

Tri-Point Board Meeting Covers Snow Removal

Tri-Point Schools Board had an October meeting on the 19th, approving the consent agenda as presented.

A Resolution was adopted to Recognize Junior High Cross Country members and coach for sectional/state success.

Snow removal bids were accepted for Piper City, Kempton and Cullom for the 2022-2023 school year:

- Richard Hack at \$90/hour in Piper City;

- William Van Wassenhove at \$160/hour in Kempton; and
- Zach Gerdes at \$250/event for Cullom.

Adopted was the Resolution Declaring Opposition to the Petition for Detachment filed by Casey and Jenni Sterenberg.

An increase in the daily pay rate for a paraprofessional sub was increased to \$100.

The next meeting of the Board will be Wednesday, November 16, 2022.

Gardner-South Wilmington High School Board Holds October 19 Meeting

On October 19, Gardner-South Wilmington High School District #73 held its regular meeting.

During public comment, Mrs. Terese Kukman, GSW High School NHS Sponsor, was present to speak to the board members about the NHS program and rules. She discussed some changes being made to the NHS Hand Book. She also informed the board that the Youth Philanthropy group has started up again this year, and there are currently 21 members. This is the fifth year Mrs. Kukman has been involved in this program. The members will meet once a month on the second Friday of each month. The students listen to representatives/speakers from various businesses and groups from the community and decide which groups will receive money and how much. The money donated from the GSW High School Youth Philanthropy group comes from a grant and is approximately \$5,000.00 per year.

Supt. Avery informed the board that the auditor extended the FY22 Audit Report to November for GSW High School. They are currently working through it.

Attendance for the month of September was 93.8%; while discipline incidents amounted to 28 in September – most are for tardies.

The Director's Reports included the following:

- Mr. John Williams, Technology Director, submitted his report electronically. Supt. Avery highlighted that he has distributed Chromebooks to all students, completed many state reports, set up and uploaded students for MAP testing, installed new phones and voice-mails for all employees, and replaced four network switches. He is currently working on installing three new cameras and a new camera web-based system and installing wireless access points in the building at GSW High School.
- Ms. Angel Dallio, Academics Coordinator, submitted her report electronically. Supt. Avery recapped this Fall Report to the board – she has been working

on MAP testing, RTI, Problem Solving Team monthly meetings, handling the tardy detentions, setting up detentions (date/times) for students and finding teachers to supervise detention, completed and submitted the Title I Grant / ESSER Grant – these funds are used for Professional Development, student needs and classroom needs. Ms. Dallio is also working on a new plan for re-vamping the “Back to School” process for next year. There will be a team put together and they have lots of great new ideas.

Mrs. Sue Avery discussed the Building and Grounds Report:

- Café / kitchen update – Director of Maintenance, Wally Debelak, is currently working on repairing a wall in the kitchen / adding a backsplash. The kitchen is also getting a new kitchen-grade microwave.
- Maintenance Grant Application – Mrs. Avery will be submitting this application, and the plan is to use the money for door upgrades. There are definitely a lot of doors in the building that need to be replaced. She has been working with Wally on how many doors and different price quotes he has received.
- Simplex/Grinnell Alarm Upgrade – This new upgrade would be internet-based.

Superintendent Avery presented the following:

- Triple I Conference Update – Currently working on the itinerary and making dinner reservations for the group for Saturday night.
- Job Posting – Athletic Director – This was posted internally in October. Principal Job Posting – mid November. Plans are to interview in January and hire a new Principal at their February 2023 board meeting.
- Early Levy / Workshop – Mrs. Avery attended a workshop and has started the levy work.
- Summative Designation – GSW High School has received a “Commendable” rating on the IL State Report Card again this year.
- Discuss hiring a one-on-one

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Collection Series:
Article IV

‘Heavy Hobby’

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

by Brandon LaChance

We can get our history from almost anywhere.

Books, Encyclopedias, Google, classroom, Facebook, and many other resources can help us learn about absolutely anything we want to know.

We also walk on or walk past history teachers every day. Bricks.

“It’s a joy to flip over something that most people walk past and find something special about it,” Kate Quigley said. “I’ve walked in Chicago and a building is being removed. In the pile of debris, there is usually a brick in there.

“It’s just fun to get them and place them. It’s the look. It’s the feel. Some of them are really smooth. Some are really rough. Some of them are important to our history. One of my favorites says, ‘Don’t spit on sidewalk.’ It was made by a guy in Kansas during the height of the Tuberculosis epidemic. He was trying to encourage people to not spit on the sidewalk.”

Quigley, 30, a Dwight Township High School Class of 2011 graduate who lives in Marseilles with her husband



KATE QUIGLEY, A 2011 DWIGHT TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL graduate who now lives in Marseilles, has been collecting antique bricks since 2012. Her collection of more than 500 different bricks each tell a story from their resting spot in Quigley’s yard.

Timothy Quigley, has been collecting antique bricks since 2012.

She has over 500 bricks from all over the world including London.

Quigley has a brick from the 1893 Chicago Columbian World Fair Expo that was made in Ohio to advertise the fair. She has three bricks from the fair and each one of them is different.

She has a Jessie James brick stating where he was located at the time, gorgeous pattern bricks, and antiques that were produced in local brick factories such as Streater and Seneca.

“I still collect the modern bricks if they have a name stamped on them. In Marseilles, we actually have a brick factory,” Quigley said. “For the most part, modern bricks aren’t

nearly as cool as the old ones. The older ones were oftentimes fired in a different way, so they have varying color consistency where the modern ones are always the same.

“There is just so much history to the older bricks. It’s fun to be able to look at them and know the history behind the brick. It’s cool to collect the bricks and have the history behind them with me.

“Taver bricks are my favorites because they can last during our winters. I have friends in the south that lovingly try to give me their bricks but Texas and Louisiana bricks can’t hold up through our winters. The freeze cycle is just so rough on them and then they crumble. I have several piles of crumble in storage areas.”

Most bricks are stamped with the name of the company

or the brick factory it was made in.

There are face stamps (front of the brick), side stamps, and end stamps (backside of the brick).

They can be engraved, have a fingerprint, or autographed with messages.

If a brick is plain, it’s called a vanilla brick. Although kind of boring, it usually came from a historical building and may have a better story to tell than a flashy brick.

“My favorite place to go hunting is in rivers. They dump them as junk,” Quigley said.

“I’ve talked to the police before and told them what I’m doing. You can find them anywhere you go. Sometimes we’ll be driving, and I just yell, ‘Bricks.’ Then I’ll get out of the car

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DTHS Board Reviews Investments

by Mark Boma

The Dwight High School Board of Education met Wednesday October 19 in the High School Board Room. Members present were Paul Warner, Kevin Berta, Susan Legner, Max Sulzberger and President Tim Henson.

Principal Andrew Pittenger announced Karen Zabel was selected as Trojan Teacher of the Month and presented her with a certificate of achievement. September students of the month were Freshman, Brooklyn Todd; Sophomore, Tru Connor; Junior, Murphy Connolly; and Senior, Jack Duffy.

He also informed the Board that PSAT/SAT testing will be digital this year and conducted on November 2. Seniors will be allowed to participate in Community Service projects that day. The annual Fall play will be November 11-13.

Athletic Director Cathy Ferguson informed the Board discussions were progressing regarding the new football conference planned to kick-off with the 2023-2024 season. A couple additional area schools had expressed interest in joining the new conference but have since backed off. The new conference currently includes Elmwood Park, Ottawa Marquette, Ridgewood, Seneca, St. Bede, Walther Christian, and Westmont, along with Dwight.

Superintendent Josh DeLong reported that three Board seats will become open at the next election cycle. The terms of current board members Paul Warner, Kevin Berta and Susan Legner will expire.

He also informed the Board that he expects EAV levels to have increased by around 5.5% with the next update from the Counties. Based on that, he would expect the tax rate to remain fairly similar to the current year.

DeLong also gave the Board his suggestion that the District return to standard Snow Day procedures with a provision for Late Start Days during inclement weather this winter.

In Consent Agenda Items, employment was approved for Virginia Gahm, Bus Driver; Joel Sandeno, Assistant Baseball Coach; and Joel Sandeno, Volunteer Girls Basketball Coach. Employment was affirmed for Keli Gall, Substitute Teacher and Paraprofessional.

The Board also continued with discussion on the proposed TIF District #3 which incorporates the former LSC/RR Donnelley property. DeLong reiterated his stand that he did not think it was a good idea for the School Districts to be locked into a frozen tax level in another TIF District for 23 years. The Board agreed with his opinion and recommended he ask for Intergovernmental Agreements to be established with the initial creation of the

TIF. At the most recent Joint Review Board, which includes representatives from all affected taxing districts, it had been proposed that no IGA be put into place until the TIF had been in operation for a few years. The sentiment from that Board was it would be difficult to come to any IGA terms without knowing the level of growth within the TIF District.

DeLong also presented to the Board information on a

maintenance grant from the state for a storage shed, which had been delayed but was now back into consideration. He proposed an idea to the Board that the amount of the grant be applied to a larger building which could be used for storage as well as additional sports practices. More estimates were being developed for the Board to consider.

On the New Business
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CONGRATULATIONS TO LOLA FURBEE AND AVA KARGLE, Dwight Township High School seniors, who have been named Illinois State Scholars for the Class of 2023. Illinois State Scholars rank among the top 10% of students across the state of Illinois and selection is based on cumulative GPA throughout their high school career and SAT score.

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FOR THE RECORD

Tickets Issued by Dwight Police

October 13: Dayton W. Coyle, 25, Dwight, registration expiration; Froylan J. Munoz, 21, Chicago, speeding.

October 14: Chandler J. Gartner, 22, Peotone, speeding; Justin M. Garrelts, 32, Milford, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Joy L. Erickson, 59, Gladstone, MI, speeding, operation of vehicle without registration.

October 17: Austin M. White, 22, Streator, driving 11-14 MPH above limit; Todd C. Hill, 41, Aurora, no insurance--oper. under suspn.; Kassie G. Gates, 23, Dwight, operate uninsured mtr. vehicle.

October 18: Darrell L. Holm, Jr., 50, Dwight, disobey traffic control signal; Kimberly M. McCann, 54, Geneva, driving 15-20 MPH above limit; Juan C. Avilez, 44, Dwight, speeding.

October 19: Daniel L. Hill, 25, Mazon, DUI- under the influence of intoxicating compounds, fail to obey stop sign, insurance--operate uninsured; John W. Holohan, 72, Dwight, registration expiration.

October 20: Eddie W. Berrones, 43, Dwight, driving 15-20 MPH above limit.

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

22 Written Warnings

Speeding – 7; Drivers License Not on Person – 3; Expired Registration – 2; Fail to Obey Stop Sign – 5; No Proof of Insurance – 1; No Rear Registration Plate Light – 1; Only One Headlight – 2; Only One Taillight – 1.

Dwight Police Blotter

October 16: Dwight Police were dispatched to the 500 block of S. Union for a domestic battery. Arrested and taken to Livingston Cty. Jail was Jacob Garcia.

October 19: Dwight Police conducted a traffic stop for disobeying a stop sign. Arrested for DUI was Dan Hill, 25, of

Mazon. He was transported to Livingston Cty. Jail and his vehicle was towed; Dwight Police were dispatched to the 400 block of E. Mazon for a report of vandalism.

October 20: Dwight Police met with a walk in to DPD in reference to internet harassment.

Accident – 2; Traffic Stops – 37; Return Call – 9; CO Detector – 1; Neighbor Problem – 1; Follow Up – 3; Walk In – 8; Lost Dog – 1; Out of Control Subject – 1; Fire Alarm – 1; Cell 911 Hang Up – 1; Out with Vehicle – 2; Burglar Alarm – 2; Medical Aid – 4; Threats – 2; Suspicious Subject – 1; Domestic Verbal – 1; Loose Dog – 1; Subject Removal – 1; Custody Exchange – 1; Lockout – 3; Fight In Progress – 1; Check Area – 2; Fire – 1; Out with Subject – 2; Extra Patrol – 4; Shoplifter – 1; Suspected Reckless Driver – 2; Vandalism – 1; 911 Hang Up – 3; Citizens Assist – 1; Well Being – 2.

Accident Report

Saturday, October 15, 11:20 a.m., an accident was reported at S. Franklin St. and E. South St. involving a 2018 Jeep Utility, driven by Jenny Machulis, which struck a 2006 Honda sedan, driven by Lora Weir, at an intersection.



Weekly Ambulance Runs by Dwight EMS

October 13: Chippewa, fire; Mazon, medical, Morris; Renfrew, medical, Morris.

October 14: William, medical, Morris; Mazon, medical, Riverside, mutual aid – CC COQ; 2100 and 3000, trauma, St. James; Columbia, fire; Mazon, trauma, Morris, mutual aid – Morris COQ; East St. - Odell, trauma, St. James, mutual aid – CC COQ/MVK COQ; Rt. 66 and Stonewall, trauma, mutual aid – Gardner Transport.

October 15: Mazon, trauma Morris; Bannon, citizen assist.

October 16: Mazon, medical, St. James; Morris, lift assist; Prairie, trauma, refusal.

October 17: Mazon, medical, Morris; Main, medical, mutual aid from Coal City; Columbia, medical, refusal.

October 18: Northbrook, fire; Main, medical, Morris; Wolf, medical, St. James.

October 19: Mazon, medical, Morris; 2900 North Rd., medical, Morris.



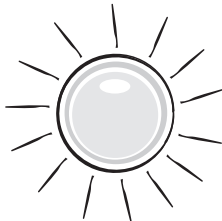
Dwight Fire Incidents 10/14 - 10/21

Dwight Fire Protection District responded to the following incidents:

October 14: Motor Vehicle Accident – rural Dwight.

October 18: Arcing Electrical Equipment – Northbrook Dr.

Dwight FPD also responded to 11 medical assists with Dwight EMS.



Temps - 2022

Oct. 13 – high 56°, low 31°
Oct. 14 – high 62°, low 31°
2” precip.

Oct. 15 – high 53°, low 32°
Oct. 16 – high 57°, low 35°
Oct. 17 – high 44°, low 31°
Oct. 18 – high 48°, low 28°
Oct. 19 – high 47°, low 27°

One Year Ago – Oct. 26, 2021
high 49°, low 43°
3.6” precip.

Free Food to Be Distributed October 26

Free food will be distributed to qualifying households in Dwight Township Wednesday, October 26, from 1:00-2:00 p.m. at the Old Town Hall, Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin St., Dwight.

The pantry is held on the fourth Wednesday of each month, January through October. The November Food Pantry is held on the third Wednesday, while Love Boxes distribute food in December.

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Sponsors for Dogs in Downtown Dwight

“Dwight is a Doggone Good Town”

IMPACTDwight plans to display 10 artistically-decorated fiberglass dogs in the downtown Dwight area in 2010.

The display is designed to enhance Dwight and encourage tourism.

If you are interested in becoming a sponsor or helping sponsor one of the various-breed dogs (a price tag of \$250 to \$650) please call Barbara DeWaard, 584-1881, or Tom Tock, 584-3707, for more information.



DWIGHT’S “DOGGONE GOOD TOWN” dogs have been watching over our streets since 2010. Take a minute, if you will, and make the rounds. The dogs enjoy a pat on the head from time to time.

Thomas Bennett, State Representative 106th District

Additional charges filed against former House Speaker Madigan

Back in March, former Illinois House Speaker Michael J. Madigan was indicted on several federal corruption charges related to a bribery scheme involving the utility giant Commonwealth Edison.

A few days ago, more charges were filed against Madigan, this time in connection to a probe involving AT&T.

AT&T entered into a deferred prosecution agreement with the U.S. Attorney’s office. The phone company is cooperating with prosecutors and has pledged to continue to do so as part of the two-year deferred prosecution deal.

According to prosecutors AT&T admitted to arranging for a Madigan ally to receive thousands of dollars in payments from the company through its lobbying firm, even though the ally performed no actual work for AT&T. The prosecutors allege that this was done in exchange for Speaker Madigan’s influence of legislation.

A federal grand jury has now issued another indictment of

Madigan, this one a conspiracy charge, relating to the AT&T investigation.

Madigan was first elected to the Illinois House in 1970. He served as state Democratic Party chairman for several years and was Speaker of the House for all but two years between 1983 and his resignation in 2021.

Gas prices resume their climb in Illinois. After declining briefly during the late summer, gas prices are once again on the rise in Illinois. Most of the state is now seeing prices above \$4, with diesel prices and Chicago-area regular unleaded costs once again passing \$5 per gallon.

Hikes in gas prices hurt nearly every consumer because they are tied to so many of the things we do in the course of a normal day, whether it is traveling to and from work, dropping kids off at school, or running errands.

If one of those errands involves buying groceries, a consumer is getting hit there also.

Food and beverage costs in Illinois grocery stores are going up at double-digit rates, continuing to increase though at a slightly slower pace.

Nationally, grocery prices have increased 13.3% since this time last year, with another 1% increase in the last month. High gas prices and the nationwide inflation crisis are mostly to blame. The increases were most noticeable on products such as dairy, snacks and frozen meals.

Bringing down these costs is going to be one of the most serious issues we will have to face in the upcoming session of the General Assembly.

How much do we owe?

As of the time of this writing, the State of Illinois owes \$2,514,987,531 in unpaid bills to state vendors. One year ago, the backlog stood at \$4.6 billion. This figure represents the amount of bills submitted to the office of the Comptroller and still awaiting payment. It does not include debts that can only be estimated.

Area Red Cross Volunteers Help 11 People Affected by Home Fires in the Past Week

American Red Cross volunteers responded to three home fires in Central Illinois last week, providing assistance to 11 individuals through supplying them with basic items to meet immediate needs after a fire, and additional support in the form of health and mental health services and one-on-one support. Volunteers responded to fires in Bloomington, Chilli-cothe and Pekin.

To help the Red Cross provide critical services, including disaster response, the 27th Annual Evening of Stars celebration is being held Wednesday,

November 9, at the Brown Ballroom on the campus of Illinois State University in Normal. Two-time NFL Pro Bowl player, Walter Payton Man of the Year Award recipient, and finalist on America’s Got Talent, Jon Dorenbos, will be the special guest and keynote speaker.

Tickets are on sale for this event – funds from ticket purchases support the mission of the Red Cross. Visit EOS22.givesmart.com to purchase tickets.

“I can’t wait to be there with you, as we celebrate a night to-

gether for a great cause,” said Dorenbos. “The American Red Cross is an organization that puts a high priority on helping others, and I am glad to have the opportunity to be a part of it, during Evening of Stars. I look forward to sharing my story and providing some entertainment through magic, in the process. See you there!”

Participants will be treated to a special performance of Dorenbos sharing his incredible life story and encouraging message via mind-blowing, world class magic.

EARLY VOTING, VOTE BY MAIL, and GRACE REGISTRATION DATES GENERAL ELECTION, NOVEMBER 8, 2022

Early Voting, Vote by Mail, and Grace Registration will be conducted on the following dates prior to the November 8, 2022 General Election. **Voter Registration closes Tuesday, October 11, 2022.** (See the Livingston County Website for additional registration and voting deadlines information.)

| Dates | Location | Hours |
|---|---|----------------------------|
| MONDAY-FRIDAY Sept. 29 thru Nov. 7 (Closed Monday, October 10 for Columbus Day observed) | Livingston County Clerk’s Office 112 W. Madison St – Pontiac | 8:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. |
| SATURDAY October 15, 22, 29 November 5 | Livingston County Clerk’s Office 112 W. Madison St – Pontiac | 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon |
| WEDNESDAY October 19, 26 (Extended Hours Voting) | Livingston County Clerk’s Office 112 W. Madison St – Pontiac | 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. |
| TUESDAY November 8 (Grace Registration & Voting) | Livingston County Clerk’s Office 112 W. Madison St – Pontiac | 6:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. |

What is Early Voting? Early Voting starts September 29 and ends November 7, 2022. This process allows any registered voter in Livingston County to use the above location to cast their ballot prior to Election Day. Early voters must be registered Livingston County voters. No excuse or reason is necessary to apply.

Vote by Mail Voting: Starts Thursday, September 29 and continues through Election Day, Tuesday, November 8. A person may request a Vote by Mail ballot no later than November 3 without specifying a reason. In order for the ballot to be counted, it must be postmarked no later than November 8 or hand-delivered in person by 7 P.M. to the County Clerk’s Office on Election Day November 8. Voter advised to check what time the local post office closes on Election Day.

Grace Registration and Voting begins October 12 and continues through November 8. This is for new registrants and those who have transferred or moved and did not update their voter registration before October 12. The Grace Period voter will vote at the same time registration is made in the County Clerk’s Office.

Additional election information, as well as Applications for Ballots and Sample Ballots may be obtained from the Livingston County website at: www.livingstoncountyil.gov (Click on “County Services”, “County Clerk”, and “Elections”).

If you have any questions regarding voter registration, or the above information, contact County Clerk Kristy Masching (815-842-9313) or Election Deputy Gail Smythe (815-842-9318).

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special education paraprofessional – they are looking to hire an additional paraprofessional as a one-on-one aide for a student in the building at GSW HS.

- Change of job description from Bookkeeper to Office Manager – Their HR Consultant, Bushue, has recommended the title of Office Manager for their current Bookkeeper.
- GAVC Director Award Winner: Chris Cvitanovich for Welding II – Chris is a senior at GSW High School and this is his second year in Welding at GAVC.
- Early Graduation of student – they have one student requesting early graduation. She is currently on track with all of her required courses.
- GSW High School Hall of Fame – Mrs. Avery congratulated Mrs. Katy Wepprecht (Board Vice President) for being chosen as an inductee. She will be inducted into the Hall of Fame in January 2023, along with another lucky winner, Philip Jerbi, during their Homecoming basketball game on January 13.

Mr. Tim Harvey informed the board he was approached by a group of GSW High School kids with questions in regards to the Bass Fishing Team, Trap Shooting Team and allowing hats to be worn during school.

Action Items included:

- Approve Early Graduation of a student – Lyla Keorkunian
- Approve the FY 2022 Seniority List
- Approve the Application for the Maintenance Grant
- Approve the hiring of an after school tutor – Elizabeth Del-Real
- Approve the IGA for District Bookkeepers – Amber Ryle and Dyanna Swisher
- Approve the IMRF Authorized Agent – Amber Ryle
- Approve the change of the Bookkeeper Job Description to Office Manager
- Approve the Resolution to Transfer funds from Fund 20 to Fund 60
- Approve to post to hire a one-on-one special education paraprofessional
- Approve the Fiscal Year 2022 Teacher/Administration Compensation Report

Fossil Ridge Library Adult Programs

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

Adult Programs

- **October 26 (Adult) and October 27 (Teen), 6:00-7:30 p.m. – Ceramic Skull Make and Take (Registration Required):** Conjure up some scary vibes just in time for Halloween as you paint and decorate your own ceramic sugar skull.

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

Trust is built on credibility, and credibility comes from acting in others’ interests before your own.

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Notice of Annual Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of the Membership of the Grundy County Agricultural District Fair, Inc. is called for and will be held at 8890 IL-47 Grundy County Agricultural District Fair, Inc. main office Morris, Illinois on the 1st day of December 2022 at the hour of 6:00 p.m. for the election of officers and directors and to transact other business as may be brought before the membership.

By Order of the Grundy County Agricultural District Fair, Inc., George Williams, President.

Gas Prices For This Week

The national average pump price fell nine cents over the past week to hit \$3.79. It has dropped daily since October 11, primarily due to lower oil prices and fewer drivers than usual fueling up. Although gasoline demand is up slightly, it remains nearly 1 million bbl lower than this date last year. If demand remains low and oil prices don’t spike, pump prices will likely keep falling. Today’s national average of \$3.79 is nine cents higher than a month ago and 41 cents more than a year ago.

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| City/Village | Oct. 24 | Oct. 17 |
| Dwight | \$4.04 | \$4.07 |
| Kankakee | \$4.17 | \$4.22 |
| Streator | \$4.15 | \$4.23 |
| Pontiac | \$3.95 | \$3.97 |
| Gardner | \$4.16 | \$4.16 |
| Braceville | \$3.65 | \$3.81 |
| Morris | \$4.18 | \$4.21 |
| Herscher | \$4.25 | \$4.25 |
| Chicago | \$4.43 | \$4.56 |
| Illinois | \$4.21 | \$4.31 |
| U.S. | \$3.79 | \$3.89 |

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

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Principals Share Interview Tips with Educators Seeking a Teaching Position

Alpha Beta Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society met at the Eureka Christian Church October 15. Retired Principal Rich Wherley, Eureka High School, and Principal Adam Hermann, El Paso-Gridley High School, shared a volume of tips in their program, “How to Prepare for an Interview and What to Expect.”

First an applicant must send a resume via e-mail that contains information that not only lists qualifications but especially appeals to the needs of the particular school. A principal may select some candidates to visit with the principal via Skype. So the applicant should be enthusiastic, explain why they want to teach at a particular school, share some other strengths they have like being able to teach history and physical education or coach some sort of sport, or direct plays.

A principal may choose 10 applicants and ask them to teach a 10-minute lesson via Skype or Zoom of their choice. Then the principal may choose all or some to go for a personal interview where the principal and a few teachers are present. At that time the candidate will be asked questions like “What do you hope to accomplish?” Responses should not be “canned” answers but specific examples.

Being a team player should be revealed in an applicant as a teacher not only works with other teachers but other staff

ALPHA BETA CHAPTER recognized Madison Draughan, Annie Fredricksen, Kendall Fulop, Kammi Lamprecht, Abby Boyle, and Jordyn Fox as they become DKG collegiate or active members.

members and administrators. A recommended book is The Ideal Team Player by Patrick Lencioni. Members also shared some interview suggestions.

Collegiate members were welcomed to the chapter, which include Abby Boyle, majoring in elementary education; Jordyn Fox, majoring in elementary and special education; and Madison Draughan, majoring in elementary and special education. Three former collegiate members were formally inducted as active members: Annie Fredricksen, aide in special education at Glendale, East Peoria; Kammi Lamprecht, K-2 life skills at Armstrong, East Peoria; and Kendall Fulop, third grade at

Low Point-Washburn.

At the business meeting, Treasurer Janet Kilgus reported that the chapter has 38 active members and six collegiate members. Pres. Marcia Wahls explained grants for which collegiates and early career teachers may apply. Also, members may apply for state foundation grants twice a year to be used to benefit students. Music Chair Elaine Cunningham led the group in singing.

Pres. Wahls; Janet Kilgus, State Secretary; Lou Ann Jacobs, State Historian; and Carol Hughes, Past State President, attended the Executive Board Meeting September 16-17 in Bloomington. Work is being done for a new state website to

make it easier to access and include more information. The Legislative Seminar consisted of three programs via Zoom October 18-20.

Anne Marie Gump, noted English Language Learner Specialist from Williams Bay, Wisconsin will speak on “The Science of Reading: The Latest Reading Wars? Or Best Practices?”. The meeting will be held Saturday, November 12, in Fairbury in the White Community Room at the Dominy Memorial Library. All area educators are invited to attend.

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

DAR Historic Preservation Medal to John Schmale

Members of the Governor Thomas Ford Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution learned about patriot John Paul Jones at their October meeting.

Born in Scotland as John Paul (he added Jones later in life), Captain Jones played an important role in establishing the Continental Navy for the American colonies. He is often remembered for his defiant phrase, “I have not yet begun to fight!”.

Dr. John Schmale of Mahomet used slides and full-size flag replicas to illustrate highlights of Jones’ storied naval career that began at age 13 years. The flags were borrowed from the extensive collection of historic flag replicas owned by the Alliance Chapter of NSDAR.

Although Jones died in France at the age of 46 and was buried there, his remains were later identified, and he is now interred at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland.

During his 50 years of medical practice, Schmale’s hobbies have included researching and collecting U.S. military history. A self-taught flag expert, he has a special interest in Civil War flags, especially those related to Illinois. (At the end of the war, all flags were to be returned to their respective states).

Schmale has taken on the task of saving what was left of Illinois’ Civil War flag collec-

tion, working with families who have preserved these flags and contacted him to research their background. He has taken photos of some 400 of these flags and soon will publish his extensive research in book form.

Schmale also is the founder of the Champaign County Civil War Roundtable. He and his wife, Joyce, who is a GTF Chapter member, have donated some rare Civil War medical flags to museums.

To honor his extensive work in Civil War history, Regent Jean Fox presented Schmale with a DAR Historic Preservation Medal. The medal recognizes and honors an individual or group that has done recent remarkable volunteer work at the community level.

The October 1 meeting was the first regular chapter meeting held on a Saturday, scheduled two times per year to accommodate some members still in the workforce or who live a distance from Ford County. The business meeting and program were followed by a brunch served by Goin Places Catering of Gibson City.

Carol Camp of Loda and Judi Sali of Roberts, who co-chair the chapter’s DAR Service to Veterans Committee, collected donations from members of gift cards to be given to the Danville VA Medical Center to assist patients and their families.

Chapter members also

learned of a military holiday card challenge from DAR Project Patriot Committee Chair, Sherri Kenner of Mahomet. Three chapter members – Peggy Seibring and Judy Jepsen-Popel of Paxton, and Pamela Bork of Thawville – were recognized for creating Constitution Week displays in the county’s libraries and schools during September.

DAR School Chair Leann Wilcoxon of Peru accepted members’ cash donations for Hindman Settlement School in Hindman, Kentucky, which was damaged by recent flooding. This school is one of a total of five schools in remote areas that receives support from NSDAR.

Joyce Schmale of Mahomet, who chairs The Flag of the United States Committee, presented Moyer Library with two new U.S. flags to fly over their building. The gift was presented to chapter member Crystal Goff, also a part-time library employee, in appreciation for the library’s community room that is often used for chapter meetings.

LEGAL NOTICE

The proposed fiscal year 2023 Budgets, Appropriations and Tax Levies for Livingston County are now on view in the following offices in the Historic Courthouse at 112 W. Madison Street, Pontiac, Illinois: Finance, County Board and the County Clerk’s Office. The documents may also be viewed on the Home Page of the county website at www.livingstoncountyil.gov.

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MVK Seniors Meet

The MVK Seniors met October 18 at the Mazon American Legion for lunch provided by the Community Nutrition Network and furnished by The Whistle Stop in Coal City.

Pres. Sherry McIntosh called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. A silent prayer was said for the country, elections com-

ing up, and for the police and EMTs.

Happy Birthday was sung for Bob Hollenback, as he was 103 years young.

Door prizes were won by Carol Bryant, Shirley Peterson, and Barb Carter.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports were read and the motion was accepted by all.

The next meeting will be

held November 15, with Euchre at 10:30 a.m. and BINGO following the business meeting. A motion to adjourn was called for by Bill McCormick, and seconded by Betty Robinson.

Anyone 60 and older is invited to join for a small donation. Be sure to call CNN at 815-941-1590.

OSF HealthCare Joins National Gun Safety Movement to Address Firearms as Leading Cause of Death in Children

Guns are the leading cause of death for kids. Every day, 13 children die from guns. To help address this crisis and encourage parents to take action by asking about gun safety, OSF HealthCare has joined more than 170 other health care organizations representing thousands of hospitals and health systems in a nationwide public awareness and education campaign.

"It's important for health care systems like OSF HealthCare to engage in preventive medicine," said Kurt Bloomstrand, MD, EMS medical director for East Central Illinois EMS and an emergency medicine physician for OSF HealthCare Heart of Mary Medical Center in Urbana. "The 'Doesn't Kill to Ask' campaign equips parents and patients

with the necessary tools and resources to help navigate difficult situations regarding guns. If we can better educate our patients on how to safely handle guns in the home, we can save lives."

The campaign includes broadcast, print and digital ads and a website highlighting the fact that access to unlocked guns can lead to death, suicide and gun violence, making it more likely that children die from guns than cancer or automobile accidents. The website provides tips on how to have a conversation with other parents about the importance of safely storing firearms, and encourages parents and caregivers to normalize this conversation.

The increase in gun violence has impacted health care systems across the country, espe-

cially the medical professionals who treat patients affected by gun violence.

"Situations dealing with gun violence require extra resources and stress to the health care providers caring for them," said Dr. Bloomstrand. "This is especially true when it impacts the youth of the communities we serve. Every day, eight kids are shot by accident, which is eight kids too many. These are preventable deaths. We can do better in our communities to promote gun safety and training. By holding each other accountable and by asking simple questions regarding gun safety, we can save a life. It most definitely 'Doesn't Kill to Ask.'"

To learn more, visit HospitalsUnited.com.

Scholarship Available for Women Educators

Alpha Mu, the local chapter of Alpha Delta Kappa, an honorary organization for women educators, is offering a \$500 scholarship for prospective women educators.

Requirements include:

- Recipient must be a resident of Livingston County or have graduated from a Livingston County School.
- Must have completed at least two years of post-secondary education.
- Must be pursuing a course of study in teacher education.
- Selection of recipient is based upon professional promise and financial need.

Applications are due by November 30, and may be obtained by contacting Linda Opperman at glzd@mediacombb.net or any other Alpha Mu member.

Ghost Ride October 28

Godley Park District, 500 S. Kankakee St. in Godley, will host its free drive-through Trick-or-Treat event Friday, October 28, from 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Your drive starts at the park's south entrance, off of Smith Rd. You'll slowly wind through the park grounds, making stops and collecting goodies.

You'll stay in your vehicle at all times, so you can dress up if you want, or just stay comfy.

Semi-Annual Book Sale at LTLTD Still in Progress

If you stop by Limestone Township Library District, you will see the lobby filled with books from the Friends of the Limestone Library's semi-annual book sale. You can find books for all ages in a variety of subjects, both in hardcover and paperback, in addition to audiobooks, DVDs, and children's books. You can pay for your purchases at the front desk. The sale runs through Monday, October 31.

Storytime meets Wednesday mornings at 10:15 a.m. in person with Ms. Holly reading a picture book or two and working on a craft to help preschoolers discover the joy of reading. George, their giant stuffed monkey, will also attend for children who want to practice their reading skills by reading to George.

Have you heard about the design app, Canva, but were afraid to try it? Join on Thursday, October 27, at 6:30 p.m. when they open up the computer lab and show people various tricks and tips on how to create social media posts using Canva in their Canva Graphic Design Lab.

Looking for a volunteer opportunity? The Friends of the

Limestone Library volunteer at library programs and provide various materials for patron use, including their new computer lab. The Friends are meeting Tuesday, November 1, at 6:30 p.m. Anyone can attend the meeting.

Join Saturday, November 5, at noon as they make Coffee Filter Fall Leaves with coffee filters and paint and their die cut machines. This program is for first through fifth graders.

Help decorate their tree at the Kankakee History Museum's Gallery of Trees Monday, November 7, at 6:30 p.m. Join as they make Christmas ornaments featuring your picture on a wood circle in keeping with the theme of Family Holiday Traditions. They will be making ornaments for you to take home, but also ones for their tree at the museum. This is a family program.

Check out their website, limestonelibrary.org, as well as Facebook, Instagram, and The Paper for updates. Any questions? Call them at 815-939-1696, e-mail them at info@limestonelibrary.org, or message them at Facebook or Instagram.

Land of Lincoln Honor Flight Announces Final 2022 Flight

Land of Lincoln Honor Flight has announced the final 2022 flight will take off Tuesday, November 1, from Springfield Abraham Lincoln Capitol Airport to Washington DC. Ninety-four (94) Central Illinois veterans – one World War II veteran, five Korean era veterans, and 88 Vietnam era veterans – are ready to experience a day of appreciation for their service on Land of Lincoln Honor Flight's Mission #64.

These veterans and their 83 Guardians (who cover the cost of their own expenses) will arrive at the airport Tuesday morning at 4:15 a.m., having traveled from the 52 Illinois cities and communities of Argenta, Atlanta, Bath, Bement, Bloomington, Catlin, Campaign, Coffeen, Colchester, Cornland, Danville, Decatur, Delavan, Effingham, Findlay, Forrest, Franklin, Girard, Greenup, Gridley, Hillsboro, Jacksonville, Jerseyville, LaSalle, Lincoln, Mahomet, Marshall, Mason City, Mattoon, Meredosia, Morrisonville, Moweaqua, Normal, Oconee, Ogden, Oreana, Palmer, Pana, Pekin, Peru, Pleasant Plains, Sherman,

Shirley, Sidney, Springfield, Sullivan, Troy, Virden, Watson, Waverly, Williamsville, and Winnebago.

Joan Bortolon, LLHF President, states: "Land of Lincoln Honor Flight has been making up for time lost during the 30-month COVID delay. With the 94 veterans on the November flight, we are on track to have served 472 veterans on our 2022 flights. In addition, our September flight took us over the 5,000 veterans served mark. Achieving this milestone is a testament to our team of volunteers and the patience of our American hero veterans."

Their passengers will travel to Washington DC on a chartered Sun Country 737 aircraft and by luxury motorcoaches on the ground upon arrival. The day includes visits to the World War II, Korean and Vietnam War memorials, as well as Arlington National Cemetery Tomb of the Unknowns, the Lincoln Memorial, and the US Air Force Memorial. This day of honor is provided at absolutely no cost to the veterans.

These heroes will return to Springfield airport at 9:30 p.m. on Tuesday. The general public,

friends and family, and LLHF alumni veterans are encouraged to pack the airport to welcome home these heroes. Bortolon states: "Our veterans have told us that the welcome home in Springfield is one of the most rewarding parts of the experience. We are appreciative of the crowd at the airport who gives our veterans the welcome home they earned, deserved and never received."

Greeters are encouraged to arrive early and show appreciation for and support of these veterans who sacrificed so much for the country. Parking assistance and a parking lot shuttle bus will be available for those attending this event.

Land of Lincoln Honor Flight is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that receives no government funding. It is only able to honor veterans due to the generous donations, sponsorships, fund-raising events, merchandise sales and supporting efforts of the many local businesses, individuals and organizations within their service area. Land of Lincoln Honor Flight is operated by all volunteers; it has no paid staff, no office and no utilities costs. Its

overall administrative cost is approximately 1%, so virtually every dollar raised supports flight costs for the veterans.

Land of Lincoln Honor Flight still has a waiting list of over 500 veterans waiting for a future flight. However, LLHF is still encouraging new applications. Veterans are offered flights by date of application within each service era: World War II (enlisted by 12/31/1946), then Korean War era (01/01/1947 to 12/31/1957), followed by the Vietnam War Era (01/01/1958 to 05/07/1975). Any certified terminally ill veteran should contact LLHF directly. Veteran and Guardian applications may be obtained at LandofLincolnHonorFlight.org by clicking on Applications tab.

LLHF is in the process of scheduling six flights in 2023.



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A “Hallow” Praise “een” event will be held Sunday, October 30, at 6:00 p.m. at The Gothic Church, 201 N. Franklin St. in Dwight.

This will be a chance to gather to worship and honor God.

Dwight Township Meeting Nov. 1

The monthly meeting of Dwight Township will be held Tuesday, November 1. All regularly scheduled meetings are held in the Dwight Township Hall, 201 North Franklin Street, Dwight, at 7:00 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

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

U.S. Bank National Association, not in its individual capacity but solely as indenture trustee, for the holders of the CIM Trust 2021-R2, Mortgage-Backed Notes, Series 2021-R2

Plaintiff,

vs.

James Travis, AKA James E. Travis,

Defendants.

Case No. 2022FC14

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NOTICE OF SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above entitled cause on September 16, 2022, Jeffrey G. Hamilton will on November 23, 2022, at the hour of 10:00AM at the Livingston County Sheriff’s Office, The Law & Justice Center, 110 North Main Street, Pontiac, Illinois 61764, sell to the highest bidder for cash, the following described mortgaged real estate: The East Half of the Northwest Quarter of Block 16 of the City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois. Commonly known as 308 East North Street, Pontiac, IL 61764 Parcel Number(s): 15-15-22-282-002 The real estate is improved with a Single Family Residence. Sale terms: Bidders must present, at the time of sale, a cashier’s or certified check for 10% of the successful bid amount. The balance of the successful bid shall be paid within 24 hours, by similar funds. The subject property is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in “AS IS” condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court. The property will NOT be open for inspection. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than the mortgagee shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). For information call Plaintiff’s Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 22-004188.

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DWIGHT FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT extended its thanks to Steve’s Lighthouses and More for creating and donating this wooden flag to the department. Steve Carr has donated a flag for Dwight FPD and Herscher Fire Department. DFPD says they love it and look forward to putting it on display at the station.



Henry Joseph Reuhl
A boy!

Chelsea and Brian Reuhl, of Arlington Heights, are happy to announce the birth of their third son, Henry Joseph. Henry was born at 11:36 p.m. Friday, October 7, 2022, at Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Heights. He weighed eight pounds, six ounces, and was 22 inches long. He is welcomed home by his brothers, Franklin “Frankie”, who is 3½ years old, and Charles “Charlie”, who is 1½ years old. Maternal grandparents are Joyce Weller, of Vernon Hills, and Brad Weller, of Gurnee. Maternal great-grandparents are Beverly Weller, of Dwight, and the late Robert E. Weller, and the late Richard and the late Dorothy Leskanich. His paternal grandparents are Bill and Betsy Reuhl, of Naperville. Paternal great-grandparents are the late William and the late Vivian Reuhl, and the late Joseph and the late Mary Rasmussen.

Former Chicago Bulls Guard Joins Forces with Nick Schultz to Host Bleav Network Podcast

Former Chicago Bulls guard, C.J. Watson, is officially joining Dwight Township High School graduate Nick Schultz to host the “Bleav in Bulls” podcast on the Bleav Podcast Network. Bleav (pronounced “believe”) made the announcement October 20, when Watson and Schultz released their first episode together. Schultz has hosted the podcast since January 2021 and released 82 episodes before Watson came aboard. Watson played for the Bulls from 2010-12 as part of a 10-year NBA career from 2007-17. In fact, when Derrick Rose tore his ACL during the 2012 playoffs, Watson became Chicago’s starting point guard for the rest of the year.

Veterans Day Event to Be Held at KCC November 5

On Saturday, November 5, a “Soldiers Reunion” Veterans Day event will be from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Kankakee Community College. The free event includes lunch and a recognition ceremony. The public is invited. At the Soldiers Reunion, veterans of all eras will have an opportunity to connect with supporters as well as learn about veteran’s services. The day will begin with an opening ceremony at 9:00 a.m. Posting of the colors will be from the Momence Honor Guard. There will then be an introduction of veterans’ organizations and an opening address. Panel group discussions will begin at 10:30 a.m. Topics include: “Life is Worth Living to the Fullest,” “Post Traumatic Stress Updates,” “Family Life Can Be Great,” “Women Can Do it Right,” and “Living and Managing Health Challenges.” A light lunch and recognition program will take place at noon. The day will conclude with a blessing ceremony. Guest speakers will be Rev. Thomas Ervin, Sr., master of ceremonies; Dr. Michael Boyd, KCC President; Reverend Jamie Canty; and Pastor Jason Perry. For more information, contact Jason Rodriguez, Veterans Club Advisor at KCC, at jrodriguez@kcc.edu or phone 815-802-8554. KCC is located at 100 College Drive in Kankakee.



FROM LEMONADE TO CHRISTMAS AID
Instead of earning money for toys or treats, these neighborhood children chose to take the money they raised from their lemonade stand this summer and donate it to the Dwight Christmas for Kids Program. They earned \$142 which they gleefully added to the charity's fund.



The budding philanthropists are front row, from left, Gabriel Nunez and Brynlee Foster; back row, McKynlee Ferrari, Lucas Nunez, and Sophia Nunez.

Godley Ghost Ride

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OBITUARIES

Dorothee Rose Tjelle

Dorothee Rose Tjelle, age 94, of Carbon Hill, Illinois died Thursday evening, October 20, 2022 surrounded by family at the Lightways Hospice Home in Joliet, Illinois.



Born November 14, 1927 in Coal City, Illinois, Dorothee Rose was a daughter of James and Rose (Mlynek) Vilt. She was raised and educated in Coal City and was a graduate of Coal City High School with the class of 1945.

On November 26, 1949, Dorothee married Everett Tjelle in St. Rose Catholic Church in Wilmington, and together they made their home in Gardner, before relocating to Coal City.

Dorothee was a former member of St. Lawrence Catholic Church in South Wilmington, and currently belonged to Assumption Parish in Coal City, where she was a member of The Martha's.

Dorothee served as a 4-H leader, and most recently was an active volunteer, assisting with the Carbon Hill Homecoming for many years; St. Vincent's Table, where she baked and provided desserts weekly; The Coal City Clothes Closet; and MOMS Cookies.

She enjoyed dancing, as well as gardening and flowers. Family was always the center of Dorothee's life and she cherished the time she was able to spend with her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and siblings. She was also for certain to be in attendance for any and all of her grandchildren's activities.

Survivors include her children: Dennis (Margene) Tjelle of Dwight; Alan Tjelle of Carbon Hill; Diane Cramer of Saunemin; LuAnn (Randy) Bradbury of Odell; and JoAnn (Loren) Koenig and Brian Tjelle, both of Carbon Hill.

Also surviving are 11 grandchildren; 22 great-grandchildren; one brother, Ron Vilt of Wilmington; two sisters-in-

law, Lorraine Vilt of Carbon Hill and Phyllis Tjelle of Dwight; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Dorothee was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Everett Tjelle (January 9, 1990); son-in-law, Kenny Cramer; brother, Richard "Hotshot" Vilt; sister, Bette Stutts; and her special friend and companion, Franklin Bevan.

The family received friends for a visitation at Reeves Funeral Home, 75 North Broadway, Coal City on Monday, October 24, 2022 from 4:00 until 8:00 p.m.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated by Rev. Josh Miller, with Deacon William Dunn assisting, Tuesday morning, October 25, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. in Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Roman Catholic Church, 215 S. Kankakee Street, Coal City.

Burial: Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Campus, where she was laid to rest with her late husband.

Pallbearers: Jim Muser, Jordan Koenig, Craig Cramer, Chris Cramer, Luke Tjelle, Jake Tjelle, and Shane Weprecht.

Preferred memorials in lieu of flowers may be made as gifts in Dorothee's memory to Lightways Hospice, 250 Water Stone Circle, Joliet, Illinois 60431; Paralyzed Veterans of America, P.O. Box 758542, Topeka, Kansas 66675-8542; and St. Vincent's Table or the Assumption Building Fund, c/o 195 S. Kankakee Street, Coal City, IL 60416.

Family and friends are encouraged to log on to www.ReevesFuneral.com to sign the guestbook, upload photographs, and share Dorothee's memorial page online through social media.

Funeral services and arrangements have been made under the direction and care of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd. in Coal City. (815-634-2125)

Cassandra Lynn Swatkowski

Cassandra Lynn Swatkowski, 29, of Odell, Illinois passed away peacefully on Friday, September 30, 2022 at 8:26 p.m. at Carle BroMenn Medical Center in Bloomington, Illinois, while surrounded by her loving family.



A memorial visitation was held Friday, October 7, 2022 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Duffy - Baier - Snedecor Funeral Home in Pontiac. Cremation rites were accorded.

Cassandra was born December 24, 1992 in Oak Lawn, Illinois to Steven and Kathleen (McGrath) Swatkowski. They survive in Odell, Illinois.

She is survived by her sons, Kayden, Brodie and Kannon; siblings, Jeffrey of New York and Alissa of Chicago, Illinois; her grandmother, Judy Swatkowski; and aunts, uncles and cousins.

Cassandra was preceded in

death by her grandmother, Margaret McGrath; grandfather, Thomas Swatkowski; brother, Alexander Swatkowski; sister-in-law, Lizzie Swatkowski; and cousin, Pamela Moynihan.

Cassandra was a graduate of Pontiac Township High School, class of 2011. She had been the Store Manager of several McDonald's restaurants in the area. She was loved by her employees and many of her customers.

Cassandra was an animal lover of all kinds. She was very crafty and enjoyed sewing. She was known to be sassy and loved to laugh, and she greatly loved her children.

The family suggests memorials be made to her family for her children.

Online condolences may be made to the family at duffyfuneralhome.com or visit us on Facebook.

Another obituary appears on page 12.

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

The Paper
email: thepaper1901@sbcglobal.net

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

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We welcome your thoughts.

Notice for Fall Clean-Up

All grave decorations must be removed by Nov. 10th or they will be discarded. Also, during the year all wilted, faded and broken grave decorations will be removed. **Please** use garbage cans located by the Maintenance Building. **Please** do not replace decorations until clean-up is completed.

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF

JOHN W. HILDRETH,
Deceased.

Case No.: 2022-PR-103

CLAIMS NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to you of the death of JOHN W. HILDRETH, who died on September 3rd, 2022. At the time of his death, JOHN W. HILDRETH was a resident of Fairbury, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on October 3rd, 2022, to LORI GONZALES and RANDY MILLER, Co-Executors, whose addresses are 7942 91st Ave., Apt 12, Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158 and 6054 Cedar Bend Way, Avon, IN 46123, respectfully. Their attorney is WILLIAM J. GERBER, 210 W. Oak St., Fairbury, IL 61739, whose phone number is (815) 692-2224.

Claims may be filed on or before April 14th, 2023. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Claims may be filed with the office of the Clerk of Livingston County Court at 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764, or claims may be filed with the Independent Executors, or both. If filed with the Clerk, claimant must within 10 days mail or deliver a copy of the claim to the Executors and to their attorney and file with the Circuit Clerk proof of such mailing or delivery.

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DATED: 10/05/2022
LORI GONZALES and RANDY MILLER,

Co-Executors

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CANDY

It's Halloween Week which means it's time to rank some Halloween candy. One great thing about the phrase Halloween candy is you know exactly what someone is talking about when they say it, they're talking about the miniaturized version of all the normal candy.

This doesn't translate that well to all versions of candy, which is why the halloween rankings are a rankings unto themselves.

I think my personal favorite is the Nestlé Crunch. I don't think at any point in my life have I ever wanted a full size Nestlé Crunch bar, but for some reason when you put it in that tiny form, and it's only a bite or two, it just has a whole new life to it. It's tough to explain, but downsizing it really does a lot for it in the grand scheme of other candy. Also has a great crunch.

Coming in right behind it is the Snickers bar. Now, unlike the Crunch bar, there are definitely times where I have wanted a full sized snickers bar, as they are delicious. I just wanted to get on record that the bigger sized version is just as good as the smaller version.

In the third spot is a curveball. It's not a small packaged candy, it's Candy Corn. Candy Corn gets absolutely maligned on the internet, people say that it's the worst Halloween related candy. Candy Corn on its own, is probably not that good. Whatever everyone is overlooking when they talk about it is that you have to combine it with a nut of some kind. I am partial to peanuts, but it's the sweet and salty combo that makes it go. Everyone just leaves that out of the conversation when debating it.

Rounding out great halloween candy is anything that is singular pieces that just get put into smaller bags. This would be your M & Ms, Skittles, and Reese's Pieces of the world. It's the same thing, just a smaller bag. They're good big, they're good small.

I'm probably missing a lot of great ones, but these are a few of my personal favorites.

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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.
GARY L. BABBS and KIMBERLY S. BABBS a/k/a Kim Babbs, each both individually and as Co-Trustee of the Gary L. Babbs and Kimberly S. Babbs Living Trust, dated May 21, 2021, STATE OF ILLINOIS, and unknown owners and non-record claimants, Defendants.

No. 22-FC-46

NOTICE

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

Lots 2 and 3, Block 8 Riverside Addition to the City of Pontiac, County of Livingston, State of Illinois, and a parcel of land described as follows:

Commencing at the Southeast corner of Lot 2, Block 8 Riverside Addition, and then running West 118.24 feet, thence South 184.89 feet to centerline of the Vermillion River, thence Northeast following the centerline of the Vermillion River in a generally Northeasterly direction 142.55 feet, thence North 118.24 feet to the point of beginning, City of Pontiac, Livingston County, Illinois.

PIN: 15-15-23-378-009

Commonly known as: 302 E. Pinckney St., Pontiac, IL 61764

The title holders of record to the above described real estate are GARY L. BABBS and KIMBERLY S. BABBS, as Co-Trustees of the Gary L. Babbs and Kimberly S. Babbs Living Trust, dated May 21, 2021. The mortgages sought to be foreclosed are a mortgage executed on November 21, 2007 and recorded on November 30, 2007 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2017R-02094, a modification of mortgage executed on August 10, 2018 and recorded on August 13, 2018 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2018R-03242, and a modification of mortgage executed on September 30, 2019 and recorded on October 8, 2019 at the office of the County Clerk and Recorder of Deeds in Livingston County, Illinois, as document No. 2019R-03922. The cause of action initiated by the Plaintiff, BANK OF PONTIAC, an Illinois Banking Corporation, against the Defendants in Case No. 22-FC-46 is currently pending. The attorney for the Plaintiff is Donald R. McClarey, McClarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009.

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

Dated this 19th day of October, 2022.

LeAnn Dixon,
Circuit Clerk
Circuit Court of the Eleventh Judicial Circuit,
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| The Church Dartball League started its season October 17, posting the following results: | | | Emman. Luth. | 2 | 1 |
| | | | Dwight Meth. | 1 | 2 |
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| | | | Hers. Luth. #1 | 3 | 0 |
| | | | Dwight Cong. | 3 | 0 |
| | | | Zion Luth. | 3 | 0 |
| | | | Emman. Luth. | 2 | 1 |
| | | | Trinity Luth. | 2 | 1 |
| | | | Dwight Meth. | 1 | 2 |
| | | | Hers. Luth. #2 | 1 | 2 |
| | | | Hers. Meth. | 0 | 3 |
| | | | Tri Parish | 0 | 3 |
| | | | New Life | 0 | 3 |
| | | | The next night of play will be November 7 at 7:00 p.m. | | |
| | | | Hers. Meth. | 0 | 3 |
| | | | Zion Luth. | 3 | 0 |

Lights Off at DTSH Courts November 1

Dwight Township High School will be turning off the lights at the basketball/tennis courts as of November 1.

DTSH has been happy to see kids of all ages out there enjoying the extended time at the courts.

The lights will be turned back on March 1, 2023.



Monday, October 17
Dwight vs. Pontiac Varsity -
The varsity Lady Trojans fell to Pontiac, 23-25, 10-25, on October 17.

Lilly Duffy led with two aces, seven digs, and a kill, followed by Erin Anderson's one ace, three kills, and three digs. Maya Green contributed three kills and three digs.

JV -
Dwight's JV girls lost in two sets, 21-25, 5-25.

DTSH Lady Trojans Volleyball

Maci Johnson (2 assists), Njomza Asllani (2 kills), and Sophie Richie (1 kill) had one ace each.

Freshmen -
In the freshmen match-up, the Lady Trojans took a 15-25, 11-25 loss to Pontiac.

Makayla Wahl-Seabert led with an ace, five digs, and three kills. Olivia Buck (4 assists) and Madi Ely (8 digs) added one kill each.

Tuesday, October 18
Dwight vs. Putnam County Varsity -

In a Tri County Conference match with Putnam County October 18, DTSH finished with a winning score of 22-25, 16-25 on Senior Night.

Cheyenne Condreay had two aces, five assists, and two kills to lead the squad. Erin Anderson added an ace, three digs, and two kills. Kassy Kodat came up with nine digs and four kills, while Brynn Connor had two blocks and a dig.

JV -
The JV meeting ended with a 25-8, 20-25, 25-16 victory for Dwight.

Sophie Richie's two aces, four kills, two digs, and one assist led the Lady Trojans. Issy Bunting provided two kills, two blocks, and a dig, with Maci Johnson adding seven kills and four assists.

Freshmen -
The freshmen girls won in

three sets, 25-14, 20-25, 15-1.

Taylor Frobish had five aces and a kill to lead the way, while Sarah Parker (2 assists, 1 dig, 1 kill) and Sophie Buck (2 kills, 8 assists) added an ace each. Makayla Wahl-Seabert put up seven kills and two digs.

Thursday, October 20
Dwight vs. Marquette Academy Varsity -

Dwight fell to TCC foe, Marquette Academy, on October 20, 13-25, 8-25.

Kassy Kodat, Lilly Duffy and Erin Anderson (1 kill) had eight, six, and five digs, respectively. Maya Green gave the Lady Trojans one dig, one block, and one kill.

JV -
On October 20, Dwight JV suffered a 12-25, 10-25 loss to Marquette.

Njomza Asllani had an ace and four digs, with Ella Legner adding two digs, an assist, and one kill. Emerson Peters provided a kill and one dig.

Freshmen -
In the freshmen match-up, the end result was 22-25, 9-25.

Taylor Frobish had two aces, three digs, and two kills, with Sophie Buck adding an ace, eight assists, and two digs. Makayla Wahl-Seabert supplied six digs and five kills, followed by a kill and one dig from Dori Wilson.

DELINQUENT REAL ESTATE AND MOBILE HOME TAXES

List of delinquent lands, lots and mobile homes situated in the Townships as indicated, County of Livingston and State of Illinois, upon which taxes for the real estate year 2021, mobile home year 2022 and forfeited taxes for prior years remain due and unpaid, and are now payable at the County Collector's Office in the Courthouse of Livingston County, Pontiac, Illinois. Amounts shown include taxes due, delinquent costs and publication costs.

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| NEVADA TOWNSHIP: Real Estate | | |
| 04-04-21-300-004 | \$1,146.71 | ROE, THOMAS EARL |
| 04-04-26-400-002 | \$2,548.11 | FINNEGAN, ROSE MARY |
| DWIGHT TOWNSHIP: Real Estate | | |
| 05-05-03-302-008 | \$6,415.20 | VICTORY TRUCKING LLC |
| 05-05-03-353-026 | \$129.20 | HENRY, JUDY & DIAZ, RUBEN |
| 05-05-04-351-001 | \$7,276.14 | CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST |
| 05-05-04-379-011 | \$2,382.84 | ALLIANCE RE HOLDINGS LLC |
| 05-05-04-426-015 | \$219.23 | CHECKMATE CONTRACTORS INC |
| 05-05-04-430-017 | \$1,700.26 | IVEY, THOMAS |
| 05-05-04-452-006 | \$2,814.11 | SHULL, DARRIN & KIMERI |
| 05-05-04-454-018 | \$1,471.22 | SULLIVAN, SABRINA |
| 05-05-04-481-018 | \$1,896.81 | CHERVEN, ANDREW |
| 05-05-09-102-016 | \$893.50 | KRAMER, WILLIAM & JO LYNN |
| 05-05-09-102-026 | \$3,246.74 | SKYDAN EQUITY PARTNERS LLC |
| 05-05-09-103-011 | \$2,500.32 | MARX, ROBERT & AMBER |
| 05-05-09-126-005 | \$3,050.32 | WEINBERGER, DIANE |
| 05-05-09-128-017 | \$1,383.70 | SKONIE, STEVEN & ALDONA |
| 05-05-09-129-001 | \$1,638.56 | GOUDIE, ROBERT |
| 05-05-09-130-026 | \$2,514.43 | AUGUSTUS, GRANT |
| 05-05-09-176-017 | \$3,201.41 | PETERSON, PAMELA & CORY |
| 05-05-09-179-007 | \$350.53 | EMMONS, JARRARD |
| 05-05-09-179-010 | \$1,401.84 | ONEILL, DANIEL |
| 05-05-09-204-004 | \$5,735.99 | FRANCIS, PHILOMENIA |
| 05-05-09-206-008 | \$9,345.13 | MEISTER, PETER & JOY |
| 05-05-09-251-008 | \$8,320.91 | JEDLINK, MERYEM |
| 05-05-09-281-001 | \$4,248.31 | FROBISH, JENNIFER |
| 05-05-10-151-010 | \$371.47 | RIPPY, MICHAEL |
| 05-05-14-300-006 | \$4,313.58 | BOSSERT, BRUCE A FAMILY TRUST |
| 05-05-35-100-004 | \$4,861.37 | WEIKUM, SANDRA |

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| Mobile Home | | |
| 05-05-200-005C | \$168.16 | Starr, Paula and Autumn |
| Address: Lot 5 Creek Ridge MHP 300 E Spencer St DWIGHT, IL 60420 | | |
| VIN: INADA01A01171MJ13 Del Years: 2022 | | |
| 05-05-200-017 | \$164.80 | Wilder, Emonda |
| Address: Lot 17 Creek Ridge MHP 300 E Spencer St DWIGHT, IL 60420 | | |
| VIN: MN29788A Del Years: 2022 | | |
| 05-05-200-023 | \$154.30 | Powell, Jennifer & Edwards, William |
| Address: Lot 23 Creek Ridge MHP 300 E Spencer St DWIGHT, IL 60420 | | |
| VIN: 63380676T Del Years: 2022 | | |
| 05-05-200-066 | \$202.00 | Dwayne & Dawn Magers, c/o Arren & Jen Layne |
| Address: Lot 66 Creek Ridge MHP 300 E Spencer St DWIGHT, IL 60420 | | |
| VIN: 9F420140NAB Del Years: 2022 | | |
| 05-05-200-089A | \$202.60 | Starbuck, Carol |
| Address: Lot 89 Creek Ridge MHP 300 E Spencer St DWIGHT, IL 60420 | | |
| VIN: C2310285NAB Del Years: 2022 | | |
| 05-05-200-094 | \$158.50 | Scroggins, Jennifer |
| Address: Lot 94 Creek Ridge MHP 300 E Spencer St DWIGHT, IL 60420 | | |
| VIN: 10669 Del Years: 2022 | | |
| 05-05-200-105 | \$160.60 | Jones, Matthew and Jeanette |
| Address: Lot 105 Creek Ridge MHP 300 E Spencer St DWIGHT, IL 60420 | | |
| VIN: M126929 Del Years: 2022 | | |

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| ROUND GROVE TOWNSHIP: Real Estate | | |
| 06-06-02-400-011 | \$2,439.90 | MATELJAN, CANDACE |
| 06-06-22-100-001 | \$2,577.84 | GRAVESEN, CHRISTINE ANN |
| 06-06-33-479-012 | \$1,534.70 | GALEAZ, NICHOLAS |
| 06-06-34-100-010 | \$1,156.13 | GRAVESEN, CHRISTINE ANN |

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| ODELL TOWNSHIP: Real Estate | | |
| 10-10-04-300-010 | \$3,617.11 | CARMONA, JOSE |
| 10-10-10-101-001 | \$116.26 | BIRKETT, PAUL |
| 10-10-10-107-005 | \$1,863.79 | BAGBY, MARY JANE |
| 10-10-10-108-001 | \$2,731.26 | WEIKUM, DALE & SANDRA |
| 10-10-10-131-008 | \$936.85 | BREEDEN, SHARI |
| 10-10-10-134-005 | \$1,586.69 | HAHN, CAROL |
| 10-10-10-139-021 | \$1,778.26 | LEONARD, CAROL |
| 10-10-10-157-011 | \$198.00 | METROZ, DONALD ALAN |
| 10-10-10-160-062 | \$250.21 | HAMILTON, JAMES |
| 10-10-10-160-067 | \$2,407.39 | HAMMOND, BRENT |
| 10-10-10-177-017 | \$893.38 | CASEY, JOSHUA |
| 10-10-10-179-011 | \$238.54 | OWEN, TAMARA |
| 10-10-10-180-015 | \$3,016.42 | FOLKERS, NANCY & WAYNE |
| 10-10-11-300-002 | \$3,503.77 | MABE, JUNE & MICHAEL |
| 10-10-23-100-005 | \$2,621.83 | MABE, JUNE & MICHAEL |
| 10-10-31-302-001 | \$195.93 | UNKNOWN |

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| UNION TOWNSHIP: Real Estate | | |
| 11-11-13-100-001 | \$2,406.81 | WEIKUM, SANDRA |
| 11-11-14-400-003 | \$4,428.05 | WEIKUM, SANDRA |
| 11-11-14-400-004 | \$1,878.42 | WEIKUM, TODD & BRYAN ETAL |
| 11-11-24-427-002 | \$1,931.32 | MCELROY, ROBERT |
| 11-11-24-427-003 | \$31.38 | MCELROY, ROBERT |

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| BROUGHTON TOWNSHIP: Real Estate | | |
| 12-12-06-100-003 | \$1,442.63 | GRAVESEN LLC |
| 12-12-19-301-006 | \$1,365.07 | HOUSMAN, MARTIN |
| 12-12-19-303-002 | \$981.69 | BASOV, GIEDRE |
| 12-12-19-303-003 | \$49.40 | CUSTOM DESIGN HOMES LLC |
| 12-12-19-303-006 | \$1,666.64 | WOODCOCK, TIMOTHY |
| 12-12-19-303-007 | \$743.07 | CUSTOM DESIGN HOMES LLC |
| 12-12-20-200-015 | \$11,600.57 | STANDARD BANK & TRUST CO |

Notice is hereby given that the Treasurer and Ex-Officio County Collector of Livingston County, in the State of Illinois, will apply to the Circuit Court of said County at **1:30 P.M. on Monday, November 14, 2022** for judgment against the lands, lots and mobile homes described in the foregoing lists for taxes, interest and costs due and unpaid thereon for the real estate year 2021 and mobile home year 2022, or any part thereof, and also for forfeitures for prior years. Said lands, lots and mobile homes being situated in the Townships of Nevada, Dwight, Round Grove, Odell, Union, and Broughton Townships in the County of Livingston, State of Illinois, as set forth in the foregoing lists. Simultaneously an application will be made for an order to sell the taxes on the same lands, lots and mobile homes for the satisfaction thereof, and for judgment fixing the correct amount of any tax paid under protest.

And Notice is hereby given that on the first Friday succeeding application for judgment, said date being **November 18, 2022**, the taxes on all lands, lots and mobile homes in the foregoing lists against which judgment shall have been pronounced and for sale of which an order shall have been made will be exposed for public sale at the Office of the County Treasurer, Courthouse, Pontiac, Illinois. The amount of sale being taxes, interest and costs thereon. Said real estate sale will commence at **10:00 A.M. on November 18, 2022**, and continue until all parcels have been offered for sale. Said mobile home sale will commence immediately after the real estate sale on **November 18, 2022**, and will continue until all have been offered for sale.

Any persons wishing to purchase delinquent taxes at the tax sale must be registered with the County Collector at least ten (10) business days prior to the sale. A written registration is required and must be received before November 2, 2022. Dated at Pontiac, Illinois this 18th day of October, 2022.Mary N. Meier, County Treasurer and Ex-Officio Collector of Livingston County, Illinois



GSW Lady Panthers Volleyball

Tuesday, October 18
GSW vs. IL Lutheran Varsity -

The varsity Lady Panthers defeated Illinois Lutheran in two sets October 18, 25-24, 25-21.

Maddie Olsen had two aces and three kills, with Hannah Frescura adding 11 assists, six digs, and a kill. Addie Fair (8 digs, 4 kills) and Eva Henderson (4 kills, 4 digs) each had one assist. Hannah Balcom contributed five kills.

JV -
GSW's JV girls were also victorious in two sets, 26-24, 25-18.

Kendall Huston led with two aces, four kills, and one assist, with Maya Cacello (2 kills, 1 dig) and Maddie Simms (10 assists) each adding an ace. Nina Siano chipped in with six digs and three kills.

Wednesday, October 19
GSW vs. Serena Varsity -

On October 19, the varsity Lady Panthers won over Serena, 25-23, 25-23.

Hannah Frescura (18 assists, 4 digs, 2 kills) and Maddie Olsen (3 kills, 2 digs) had one ace each. Addison Fair added nine kills, five digs, and an assist, while Hannah Balcom (2 blocks) and Eva Henderson (9 digs) had four kills each.

JV -
GSW's JV squad won in two sets, 25-22, 25-23.

Kendall Huston led with three aces and six kills, followed by Nina Siano (7 digs, 5 kills) and Maya Cacello (3 kills, 3 digs) each with one ace. Maddie Simms added nine assists, five digs, and a kill.

Freshmen -
The freshmen meeting saw GSW win, 25-22, 25-23, over Serena.

Maddie Simms (10 assists) and Madison Wright (2 blocks) had three aces each. Nina Siano supplied two aces, five kills, and five digs, while Kayla Scheuber chipped in with five kills and four digs.

Thursday, October 20
GSW vs. Grace Christian Varsity -

GSW fell to Grace Christian, 16-25, 21-25, when they met October 20.

Ava Schultz had three aces, with Hannah Frescura (9 assists, 3 kills, 1 dig) and Maddie Olsen (5 kills, 2 digs) each adding one ace. Addison Fair put up 11 digs and three kills.

JV -
The JV Lady Panthers put down GC in three sets, 22-25, 25-20, 25-22.

Maddie Simms (9 assists, 3 digs) and Maya Cacello (4 digs, 2 kills) each had two aces, followed by one ace, three kills, two digs, and a block from Kendall Huston. Nina Siano came up with an ace, 12 digs, and five kills.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GRUNDY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

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| In Re: The Matter of the Petition to |) | |
| Change the Name of |) | |
| |) | |
| NANCY KAY MARTIN to |) | NO.: 2022MR33 |
| NANCY S. MARTIN |) | |

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, Nancy Kay Martin, shall appear in the Grundy County Circuit Court, 111 East Washington Street, Morris, Illinois, at 9:00 a.m., on November 23, 2022, before the Judge assigned to hear said matter, and then and there present a Petition requesting that her name be changed from Nancy Kay Martin to Nancy S. Martin.

Nancy Kay Martin, Petitioner

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MIKAYLA CHAMBERS AND LOGAN BOVELLE, members of the DCS Red-birds Cross Country team, competed at the IESA Cross Country State Meet at Maxwell Park in Normal on October 15. Bovellev finished with a time of 13:27 in the boys 1A race and Chambers had a time of 12:49 in the girls 1A race, putting her in 17th place, receiving a medal. Pictured is Chambers after the top 25 awards ceremony.



DTHS/GSW TROJANS CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday, October 22
DTHS/GSW at Regional
The Trojan Cross Country squad competed in the regional meet at Seneca's FFA Ag Farm on Saturday.
"Our runners raced with lots of determination and desire," said Coach Larry Lane. "While only one athlete qualified for the Oregon sectional, I am proud of the performances of everyone."
The team's two seniors, Michael Michon and Xander Pempe, finished their high



THE GSWB GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY team gathered before their sectional race. Pictured, from left, are Lily Scheuber, Olivia Siano, Chloe Biros, Lily Eddy, Aubrey Male, and Leah Olson.



THE GSWB BOYS CROSS COUNTRY squad, pictured, from left, are Kaden Cavaness, Ty Tjelle, Mason Jordan, and Isaiah Bouwma.



Seneca Fighting Irish Place 2nd, 4th in Cross Country Sectionals

The Seneca Fighting Irish Cross Country squad hosted the IHSA sectionals over the weekend, with the girls finishing second overall and the boys placing fourth.
Evelyn O'Connor and Austin Aldridge both finished in second place as individuals with very strong performances.
Full results can be found on athletic.net and racingexpectations.com.

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GSWB TIGERS CROSS COUNTRY

Saturday, October 8
GSWB at Sectional
On October 8, the Gardner-South Wilmington-Braceville Cross Country team competed in the IESA 1A Sectional hosted by Bishop McNamara, with their hard work all season showing.
Coach Haley Residori stated "every runner ran their personal best, and I could not be more proud."

For GSWB, in 11th place was Leah Olson, who came in with a time of 14:23, followed by Lily Eddy with a time of 14:58 and Olivia Siano with a time of 15:02. Next was Chloe Biros at 15:25, Aubrey Male at 16:05, and Lily Scheuber at 19:35. The Lady Tigers placed fifth as a team overall.

For the boys, Kaden Cavaness and Isaiah Bouwma finished together with a time of 13:21. Mason Jordan was next at 14:10, followed by Ty Tjelle at 15:14.

Coach Residori expressed her pride in their hard work and dedication over the season, and hopes to see the younger runners return next year.
Advancing to the state meet that took place October 15 was



STATE QUALIFIERS! GSWB's Leah Olson and Lily Eddy are pictured before their state meet.

Olson and Eddy, both six graders. Coach Residori and Coach Simms "are beyond proud of how hard these girls have worked all year to get to the state meet. Both girls ran great races down at the meet in Bloomington."



GSWB LADY TIGERS BASKETBALL

Saturday, October 15
GSWB vs. MVK 6th Grade -
The sixth grade Lady Tigers beat MVK, 30-4, on October 15.

Kaylee Tousignant led with 12 points, followed by six points each from Briann Pumfrey and Chloe Biros. Ellie

Marquez added four points, with Autumn Manzello scoring two.

GSWB vs. Dwight
In a match-up with Dwight, GSWB suffered a 12-6 loss.

Kaylee Tousignant was high scorer for the Lady Tigers with four, while Autumn Manzello added two points.

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#5 Avery Crouch
#7 Jacob Oelschlager
#8 Cooper Biros
#10 Bradley Thompson
#11 Collin Bachand
#14 Trevor Jensen
#15 Matt Watchinski
#17 Ethan Holte
#21 Ryan Dennis
#24 Joe Duffy
#30 Kayden Wood
#50 Rylan Woodin
#52 Will Anderson
#56 Graham Meister
#74 Jude Hurt
#76 Evan Olson

Coaches: Jeremy Wood, Dan Duffy, Brent Olson, and Brad Jensen.

THE DWIGHT MIGHTY MITES defeated Central, 26-18.

#3 Domenik Brown
#4 Braiden Bachand
#7 Kevin Petersen
#10 Jaxon Lee
#13 Breckin Halstead
#15 Anthoni Toppel
#17 Brady Marques
#18 Kade Jensen
#20 Niko Harris
#21 Grant Swartz
#34 Toryn Richards
#43 Justin Oelschlager
#47 Noah Shores
#53 Nathan Wilkey
#55 Kimari Nelson-Smith
#57 RJ Christensen
#60 Trevor Fuget
#63 Seth Irvin
#67 Jackson Quaka
#70 Max Hunt

#72 Cayson Bean
#74 Jackson Bunting
#81 Olivia Turner
#95 Rowan Legner

Coaches: Jason Marques, Randy Irvin, and Jeremy Kapper.

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Head Coach is Laura Brown, with Katlyn Moore assisting. Erica Snyder is the Cheer Coordinator.

Victory Lanes, Dwight League Results

Sportsman League Bowlers
HSG: Brandon Petry, 276; Jeff Saltzman, 257; Kyle Battle, 254; Jeff Gallup, 247; Doug Gassman, 214. HSS: Brandon Petry, 724; Kyle Battle, 639; Jeff Gallup, 608; Jeff Saltzman, 605; Chris Cook, 595. HSG: Star Trucking, 999. HHG: Jensen BP II, 1041. HSS: Star Trucking, 2807. HHS: Jensen BP II, 2903.

| League Standings | W | L |
|------------------|----|----|
| DeLong Ford | 24 | 4 |
| Jeremy’s Barber | 18 | 10 |
| Star Trucking | 17 | 11 |
| Stumble Inn | 15 | 13 |
| Willy’s Pub | 14 | 14 |

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| LTG Shuttles | 13 | 15 |
| Jensen BP II | 13 | 15 |
| Jensens I | 13 | 15 |
| Rambo Construct. | 12½ | 15½ |
| Cafe 110 West | 11½ | 16½ |
| Future Tree | 10 | 18 |

Commercial League Bowlers
HSG: Brian Scott, 215; Doug Gassman, 212; Sevin Vargas, 206; Josh Kingman, 207; Paul Seabert, 201 – Sheri Colebank, 199; Paula Rhodes, 174; Jackie Oelschlager, 167; Denise Clifford, 154; Linda Dunlap, 149. HSS: Brian Scott, 562; Josh Kingman, 542; Doug Gassman, 542; Scot Banks, 524; Blain Wilkey, 513 – Sheri Cole-

bank, 522; Jackie Oelschlager, 445; Paula Rhodes, 443; Denise Clifford, 443; Kaitlin Kenny, 388. HSG: HG&N, 837. HHG: Love’s, 900. HSS: HG&N, 2405. HHS: Love’s, 2524.

| League Standings | W | L |
|-------------------|----|----|
| Love’s | 19 | 9 |
| Dairy Queen | 18 | 10 |
| Willy’s Pub | 17 | 11 |
| Gaston Construct. | 16 | 12 |
| Becker’s Storage | 16 | 12 |
| HG&N | 13 | 15 |
| Maxwell Truck. | 12 | 16 |
| Pumpkin Patch | 10 | 18 |
| Whiskey River | 10 | 18 |
| Cherry RR | 9 | 19 |



DCS Lady Redbirds Basketball

**Friday, October 14
Dwight vs. Flanagan
7th Grade -
Livingston County
Tournament**

On October 14, the Dwight Lady Redbirds played Flanagan in the Livingston County Tournament.

Dwight started off strong, leading the game 8-2 after one quarter, and though they continued with their strong defense, Flanagan ended up ahead, 14-12, heading into the final frame.

In the last three minutes of the game, the Lady Redbirds tied it up at 16-16. Unfortunately, Flanagan scored three points in the last minute of the game – resulting in a loss and a fourth place finish for Dwight.

Leading in scoring was Olivia Buck with 14 points. Adilyn Avilez and Kaitlynn Todd each put in two points. Grace Tjelle dominated defensively, defending the block and grabbing eight boards. Carrigan Crouch and Leanne Ruth added five steals each.

**Saturday, October 15
Dwight vs. Woodland
8th Grade -
Livingston County
Tournament**

In LCT play October 15, Dwight would end up taking second place overall following a hard fought loss to the Woodland Lady Warriors.

Kit Connor was the leading scorer, hitting two threes for a total of nine points, adding that to two steals, two rebounds, and one assist. Claire Sandeno drilled her first three-pointer of the year, also coming up with seven steals and four boards. Adilyn Avilez chipped in with four points and a steal, while Cloe Gall had two points and two rebounds. Addy Sulzberger made a free throw to go with a steal and one rebound. Olivia Buck provided two steals and two boards. Madlynn Lucus added a rebound; Delaney Boucher, one steal.

**Monday, October 17
Dwight vs. Saratoga
8th Grade -**

On October 17, Dwight fell short in a contest with Saratoga in the last minute of the fourth quarter, losing 38-37.

The Lady Redbirds defense held tight, keeping Saratoga to only 20 points until the fourth quarter. Dwight made 45% of its field goal attempts, and shot 71% from the free throw line.

Kit Connor continued to have the hot hand, hitting three threes and tallying 11 points to go along with four steals. Mikayla Chambers was the high scorer with 15 points, adding that to eight steals, four assists, and three rebounds. Claire Sandeno followed with eight points, six steals, and six rebounds. Addy Sulzberger connected on her first three-pointer of the season, also putting up three steals and one assist. Cloe Gall led on the boards with six, while chipping in with five steals. Delaney Boucher contributed five rebounds, two steals, and one assist. Madlynn Lucus snagged one board.

7th Grade -

The seventh grade game was a nail-biter, with Dwight and Saratoga going back and forth throughout.

It was tied at 4-4 after one quarter, and would stay close into the final frame. With the game knotted at 15-15 at the end of regulation, it would take overtime to decide a winner.

Saratoga scored first, but Olivia Buck would hit two crucial free throws at the other end to tie it back up and force a second overtime.

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Area Baseball Players Compete in All-State Showcase

Local seventh and eighth grade boys from Coal City, GSWB, and MVK competed in an All-State Showcase in Jacksonville, with seven teams in the seventh grade division and 12 in the eighth grade, featuring kids from across the state.

In game one for the seventh grade North team, Case Christensen (GSWB) played the first run on an RBI single to put his squad up 1-0.

In the following inning, Coal City’s Caiden Tourigny extended the lead to 2-0 with an RBI of his own.

Dylan Ness (Coal City) earned the win for the North, going four innings while allowing one run. Ness struck out two and gave up two hits, while walking five.

In game two, the North had their hands full as they faced the East, who had kids from state-title-winning Bishop Mac.

Offense was tough, as nobody was able to get a hit for the North.

Dougie Bedinger took the loss for the North.

With their backs against the wall, the North had a very close game three.

AJ Gagliardo (Coal City) got the start and went five innings, only allowing one run.

Unfortunately, the North only squeaked out two hits and were unable to produce a run.

The North nearly tied it twice, but had runners called out at home both times on close plays.

In their final game of pool play, the North faced a tough North Central team with kids from 3A powerhouse Morton.

The North jumped out to an early 1-0 lead behind a Cameron Gray lead-off single, who later scored on a Case Christensen RBI.

Trailing 2-1 entering the second, Gagliardo walked, followed by a Beginger single. Ness would score on an RBI groundout to tie it at 2-2. Tourigny also added an RBI



single and would score his own run on an RBI groundout by Gray.

Leading 5-2, the North simply ran out of juice, and would eventually fall, 13-5.

Tourigny pitched a scoreless inning for the North in the final game. He was relieved by Caden Christensen, Case Christensen, and Gray.

Although the North finished 1-3, coach Austin McDowell says “it was a great experience for these guys to play against great competition and some different kids.”

Their lone win in game one came against the eventual champion, the Central, who won the division.

The eighth grade North team had Carter Nicholson (Coal City) setting the tone for the tourney, as he reached base safely and would go on to steal two of his nine stolen bases in the tournament, and get batted in by Sean Bergin (Coal City) who had two of the three RBI in the game.

The game would not go in their favor, however, as six runs were scored by North East in the first.

Max Sproull (MVK) was in relief and pitched the majority of the game, holding them to only three earned runs and finishing with two strikeouts.

Game two was a pitcher’s duel, with Emmett Easton (Coal City) coming in relief in the first inning as the North found themselves down 5-1 in back to back games.

Easton stepped up and shut down Central, striking out nine and allowing no runs in five innings.

Brody D’Orazio (Coal City), Nicholson, and Brant Roe (MVK) reached base safely twice each and scored twice as the North finished the comeback and won, 7-5.

Game three had Reed Millette (GSW) starting, as he went three innings, giving up four runs, none earned, while also smacking one of his two doubles in the tournament.

Nicholson would score two runs, followed by Roe and Millette, but it was not enough to get the victory.

Coach McDowell said game four was the type of game they wanted to end the tournament, as it took every player to help the North get the win, with

every player recording a hit in the game.

Bergin was the starting pitcher, giving up three earned runs while striking out four in three innings.

Hunter Partilla (GSW) was the leadoff man, recording two hits in the game, and would come in to relieve in the fourth – holding South West to only two earned runs, striking out three.

The North would get late runs off of hits by Roe, Bergin, Easton, and Millette, and a sac. bunt by Sproull, to go up 7-4.

Roe would come in to close out the game with the bases loaded to secure the second win by striking out two consecutive batters.

The North ended up .500, which McDowell says is not how they wanted the weekend to go.

“But the players had an amazing time and made a lot of memories that will last forever,” he says.

Nicholson was the North’s nomination for the All-State team, as he had a .700 OBP and scored six runs.

HONOR ROLLS

St. Paul School
First Quarter Honor Roll

Straight A’s:
Eighth Grade: Joe Duffy, Luke Josefik.
Seventh Grade: Stella Turner.
Sixth Grade: Emma Eggenberger, McKenna Lovell, Lilly Wolf.

Fifth Grade: Ruby Sturms.

High Honors:
Eighth Grade: Addison Eggenberger, Hunter Paulsen, Evan Wolf.
Sixth Grade: Mike Josefik.

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1st Quarter Honor Roll

High Honor Roll
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Sixth Grade: Kane Burton, Audrina Hewitt, Maddox Magana, Zachary Minick.
Seventh Grade: Evan Graff, Sophia Keri, Hannahleigh Peters, Hector Rodriguez, Parker Sedlock, Kinslee Sweeden.
Eighth Grade: Colin Byers, Morgan Kostal, Rebecca Minick, Brennen Stillwell, Jackson Studnicki, Caitlin

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Sixth Grade: Tashyia Glass, Cooper Goluba, Logan Ludowski, Reagan Pettyjohn, Jenna Shaughnessy.
Seventh Grade: Justin Meiners, Malea Zavada.
Eighth Grade: Kaitlyn Pettyjohn, Kaden Sibert.

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Quarter Honor Roll

Perfect Honors (4.0 and Straight A’s)
Fifth Grade: Riley Russell.
Sixth Grade: Addison Gall, Reagan Voss.
Seventh Grade: Nadia Davis, Anna Gall, Miley Rexroad.
Eighth Grade: Taylor Henson.

High Honors (3.5-3.9 GPA)
Fifth Grade: Trinity Aull, Landon Bennett-Devault, Cole Bradbury, Andrew Lantka, Madelyn Melland, Annabelle Reiff, Levi Warman.
Sixth Grade: Michaela Sandoval, Gavin Vejvoda, Izabella Woods.

Seventh Grade: Isaac Caudle.
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Fifth Grade: Leo Cleary, Alexis Drechsel, Chloe Drechsel, Chris Legner.
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Eighth Grade: Nevaeh Billings, Emma Bolen, Emily Lavarier.



DCS LADY REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

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Both teams were cold in OT number two, until Kaitlynn Todd drew a foul with 30 seconds left. She would hit what turned out to be the game-winner at the foul line, and Dwight would be victorious, 18-17.

Adilynn Avilez and Sienna Burke scored a total of six points, with Grace Tjelle and Olivia Buck each putting up two points. Leanne Ruth and Carrigan Crouch were dominating on the press, creating turnovers and helping the team get to a total of 11 steals in the game.

6th Grade -
Dwight was on the road against Saratoga, coming up short, 20-11.

Leading the Lady Redbirds in scoring was June Woods with six point (3 rebounds) and Shay Sulzberger and Elizabeth Hansen (7 rebounds) with two points each. NeKaylee Nelson Smith hit a free throw and pulled down a team-high 11 boards.

In the “B” game, Dwight dropped a 23-2 decision.

Claire Tjelle led the Lady Redbirds with two points. Charleigh Wilkey and Lila Tjelle led the team in rebounds with three each. Skylar Burke directed the offense and grabbed two rebounds.

**Tuesday, October 18
Dwight vs. Seneca
8th Grade -**

It came down to the wire October 18, but the Lady Redbirds ended up on the wrong side of a 29-27 game with Seneca.

Claire Sandeno led the way with 10 points, seven boards, three steals, and one assist. Delaney Boucher added eight points, 10 rebounds, and three steals. Mikayla Chambers followed with six points, nine steals, two assists, and a rebound. Cloe Gall came up with three points, three boards, and two steals. Kit Connor contributed four rebounds, three assists, and a steal. Madlynn Lucas (2 rebounds) and Addy Sulzberger (1 rebound) had one

steal each. Sophie Bastian grabbed one rebound.

7th Grade -
For the second straight game, Dwight found itself in overtime with a tough squad. This time, they traveled to Seneca for the showdown.

The Lady Redbirds led 10-8 at the half, led by Olivia Buck and Adilyn Avilez, who combined to score all of the team’s points.

Dwight held onto its slight lead in the third quarter, with Carrigan Crouch and Grace Tjelle each coming up with two points.

Seneca was able to tie it up at 21-21 before the end of the fourth quarter, calling for an extra frame. The Lady Redbirds put all their heart and energy on the court, but came up just short of a win, with a final score of 24-22.

Tjelle, Leanne Ruth, and Maya Lemke were strong on defense, and combined to grab 10 rebounds.

6th Grade -
Dwight’s sixth grade girls hosted Seneca at home, winning 14-8.

Leading the Lady Redbirds in scoring was June “the Beast” Woods, scoring eight points and snagging six rebounds. Shay Sulzberger did another great job of directing the offense, in addition to putting up four points. Cara Wilson supplied two points, five boards, with Elizabeth Hansen and

NeKaylee Nelson Smith pulling down nine and seven rebounds, respectively.

Dwight’s “B” team fell, 8-2. Skylar Burke scored the team’s only points, adding that to two rebounds. Claire Tjelle, Lila Tjelle, and Charlie Wilkey all had two rebounds, with Greta Flott getting one.

**Thursday, October 20
Dwight vs. Elwood
8th Grade -**

In an eighth grade match-up with Elwood October 20, Dwight was dominant, not allowing a single basket in a half and cruising to a 45-21 victory.

The collective team effort showed in the stats, with the Lady Redbirds shooting 53% from the field and combining for 13 assists and 23 steals in total.

Mikayla Chambers led with 11 points, seven assists, seven steals, and three rebounds. Delaney Boucher added eight points, three steals, two rebounds, and one assist. Claire Sandeno put up six points, three steals, two boards, and an assist, with Addy Sulzberger contributing three points, three steals, two assists, and two rebounds. Sophie Bastian provided two points, three boards and one assist, while Cloe Gall (1 steal) and Olivia Valdez (1 assist) grabbed two rebounds each.

7th Grade -
The Lady Redbirds traveled

to Elwood and took a tough 14-13 loss.

After ending the first quarter with an eight-point deficit, Dwight focused on getting into their groove on defense to hold Elwood to only six more points the rest of the game. Unfortunately, the Lady Redbirds’ shots weren’t falling – resulting in the one-point loss.

Sienna Burke scored six points to go with two swipes. Carrigan Crouch added two points, five boards, and five steals. Grace Tjelle put up two points, three steals, and two rebounds. Adilynn Avilez supplied eight steals, two rebounds, while Emmalynn Anderson and Kaitlynn Todd snagged five boards each.

SNOW REMOVAL BID

The Village of Saunemin Board of Trustees will be accepting bids for snow removal. Snow removal will be for all streets and alleys throughout the Village, along with the downtown sidewalks. Snow removal will be done after 2” of snowfall. Bids must be received by November 1, 2022. If interested please send your bid (along with certificates of insurance) to Village of Saunemin, Attn: Snow Removal Bid, P.O. Box 283, Saunemin, IL 61769. Any questions please feel free too contact the Village office at 815-832.4334. (leave a message)

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With gratitude, Kris Sayers & Brittany Cochran

Shoppers Needed for
Dwight Christmas for Kids

The Christmas for Kids program in Dwight needs volunteers to shop for the children using their “Wish Lists” and funds from the Christmas for Kids Committee.

To become a shopper, you may go to Dwight United Methodist Church, 701 S. Columbia St., between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Thursday,

November 10, to pick up a list.

Gifts purchased will need to be wrapped and properly labeled when dropped off at the church Thursday, December 8 between 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

If you have any questions, contact the Christmas for Kids Committee at 815-584-2179.

Prairie Creek Library to Host
Medicare Open Enrollment Program

Prairie Creek Library, located at 501 Carriage House Lane in Dwight, is hosting an information program on Medicare open enrollment. The information will be presented by Community Care Systems.

The program will take place from 10:30 a.m. to noon Thursday, November 3.

Medicare open enrollment is now through December 7. This program is an opportunity for seniors to compare plans, see if they can lower costs or find a plan to better suit their needs. Even if a senior is happy with their current plan, they should check to see if the costs or coverage are changing at medicare.gov or 1-800-MEDICARE.



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DTHS Board Reviews Investments

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agenda, investment options were reviewed from Vezzetti Capital Management. Michael Vezzetti had given a presentation to the Grade School Board at their last meeting and was offering the same to the High School. His strategy is to pool funds from multiple school districts, safely investing them, and then returning periodic payouts back to Districts sufficient to pay their routine bills. This allows Vezzetti's firm time to scale his investing to keep invested balances higher than a school district would be able to do on their own. He currently works with other Districts in the area including Seneca and

Streator High Schools. Final decisions on investing will take place at a future meeting.

In addition, a three year Physical Therapy contract was approved through Morris Hospital.

It was also reported by De-Long that the School had been awarded a \$50,000 Electric Vehicle Driver's Education Grant through Exelon. The Administration would be exploring purchase options.

To end the meeting, the Board entered into Executive Session to discuss employment considerations, from which no action resulted.

The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday November 16.



DTHS PRINCIPAL ANDREW PITTENGER announced Karen Zabel was selected as Trojan Teacher of the Month and presented her with a certificate of achievement.

Honor Flight Chicago Fund-raiser in Herscher Nov. 5

On Saturday, November 5, from 4:30-7:00 p.m., the Herscher American Legion and Auxiliary will be hosting a fund-raiser at Herscher American Legion Community Center, 102 S. Oak Street, to benefit Honor Flight Chicago. This organization is dedicated to flying WWII, Korean, and Vietnam Veterans for an all-expense paid trip to Washington DC to see the memorial built in their honor.

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OBITUARY

Raymond Andrew Housman

Raymond Andrew "Ace" Housman, age 75, of Dwight, Illinois and formerly of Braidwood, Illinois passed away Saturday, October 22, 2022 at OSF Saint Elizabeth Medical Center in Ottawa, Illinois.

Born January 25, 1947 in Braidwood to the late Andrew Raymond and Ruth L. (nee Stevens) Housman.

Raymond was a union carpenter with Local #174. He enjoyed watching old westerns and fishing with his grandson.

Surviving are three children: Cindy (Bernie) Studyvin of Joliet; Daniel Fredrick Lee (fiance, Tricia Boyne) Housman of Dwight; and James Clifford Housman of Pontiac, Illinois; two grandchildren, Leeann (George Henry) Hall and Mark Allen Redman, Jr.; two great-grandsons, George Henry Hall III, "Junior" and Leeland Ray Hall.

Also surviving are six brothers: Donald (the late Donna) Housman, David (Jan) Housman, William (the late Brenda) Housman, Nathan (Kay) Housman, Richard (the late Joyce) Housman, and

George (Angie) Housman; seven sisters: Peggy (Ronald) Wendel, Carol (Gary) Zilm, Patricia (the late Ray) Sox, Penelope Runyan, Karen (John) Hufford, Hope (the late Tony) Wilson, and Rhonda Housman; sisters-in-law: Mary Housman and Linda Housman; and numerous nieces, nephews and many cousins.

Preceding him in death were his parents, Andrew and Ruth; wife, Linda Lee (nee Lutomski) Housman (6/30/2015), whom he married December 9, 1974; three brothers, Ronald Housman, Warren Housman, and Ralph Housman; and one sister, Marilyn Housman.

Cremation rites to be accorded.

Memorial visitation will be at the R. W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory, Braidwood, Sunday, November 6, 2022 from 12:00 p.m. until the time of memorial services beginning at 4:00 p.m.

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For information call Plaintiff's Attorney, Manley Deas Kochalski LLC, One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601. Phone number: 312-651-6700. Attorney file number: 22-004188.

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More Housing Coming To Dwight

by Brandon LaChance

The lot located at 401 West William St. in Dwight has been abandoned since June 2010 when a tornado reaped havoc on the trailer park that was there at the time.

Now, more than a decade later, North Arrow Partners of Villa Park plans to build homes to replace the others and add more rental units in Dwight.

“They had applied for a building permit last December and the plan was approved in June,” said Kevin McNamara, Dwight village administrator. “They have started moving dirt out there. There was a pre-construction meeting last week that I was unable to attend. Dates and timelines were not discussed, though.

“They will be building it themselves since they have their own construction company. When we first met, they said 12-18 months would be the time frame from start to completion. I guess it will just depend on the winter and how bad it is and if they can work through it.”

McNamara added construction could be completed by spring of 2024 if weather cooperates.

The additional rental units are a big plus for Dwight as McNamara is thrilled North Arrow Partners are building homes for more people to live in the village.

“Rental units are very hard to come by in Dwight. I think it’s a positive to have 28 more rental units for people to be able to live in Dwight,” McNamara said. “You can pay based on your income. This will be a great opportunity for seniors looking to downsize or veterans.

“I hope it’s a win-win for everybody. We need people. We don’t want the census signs that the state just changed last week to keep going down. We want them to go up.”

BP at 47/55 intersection changes management

Abtar Singh is the new manager and owner of the BP alongside the Rt. 47 and Rt. 55 intersection.

McNamara is confident Singh will make a positive impact on Dwight as he owns two other thriving gas stations.

“He has a truck stop in Wenona. He lives in Forsyth and has a gas station there as well,” McNamara said. “He realizes that business had fallen at the location and he wants to bring it back up. He’s going to be filling the station with merchandise from what I understand.

“It might be beer and wine, but it’s something to sell and it’s better than the station staying empty.”

Singh took over the gas station during the second week of September.

New TIF District

Dwight is also attempting to craft a new TIF District to satisfy an agreement with Phoenix Investors and to bring in new business.

“We are in the process of forming a new TIF district in the area of where the LSC Building is located,” McNamara said. “Phoenix Investors of Milwaukee own the building and they had asked us before they purchased if we would be interested in forming a TIF district for them to make investments in that property.

“They made a large investment into the property. They put a new roof on the building and they’re putting in a new air conditioning system. They’re getting ready to start the search to have people or a company occupy or lease the building.”

Rivian is using part of the building as a warehouse. The car production company is using the space for storage but is not going to start production in Dwight.

There was a public hearing



about the proposed TIF district before the last village meeting and the ordinance will be brought to the board for approval before the Nov. 14 meeting.

“By forming the TIF we’re trying to encourage private investment in that area. The TIF for the village tries to increase the tax base,” McNamara said. “We plan for a TIF and then we try to develop or redevelop an area that will bring in jobs and increase the tax base. We currently have a Rt. 47 downtown TIF that was formed when Loves came to town. That’s

how we have used TIF funds to redo East and West Main Streets. That was based off of TIF funds that we get.

“Once a TIF is formed, the property tax is frozen once it’s designated. Then the increased property tax, if there is any development, goes into a separate TIF fund to the village to help redevelop that area. When we got Loves and it brought more jobs and tax money to the community, since it was part of the downtown TIF, it helped have funds available to get a bond for the Main Street project.”

‘Heavy Hobby’

(continued from page 1) and check them out.”

Quigley is also in an antique brick collecting group called International Brick Collectors Association.

Every year the group has a couple of brick swaps where collectors can pick up a new piece they might not have seen before. It’s also a good place for collectors to find a happy home for duplicate bricks.

Whether she is at a brick swap, in a river, or jumping out of her car for bricks, she knows where the hobby started and how it’s carried on to her family.

“I was Jim Kraft’s handy man during a summer. He had bricks in his garden, and I thought they looked cool. Jim and my grandfather (Frank Lasser) were best friends. I grew up down the road from Jim. Then I got my mother hooked on collecting bricks. My dad puts up with her and my husband, Timothy, puts up with me.

“I always like to joke that it’s a heavy hobby.” Brandon LaChance is a journalist with The Paper. He can be reached at 815-876-7941, blachance20@gmail.com, or



Area Trick-or-Treat Hours and Events

Braceville

The Village of Braceville will hold its Trick-or-Treat hours Monday, October 31, from 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Campus

Campus Trick-or-Treating will be Halloween night, Monday, October 31, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. No party afterwards

Cullom

On Monday, October 31, Cullom’s Trick-or-Treaters will hit the streets from 4:00-7:00 p.m., with their Trunk or Treat event on Main Street running from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Dwight

The Village of Dwight’s Halloween festivities will be Monday, October 31, with Trick-or-Treating hours set for 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Emington

Trick-or-Treat hours in Emington will be 5:00-7:00 p.m. Monday, October 31.

The Emington Community Association will be passing out hot dogs, chips, and a drink from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the Church basement in Emington.

Essex

In Essex Sunday, October 30, a Trunk or Treat event, for adults and children, is set for noon to 4:00 p.m. at High Point Golf Course, 309 High Point Dr.

The event is free and features food, drinks, prizes, and vendors.

Costumes are encouraged, and don’t forget your treat bucket.

Odell

In Odell on Monday, October 31, Trick-or-Treating will kick off at 4:30 p.m. and conclude at 6:30 p.m.

Reddick

Reddick will hold its Trick-or-Treat hours between 5:00-7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 31, with the Reddick Community Auxiliary (RCA) hosting the annual Community Halloween Party and costume judging at the Reddick Fire State Community Hall on Main Street. The party will begin at 7:00 p.m., following trick-or-treating. Hot dogs will be served and prizes given to four age groups for Most Creative, Scariest, and Best Costume.



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