at this year's Harvest Days. In the past, we had 200 at our 40th Anniversary in 2019, right before Covid-19 hit. We took a dip over the last few years with us obviously having to cancel Harvest Days in 2020. In 2021, we came back, but there were still a lot of unknowns with Covid. "We're looking at this as being a breakthrough year and getting back to normal.

WHO: Canines in the Clouds
WHAT: Rescue Dogs in high-energy freestyle Frisbee tricks and jumps
WHEN: SATURDAY, SEPT. 24 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 4 p.m. SUNDAY, SEPT. 25 9 a.m., 11:45 a.m., and 2:30 p.m.
WHERE: West Mazon Ave. (next to Dairy Queen)
WHY: Dwight Harvest Days

This year is going to be something special." Here are some of this year's new Harvest Days attractions:

Canines in the Clouds Guardian Angel Basset Rescue's Illinois Waddle is famous for showcasing 200-400 basset hounds during the Harvest Days parade. With the success of the waddle, more than 20 years in the parade, it seemed like a wise idea to bring in more dogs. Welcome, Canines in the Clouds, which will perform at 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24 and 9 a.m., 11:45 a.m., and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 25 on Mazon Ave. (next to Dairy Queen and close to the GABR Park).

"We're a Frisbee dog show. All of my dogs are from rescues or shelters, and are high energy dogs that are returned or were not a good fit for their previous homes," said Jonathan Offi, who has been working with his dogs for nine years and has been holding shows for the last five years. "We showcase them doing some really fun, high energy, awesome stuff. "We do freestyle Frisbee and choreograph high-energy tricks with high-energy music. They do all kinds of different jumps and tricks. They use my body as a catapult and jump off my back. The main part of the show is freestyle Frisbee and then we do other things as well." Offi is from San Jose, California, but has based Canines in the Clouds out of St. Claire, Missouri (just west of St. Louis) since the location is a central point for the plentiful fairs and festivals in the midwest and the east coast. Canines in the Clouds is Offi's only work as the show participates in fairs during the summer, festivals in the spring and fall, and does halftime shows for NCAA and NBA games during the winter. Although the cattle dogs, Border Collies, Australian Shepherds, Belgian Malinois, mixed breeds, mutts, and Pitbull mixes are known for their Frisbee expertise, they also perform on a Parkour course and in a pool. Offi travels with 12 dogs and has six of them performing during each of his six shows. "The high energy helps, but honestly, I think it's just the dogs," Offi said. "The dogs are really a connecting tool for any (continued on page 14)

CANINES IN THE CLOUDS is joining this year's Harvest Days. Jonathan Offi will lead his 12 rescue dogs through high-energy freestyle Frisbee tricks and jumps at 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m., and 4 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 24 and 9 a.m., 11:45 a.m., and 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 25 on Mazon Ave. (next to Dairy Queen and close to the Guardian Angel Basset Rescue Park).

National Recovery Month Part 2 Barnes Reaches Year of Sobriety: 'It Was Like a Breath of Fresh Air'

Editor's Note: This is the second story of a four-part series dedicated to National Recovery Month. Each edition of The Paper in September, 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

If someone would have talked, seen, or interacted with Mandy Barnes a year ago, they may think she was a different person if they engaged with her now. If you ask the 37 year old who was born and raised in Pontiac, she is a different person. Barnes has dealt with substance abuse for over a decade. She went through recovery. Then turned back to drugs. "I was a garbage can junkie. If you had it, I wanted it. It didn't matter what it was," Barnes said. "I was raided in 2012. I was married and we moved away the next year toward the Galesburg area. I got clean over there. I was clean for six years and then relapsed. "After the relapse, it took three years for me to get back on the recovery train. My parents found me non-responsive because of my drug use. I always knew what I needed to do, but I just didn't want to. When I was ready, it wasn't hard to get back to recovery. It was just the willingness to do it. When my parents found me

MANDY BARNES, 37, born and raised in Pontiac, used to call herself a 'garbage can junkie'. Now, after a year clean with the help of Institute of Human Resource Counseling and Smart Recovery Zoom meetings through Livingston County ROSC (Recovery Oriented Systems of Care), Barnes feels like a new person and is enjoying her new life.

unresponsive with a needle hanging out of my arm, that was the eye opener." Barnes is now a year clean. She hasn't had a drink. She hasn't smoked anything illegal. She hasn't put a needle in her arm. In her efforts to stay substance free, she attends mental health counseling at Insti-

tute for Human Resources (IHR Counseling Services in Pontiac) and she hops on a computer for Smart Recovery meetings through Livingston ROSC (Recovery Oriented System of Care). "I stayed in the mental health counseling because if my mental health isn't OK, I know I'm not OK," Barnes said. "With the online Zoom meetings, they usually have a topic or if there is a problem you're dealing with that you want to bring up to the group, you can. It's basically group therapy. "The IHR mental health counseling and the Zoom meetings are on opposite weeks, so I'm talking to someone every week. I didn't purposely set it up that way, but I'm a firm believer that everything happens for a reason." Through recovery, Barnes has been able to clear up legal issues. She has also been able to recognize the difference between good and bad relationships, what makes her happy in life, and what she needs to do to get there. Barnes went from having negativity surrounding her to the polar opposite. "I was married and my divorce was just finalized a month ago," Barnes said. "I could not stay married and stay clean. The end of my marriage was toxic, abusive, and if I stayed, I would be high or dead. I had to leave that in order to get my recovery going. I moved back to Pontiac with my family. "If I wouldn't have made those life (continued on page 6)

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Shooting in Dwight

One person was arrested after being shot in Dwight around 10:20 a.m. Sunday, September 11. The Dwight Police Department was called to a confrontation between Johnathan Behrens, 32, of Marseilles, and a homeowner of a house in the 500 block of East Seminole Street. The confrontation happened outside the house in the 500 block of East Seminole Street. During the confrontation, Behrens was shot and taken to a nearby hospital with non-life threatening injuries. After his release, Behrens was transported to the Livingston County Jail and arrested for Aggravated Assault and Criminal Trespass to Property. Police officials say, at this time, there is no threat to the public. The Livingston County State's Attorney's Office is reviewing the case to see if more charges will be filed in the case, as it remains under investigation.

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September 4: Melessa A. Baxtron, 50, East St. Louis, speeding over statutory limit; Mark A. Frobese, 68, Avon, IN, speeding over statutory limit; Cole M. Turner, 21, Reddick, driving 15-20 MPH above limit, operation of uninsured motor vehicle.

September 6: Devon C. Adams, 31, Dwight, fail to give signal; Trevor P. Robison, 25, Pontiac, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

September 7: Jeffrey A. Ramirez, 45, Joliet, fail obey stop sign.

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

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Stop Sign Violation – 12; Only One Headlight – 2; Expired D.L. – 1; Speeding – 4; Improper Lane Use – 1; No Rear Registration Plate Light – 2.

Dwight Police Blotter

September 2: Arrested on an In-State Warrant was Jessica Cole, of Dwight. She was transported to DPD, was given a new court date, and was able to post bond.

September 3: Arrested for two In-State Warrants was Julius Smith, of Dwight. He was transported to Livingston Cty. Jail; Dwight Police responded to a hit-and-run to a vehicle in the 100 block of E. Waupansie.

September 4: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 300 block of W. Mazon for a Domestic Issue.

September 7: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 200 block of Spencer for neighbor problems.

Extra Patrol – 6; OP Violation – 1; Burglar Alarm – 2; Return Call – 9; Traffic Stop – 22; Suspicious Vehicle – 1; Medical Aid – 5; Lockout – 5; Suspicious Subject – 1; Out with Subject – 1; Walk In – 7; Miscellaneous – 2; Juvenile Problem – 3; Neighbor Problem – 2; Warrant Check – 2;

Loose Dog – 2; Hit and Run – 1; Unknown Problem – 1; Cell 911 Open Line – 3; Illegal Burn – 1; Lost Item – 1; Fire – 1; Check Area – 2; Fireworks – 1; Citizens Assist – 1; Panic Alarm – 1; Domestic Verbal – 1.

Accident Report

Saturday, September 3, 1:52 p.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported on Waupansie St. involving a parked and unoccupied Volkswagen utility, which was struck by an unknown vehicle.



Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

September 1: Rt. 66, medical, Morris, mutual aid to Odell; Scott, medical, St. James.

September 2: Northbrook, trauma; Union, assist; Dewitt, COQ, mutual aid to Coal City; Northbrook, medical, Morris; Dewitt, COQ, mutual aid to Coal City; Taylor, medical; Andrew, medical.

September 3: Chippewa, medical, Morris; Prairie, medical; Prairie, trauma.

September 4: Columbia, medical, Morris; Mazon, trauma, Morris; Mazon, medical, Morris.

September 5: Mazon, trauma, Morris; Delaware, fire; Scott, medical, Morris, mutual aid to Odell; Oak, medical, Morris, mutual aid to Odell, from Pontiac.

September 6: Franklin, medical, Morris; Bannon, medical; Deer, medical, mutual aid – Odell; Washington, trauma, mutual aid – Morris EMS; Bannon, medical, St. James; 2700N Rd., medical, mutual aid from Pontiac; Waupansie, medical, Morris.

September 7: James, medical, Morris; Union, medical, St. James; Bannon, medical; Watters, medical, Morris; John, medical, Morris, mutual aid from Coal City.



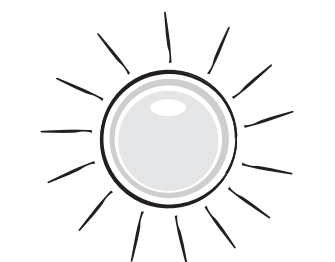
Dwight Fire Incidents
9/2 - 9/9

Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents:

September 3: Animal Resume – W. Mazon.

September 8: Motor Vehicle Accident with Injuries – I-55.

Dwight FPD also responded to 20 medical assists with Dwight EMS.



Temps - 2022

Sept. 1 – high 83°, low 55°
Sept. 2 – high 82°, low 62°
Sept. 3 – high 84°, low 54°
Sept. 4 – high 81°, low 63° trace precip.
Sept. 5 – high 76°, low 60°
Sept. 6 – high 81°, low 61°
Sept. 7 – high 82°, low 53°
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Mobile Food Pantry in South Wilmington Sept. 19

On Monday, September 19, at 4:00 p.m., Catholic Charities' Mobile Food Pantry will be distributing food at St. Lawrence Church (135 Rice Road in South Wilmington) in the church parking lot (rain or shine).

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

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

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



2009 DWIGHT HARVEST DAYS Car Show in Dwight's Beautiful Renfrew Park. The morning started out cool, but the sun shone brightly the rest of this Autumn day. A "friendly" Officer sped up to shake hands with an out of town car enthusiast.

Be sure to catch this year's Car Show on Main Street, Dwight, Friday, September 23. Starts at 3 p.m. sharp, runs until 7:30 p.m.

Justice Mary Kay O'Brien Receives Endorsement from Coalition of Frontline Police Officers

Justice Mary Kay O'Brien, candidate for Illinois Supreme Court, 3rd District, has received the strong backing of the Coalition of Frontline Police Officers.

The coalition comprises Illinois Police Benevolent & Protective Association ("PBPA"), Metropolitan Alliance of Police ("MAP"), Illinois Council of Police and Sheriffs ("ICOPS"), and Association of Professional Police Officers ("APPO"), representing over 20,000 active and retired law enforcement officers across Illinois.

"Judge Mary Kay O'Brien

earned our support because she has made the safety and advocacy of law enforcement officers in the line of duty a priority," said Sean M. Smoot, Chairman of the Coalition and the Director and Chief Counsel of PBPA. "Judge O'Brien's extensive career serving Illinoisans over the last 25 years as a State Representative and Appellate Court Justice is the experience we need on the highest court in Illinois. Accordingly, the Coalition strongly endorses Justice Mary Kay O'Brien to the Supreme Court of Illinois."

"I am honored to have the support of the Police Benevolent and Protective Association of Illinois," said Justice Mary Kay O'Brien. "As an associate who protects the rights of our working men and women in law enforcement, I am proud to have the support of law enforcement across the Third District."

The Coalition of Frontline Police Officers was established in 2022 to provide a voice for frontline officers who serve and protect communities across Illinois.

Thomas Bennett, State Representative 106th District

IDES audit reveals series of deficiencies

The Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES) struggled to keep up with the large number of Illinoisans in need of unemployment assistance during the pandemic.

Applicants had extremely long wait times, Illinoisans who were not unemployed discovered that fraudulent applications had been filed in their names, and identity thieves and other crooks stole as much as \$2 billion from the program meant to help those who lost their jobs and needed the help.

My office received more calls in 2021 about the unemployment programs than any other issue.

Now a report from the Auditor General is revealing just how serious the problems were. This audit is separate from the report issued by the University of Illinois Institute of Government and Public Affairs which I told you about a couple of weeks ago.

According to the Auditor General, IDES failed to adequately keep track of data about claimants for help under the Pandemic Unemployment Assistance program. The lack of accurate data was so bad that even the Auditor General could not get an exact picture of how taxpayer dollars were spent.

The audit found that IDES did a poor job of keeping confidential information secure and did not do a good job of guarding against waste or "unauthorized use" of the funds for the program. Illinois borrowed more than \$4 billion from the federal government to pay unemployment benefits, but only paid back a portion of the debt before it began accumulating interest. A debt of \$1.8 billion remains outstanding.

don't believe there is anything additional they can provide at this time. They do not have regulatory authority over health care or insurance providers, therefore they are directing complaints to the Department of Insurance. The contract in question, which is between a health care provider and an insurance company, is a private contract and not a state contract.

I will continue to work to get some clarity about these important questions and report back to you once information becomes available.

Looking for answers on state employee health plans. Over the past few weeks I have heard from numerous local residents who have questions about changes to insurance coverage for state employees. Much of the concern has centered on patients of some local health care providers and whether they will continue to have access to their physicians under the new plans.

I have reached out to the Illinois Department of Insurance and the Department of Central Management Services for answers as to what their plans are, and what those affected should do. The Department of Insurance regulates insurance companies operating in the state of Illinois, but CMS has responsibility for state employee plans. CMS has replied that they

Update on SOS wait times. This week I spoke with the Secretary of State's office about some long wait times which people in our area have experienced at Driver Services facilities.

To alleviate the wait times, the SOS is advising Illinoisans to conduct business online at ilsos.gov whenever possible. You can use the website for such services as obtaining a duplicate driver's license or ID card, renewing a license plate sticker or purchasing a driver record abstract.

Those who must visit a facility in person are encouraged to make an appointment, either on online or by calling 1-844-817-4649. Tuesdays and Saturdays tend to see the highest customer volume, according to the SOS, so they recommend making in-person visits on other days the facilities are open.

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Look Closely at Open Enrollment Choices

Once again, it's the season for football games and back-to-school activities. And if you work for a medium-size or large employer, it will soon be open enrollment season – the time of year when you can review your employee benefits and make changes as needed. What areas should you focus on?

Actually, it's a good idea to pay close attention to all your benefits. Some of the offerings may have changed from last year — and you might have experienced changes in your own life, too, which might lead you to look for something different from your existing benefits package.

You may want to start with your health insurance. If you're satisfied with your coverage, and it's essentially the same as it's been, you may well want to stick with what you have. However, many employers are increasingly offering high-deductible health plans, which, as the name suggests, could entail more out-of-pocket costs for you. But high-deductible plans may also offer something of benefit: the ability to contribute to a health savings account (HSA). Your HSA contributions are made with pre-tax dollars, so they can reduce your taxable income for the year. Also, your earnings grow tax-free, and your withdrawals are tax-free, provided the money is used for qualified medical expenses. (Withdrawals taken before age 65 that aren't used for qualified medical expenses are taxable and subject to a 20% penalty; once you reach 65, the penalty no longer applies, although withdrawals are still taxable as income if not used for a qualified expense.)

Your next benefit to consider: Life insurance. Your employer may offer a group life insurance plan, but you'll want to evaluate whether it's sufficient for your needs, especially if you've experienced changes in your personal situation over the past year, such as getting married or adding a new child. There's no magic formula for how much life insurance you need — you'll need to consider a variety of factors, such as your income, family size, mortgage and so on — but it may be necessary to supplement your employer's coverage with a private policy.

Your employer may also offer disability insurance as a benefit. Some employers' disability policies are fairly limited, covering only short periods of time, so you may want to consider a private policy.

Beyond the various insurance policies your employer may offer, you'll also want to closely look at your 401(k) or similar retirement plan. Typically, you can make changes to your 401(k) throughout the year, but it's important to make sure your investment selections and contribution amounts are still aligned with your risk tolerance and goals. Also, are you contributing enough to earn your employer's match, if one is offered? And if you've already receiving the match, can you still afford to put in more to your plan if such a move makes sense for you?

Your employee benefits package can be a valuable part of your overall financial strategy. So, as open enrollment season proceeds, take a close look at what you already have, what's being offered, and what changes you need to make. It will be time well spent.

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The Art of Tractor Restoration

by Brandon LaChance

There are beauty restoration projects happening all over the country as you read this article. Some may be by Botox.

Others by construction workers using siding, concrete, and shingles.

And of course, restoration in an automotive shop where fresh paint, new parts, nostalgia, and love are applied.

For Tom Saathoff and Saathoff Paint & Body Shop located at 3346 N 1500 Rd #A in Kempton, restoring tractors is the passion portion of the daily work.

“We always like to have a tractor or two in the shop to fill in between collision work,” said Saathoff, who has been working on tractors and automobiles in Kempton for the last 25 years but has had a wrench in his hand for 45 years. “Working on a tractor is a change from dealing with insurance companies and all of the other stuff behind the scenes of collision work. It’s like anything else, if you do something for so long, you kind of get burnt out on it. Working on tractors is a nice change of pace.

“The mechanical side of it is a little different in terms of the body work and painting. The tractors are put together differently than the newer cars. The newer cars have a lot of plastic and fiberglass. The older tractors are metal. We take them and sandblast them to get rid of all of the old paint. We prime them, repair the dents, and a lot of times we’ll replace gauges, seats, and steering wheels de-

pending on what the customer wants and their budget.”

The body shop can do a little bit of everything as Saathoff and shop mechanic Dustin DeVore also restore antique cars and trucks such as Thunderbirds, Mustangs, and Camaros.

All vehicles bring back memories or special bonds for customers. DeVore and Saathoff know tractors are no different.

“What we’ve found is that a lot of times a tractor has been with a family for several years,” Saathoff said. “Maybe it was grandpa’s first tractor or the first tractor grandpa bought.

“That may have been 50, 60, or 70 years ago and grandpa is gone now. The tractor is still here and the grandson wants to restore it and keep it in the family.”

Recognizing the connection is the special intangible of the process, trying to replicate the look of the tractor is the easy part, while the amount of time to make every paint stroke perfect is where difficulty sets in.

“The paint has improved a lot over the years. We use automotive urethane paint on them and they look better now than what they did when they were new,” Saathoff said. “Restoring tractors is time consuming. As far as the hoods and the fenders, we take apart everything. We don’t just pull them in here, sand them down, and spray them. We don’t separate the engine or any of the mechanical parts, but we take the hood, wheels, and fenders off to redo them.

“I’ve seen tractors where basically what you can see is painted. But we’ll paint the underside of the hood and places you can’t even see.”

Although Saathoff has tractors he’s proud of and shows off on his property, he doesn’t attend many tractor shows unless they’re close.

Traveling can be added to the difficult realm of things in terms of showcasing the shop’s



TOM SAATHOFF and Saathoff Paint & Body have been restoring tractors in Kempton for 25 years, but have 45 total years of experience. Restoring tractors are the passion part of work as they’re fun to work on and family connections are easily found and repainted with every stroke.



work.

“I have a couple of tractors that I’ve restored years ago that I’ll take to local tractor shows,” Saathoff said. “In terms of traveling far to show them, I don’t. We have a show in Cullom that is only a few miles from us. We help sponsor and organize it for the community. I have taken tractors there to add to the show.”

He has driven tractors in Dwight’s Harvest Days Parade, but it has been 10-12 years since his last drive through Dwight.

Saathoff may not be 100 percent committed to showing off his work, but he is all in when he’s in front, underneath, or behind a tractor.

This may not be a motto, but Saathoff has a mentality he goes by at the shop, “We will do a great job or we won’t do the job.”

In other words, he takes pride in making old tractors look brand new while still offering families the same grandpa/grandson like bond

they’ve always had toward their tractor.

“We enjoy doing the tractors for people,” Saathoff said. “We enjoy their reactions when they see the tractor finished. Everyone is thrilled when they’re done.”

Brandon LaChance is a journalist for The Paper. He can be reached at 815-876-7941, blachance20@gmail.com, or on Twitter @LaChanceWriter.

Dwight FFA Harvest Days Tractor Show

The Dwight FFA Harvest Days Tractor Show will take place Sunday, September 25, in downtown Dwight. Tractors will line up on Franklin Street this year, near the intersection of Franklin and Delaware.

Sign-up begins at 7:00 a.m., with all entries registered and in place by 9:00 a.m. Coffee and doughnuts will be provided.

All are welcome to attend and participate in the tractor show. Participants can choose to join the Harvest Days Parade beginning at 12:45 p.m. Instructions will be given at the show for those wishing to drive in the parade.

The tractor show is sponsored by the Dwight FFA and its alumni. For more information, contact Dan Parker at 815-228-4706.



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Illinois Farmland Values Up 18%, May Have Plateaued: Survey

Farmland prices across Illinois have maintained their strength from 2021 with an average increase of 18% over the same period one year ago. However, the peak may have been reached as a flattening in prices paid for farmland in Illinois is expected for the second half of this year.

This is the information coming from the Mid-Year Farmland Values Snapshot Survey sponsored by the Illinois Society of Professional Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers. The group conducts a survey of its members halfway through the year to evaluate trends in farmland prices and cash rents. This information supplements the Society's larger efforts at year-end to document farmland prices and cash rents across Illinois. The survey was done in the first two weeks of August and the results were presented August 31 at the Farm Progress Show being held in Boone, Iowa.

Gary Schnitkey, Ph.D., University of Illinois, and Luke Worrell, AFM, ALC, overall chair of the Society's annual Land Values and Lease Trends program, reported the findings of the survey.

Key points stressed by Worrell included:

- During the first half of 2022, farmland prices rose by 18%. The strong market during the first half of 2022 continues the increasing market from 2021. Survey participants do not expect as large an increase in the second half of 2022.

- Cash rents in 2023 are expected to increase by \$17 per acre on excellent productivity farmland. Lower productivity farmland is projected to have lower increases, with fair productivity having an \$8 per acre projected increase.

- Survey participants expect prices for the 2023 crop to average \$5.60 per bushel for corn and \$13.20 per bushel for soybeans. These prices are a continuation of the strong commodity prices seen since the beginning of 2021.
- Over time, Society members have slowly increased use of variable cash rental arrangement such that 31% of the leases are now variable cash agreements. The slow increase is expected to continue.

Schnitkey noted that the average price increase of 18% occurred across all Illinois and land productivities. He added that over half of those responding to the survey feel that prices have reached a plateau with 56% expecting prices to remain the same during the second half of 2022. Fifteen percent expect prices to decrease between 1% and 3%, while 12% expect similar increases. All expect interest rates to increase in the second half of the year. The group was equally divided in the amount of rate increase being over or less than 1%.

Cash Rents in 2023

Rents are expected to go up

SOMETHING TO SHARE

As harvest approaches, there is an endless list of things to accomplish. It's important to remember that our own health shouldn't take a backseat. The Farm Family Resource Initiative seeks to improve the health and well-being of Illinois farm owners and families by:

- Identifying farm family needs, including mental health needs
- Identifying available resources for farm families
- Creating new resources for farm families
- Developing a network of partners to respond to farm family needs

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in 2023 over 2022 levels with expectations to be \$17 per acre higher for excellent productivity land and \$8 per acre for fair productivity land.

Note: In a normal year, excellent quality farmland averages over 210 bushels of corn per acre with a soil productivity index of 133 or higher, good quality farmland averages between 190 and 210 bushels per acre with a soil productivity index of 117-132, average quality farmland averages between 170 and 190 bushels per acre with a soil productivity index of 100-116 and no irrigation, and fair quality farmland averages below 157 bushels per acre with a soil productivity index under 100.

As to prices paid for corn and soybeans for the 2022 crop, the average across all responses was \$5.60 per bushel for corn and \$13.20 per bushel for soybeans. The expectation is a continuation of strong prices for these commodities.

Other highlights: Wind, Solar, Wheat and Organics

- 40% of the farm managers have at least one farm with an arrangement with a wind company.
- 38% of the respondents manage at least one farm with an agreement with a solar company.
- 33% of farm managers expect some increase in wheat acres, with more managers in southern Illinois expecting increases.
- 33% of the farm managers indicate that there is more interest in converting conventional farmland to organic farming.

Rental Arrangements

Respondents indicate the fol-

lowing use of alternative leases:

- 26% are share rent leases
- 12% are modified share rent leases
- 26% are cash rent leases
- 31% are variable cash rent leases
- 5% are custom farming

There has been a movement to variable cash rent leases among farm managers over time.

- The farm managers see no large changes in rental arrangement use in 2023, but some do expect to see an increase in variable cash lease arrangements.
- The average supplemental rent on a share rent lease is \$35 per acre.

Variable Cash Rent Arrangements

For variable cash rents, the most common cash rent has a base cash rent regardless of prices, yields, or incomes, A bonus payment enters the calculation based on revenue.

- 85% of variable cash rents have a base rent that is paid regardless of prices, yields, or incomes
- 78% have a payment if revenue exceeds specified levels
- 5% have a payment based on revenue where the revenue begins at \$0
- 17% have a payment based on price
- 12% have a payment based on yield
- 3% have costs of production enter the calculations of rent

When yields enter rent calculations, farm yields are used in 90% of the cases. County yields are used in other cases.

When price enters into rent calculations, multiple prices at delivery points are the most common method for arriving at

the price.

- 52% of leases use multiple prices at a local delivery point
- 38% use futures prices
- 5% use actual marketing
- 5% use one price at a delivery point

Crop insurance payments and/or government payments are used in calculating rent payments in 30% of the leases.

When gross revenue is used to calculate a bonus, the average percentage is 35% for corn and 38% for soybeans.

Most respondents are satisfied with the performance of variable cash leases:

- 48% indicate they were very satisfied
- 42% indicate they were satisfied
- 10% indicate they are neutral

Most respondents indicate that variable cash rent arrangements make negotiations easier as compared to fixed cash rent arrangements.

- 20% indicate that negotiations were much easier
- 60% indicate that negotiations were somewhat easier
- 17% indicate that negotiations were about the same
- 3% indicate that negotiations were harder

Most respondents indicated that lease terms do not change every year:

- 20% indicate that every year some terms of the lease change
- 3% indicate that changes occur every other year
- 52% indicate changes occur periodically
- 25% indicated that lease terms seldom change

Farmers Advised to Secure Propane Needs

by Daniel Grant
FarmWeek

Farmers probably shouldn't play the waiting game when it comes to locking in propane supplies for fall grain drying and winter heating needs.

"Farmers should have that conversation as soon as they can with their (propane) supplier so they know how many acres you have and what your harvest plan is," stated Michael Newland, director of agribusiness development for the Propane Education and Research Council (PERC).

Propane prices remain elevated compared to last year, but haven't risen at the rate of other products in the energy sector. Worldwide demand remains strong, with about half of U.S. propane supplies exported, which looks to keep pressure on propane prices.

PERC tracks possible crop-drying demand at its website, propane.com, and looks for a relatively "normal" season in Illinois this fall.

GROWMARK prepared for the season by filling its propane inventory to capacity to smooth out any possible regional supply issues, according to Logan Hansch, agri-finance manager and energy market development specialist for GROWMARK FS Midwest in Manson, Iowa.

GROWMARK FS Midwest is also working with customers to secure supplies for propane, which may reach its highest price point this year since 2014-15.

Meanwhile, farmers interested in switching to propane-powered farm equipment can learn more about incentive programs for that at propane.com, Newland added.



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Trivia Time at Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Dwight, September 18

Emmanuel Lutheran Church of Dwight will be hosting a “Trivia Time” Sunday, September 18, beginning at 2:00 p.m. in their Parish Hall. They invite the community to participate with them. Trivia questions are taken from various sources.

Ticket fee applies per person, and you will be assigned to a table; or you can reserve a table for yourself and five friends for a flat fee. Snacks and prizes are included with your ticket.

Contact Emmanuel Lutheran Church at 815-584-3433 or emmanueldwight@gmail.com to reserve a spot and make payment arrangements.

All ticket proceeds will go to Redeeming Life Outreach Ministry’s Northern Illinois District Expansion – a maternity home for women and children before and after birth. Their mission is to preserve life by serving single pregnant women who lack the support of a loving, caring, Christ-centered home and family. For more information, visit [rlom.org/expansion](#).

Gardner Lions Club News

The Gardner Lions Club has been out of action to do fundraising for some time due to COVID, a lack of members, and money, which has put club activities on hold.

Their new 2022-2023 officers are Pres. Joe Spiezio, VP Grace Mertes, Treas. Mike Engfer, and Secretary Linda Spiezio.

Their club is down to eight members, which doesn’t allow the club to do many things. They hope some new and past members will consider joining. They meet at the Gardner Restaurant on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. For more information, contact Pres. Spiezio at 815-252-8251.

On Saturday, September 17, from 4:00-7:00 p.m., they will be having a Pork Chop Supper at the Gardner American Legion Hall. The supper will include pork chop(s), baked beans, cole slaw, roll, lemonade, iced tea, and bottled water. A fee applies. To-go orders at the door will be filled accordingly (no drink included).

The Lions are still collecting pop can tabs, ink cartridges, hearing aids, and glasses (without the cases). The Old National Bank has a drop-off box.

Their new 1-BK District Governor Irene Leopold was to visit the club September 13 to give them updates on local and international information.

Clove Alliance Hosting 40-Hour Crisis Intervention Training

Clove Alliance, 1440 W. Court St., Kankakee, has announced their next 40-Hour Crisis Intervention Training session for prospective volunteers, professionals, and students.

The 40-hour fall training classes will be held on Mondays (6:00-8:30 p.m.), Wednesdays (6:00-8:30 p.m.), and Saturdays (8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.) October 3 through 23 at their Kankakee office.

Eight of the 40 hours will be independent study.

Anyone who is 18 years of age or older and is interested in making a positive difference in their community through serving local survivors of sexual violence should contact Clove Alliance at [volunteer@clovealliance.org](#).

Read more at [clovealliance.org/volunteer/](#) or text 815-263-9022.

IN THE ELEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT
LIVINGSTON COUNTY, IL

PENNYMAC LOAN SERVICES, LLC,

vs.

DEBRA D. YOUNG A/K/A DEBRA DION YOUNG A/K/A DEBRA YOUNG A/K/A DEBRA CANIZZO; Unknown Heirs and Legatees of JOSEPH M. CANIZZO; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants,

Defendants.

No. 22 FC 35

319 West North Street
Forrest, IL 61741

Judge
Presiding Judge

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO YOU, Debra D. Young a/k/a Debra Canizzo, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Joseph M. Canizzo, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, defendants, that this case has been commenced in this Court against you and other defendants, asking for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit:
BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF BLOCK 2 IN I.J. KRACK’S 2ND ADDITION TO THE VILLAGE OF FORREST, THENCE EAST 77 FEET, THENCE NORTH 132 FEET, THENCE WEST 77 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 132 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.
Commonly known as: 319 West North Street, Forrest, IL 61741 and which said Mortgage was made by,
Joseph M. Canizzo a/k/a Joseph Canizzo a/k/a Joseph Michael Canizzo and Debra D. Young a/k/a Debra Dion Young a/k/a Debra Canizzo a/k/a Debra Young
Mortgagor(s), to
Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. as nominee for Busey Bank
Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Livingston County, Illinois, as Document No. 2018R-04794; and for other relief.
UNLESS YOU file your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case, on or before October 14, 2022, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE COMPLAINT.
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PURSUANT TO THE FAIR DEBT COLLECTION PRACTICES ACT, THE PLAINTIFF’S ATTORNEY IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
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INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RESOURCES COUNSELING SERVICES in Pontiac always gets excited when the calendar flips to September. This month is National Recovery Month, which started in 1989, and is the national observance to promote and support new evidence-based treatment and recovery practices. September sends appreciation to the strong recovery community and the dedication of service providers.

National Recovery Month Part 2

Barnes Reaches Year of Sobriety: 'It Was Like a Breath of Fresh Air'

(continued from page 1)

changes, I didn't have a life to live.”

Barnes is noticing more and more every day that she indeed does have a life to live.

She has recognized what her family means to her and what she means to her family.

The little things in life she didn't notice before, she does. Life events which were viewed as a trigger for drug usage before are now more reasons to remain clean.

“It was phenomenal reaching my year clean. The day I reached one year clean was the same day my divorce was final,” Barnes said. “It was like it was someone giving me a gift. I don't have to deal with the toxicity. I got to wash my hands and block it out of my life completely.”

“It was like a breath of fresh air. Everything that came to me in the last year, everything that could have kicked me down, didn't, and I just kept going. In the last year, I found out I had Hepatitis C and beat it. I have had a miscarriage. I have had three close friends die from an overdose.”

“Because of where I am, I've been able to make it through all of that clean. With my counseling and my friends

and family, I have an army of support.”

Through her recovery, Barnes had a moment or two where she did feel alone.

But quickly, she learned she wasn't and learned anyone who needs help should do exactly that...get help.

“If anyone is trying to get into recovery, they have to understand they're not alone,” Barnes said. “There are so many resources available. You can go anywhere from your local police department and local counseling services to find help.

“Some people are scared. But, it's possible. Those are avenues I've taken to get help.”

Brandon LaChance is a journalist for The Paper. He can be reached at 815-876-7941, [blachance20@gmail.com](#), or on Twitter @LaChanceWriter.

KCC to Host Job Fair September 29

On Thursday, September 29, Kankakee Community College will host a Job Fair from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the KCC College Center.

The event is open to the public. Veterans are encouraged to attend as well. Admission is free.

Employers will conduct pre-screening interviews for full- and part-time positions.

“The pandemic impacted the way we do so many things in our daily lives. Job searching is one of them,” said Cesar Avalos, coordinator of workforce opportunities at KCC.

“Now, more than ever, an in-person job fair is a quintessential way for our students and community to make that one-on-one connection with local employers. Conversely, it is a way for employers to have a conversation with real candidates rather than a resume alone.

If participants need resumes, they are encouraged to visit KCC’s Career Services Center for assistance before the event.

Information and a current list of employers planning to attend the Job Fair are at [kcc.edu/jobfair](#), or phone 815-802-8222. Employers also can sign up for the fair on the job fair webpage.

KCC is located at 100 College Drive in Kankakee.

The Job Fair is sponsored by KCC’s Charlton Family Foundation Career Services Center.

Godley Park District Upcoming Programs, Events

Godley Park District, 500 S. Kankakee St. in Godley, is hosting the following upcoming programs and events:

Lunch Out & About

Join the laughter and fun as they venture to different restaurants. A transportation fee applies (lunch is on your own). All trips depart at 10:30 a.m.

This month, the group will be visiting Cracker Barrel in Bourbonnais Wednesday, September 28. **Register/Pay by Wednesday, September 21. The Original Secret Pantry**

The Original Secret Pantry is free for anyone in any community who may be in need. Located at the Godley Park Barn, on the corner of Kankakee St. and Rt. 129, just across the tracks from The Stumble Inn.

The Secret Pantry is open every Thursday, usually from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Dates and times may vary, depending on availability and when a truck can arrive. For the most up to date information, join ‘The Original Secret Pantry’ group on Facebook.

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 business 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

ASSUMED NAME
PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Sept. 7, 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 The Crimson Fox Boutique & Tanning, located at 125 W. Locust St., Fairbury, IL 61739.

Dated this 7th day of September, 2022.

Kristy A. Masching
Livingston County Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD AT THE VILLAGE OF GARDNER PLANNING & ZONING MEETING ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2022 AT 7:00 P.M. AT VILLAGE HALL OF GARDNER, 302 N. CENTER STREET, GARDNER, ILLINOIS 60424.

THE VILLAGE OF GARDNER PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING AT THE FOREMENTIONED TIME AND PLACE TO CONSIDER WHETHER AN AMENDMENT SHOULD BE MADE TO THE VILLAGE OF GARDNER ZONING CODE TO ALLOW FOR BACKYARD CHICKENS IN R-1 AND R-2 ZONING DISTRICTS.

ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN ATTENDING ARE INVITED TO DO SO AND WILL BE GIVEN AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE HEARD. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON SUCH A REQUEST CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE VILLAGE OF GARDNER AT 302 N. CENTER STREET, GARDNER, ILLINOIS 60424 OR AT 815-237-2592.

PAT MALINOWSKI
VILLAGE CLERK
VILLAGE OF GARDNER

New Materials at Prairie Creek Public Library, Dwight

Board Books

Merry Christmas, Little Pookie by Sandra Boynton.

Picture Books

Octopus Shocktopus by Peter Bently; Antoine’s Tale: An extraordinary shelter dog’s journey by Janet Curran; Sonny Says Sorry! by Caryll Hart; I Am Amazing! by Alissa Holder; Theo Thesaurus: The dinosaur who loved big words by Shelli R. Johannes; My City Speaks by Darren Lebeuf; The Baby-Changing Station by Rhett Miller; The Missing Ball: An Orange Porange Story by Howard Pearlstein; The Night Wild by Zoe Tilley Poster;

Silly Sue: Sign Language for Actions by Dawn Babb Prochovnic; See the Colors: Sign Language for Colors by Dawn Babb Prochovnic; The Best Day in Room A: Sign Language for School Activities by Dawn Babb Prochovnic; The Big Blue Bowl: Sign Language for Food by Dawn Babb Prochovnic; Famous Fenton Has a Farm: Sign Language for Farm Animals by Dawn Babb Prochovnic; The Nest Where I Rest: Sign Language for Animals by Dawn Babb Prochovnic; Wear a Silly Hat: (more new materials appear online at [thepaper1901.com](#))

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

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

We welcome your thoughts.

NOTICE

Prairie Creek Public Library District Secretary, Susan Strickland, announces that petitions for the April 4, 2023 Consolidated Election will be available at the Prairie Creek Public Library district for the following trustee positions

three full 6-year terms
two unexpired 4-year terms

The first day to circulate petitions for the April 4, 2023 Consolidated Election is Tuesday, September 20, 2022. Filing dates will be December 12, 2022 – December 19, 2022 with the deadline for filing petitions being 5:00 p.m. on December 19, 2022.

Prairie Creek Public Library District is located at 501 Carriage House Lane in Dwight, IL. The Library’s hours are as follows:

Monday 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday 11:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Friday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Sunday - Closed -

If you have any questions or would like more information, please call Library Director, Sherrie Rhodes, at (815) 584-3061.

OBITUARIES

Richard Sparrow

Richard Sparrow, age 79, of Dwight, Illinois passed away peacefully, surrounded by his family, at 5:46 p.m., Friday, September 9, 2022, at Morris Hospital in Morris, Illinois.



Funeral services will be at 11 a.m., Thursday, September 15, 2022 at Hager Memorial Home in Dwight, Illinois.

Visitation will be on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 from 4 until 7 p.m., also at Hager Memorial Home.

Private family burial will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in honor of Richard may be made to the Prairie Creek Public Library, the Wounded Warrior Project, or the Tunnels to Towers Foundation.

Hager Memorial Home in Dwight is in charge of arrangements.

Richard was born February 13, 1943 in Streator, Illinois, the son of Wendell and Thalia (Scott) Sparrow. He married his High School sweetheart, Sheryl Frazier, on June 17, 1962 in the First Congregational Church of Dwight and recently celebrated 60 years of marriage. She survives in Dwight.

Also surviving are children: (Michele) Sparrow, Rick (Jeanene) Sparrow, and Laurie (Mike) Turner; grandchildren: Ty Sparrow, Hayley Sparrow, and Cody

Sparrow, all of Dwight; his best friend, John “Richard” Spaulding, and wife, Diana, of California; sister - in - law, Carole Frazier of Shorewood, Illinois; many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Andy Sparrow; sisters - in - law: Marsha Sparrow and Marilyn Rygh; brothers - in - law: Chuck Frazier and John Rygh; and a brother in infancy.

Richard worked for many years at RR Donnelley and Sons, and traveled to numerous countries while on the job, allowing him and Sheryl to see: Poland, Chile and China, to name a few.

Richard loved to read and was an avid fisherman. He also fell in love with the game of golf, later in life. After retiring, he and Sheryl spent the winter months in Yuma, Arizona, and met many lifelong friends while doing so.

He loved spending his weekends with his buddies, Gerry and Jack, at the Route 66 historical gas station, spreading his wisdom and knowledge to all the travelers who stopped in.

Richard was definitely one of a kind and will be greatly missed by all who knew him, or as he would say, “well, almost all.”

Condolences may be left at www.calvertmemorial.com

Juanita F. ‘Nita’ Miller

Juanita F. “Nita” Miller, 88, of Cullom, Illinois died Wednesday, August 31, 2022 at Everglow Lodge, Pontiac, Illinois.

Cremation rites were accorded and a memorial service held on Friday, September 9, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. in St. John’s Lutheran Church, Cullom, Illinois. Rev. Gabe Baumgardner officiated.

A visitation was held from 9:30 a.m. until the hour of services at the church.

Inurnment: West Lawn Cemetery, Cullom.

Memorials in Juanita’s name may be made to the family’s wishes.

Calvert & Martin Funeral Home, Cullom, handled the arrangements.

Juanita was born May 13, 1934 in Adamsville, Ohio, a daughter of Dwight and Helen (Kemp) Green. She married Eldon W. “Smiley” Miller on January 22, 1955. He preceded her in death on October 5, 2014.

Survivors include one son, Kim (Brenda) Miller of Cullom, Illinois and one daughter,



Sue (Jim) Brandt of Kankakee, Illinois; four grandchildren: Jimmy Brandt, Devan (Kaitlyn) Hindman, Kayleigh Miller and Mark Miller; three great-grandchildren: Allie, Annie and Archer Hindman;

and sisters-in-law: Jean Green, Alberta Adreon, and Joanne (Gene) Ressler.

Juanita was preceded in death by her husband, Eldon “Smiley” Miller; her parents; grandparents; and one brother, Gene “Beno” Green.

Juanita was a graduate of Kempton High School. She was employed at Cullom National Bank, and later was a bookkeeper of Miller Plumbing & Heating in Cullom.

She was a member of the Cullom American Legion Auxiliary, Den Mother Pack 88, Lydia Circle of St. John’s Lutheran Church, a Coffee Club that lasted for decades, and St. John’s Lutheran Church in Cullom.

This obituary may be viewed and guestbook signed at www.calvertmemorial.com

Marceline M. Herb

Marceline M. Herb of Dwight, Illinois and formerly of Campus, Illinois passed away at 2:55 p.m., Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at Heritage Health in Dwight, Illinois.



Cremation rites were accorded and a private family graveside service will be held at a later date in Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, Illinois.

Memorials in Marceline’s name may be made to the Uplifted Care of Bourbonnais, Illinois.

Hager Memorial Home in Dwight is handling arrangements.

Marceline was born May 1, 1929 in Cabery, Illinois, a daughter of Albert and Marie (Stickle) Roggenburg. She married Carl Herb September 30, 1950 in Cabery, Illinois. He passed away April 3, 2020.

Surviving are one brother-in-law, Bob (Darlene) Herb of Lemont, Illinois; one sister-in-law, Shirley Roggenburg of Cabery; nephews, Rob (Susie) Roggenburg of Reddick, Illi-

nois; Rick (Faith) Roggenburg of Kankakee; Rob (Carrie) Herb of Hawaii; and niece, Melonie (Tony) Terasas of Lemont, Illinois.

Marceline was preceded in death by her parents; brother, Bob Roggenburg; and one sister-in-law, Betty Herb.

Marceline loved to travel and was a meticulous planner of family vacations. She traveled all over the United States and the World, often taking her mother and high school friends with her. She was a talented artist and made personalized holiday cards.

She worked program analysis for the federal government from 1952 to 1985. She graduated from Reddick High School in 1947. She was a member of the Cabery, Illinois United Methodist Church. She achieved many awards during her time working for the military.

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Milo Veigelt

Milo Veigelt, age 92, of Wilmetton, Illinois passed away peacefully Sunday, September 4, 2022 at his home.



He was born March 29, 1930 in Chicago, Illinois to the late Otto and Rose (nee Chodl) Veigelt.

A veteran of the United States Army, Milo was raised on a farm and continued farming within the Will County Area his entire life. He began employment for Caterpillar, Inc. in 1955, retiring in 1986 after 30 years of employment.

For 10 years he also worked for the Department of Natural Resources, covering areas such as the Pheasant Raising Farm, Des Plaines Conservation Area, and Mazonia.

He was a proud volunteer at Morris Hospital within the transportation department, serving as bus driver. Milo thoroughly enjoyed traveling all 50 states and the world with his wife, Beverly, until her passing in 2000.

Surviving are three children: Debi (Rick) Schorie of Joliet, Illinois; Dennis (Laura) Veigelt of Corinth, Mississippi; and Denise (Craig) Kasher of Braidwood, Illinois; 10 grandchildren: Matthew Veigelt, Ashley Veigelt, Devin (Steve) Esparza, Dustin (Christina) Veigelt, David (fiance, Kady Sassenger), Brian (Tahleatha) Kasher, Kevin (Sehar Masood) Kasher, Kathy Kasher, Jeff (Katie Belcher) Miller, and David (fiance,

ter-in-law, Juanita (the late Ric) Veigelt of Plainfield, Illinois; sister-in-law, Roxanne (the late Ronald) Hooper of Essex, Illinois; and numerous nieces, nephews, and their families.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Otto and Rose; beloved wife of 47 years, Beverly Rae (nee Hooper) Veigelt, whom he married June 20, 1953 at the United Methodist Church in Essex; one son, Ric Veigelt (7/18/2019); and one brother, Otto (Gladys) Veigelt.

A special thank you to the Whistle Stop Cafe family in Diamond.

Visitation for Milo was at the R. W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory, Braidwood, Friday, September 9, 2022 from 4 until 8 p.m.

Funeral services were at the funeral home Saturday, September 10, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Interment followed in Oakwood Cemetery, Braidwood.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the family would be appreciated to be dispersed to Milo’s favorite charities.

For more information and to visit his online guestbook, please log on to: www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com or find us on Facebook.

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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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Baseball Rules!

I think sometime this summer I wrote about the new MLB rules that were being talked about and run as tests in the minor leagues. As fate would have it, some of them have been approved by the competition committee. (I also learned that Chicago Cub, Ian Happ is a player’s representative for this committee.)

The biggest one that I saw getting praise by general baseball enthusiasts online was the pitch clock being implemented. There will now be a 15-second time-frame from which the pitcher must throw the next pitch after receiving the ball. I don’t have the exact numbers in front of me, but from how they used it in the minor leagues it cut into the overall game time fairly significantly – moving the game along a little bit quicker.

Piggybacking off of that one, pitchers can now only throw over to first 2 times in a given at bat. The first big question is, well can’t the runner just walk to 2nd or 3rd base after the 2nd attempt? Not quite, the pitcher is still allowed a third attempt but if they throw over they must get the runner out or it’s treated as a balk and the runner gets 2nd. This is a two pronged thing, it speeds the game up, and it encourages runners to try to steal bases, which have fallen in the last few years.

The third thing is simply on-the-field play change. They are “banning” the shift. Teams will only be allowed to have two infielders on each side of second base. Those two fielders must also be standing in the dirt when the pitch is thrown.

I personally didn’t care too much either one way or the other about if the shift stays or goes, but I do think it will allow some more base hits to work their way into the ethos, and I think that as a whole, it is good for baseball. More on-field action is better.

I think all of these will be net positives for baseball and I’m excited to see them implemented. Hopefully the Cubs will be more watchable!

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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



ST. PATRICK PARISH in Dwight recognized first responders at Mass September 11. Pictured, from left, are Lt. Daniel Villalejo, Trevor Wood, Nick Pavesa, Kelsey Christensen, and Father Chris Haake of St. Patrick Church.

COVID-19 Updates in Livingston County

The Livingston County Health Department (LCHD) now has the newly-approved Moderna and Pfizer COVID-19 bivalent boosters available.

This new booster targets multiple variants of the virus, including Omicron BA.4 and BA.5, in addition to the original COVID-19 variant.

In order to be considered up-to-date with COVID-19 vaccinations, eligible individuals must have the new bivalent booster. Moderna is eligible to people ages 18 and older, while Pfizer is available to ages 12 and older, so long as they have

completed at least their primary series (first two doses) and it has been two months since their last dose. If a person received one or two boosters already, they should still receive the bivalent booster two months after their last dose. Children ages five to 11 who have received the Pfizer primary series should also receive a monovalent (original) booster five months after their primary series. All other individuals ages 11 and younger are not eligible for a booster at this time.

Families are welcome to visit the LCHD (310 E. Tor-

rance Ave., Pontiac) for their COVID-19 vaccinations on **Mondays from 8:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.** Appointments are strongly encouraged and may be scheduled by visiting their website, lchd.us.

Vaccination continues to be the best way to protect yourself and others. Moderna and Pfizer are both available free of charge, including pediatric doses. All children must be accompanied by a legal guardian. Adults must have their driver's license/state ID, as well as their vaccination card for all doses except the first. Masks must be worn when interacting with LCHD staff. For those with limited mobility, vaccination may be facilitated at your vehicle.

Allston Latimer Receives National Rural and Small Town Recognition



Allston Latimer

Gardner-South Wilmington High School student Allston Latimer, son of Steve and Tammy Latimer, has been recognized in a National Rural and Small Town Recognition Program through College Board.

This award is given to students who took the PSAT/NMSQT. Students must have a 3.5 grade point average or higher, be a United States citizen, and attend a small rural area or small town.

Students are eligible for this if they are in the top 10% of their class.



MARIA AND LUAN AHMEDI, owners of Old Route 66 Family Restaurant in Dwight, prepare for taping of an upcoming TV segment of Destination Chicago. The restaurant was chosen by CBS to be featured on the show which highlights restaurants in Chicago, suburbs, and surrounding communities. Production took place Wednesday, Sept. 7 at the restaurant.



Featured Business of the Week!

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Village of Dwight, Illinois
Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Plan and Project
For the Proposed TIF Redevelopment Project Area No. 3

The Village of Dwight is considering adopting a Redevelopment Plan and Project for the proposed Redevelopment Project Area No. 3 ("Project Area") using tax increment financing ("TIF") pursuant to the Illinois Tax Increment Allocation Redevelopment Act (65 ILCS 5/11-74.4-1 et seq.). The area being considered for designation as a TIF Project Area is located southwest of Historic U.S. 66 and Route 47. Spencer Street on the south, North 2650 Road E on the west comprise the other two boundaries. A single parcel in the borders of Grundy County immediately northeast of Historic U.S. 66 and Route 47 intersection is also included. A map of this proposed Project Area is available for review at the office of the City Clerk located at the Village Hall.

This notice also includes the following information:

- The Village will hold a public hearing concerning the TIF Redevelopment Project Area No. 3 on **October 10, 2022**, at Village Hall, 209 S. Prairie Ave. Dwight, IL, 60420, at 6 P.M.
- In order to implement the proposed activities, the Proposed Redevelopment Plan and Project must be adopted.
- The boundaries of the Project Area are described as follows: THAT PART OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN IN THE VILLAGE OF DWIGHT, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS LYING NORTH OF THE NEW YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY AND SOUTH OF THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF U.S. ROUTE 66 (EXCEPT WEST 80 ACRES THEREOF); AND THAT PART OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 3, TOWNSHIP 30 NORTH, RANGE 7 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, LIVINGSTON COUNTY, ILLINOIS, LYING NORTH OF THE NEW YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAY, NORTH AND WEST OF STATE HIGHWAY NUMBER 47 RIGHT OF WAY AND SOUTH OF U.S. HIGHWAY NUMBER 66 RIGHT OF WAY, EXCEPT THAT PORTION THEREOF CONVEYED TO THE STATE OF ILLINOIS BY DEED DATED MAY 15, 1968 AND RECORDED MAY 28, 1968 IN BOOK 315 AT PAGE 498 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 329405 AND BY DEED RECORDED JUNE 23, 1992 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 454103;
- The Redevelopment Plan and Project for the Project Area provides incentives for TIF eligible activities to facilitate reinvestment on the part of private enterprise. A copy of the Redevelopment Plan, which includes the basis for eligibility of the Project Area, is available for public inspection at the Village Clerk's office located at the Dwight Village Hall.
- All interested persons will be given an opportunity to be heard at the public hearing.

We are interested in any comments you may have regarding this proposed TIF program.

Whitney M. Scott, Village Clerk

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Welcome, New Teachers!!

Dwight Common School



Sarah Sancken
Kindergarten
My name is Sarah Sancken and I am the new kindergarten teacher at Dwight Common School. This is my 11th year of teaching kindergarten. I previously taught kindergarten in Gardner for 10 years. I am originally from Belleville, and I graduated from Illinois State University with a bachelors in Early Childhood Education and a Special Education endorsement. I moved to Dwight in 2012 and have lived in the community ever since. Dwight is where I met my husband and where we are raising our two young boys. I am looking forward to a wonderful year in kindergarten here in Dwight and many more years to come.



Leanne Soppe
1st Grade
My name is Leanne Soppe and I am the new 1st grade teacher at Dwight Common School. I am from Benton, Wisconsin and attended the University of Wisconsin-Platteville in Elementary Education. This is my first year teaching so I am very excited for this school year. I am looking forward to being a part of the Redbirds Team!



Sarah Jones
2nd Grade
My name is Sarah Jones. I was born, raised, and choose to raise my family around the area. I graduated from the University of St. Francis in 2014. Right after college I was hired by Dwight Common School as a 3rd grade teacher. I continued my career in Dwight through the 2020-2021 school year after teaching 4th, 1st, and 2nd grade. I am thrilled to be back after only a year away. Over the year I realized that Dwight Common School is where I wanted to be. The community, staff, parents, and students in Dwight make my job as a teacher enjoyable and worth every minute. Dwight Schools have a positive vibe and make even a stranger feel welcomed. It's so nice to see so many familiar faces along with many new and eager staff members ready to make educating the youth of Dwight our top priority!



Dakota Irvine
4th Grade
Hello! My name is Dakota Irvine and I am so excited to be back teaching in my hometown. I have been in Dwight my entire life. I graduated from DTHS in 2018. I then contin-

ued my education at Olivet Nazarene University in Bourbonnais where I pursued a degree in Elementary Education and finished in May of 2022. I am currently teaching 4th grade here in Dwight and I also get the added bonus of being the head 6th grade volleyball coach. I am so excited for this school year and I am honored to be able to give back to our community and work with the best students and staff around!



Kathryn Crouch
5th Grade
I'm Katie Crouch and I teach fifth grade at Dwight Common School. I grew up here in Dwight and attended DGS and graduated from DTHS in 2001. After high school I attended Joliet Junior College and later attended Western Governors University. I previously worked as a paraprofessional at DTHS and then taught kindergarten and first grade at Tri-Point. I am happy to be back in my hometown with the opportunity to work

with fifth graders! I live in Emington with my husband, Kevin, and our two children. Dylan is a sophomore at DTHS and Avery is a seventh grader at DCS.



Amy Veselak
3rd/4th Special Education
My name is Amy Veselak and this is my 12th year teaching. Growing up I lived in Mazon and went to high school in Seneca. After graduating from Illinois State University in 2005, I officially moved to Bloomington. While in Bloomington I met and married my husband Daniel Veselak. I taught at LCSSU for 3 years and then taught at Normal Community High School for 8 years. We have three sons in grades 5th, 2nd, and kindergarten. We are all very excited about moving closer to family here in Dwight and starting at our new school.



Maggie Donovan
PE
I am Mrs. Maggie Donovan and I am so excited to be the new PE teacher for Dwight Common School! The past nine years I worked as a special education paraprofessional in the junior high here. During those years, I mainly worked in the 7th grade classrooms. I love being a part of the Redbird family and am excited I get to continue it in my new role! This year will be a decade working in Dwight for me. I live in Chenoa with my family (husband Ryne, daughter Lexi, son Brayden, and dog Bayley). My daughter is in 7th grade and my son is in 5th grade at Prairie Central. I like to spend my spare time with my family. We enjoy going on bike rides around town or playing badminton or wiffle ball in our backyard together. I also like to run and work out at the gym. I participate in many 5k races in the area including the Harvest Days 5k! I challenged my jun-

ior high classes to sign up as well! Again, I am excited to continue my career in Dwight and I look forward to getting to know everyone more as the school year progresses!



Steven Mann
PE
My name is Mr. Mann, and I am excited to be the long-term substitute PE teacher for this upcoming school year at Dwight Common School! This is my 5th year in education, but this is my first time teaching outside of the typical classroom setting. I am looking forward to all of the new aspects of teaching PE that I haven't experienced before. Growing up in Dwight, it's great to come back to my old school and once again be a part of the Redbird family.



GCHH 2022 Shop with a Hero Event Applications Now Available

Non-profit Grundy County Heroes & Helpers, INC. 2022 Shop with a Hero holiday event applications are now available online at gchhinc.org. Families with children ages four to 15, who reside in Grundy County and who have experienced a hardship this calendar year, are encouraged to apply.

Applications are due November 25. Shop with a Hero is a one-day event taking place December 10, where children are matched with a local hero: fire, deputy, police officer, and EMS; and taken on a shopping spree to Wal-Mart for clothes, shoes, coats and other necessities. The children are then treated to a holiday celebration that includes a visit from Santa, food, and toys that have been donated throughout the year.

"This event is what we fund-raise for all year, it is such a special day to see the kids interacting with our heroes," said

GCHH's president, Wendy Briley. "It is all about celebration and positive interaction with our first responders while having the ability to bless families who have been through a difficult time. Last year, we were able to serve 120 children."

GCHH will continue their fund-raising efforts over the next couple of months leading up to the Shop with a Hero event. For more information regarding applications, or to learn more on how to get involved, e-mail info@gchhinc.org or call 815-200-6957.

Grundy County Heroes & Helpers Inc is a charitable 501(c)(3) organization that consists of First Responders, their families, and community volunteers who dedicate their time to help less fortunate children in Grundy County. All funds raised during the year go towards the annual "Shop with a Local Hero" event in December.

Historic Dwight Depot Open During Harvest Days

The Historic Depot in downtown Dwight will be open during the 2022 Dwight Harvest Days festivities, on the following dates:

- Saturday, September 24, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- Sunday, September 25, 10:00 a.m. to noon.

Hines VA Outreach Team in Gardner September 19

The Edward Hines VA Hospital Outreach Team and the Grundy County Veterans Assistance Commission, with the support of the Community Foundation of Grundy County, will be available to answer questions and provide information about a variety of veterans benefits Monday, September 19, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Community Foundation South Resource Center, 229 Liberty St. in Gardner.

This event is free and open to all area veterans. No registration is required. Take a copy of your DD214 and a photo ID. If you do not have a copy of your DD214, the Grundy County VAC can assist you with getting one. If you are unable to attend an outreach event, you can contact the Grundy County VAC office at 815-941-3152 or vac@grundycountyil.gov for more information.

Regional Trans. Committee Meeting – Region 3 – Sept. 23

The next Human Services Transportation Plan (HSTP) – Region 3 – Transportation Committee Meeting (Bureau, DeKalb, Grundy, Kendall, LaSalle, Lee, Ogle, and Putnam Counties) will be held Friday, September 23, at 10:00 a.m. at Mendota Moose Lodge, 211 East 12th Street, Mendota. Individuals with an interest in public transportation are strongly encouraged to attend, especially human service organ-

izations serving individuals who use public transportation. If you would like further information, contact hstp@ncicg.org or call 815-433-5830. If anyone in the public would like to attend the meeting remotely for public comment, they will make this available to the public via Zoom. Meeting ID: 891 8525 7486; Passcode: 580399. Or call in at 312-626-6799 using the same meeting ID.

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Upcoming Programs at Fossil Ridge Public Library, Braidwood

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

Adult Programs

- **Tuesday, September 20: Cook the Book (Registration Required), 6:00-7:00 p.m.** Month's Selection: Gooseberry Patch 5-Ingredient Family Favorites. Go get the taste of home you've been missing. This month, their cook-book-meets-potluck members are cooking what their momma gave them from the Gooseberry Patch 5-Ingredient Family Favorites book
- **Wednesday, September 21: Artisan's Corner, 5:00-7:00 p.m.** Join once a month – take your current craft project and chat with fellow crafters as you make progress on your project.
- **Thursday, September 22: Radio Players, 6:00-8:00 p.m.** Return to the bygone days of radio

when Radio Players present comedy and drama programs based on original scripts from the 1930's to 50's.

Teen Programs

- **Saturday, September 17: Horseback Riding (Registration Required), 12:00-4:00 p.m. at 6171 N. 5000W, Bourbonnais (Ages 13-18).** Learn from a professional how to care for and ride a horse. All participants must sign a waiver before attending.
- **Child Programs**
- **Thursday, September 15: Kids Can Cook (Registration Required), 5:30-7:00 p.m.** This instructor-led program introduces children to the basic skills of food preparation and cooking, while also teaching children the joys of cooking nutritious and delicious food. Children in 1st-5th grades. 20 children maximum.
- **Saturday, September 17:**

STEM Saturday – Cloud in a jar (Registration Required), 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Clouds are water droplets formed from condensed water vapor that attaches to particles in the air. This activity requires simple materials. Children will learn about the water cycle, conservation, how rain is made or weather in general.

- **Monday, September 19: Pajama Storytime (Registration Required), 6:00-6:30 p.m. (Ages 3 and up).** Join each month in your favorite pair of comfy pajamas as they enjoy stories and learn about a different topic each month. After reading stories, they will create a craft to take home, as well as enjoy some yummy treats.

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Morris Hospital Auxiliary Golf Outing to Support Patient Transportation

The Morris Hospital Auxiliary will host its annual Golf Outing Monday, September 26, at the Morris Country Club, 2615 U.S. Route 6 in Morris, with all proceeds benefitting the Morris Hospital Patient Transportation and LifeLine® programs. Guests are invited to play golf, purchase dinner tickets, or participate in the helicopter golf ball drop for a chance to win a \$1,000 cash prize.

Activities will begin with golfer check-in and lunch from 11:00 a.m. to noon. A fee applies for 18 holes of golf, lunch and dinner, with a discounted price for a foursome.

Non-golfers are invited to support the event by purchasing tickets for a carry-out dinner featuring pulled pork, roasted potatoes, cole slaw, corn, rolls and butter, and

dessert. Dinner food will be available starting at 5:00 p.m. Depending on the Grundy County COVID risk level at the time of the outing. Updates will be posted on the hospital website and Facebook page.

Anyone can support the cause by purchasing a chance in the helicopter ball drop that will take place at 5:30 p.m. when Kendall Copters will drop approximately 200 numbered golf balls from the helicopter onto the fairway over hole 1. The person who purchases the ball that lands closest to or in the hole will win a \$1,000 cash prize. Participants need not be present to win.

The Auxiliary Golf Outing has been supporting the Patient Transportation and Lifeline services for over 20 years. The landmark Patient Transportation service has provided com-

munity members more than 240,000 trips to and from medical appointments. While the Patient Transportation service makes healthcare accessible to patients who may be unable to drive or have limited mobility, Lifeline® is an emergency response system that provides instant access to emergency assistance and peace-of-mind for individuals who live alone.

The Auxiliary asks those who are planning to attend the event to monitor their health and refrain from attending in person should they develop symptoms or have a known exposure to COVID-19.

To make reservations for golf or to purchase tickets for the dinner and helicopter ball drop, go to morrishospital.org/golf or call the Auxiliary Office at 815-705-7002.

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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
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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Tax Rebate Payments Begin for Millions of Illinoisans

CHICAGO - Income and property tax rebates will begin being sent to an estimated six million qualified taxpayers beginning Monday, September 12. The rebates are the result of the Illinois Family Relief Plan, which also provided grocery, gas, and school supply tax savings in addition to the direct payments.

The rebate payments, which will take at least eight weeks to be issued in total, will be sent automatically to Illinois residents who filed 2021 state income taxes and claimed a property tax credit. Those who have not filed can still access the rebates after completing additional filing.

Individuals who made less than \$200,000 in 2021 and are not claimed as a dependent on another return will receive \$50 rebates. Couples filing jointly with incomes under \$400,000 will receive \$100. Tax return filers will also receive \$100 per dependent they claimed on their 2021 taxes, up to three dependents.

"If direct deposit was used, the rebates will be deposited directly into taxpayers' accounts," said Illinois Department of Revenue (IDOR) Director David Harris. "If there was no refund or a paper refund was issued, the rebate will be mailed to the address on file. Taxpayers who did not receive a refund directly from the state of Illinois,

such as those who received an advancement of their refund from their preparer, will receive a paper rebate check mailed to the address on file."

The State of Illinois is also providing property tax rebates for eligible homeowners in an amount equal to the property tax credit they qualified for on their 2021 returns, up to a maximum of \$300. The rebate is not allowed if a taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the taxable year exceeds \$500,000 for returns with a federal filing status of married filing jointly, or \$250,000 for all other returns.

IDOR will certify the list of eligible taxpayers and the rebates will be issued by the Comptroller's Office. Though the 2021 tax deadline was April 18, all qualified income tax filers who file on or before October 17, 2022 will be eligible for rebate payments.

More details about how to claim rebate checks:

For those who have filed state income taxes and claimed a property tax credit for 2021 and are not claimed as a dependent on another return, nothing additional is needed to receive the property and income tax rebates. Payments will be automatic.

Taxpayers who did not file or are not required to file their 2021 IL-1040 individual income tax returns but want to only claim the individual income tax rebate must file Form

IL-1040, including Schedule IL-E/EIC, Illinois Exemption and Earned Income Credit, to report any eligible dependents.

Taxpayers who did not file or are not required to file their 2021 IL-1040 individual income tax returns but want to claim both the property tax and individual income tax rebates must file Form IL-1040, including Schedule ICR, Illinois Credits, and Schedule IL-E/EIC, Illinois Exemption and Earned Income Credit, to report any eligible dependents.

Taxpayers who only want to claim the property tax rebate or did not report their property tax information on their 2021 IL-1040 individual income tax return have the option to fill out Form IL-1040-PTR either electronically, or by filling out a paper form and mailing it to IDOR. Form IL-1040-PTR, the Property Tax Rebate Form, is available on IDOR's website at tax.illinois.gov/rebates.

Taxpayers eligible for both rebates will receive one payment. Rebates will be sent automatically using the same method original refunds were transmitted if they were sent directly to the taxpayer by the State of Illinois.

For additional rebate resources or to check on the status of a rebate, taxpayers may visit tax.illinois.gov/rebates. Taxpayer representatives can also provide assistance at 1-800-732-8866 or 217-782-3336.

Under the Illinois Family Relief Plan passed by the Illinois House and Senate, one-time individual income and property

tax rebates will be issued to taxpayers who meet certain requirements.

You may be eligible to receive one or both of these rebates, which are expected to begin being issued the week of September 12.

2022 State of Illinois Tax Rebates

Under the Illinois Family Relief Plan* passed by the Illinois House and Senate, one-time individual income and property tax rebates will be issued to taxpayers who meet certain income requirements.

You may be eligible to receive one or both of the following rebates, which are expected to begin being issued the week of September 12.

Individual Income Tax Rebate

How much is the rebate?

- If filing as a single person, your rebate amount is \$50.
- If filing as a couple (married filing jointly), your rebate amount is \$100 (\$50 per person).
- If filing with dependents, you will receive an additional rebate amount of up to \$300 (\$100 per dependent, with a maximum of three).

You qualify if:

- You are an Illinois resident and have filed a 2021 Form IL-1040; and
- Your adjusted gross income on your 2021 Form IL-1040 is under \$400,000 (if filing jointly) or under \$200,000 (if filing as a single person).

Property Tax Rebate

How much is the rebate?

Your rebate amount is equal to the property tax credit you were qualified to claim on your 2021 IL-1040 (up to a maximum of \$300).

You qualify if:

- You are an Illinois resident, and you paid Illinois property taxes in 2021 on your primary residence in 2020; and
- Your adjusted gross income on your 2021 Form IL-1040 is \$500,000 or less (if filing jointly) or \$250,000 or less (if filing as a single person).

New Books, DVDs at Odell Library

Adult Fiction

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Men by Spencer Quinn; Outsider by Linda Castillo; A Private Cathedral by James Lee Burke; Royal by Danielle Steel; The Silent Wife by Karin Slaughter; What Alice Forgot by Liane Moriarty; What You Wish For by Katherine Center; Whirlwind by Janet Dailey.

DVD

1619: Up from Slavery; Belgravia; Capone; Deadwater Fell; Dirt Music; The Etruscan Smile; Fisherman's Friends; Ghosts of War; I Am Legend; Judy & Punch; The Kids Are All Right; Legacy of Lies; Marriage Story; Military Wives; The Outpost; The Quarry; The Queen at War; Robert the Bruce; Survive the Night; Three Christs; Valley of the Gods; Waiting for the Barbarians.

Large Print

Gone with the Whisker by Laurie Ciss; The Safety Net by Andrea Camilleri.

Young Adult

Midnight Sun by Stephenie Meyer; Rebel Spy by Veronica Rossi.

Adult Nonfiction

The Cow: A Tribute by Werner Lampert; Dirt by Bill Buford; En-

gaging Your Teen's World by David Eaton; The Letters of Ernest Hemingway by Sandra Spanier; A Most Beautiful Thing by Arshay Cooper; Return from Siberia by John Shallman; Signs by Laura Lynne Jackson; Tombstone by Tom Clavin.

Audiobooks

The Christmas Wish by Nora Roberts; Christmas with You by Nora Roberts; Daughters of the Bride by Susan Mallery; The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot; A Million Little Things by Susan Mallery; Summer Days by Susan Mallery.

Easy/Juvenile

Green on Green by Dianne White; The Little Kitten by Nicola Killen; Mother Jones by Jonah Winter; Randy, the Beautiful Horse by T.L. McBeth; The Secret Life of Trees by Moira Butterfield; The Unicorn Came to Dinner by Lauren DeStefano; War Stories by Gordon Korman; Warrior Dog by Will Chesney; What a Masterpiece! by Riccardo Guasco; When Pencil Met the Markers by Karen Kilpatrick.

Join Riverside in Celebrating Primary Care Month

Having a trusted provider to keep you and your family on track with well visits, screenings, and more, allows you to relax and enjoy life's special moments.

Join Riverside in the celebration of Primary Care Month during the entire month of September.

Kankakee Farmers Market
Saturday, September 19
9:00 a.m.

Riverside will be at the Kankakee Farmers Market with WVLI doing a radio remote including spin wheel giveaways and information on Riverside primary care.

Public Health Event – Managing Diabetes: A Guide for Better Health

Tuesday, September 20
6:00-7:00 p.m.

Primary care provider Elizabeth Deck, DNP, FNP-BC, CDE discusses managing dia-

betes for a healthier life.

This event will be held at the Riverside Health Fitness Center. There is no cost to attend. Refreshments will be served. Attendees will have the chance to enter into a drawing for a free one-year Riverside Health Fitness Center membership and a Dick's Sporting Goods gift card.

To register, visit riversidehealthcare.org/events.

Podcast Palooza
Friday, September 30
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Stop by the Riverside Pavilion where there will be 10 different Well Within Reach podcast episodes recorded live throughout the day by Riverside providers.

For more information about Primary Care Month, finding a provider, and annual screenings, visit riversidehealthcare.org/primarycare.

September is National Food Safety Education Month

The food supply in the United States is among the safest in the world. However, when certain disease-causing bacteria or pathogens contaminate food, they can cause foodborne illness, often called "food poisoning." The Federal government estimates that there are about 48 million cases of foodborne illness annually – the equivalent of sickening one in six Americans each year.

Know the Symptoms

Consuming dangerous foodborne bacteria will usually cause illness within one to three days of eating the contaminated food. However, sickness can also occur within 20 minutes or up to six weeks later. Symptoms of foodborne illness can include: vomiting, diarrhea, and abdominal pain – and flu-like symptoms, such as fever, headache, and body ache.

Handle Foods Safely

Although most healthy people will recover from a foodborne illness within a short period of time, some can develop chronic, severe, or even life-threatening health problems. To keep your family safer from food poisoning, follow these four simple steps: **clean, separate, cook, and chill.**

Clean - Wash hands and surfaces often

Separate - Separate raw meats from other foods

Cook - Cook to the right temperature

Chill - Refrigerate foods promptly

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DTHS/GSW TROJANS CROSS COUNTRY

Monday, August 29
Dwight at Morris
Dwight's Cross Country team competed in its opening meet at Morris High School August 29. "The runners went into their races with a positive attitude and finished with much improved times from the 2021 meet," said Coach Larry Lane.

Freshman Brooklynn Todd ran 18:02 for her introduction into high school distance running, in which she passed with flying colors.

Xander Pempe finished 66th in the JV boys race with a time of 25:38, running 2:27 faster than last season.

Michael Michon's performance of 20:54 earned him 46th in the boys varsity event, cutting his course best by 36 seconds.

With his 17:46 effort, Tristan Chambers received a medal for 17th place in the varsity race. His time was a new personal best and a 3:27 time improvement from his 2021 race.

mile at a time.

In the fresh./soph. girls race, Brooklynn Todd (16:25) and her Kankakee partner (18:55) ran 35:20 and finished in the top 10.

Xander Pempe (14:25) and Michael Michon (12:33) combined to finish 28th in the varsity boys event. Tristan Chambers (11:03) and a Wilmington athlete (12:50) finished in 17th place in the same race.

Friday, September 2
Dwight at Twilight in the Woods
Dwight's third meet of the season saw the squad compete in Seneca's Twilight in the Woods.

"This course is the most challenging race of our season," admitted Coach Lane, "however, our athletes turned in fine performances in humid and hilly conditions."

Freshman runner Brooklynn Todd finished eighth in the 2.35-mile fresh./soph. girls race.

In the boys varsity three-mile event, Tristan Chambers ran 18.39 and earned a 10th medal. Michael Michon finished in 31st with a course personal best of 21:01, after he dropped 40 off his previous best. Xander Pempe reduced his course best by 57 seconds as he ran a time of 26:25 to finish in 64th.

Saturday, September 10
Dwight at Paxton Invitational
The Saturday meet of choice for the Trojan runners was the Paxton Invitational, where the team turned in outstanding performances.


The meet was conducted in good weather conditions and on a flat, well-groomed course.


The four Dwight competitors ended the meet with two season bests and two personal bests.

Tristan Chambers finished in ninth place with a personal record of 17:28 in the boys varsity contest. Brooklynn Todd won the girls junior varsity contest with a PR of 25:28, in which she ran nearly 2.5 minutes faster. Michael Michon finished in 45th with a season best, as he ran an impressive third mile and passed many runners in the process. Xander Pempe also produced a season best 24:40, taking 73rd, cutting nearly a minute off his 2021 best.

"I am so proud of their races," said Coach Lane. "Congratulations!"


Catch the Trojans in action at 4:30 p.m. at the Dwight Country Club Thursday, September 15.





DTHS TROJANS played their first home game of the 2022 season Friday night. **Conner Telford, left, and Caiden Nelson, right, carried the ball for Dwight. Dwight was defeated by Westville 34-7.**

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SENECA FIGHTING IRISH GOLF

Monday, August 29
Seneca vs. Morris
The Irish went up against Morris at The Creek August 29, falling 157-178. Individual results are as follows:

Kaleb Powell – 40; Grant Siegel – 44; Keegan Murphy – 44; Ryker Terry – 50.

Tuesday, August 30
Seneca vs. Plano and Sandwich
Seneca was at Cedardell GC August 30 taking on Plano (254)

and Sandwich (180), taking second overall with a score of 182.

Kaleb Powell was the medalist, shooting a 40.


Tuesday, September 6
Seneca vs. Woodland
On September 6, the Seneca Fighting Irish defeated Woodland, 195-215, at Wolf Creek Golf Course.

Kaleb Powell earned medalist honors with a score of 42.

Wednesday, September 7
Seneca vs. Manteno, Dwight and Henry
The Irish faced off against Manteno (185), Dwight (194), and Henry (207) on September 7, taking second overall with a score of 189.

Co-medalists for the event were Grant Siegel (Seneca) and Jack Groves (Dwight), each shooting a 43.

Seneca is now 7-7 on the season.



SENECA CROSS COUNTRY

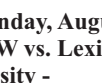
Tuesday, August 30
Seneca at Catlin Park
The Fighting Irish Cross Country squads were in action August 30 at Catlin Park in Ottawa, competing in a five-team meet.

Evelyn O'Connor was the meet

champion in the girls race with a winning time of 20:04.

Austin Aldridge was the meet champion in the boys race with a time of 17:50.

Both teams took first place, with the following Seneca athletes finishing in the top 10: Ashley Alsvig (2nd), Gracie Steffes (4th), Lily Mueller (7th), Natalie Misener (9th), Chris Poyner (3rd), and Logan Pasakarnis (4th).



GSW LADY PANTHERS VOLLEYBALL

Monday, August 29
GSW vs. Lexington Varsity -
The Lady Panthers were beaten by Lexington August 29, 13-25, 22-25.

Hannah Frescura put up three aces, 12 assists, four digs, and two kills, with Maddie Olsen adding an

ace and four kills. Addison Fair provided eight digs, seven kills, followed by Jessica Dominguez with nine digs.

JV -
In the JV match-up, GSW lost, 11-25, 15-25.

Hannah Balcom led with an ace and a kill. Ryleigh Dvorak had four

digs.

Freshmen -
The freshmen meeting ended with Lexington winning, 33-21.

Maddie Simms came up with two aces and two digs. Kayla Scheuber contributed a kill and one dig.

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2022 Dwight Country Club Medal Play Results

Dwight Country Club concluded the 2022 medal play tournament over the Labor Day weekend. The tournament was played over a three-day period, yielding the following results:

2022 Club Champion was Kevin Krople, who shot a 10 over par 223 with rounds of 77, 74, and 72. Runner-up was Larry Ahearn, who shot rounds of 76, 78, and 70. In doing so, Larry shot his age all three days.

2022 First Flight Gross Champion was Randy Thomas, who shot rounds of 76, 82, and 76, for a three-day total of 234. 2022 First Flight Net winner was Billy Gerish, who had a net score of 210.

2022 Second Flight Gross

Champion was Ryan Kodat, who recorded rounds of 77, 79, and 77, for a total of 233. 2022 Second Flight Net Champion was Dave Trewartha, who recorded a net score of 204.

2022 Third Flight Gross Champion was Jack Beyer, who recorded rounds of 88, 83, and 90, for a total of 216. 2022 Third Flight Net Champion was Jerry Provance, who shot a net score of 193, which was the low for all the flights.

2022 Dwight Country Club Match Play Results
In addition, with the end of summer came the end of the 2022 DCC Match Play Tournament.

Andrew Curl won the Championship Flight with a win over Jeff Stevenson to become the Club Champion.

Other results:
First Flight: Michael Krople over Bart Goley.
Second Flight: Dale Adams over Steve Schlabowske.
Third Flight: Ryan Kodat over Keith Cockerham.
Fourth Flight: Randy Battle over Mark German.
Fifth Flight: Jeff Saltzman over Brian Martis.
Sixth Flight: Matt Henshaw over Mike Jezek.
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GSWB LIONS BASEBALL

Monday, August 22
GSWB vs. Reed-Custer

The Lions visited Reed-Custer August 22, jumping out to an early 1-0 lead.

Reed Millette doubled, Hunter Partilla laid down a sacrifice bunt, then Aiden Mack provided an RBI double.

Partilla had all he needed with a 1-0 lead. He ended up going the distance for GSWB, who won the contest 4-0, tossing seven innings with four strikeouts and allowing three hits.

The Lions, now 6-2 overall, played solid defense behind Partilla.

Millette led GSWB’s offense, going 2-4 with a run scored.

Tuesday, August 23
GSWB vs. Rockdale

In non-conference action August 23, GSWB traveled to Rockdale to put up a big 16-0 victory.

Grady Phillips took the ball for the Lions – throwing two scoreless innings with two strikeouts. Case Christensen came on in relief, tossing one scoreless inning by striking out the side.

Numerous Lions reached base and scored multiple times on the day. Isaiah Bouwma was the big hitter, going 2-3 with a double and two RBI. Blake Brassard also knocked in two with a single.

Thursday, August 25
GSWB vs. Elwood
IVC Tournament

In opening round action of the IVC Tournament August 25, GSWB found themselves down 2-0 heading into the bottom of the third.

Logan Rice sparked the scoring surge behind a leadoff walk, followed by a Cameron Gray single. The Lions would put up eight runs in the bottom of the third when it was all said and done, taking an 8-2 advantage into the fourth.

Aiden Mack tripled and scored on a Thomas Phillips RBI to extend the lead to 9-2.

In the bottom of the fifth, Aiden Bodine, Rice, and Wyatt McNally all reached base safely and would be the final three runs to finish the game with a 12-2 victory for GSWB.

Four different Lions pitchers combined for nine strikeouts, while only allowing two hits, surrendering seven walks.

Saturday, August 27
GSWB vs. MVK
IVC Tournament

After falling to MVK earlier in the season, the Lions got a shot at redemption versus the Mavericks in IVC Tournament action.

Hunter Partilla worked out of a bases-loaded jam in the first to keep the game scoreless entering the second inning.

After making two quick outs, Tylber Gubbins and Cameron Gray were each plunked by a pitch. Reed Millette had an RBI single, followed by two more two-out singles by Partilla and Aiden Mack to take a 4-0 lead.

In the fourth, GSWB would manufacture two more runs to lead 6-0.

The Mavericks capitalized on a hit-by-pitch and drop third strike to cut the lead to 6-2.

The Lions were granted a few walks and hit-by-pitches in the sixth to extend their lead to 12-2.

Partilla would go five innings to get the win, striking out eight and allowing just two hits. Grady Phillips came in for one inning of scoreless relief.

Mack reached base safely four times, batting in two runs. Millette was 2-4 with two runs scored.

GSWB vs. Saratoga
IVC Tournament

In the championship game, the Lions were faced with another tough test, and another shot at redemption, facing off against Saratoga.

Millette earned the start for GSWB, throwing the ball well and keeping the Lions in the game, going four-plus innings and allowing only two hits.

GSWB found themselves down 4-0 after five, but didn’t quit.

Aiden Mack reached on an error, stole second base, and was plated on a single by Case Christensen.

Saratoga took advantage of a couple of walks and errors to extend their cushion to 6-1 in the sixth, which would hold true to end the game.

Six different Lions collected a hit in the contest, they were all scattered, though.

“Overall, I felt we had a good day of team baseball in both games,” stated Coach McDowell. “MVK is very well coached and came in short-handed, but we executed at key times. Saratoga is also well coached and disciplined in all aspects.”

Tuesday, August 30
GSWB vs. Coal City

GSWB hosted the Warriors in non-conference play August 30.

Aiden Mack got the start for the Lions, who were tied 1-1 after one inning, with each team scoring via walks.

In the second, GSWB extended its lead to 4-2 behind a couple of hit-by-pitches and a big hit by Hunter Partilla.

With a 4-2 advantage entering the third, the Lions surrendered four consecutive walks before Mack was relieved by Caden Christensen, who held Coal City in check, going the last four in-

nings in relief and allowing just one unearned run.

Trailing 6-4 in the bottom of the third, Cameron Gray and Reed Millette connected on back-to-back singles to tie the game.

In the bottom of the fifth, Mack redeemed himself with a go-ahead RBI single, which give the Lions the lead, and eventually the “W”.

Caden Christensen earned the victory.

Wednesday, August 31
GSWB vs. Grand Ridge

GSWB traveled to visit the Mohawks of Grand Ridge August 31.

After a walk and a costly error, the Lions found themselves down 2-0 entering the third inning.

After a few GSWB hitters were beaned, Case Christensen broke the ice with a big hit to put the Lions ahead, 3-2.

Over the next few innings, GSWB would gradually tack on runs to make their lead 9-2.

Reed Millette tossed the ball well, going five-plus innings, allowing four hits and striking out 11. Grady Phillips finished the game for the Lions.

Cameron Gray reached base safely three times and scored three runs. Hunter Partilla had two hits, three RBI, and scored twice.

Blake Brassard made the play of the day in right field for GSWB.

Friday, September 2
GSWB vs. Streator
St. Michael’s/Ransom

Hunter Partilla continued his dominance on the mound in GSWB’s 11-0 five-inning win over Streator St. Michael’s/Ransom September 2.

After putting up a 2-0 lead behind a couple of walks and a Partilla single, that would prove to be all the Lions would need.

Partilla went four innings, allowing two hits and striking out five to get the win. Case Christensen threw a scoreless relief inning, striking out two.

Cameron Gray reached base safely three times and had two RBI. Partilla had the single and drew one walk, scoring three times.

Tuesday, September 6
GSWB vs. Peotone

After a long weekend, the Lions made the trek to Peotone September 6.

After a couple of walks in the first, Caden Christensen had a big hit to help his own cause and put GSWB up 2-0.

Then, with two outs in the second, the Lions struck for three more runs after clutch hits from Case Christensen and Hunter Partilla to put them up 5-0.

Caden Christensen was in

charge on the mound, as he went four innings, allowing four runs on three hits. Partilla came in for the save, allowing no runs in the final two frames.

GSWB tacked on some insurance runs and would end up with a 7-4 victory.

Case Christensen had two RBI in the contest, with Partilla scoring twice.

Wednesday, September 7
GSWB vs. Pontiac St. Mary’s

In non-conference action September 7, GSWB visited Pontiac St. Mary’s.

The Lions struck early on a double by Case Christensen which plated two runs, followed by a single from Aiden Bodine that helped extend the lead to 3-0.

However, in the bottom of the first, the Saints reached on a lead-off walk and then capitalized on GSWB’s miscues to tie it up at 3-3.

That score remained the same until the fifth when St. Mary’s scored three runs with two outs to take a 6-3 lead.

Entering the seventh, the Lions had runners on first and second with two outs, trailing 7-5, but got hung up on the base paths – ending the game.

Reed Millette took the loss, allowing six runs and striking out seven.

Case Christensen collected three RBI on a double.

“Take nothing away from St. Mary’s, as they pitched the ball well and executed,” said Coach McDowell. “But we came out flat in all aspects of the game. With our schedule, that cannot happen or you will be beat early in most games.”

Thursday, September 8
GSWB vs. Morris

On 8th Grade Night, the Lions faced a big test versus Morris, who won the IVC Tournament.

Morris came out swinging, collecting eight hits while producing nine runs in two innings.

GSWB did not roll over, as they plated three of their own runs in the first behind a Caden Christensen single that scored two, and Case Christensen scoring a run on a fielder’s choice.

Trailing 9-3 entering the third, Aiden Mack took the ball in relief and held Morris to three runs over four innings.

Caden Christensen again helped the Lions in the fourth with another single scoring two more Lions to make the score 12-5 – but that’s as close as it got.

Hunter Partilla and Mack each scored two runs, with Caden Christensen knocking in four runs.

GSWB drops to 13-5 on the season.



DCS REDBIRDS BASEBALL

Tuesday, September 6
Dwight vs. Reed-Custer

Dwight was in action against Reed-Custer September 6, falling by a score of 11-7.

Brad Thompson pitched four-plus innings for the Redbirds, walking four and striking out eight. Evan Olson (SO) and Frank Digilio each pitched in relief.

At the plate, Will Anderson had two RBI on a single and a double, swiping a base, while Collin Bachand added an RBI single and a stolen base. Thompson homered in the contest, with Trevor Jensen singling, doubling, and stealing a base. Olson added two singles.

In the field for Dwight, Matthew Watchinski caught a pop-fly in left field then threw a runner out at home on a laser beam. Also, Bachand (catcher) turned a double

play. The Redbird “B” team took an 11-3 loss to R-C.

Dwight gave up five runs in the first inning, then had to claw their way back into the game – cutting the lead to 5-3 in the fourth.

But it wasn’t enough, as Reed-Custer came back the next two innings to put up six more runs and close the door on Dwight.

Wednesday, September 7
Dwight vs. Wilmington

The Redbirds were beaten by Wilmington, 15-3, on September 7.

Trevor Jensen and Collin Bachand each pitched one-plus innings, striking out one hitter each.

Matthew Watchinski led offensively with three RBI on a single and a home run. Jensen added two singles.



DCS LADY REDBIRDS SOFTBALL

Friday, September 2
Dwight vs. Manteno

The “B” team from Dwight closed out their season against Manteno September 2, dropping a 19-4 decision to end the year at 4-7 overall.

Combining pitching efforts were Kenzie Livingston, Shay Sulzberger, and Mia Franklin.

Offensively, the Lady Redbirds were led by Sulzberger’s 2-2 showing that included a triple and three RBI. Livingston, Penny Parker (R), and Elizabeth Hansen (R) each chipped in with a single. Kaitlynn Todd and Franklin each scored runs.

Wednesday, September 7
Dwight vs. Woodland

The Lady Redbirds took a tough loss to Woodland September 7, 3-2.

Delaney Boucher went six innings for Dwight, striking out six.

Avery Connor led with an RBI single, followed by two singles

each from Olivia Buck and Avery Crouch. Mikayla Chambers tripled, while Raegan Brown and Boucher had one single each.

Saturday, September 10
Dwight vs. Seneca
Regional -

In regional action September 10, the Lady Redbirds defeated Seneca, 15-0, to advance to the regional championship.

Delaney Boucher was on the mound for Dwight, throwing a no-hitter that included eight strikeouts.

At the plate, Boucher supplied six RBI on two inside-the-park home runs. Mikayla Chambers had three RBI on a base hit and an inside-the-park home run. Claire Sandeno added two RBI on a triple, followed by Olivia Buck (single, double) and Raegan Brown (double) with an RBI each. Avery Connor singled twice, while Avery Crouch and Cloe Gall each had one single.



SENECA LADY FIGHTING IRISH GOLF

Thursday, September 1
Seneca vs. Lisle

The Lady Irish evened their record at 3-3 on the season after defeating Lisle with their lowest team score of the season, 229-276. Individual scores are as follows:

Addison Stiegler – 55 (medalist); Jolena Odum – 55 (medalist); Julia Hogan – 56; Shelby Welsh – 63; Jessica Bertrang – 63.

Tuesday, September 6
Seneca vs. Roanoke-Benson and Dwight

Seneca took on Roanoke-Ben-

son (213) and Dwight September 6, falling short with a score of 240. Individual scores are as follows:

Julia Hogan – 52; Addison Stiegler – 58; Shelby Welsh – 63; Jolena Odum – 67; Jessica Bertrang – 69.

Thursday, September 8
Seneca vs. Coal City and Plano

On September 8, the Lady Irish took on Coal City (242) and Plano (272), earning second place with a 246.

Seneca is now 5-5 in 2022.



MVK LADY MAVERICKS SOFTBALL

MVK vs. Pontiac St. Mary’s

The Lady Mavs were edged out by Pontiac St. Mary’s, 7-6.

Hayden Pfeifer pitched a complete game, striking out nine in the loss.

Kaydynce Wardlow, Pfeifer (triple), and Morgan Starwalt (double) each had multiple hits.

MVK vs. Channahon

In action against Channahon, MVK won easily, 14-1.

Morgan Starwalt struck out three, while allowing just one unearned run on three hits in a complete game.

Kaylee Klinker had five RBI in the contest, including a double. Hayden Pfeifer and Aurora Weber (triple) each had multiple hits. Blair Nevins had a solid base hit

up the middle. Weber, Starwalt, Marlie Lissy, Grace Biros, and Brooklyn Sheedy all scored multiple runs.

MVK vs. Reed-Custer

It was a pitcher’s duel during the match-up between Mazon-Verona-Kinsman and Reed-Custer, but the Lady Mavericks ended up winning, 1-0, on a game-winning

triple by Hayden Pfeifer in the bottom of the sixth to drive in Kaylee Klinker.

Pfeifer and Morgan Starwalt had the only two hits of the game for MVK.

Pitching another complete game was Pfeifer, striking out 14 batters and giving up just two hits.

The Lady Mavs are now 14-3 heading into regional play.



MVK MAVERICKS BASEBALL

Thursday, September 8
MVK vs. Reed-Custer

The Mavericks got back on the winning track September 8, beating Reed-Custer at home, 14-9.

MVK hitlaid 6-0 heading into the fifth, but rallied for the win.

Max Sproul pitched three good innings in relief, earning the victory.

Brant Roe continued his hot hitting by going 4-4 with two doubles, a triple, and three RBI. Joey

Arnold added two hits and scored twice, while Ethan Hasselbring contributed two clutch hits and three runs batted in.

Cooper O’Donovan made a diving, inning-ending catch in left

field to save two runs.

“This was a nice game that we really needed,” stated Coach McDowell. “That was a good sign that we did not quit, being down 6-0.”

Gardner Fire Protection District
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Nominating petitions for Gardner Fire Protection District, consolidated election to be held on April 4, 2023, will be available beginning Tuesday, September 20, 2022 at the Gardner Fire Protection District, located at 206 N. Depot St. Packets are available from Fire District personnel.

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City/Village	Sept. 12	Sept. 5
Dwight	\$3.92	\$3.99
Kankakee	\$3.68	\$3.87
Streator	\$3.83	\$3.93
Pontiac	\$3.83	\$3.90
Gardner	\$3.98	\$3.98
Braceville	\$3.47	\$3.66
Morris	\$3.90	\$3.99
Herscher	\$3.85	\$3.89
Chicago	\$4.34	\$4.48
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Dwight's festival will be lit during the day and night this time around.

Ky will perform the LED Juggling Light Show from 7-9 at the Clock Park.

B-I-N-G-O

Instead of just one BINGO session like last year, there will be two in 2022.

You can put your Bs, Is, Ns, Gs, and Os in order at 6 p.m. Thursday and 6 p.m. Saturday.

Breakfast

“The Woman's Club is putting together coffee and baked goods Saturday morning at the historic Dwight Depot,” Irvin said. “The Congregational Church used to do it in the past, but it has been several years. The Woman's Club is taking part in that this year.”

Petting Zoo

Oly Farms is bringing all of its animals for you to visit and pet.

The llamas, horses, goats, and more offered by Kris and Lena Olson will be there all day Sunday for plenty of photo shoots.

Live Entertainment

The stage will be rocking, rolling, asking questions, and entertaining Friday-Sunday.

The Back Paiges are performing 6-9 p.m. Friday.

Callaloo is taking stage at 10 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Saturday, followed by Team Trivia at 1:30 p.m. and Breaking Storm and The Silver Strings, as both bands will share the main stage from 6-9 p.m.

Mick Porter's Musical Sounds will bounce off the stage 10-11:30 a.m. Sunday, followed by Kankakee Lands' The Silhouettes at 2-5 p.m.

Donation Stations

“This year, we're asking the public for donations. We put a piece in *The Paper*, our website (dwightharvestdays.com), and on Facebook,” Irvin said. “People will see QR codes to please donate throughout Harvest Days. We will also have a couple of donation stations near the Harvest Days tent and at the Canines in the Clouds.

“If you enjoy Harvest Days, if you enjoy anything there, all we ask is can you drop in some change or a dollar? It's donations and sponsorships that make everything continue to grow. For us to bring in new things every year, it does cost us more.

“We want to continue to grow. We don't want to drop down. We would love for people to take a QR code and donate \$1. Anything that anyone is able to help us with, we would really appreciate it. Not one person on the committee is paid for their time to put Harvest Days together. All we try to do is the best we can with the funds we have. We're doing a push this year to give us some extra breathing room and some extra room to bring in some new things to the festival.”

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OBITUARY

Alvin Henry Immke, Jr.

Alvin Henry Immke, Jr., 82, of rural Pontiac, Illinois passed away Saturday, September 10, 2022, 4:20 p.m., at the Tjardes Health Center of Evenglow Lodge, Pontiac.



Stern; two great-nephews, Sam and Silas Stern; and one great-niece, Hazel B. Stern; along with many friends and neighbors.

Henry had served his county in the National Guard, serving as a cook.

Visitation will be held Thursday, September 15, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Pontiac.

Funeral services will be held Friday, 10:30 a.m., at the church. The Reverends Paul Arnold, Gretchen Stinebaugh and Tom Goddell will officiate.

Burial will follow in Five Mile Cemetery, Saunemin, where military rites will be accorded.

Memorials may be made to the First United Methodist Church, Pontiac, the Saunemin Fire Department, or the Livingston County Humane Society.

Funeral arrangements are being handled by Calvert & Johnson Memorial Home, Henry, Illinois.

Henry was born July 9, 1940 in Livingston County, Pontiac, Illinois, to Alvin Henry, Sr. and Hazel B. (Abrams) Immke. He married Elaine Immke on July 21, 2019 in Saunemin, Illinois. They may have had only 37 months of wedded bliss, but before that they had over 30 years of love and devotion.

Surviving are his wife, Elaine; one sister, Marlys Stern of Bloomington; two nephews, Andrew (Brenda) Stern and Phillip ‘Leroy’ (Carolyn)

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Pontiac. Henry was a lifelong farmer in the Saunemin area.

Henry enjoyed woodworking. He and Elaine made many craft-folk art projects. He was always happy to make, build or repair just about anything. Together with Elaine they were instrumental in restoring the old Pontiac City Hall to become the Old City Hall Shops, devoting many hours to the restoration. From this experience, they opened and operated Hollyhocks and Rusty Buckets in Pontiac.

He had collected many various farm tools and different collections over the years. Many were purchased on antiquing excursions with their friends.

Throughout the years, Henry enjoyed his 4-legged, furry children. He is survived by #1son, Dewey, and K.T. the cat.

The Rusty Knight of the Kingdom of Crazy left his Fair-Haired Maiden to enter his eternal kingdom of Heaven. “Well done, thy good and faithful servant.”

Online condolences may be made to: www.calvertmemorial.com

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SPORTS SPORTS

More sports appear on pages 12-13



GSW LADY PANTHERS VOLLEYBALL

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Tuesday, August 30
GSW vs. St. Anne Varsity -

GSW's varsity squad earned its first win August 30, defeating St. Anne, 25-11, 25-15.

Eva Henderson had three aces, six kills, and three digs. Addi Fair (5 digs, 4 kills) and Hannah Frescura (15 assists, 2 kills) each had two aces. Hannah Balcom chipped in with five kills.

JV -

The JV Lady Panthers won, 25-10, 25-14.

Maddie Simms had five aces, five assists, and a kill to lead the way. Bree Stein and Hannah Balcom (3 kills) added three and two aces, respectively.

Thursday, September 1
GSW vs. Illinois Lutheran Varsity -

In a meeting with Illinois Lutheran September 1, Gardner

South Wilmington won 25-22, 25-14.

Hannah Frescura (11 assists, 4 kills, 1 dig) and Maddie Olsen (4 kills) each had one ace. Jessica Dominguez added eight digs and two assists, with Hannah Balcom putting up four kills and a dig.

JV -

The JV Lady Panthers beat IL Lutheran in two sets, 25-20, 25-19.

Maya Cacello led with two aces and three kills, followed by an ace and five digs from Nina Siano. Maddie Simms supplied six assists, a dig, and one kill, with Ryleigh Dvorak coming up with five digs. Hannah Balcom added three kills.

Tuesday, September 6
GSW vs. Prairie Central Varsity -

The varsity Lady Panthers lost to Prairie Central in three sets, 25-23, 17-25, 17-25.

Hannah Frescura (12 assists, 7 digs, 2 kills) and Eva Henderson (10 digs, 5 kills) led with two aces each. Addison Fair added an ace, 18 digs, five kills, and a block, with Jessica Dominguez providing 27 digs and one assist.

JV -

GSW's JV team won over P.C., 25-21, 18-25, 25-15.

Maddie Simms (9 assists, 1 kill, 1 dig) and Nina Siano (5 digs) each had three aces. Maya Cacello came up with an ace and three kills, while Hannah Balcom had four kills and two digs. Ryleigh Dvorak supplied eight digs.

Freshmen -

In the freshmen match-up, GSW was victorious, 16-25, 25-23, 15-8.

Nina Siano (6 digs) and Maria Campagna each led with four aces. Kayla Scheuber put up four digs, three kills, and one assist.



GSWB TIGERS CROSS COUNTRY

Wednesday, August 24
GSWB vs. Seneca, Morris, and Ottawa

The GSWB Tigers Cross Country team started their season with great success as they competed August 24 in their first meet.

“The team this year is small in number, but big in talent,” says Coach Residori.

They traveled to Seneca to run against the hosts, along with Morris and Ottawa, on the two-mile course.

Coach Residori was happy with the results and their times for an early season meet.

The girls race brought many great times, with Chloe Biros finishing with a time of 16:51, followed by Olivia Siano (17:05), Aubrey Male (17:28), and Lilly Scheuber (21:23).

The boys team also ran well at the meet, with Kaden Cavaness running a time of 15:16, Isaiah Bouwma finishing with a time of 17:05, and Ty Tjelle rounding out the Tigers' roster with a time of 17:55.

Coach Residori was pleased with these performances by this young team so early in the season and is looking forward to

great progress in the upcoming season.

Saturday, August 27
GSWB at Beecher Bobcat Breakout

The GSWB Cross Country team participated in the Beecher Bobcat Breakout August 27 – their first big meet of the 2022 season with 17 schools competing.

The JV runners, which included Chloe Biros, Ty Tjelle, and Mason Jordan, competed in a one-mile race. Biros finished 11th with a time of 7:46. Jordan ran a time of 7:22, while Tjelle came in with a time of 7:55.

Coach Residori says she loves to see all the hard work these young runners are putting in this season.

The varsity runners also showed great improvements in their two-mile race. For the girls, Leah Olson finished in 13th with a time of 15:03, followed by Olivia Siano (16:50), Lily Eddy (16:59), Aubrey Male (17:19), and Lilly Scheuber (20:12). Out of the 17 teams, the girls finished ninth overall.

For the boys race, Kaden Cavaness ran a time of 17:16.

“With only two meets into the season, I’m already seeing the Tigers improving and showing that they are here to compete,” said Coach Residori. “I’m excited to see them continue to grow throughout the season.”

Thursday, September 1
GSWB vs. Limestone

GSWB competed on a tough course in Limestone September 1, and Coach Residori was happy with how they competed. “This is one of the most challenging courses the team runs during the season,” Coach Residori stated, “and I was thrilled with their times.”

For the girls, Olivia Siano finished seventh for the Tigers with a time of 17:29. She was followed closely by Chloe Biros finishing in ninth with a time of 18:19. Lilly Schuber ran a time of 22:01.

The boys also rose to the challenge of the Limestone course, with Kaden Cavaness finishing with a time of 16:29, with Isaiah Bouwma following in a time of 16:38. Mason Jordan (16:55) and Ty Tjelle (19:06) rounded out the runners for GSWB.



DTHS LADY TROJANS VOLLEYBALL

Dwight vs. Henry Freshmen -

Dwight suffered a 16-25, 18-25 loss to Henry.

Taylor Frobish led with three aces and two kills. Madi Ely had six digs and two kills. Sophia Buck added three assists and a kill, with Makayla Wahl-Seabert putting up two digs and a kill.

JV -

In the JV match-up, Henry defeated Dwight 21-25, 25-20, 20-25.

Emerson Peters led with two aces, three digs, two kills, and one assist. Sophie Richie provided an ace, two assists, two kills, and a dig, while Maci Johnson contributed six assists and four kills. Emma Crouch came up with two kills and a dig, with Ella Legner adding seven digs. Issy Bunting had four kills.

Varsity -

The varsity Lady Trojans took an 11-25, 12-25 loss to Henry.

Kassy Kodat's one ace, five assists, and four digs led Dwight. Erin Anderson chipped in with a dig and a kill, followed by six and two digs, respectively, from Lilly Duffy and Cheyenne Condreay.

Dwight vs. Streator Freshmen -

Dwight's freshmen girls won 12-25, 25-22, 15-2 over Streator.

Taylor Frobish put up five aces and two kills, while Sophia Buck put up two aces, two kills, two assists, and a dig. Hannah Keri had one ace and two digs, with Makayla Wahl-Seabert adding five digs and three kills.

JV -

Streator got the best of the Lady Trojans' JV squad, 19-25, 19-25.

Issy Bunting had two kills. Emma Crouch added two digs. Maci Johnson supplied two as-

Varsity -

The varsity meeting saw Dwight fall to Streator, 18-25, 19-25.

Erica Vigna led with an ace, six digs, and one kill. Erin Anderson added six digs, three kills, followed by eight digs from Lilly Duffy. Avery Scheuer had two kills; Maya Green, one.

Dwight vs. Reed-Custer Freshmen -

The freshmen Lady Trojans won their second straight contest, beating Reed-Custer in three sets, 18-25, 25-22, 15-5.

Hannah Keri led with three aces and four digs. Sarah Parker put up two aces, two assists, and two digs, while Dori Wilson (1 dig, 1 kill) and Makayla Wahl-Seabert (6 kills, 2 digs, 1 assist) each had one ace.

JV -

Dwight's JV team lost in three sets, 14-25, 25-19, 21-25.

Njomza Asllani had two aces and one dig, with Milana Bradley (1 block) and Katy Parker (1 assist) each adding a kill.

Varsity -

In the varsity duel, the Lady Trojans lost to Reed-Custer, 17-25, 19-25.

Kassy Kodat (4 assists, 3 digs, 1 kill) and Cheyenne Condreay (2 digs) had one ace each. Erin Anderson (1 kill) and Lilly Duffy each put up seven digs. Maya Green added three kills; Brynn Connor, one.

Thursday, August 25
Dwight vs. Lowpoint-Washburn

Both the JV (25-21, 25-11) and varsity (25-13, 20-25, 26-24) Lady Trojans won over Lowpoint-Washburn August 25.

Wednesday, September 7
Dwight vs. Lexington Freshmen -

Dwight's freshmen squad

fell to Lexington in three sets September 7.

Hannah Keri had three aces, followed by two aces, two kills, and a dig from Taylor Frobish. Makayla Wahl-Seabert added an ace, eight digs, and seven kills, followed by three kills and two digs by Madi Ely.

JV -

In the JV match-up, the Lady Trojans lost in two sets.

Njomza Asllani (2 digs) and Maci Johnson (3 kills, 2 digs) had an ace each. Ella Legner and Makayla Wahl-Seabert (1 kill) added three and two digs, respectively.

Varsity -

The varsity meeting saw Dwight drop in two sets.

Cheyenne Condreay (2 digs) and Lilly Duffy (6 digs) led with two aces each. Kassy Kodat came up with three digs and three kills, while Issy Bunting had a block and one kill. Avery Scheuer supplied four kills.

Thursday, September 8
Dwight vs. Seneca Freshmen -

The freshmen Lady Trojans lost to Seneca in two sets September 8.

Madi Ely (4 digs), Dori Wilson (1 dig), and Makayla Wahl-Seabert (2 digs, 2 kills) each had one ace.

JV -

Dwight's JV girls were taken down in two sets.

Maci Johnson led with two aces and two kills, while Emerson Peters chipped in with an ace, two digs, and two kills. Issy Bunting put up three kills and two blocks.

Varsity -

The Lady Trojans lost in two sets to Seneca.

Erin Anderson's three aces, three kills, and two digs led the way. Cheyenne Condreay added an ace and four digs. Kassy Kodat provided six digs and two kills, while Lilly Duffy had seven digs.



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OBITUARY

Paul Leroy Larsen

Paul Leroy Larsen, 86, of Streator, formerly of Dwight, passed away Sunday, September 11, 2022.

A private family graveside will be held at Round Grove Cemetery, rural Dwight.

Memorials in Paul’s memory may be made to the donor’s choice.

Hager Memorial Home is in charge of arrangements.

Paul was born September 22, 1935 to Victor Otto and Elsie (Holm) Larsen.

Surviving him are his two sons: Steven (Debbie) Larsen of Prospect Heights, Illinois and Thomas (Janice) Larsen of Ozark, Arkansas; and one grandson, Daniel (Marcie) Larsen of Skokie, Illinois.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Robert Larsen.

Paul worked at Donnelley’s in Dwight as a buyer for over 30 years.

Paul will truly be missed by all who knew and loved him.

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National Preparedness Month: Red Cross Urges Everyone to Get Ready Now for Emergencies



People everywhere are feeling the impacts of climate change with more frequent and intense weather events threatening our communities. September is National Preparedness Month and the American Red Cross of Illinois urges everyone to get ready for these emergencies now.

Just last year, more than 40% of Americans – some 130 million people – were living in a county struck by a climate-related disaster, according to analysis from the Washington Post. Disasters can happen anywhere, anytime. You can be ready by visiting redcross.org/prepare.

“More powerful climate driven occurrences are happening across the U.S. than ever

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and what to do if you have to evacuate. Make sure to coordinate your plan with your child’s school, your work and your community’s emergency plans.

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Seltzer 8 pack cans | \$16 ⁹⁹ |

Canteen
VODKA
SODA
\$7⁹⁹
4-pack cans



Cantina or
CANTEEN

\$14⁹⁹
8-pack
variety cans