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## **Democratic Win Reminds Us of Hall** People We May Know in Government

by Brandon LaChance

When Tim Hall was elected as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives in Nov. 1974, he collected a fitting title or moniker.

"The only Democrat elected to Congress from Livingston County in 100 years."

Hall, born and raised in West Frankfort, graduated from Iowa Wesleyan and Southern Illinois University, and was a social studies teacher at Dwight Junior High.

When he decided to run for office as a Democrat in Livingston County, known as home of the Republicans, even his wife Marianne was surprised.

"He was a Democrat in a strongly Republican area. It was surprising that he won in the first place because it was a long time before him that there had been a democratic congressman in this area," said Marianne Hall, who met her husband on her first day as a first grade teacher in Dwight in 1959 before marrying him in 1970 and having two sons in Jon and Bret. "He had campaigned the year before (1973) to fulfill a special election position when a congressman retired. It was a special election for a 9-month term.

"That was the first time Tim had ran for an office. He didn't win that election, but he won the general election the next year."

With the Nov. 8 election in the books, the name and the moniker has changed.

"Robin Kelly is the first Democrat elected to U.S. Congress in 48 years."

Kelly won a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives with 66.5 percent of the votes.

The Matteson resident, who is originally from New York City, New York and received both a bachelor's and master's degree from Bradley University in Peoria and a doctorate from NIU, has been an Illinois House of Representatives member since 2013.

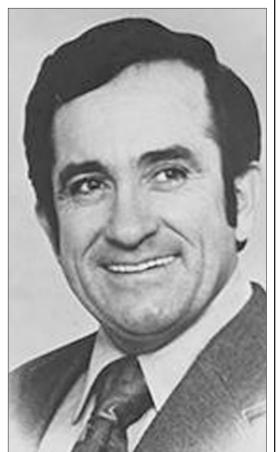
After moving on to the U.S. House, she is in the same class as Tim Hall as being a diamond in the rough.

Or a Democrat surrounded by Republicans. "I don't know much about Mrs. Kelly, but I wish her the best. It is very difficult to win an election and have a seat in an office as a Democrat when everyone around you is a Republi-

can." Marianne Hall said. Of course, in Dwight, Democrat and Tim Hall

will always be synonymous. "Tim was quite a personality. He still comes

up often in conversations because he kept a conversation going," said Marianne of her husband who passed Nov. 12, 2008. "He kept things going. People always told Tim, 'You ought to write a book of jokes that you tell.' But that's part of what he did when he campaigned. He could



just get a crowd behind him with an opening statement, a joke usually, he would keep going, and it was fun to hear.

"He was all over the state. To have a successful campaign, you have to put a lot of miles on

Area politicians put in the miles during this campaign...and it paid off.

Reddick's Mary Kay O'Brien and Patrick Joyce were both victorious in the 2022 election. O'Brien became an Illinois Supreme Court

Judge who will assume office in Jan. 2023. Endorsed by U.S. Senator Dick Durbin, O'Brien ran for Supreme Court after being a judge of the Illinois 3rd District Appellate Court

Joyce, a fourth generation farmer who was born in Reddick and now lives in Essex, defeated Phillip Nagel, from Braidwood, 35,114-29,398 in this year's election.

He has had a seat in the 40th Illinois State District since 2019.

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VFW POST #2608 COMMANDER GRANT SPEECE, left, along with VFW Chaplain Don Scott, offered a prayer at the Veterans Day Ceremony at the Dwight VFW on Friday November 11. Following a 21-Gun salute by the Dwight American Legion members and VFW Honor Guard, the Dwight Township High School band played a medley of the military branch theme songs.



CAROL DIPPON (LEFT) AND ANNETTE RIEGEL FROM OPERATION SOS gave an update of current happenings within the organization at the Veterans Day Ceremony. They will be soliciting items for the SOS Care Packages at the Dwight Christmas Parade on December

## Angels in Odell

by Brandon LaChance

Christmas is known as the "Most magical time of the year."

Unfortunately for some parents, they're not able to provide gifts for their children, which helps bring the magical part into their Dec. 25, because of multiple reasons.

The main reason being life, where anything can happen. In Odell, Joleen Bolen and Melissa Foster had been through situations like this as children.

When given the chance to operate Odell Christmas Angels, both Bolen and Foster have put smiles on children's faces every Christmas for at least 15 years by providing gifts raised by the community.

"Melissa and I, with the

money for famithat that need extra help at

Christmas time, said Bolen. "We don't want any kids to not have gifts to open up Christmas time. Melissa and I. as children, were in programs similar to O d e 1 1 Christmas

Angels. We're trying to give back.

"We have a raffle that we do from Nov. 12 to Dec. 12 when into the Odell Christmas Anthe winning ticket is chosen. It's \$10 a ticket. Whoever wins will receive \$500. Some people give it back to the Christmas Angels. When people are purchasing a ticket, some just write Odell Christmas Angels on the ticket. We are putting fliers in all of the local businesses, which all support us. help of other community mem- It's always a race to the finish

bers, raise to make sure we can raise every dollar to ensure that these children have something for Christmas. They're our angels and they deserve Christmas gifts.'

> The program also receives funds from Mary Grundler, who donates all of her bake sale funds at the annual Holiday Vendor Show in Odell. This year's second annual show will be held Nov. 19.

> Helping Hands in Pontiac chooses a fundraising organization each week during the holiday season where it will donate their sales and donations. During the week chosen for Odell Christmas Angels, \$700 was

Others put funds directly gels bank account, so they can donate anonymously.

"Since Covid-19, it seems like everyone has stepped up because they know it's bad. With Covid still around and inflation, everyone is doing just enough to get us to where we need to be to be successful for the year," Bolen said. "Melissa (continued on page 6)







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#### FOR THE RECORD

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

November 3: Christopher R. Plante, Jr., 35, Chicago, driving 21-25 MPH above limit.

November 4: Christopher W. Bohlen, 73, Kankakee, driving 21-25 MPH above limit; Beau S. Shultz, 57, Wilmington, speeding over statutory limit.

November 5: Bilal M. Colone, 40, Bloomington, speeding over statutory limit; Adam J. Murphy, 20, Cabery, illeg. stopping/standing/pking.; Max W. Grant, 22, Onarga, speeding.

November 6: Donnell Davis, 55, Normal, driving while driver's license, permit, or privilege to operate motor vehicle is suspended or revoked.

November 7: Oscar Bautista, 25, Chicago, disregard stop sign; Deborah L. Gebbie, 52, Odell, insurance-operate uninsured; Coleman Davis, 36, St. Anne, no valid registration, no valid driver's license - expired less than one

November 8: Coreen R. Johnson, 36, Dwight, fail obey stop sign.

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

#### 37 Written Warnings

Speeding – 20; Stop Sign Violation – 9; Plate Display Violation – 2; No Registration Plate Light - 5; Only One Headlight -1.

#### **Accident Reports**

Friday, November 4, 6:13 p.m., an accident was reported at 100 Watters Dr. involving a 2017 Ford Ecp., driven by Madhu Melam, Aurora, and a ical, Riverside.

2018 Honda passenger van, driven by Gerald Smith, Dwight. The two units backed into each other.

Monday, November 7, 11:17 p.m., a single-vehicle accident was reported at N. Union St. and McNamara Dr. involving a 2005 Merz. C28. driven by Carina Guzman, Savoy, which left the roadway in an attempt to miss an animal on the road - striking a sign and utility pole. Her vehicle was towed.



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

November 3: Rt. 66/S. 2600 North, trauma, St. James; W. South St., medical, St. James; Mazon Ave., medical, Morris; Prospect, trauma; Waupansie, trauma; Mazon, trauma.

November 4: Northbrook, medical; Hamilton, medical, St. James, mutual aid to Odell; Chippewa, medical, Riverside.

November 5: Mazon, medical, Morris.

November 6: Mazon, trauma, Morris; I-55, medical, mutual aid to Odell; Chicago, medical, Morris; I-55, fire.

November 7: I-55, fire; E. 2700 North Rd., trauma, Riverside, mutual aid to Bucking-Seminole, medical, ham:

November 8: McNamara, trauma, refusal; Mazon, medical, St. James; Scott Dr., trauma, Morris.

November 9: Mazon, medical, Morris; Franklin, medical, St. Mary's; Mazon, trauma, Morris.

November 10: Mazon, med-

## Temps - 2022

Nov. 3 – high 72°, low 45° Nov. 4 – high 74°, low 43° .38" precip.

Nov. 5 – high 62°, low 40° .05" precip.

Nov. 6 – high 62°, low 33° Nov. 7 - high 55°, low 34° Nov. 8 – high 73°, low 36°

Nov. 9 – high 74°, low 49° One Year Ago-Nov. 16, 2021 high 37°, low 26°

WINNERS OF THE PA-TRIOT'S PEN, sponsored by Dwight VFW Ladies Auxiliary, Post 2608, were Wesley Pulver, second from left, first place, \$25.00; Brendan Reamer, second from right, second place, \$15.00; and McKenzie Zeedyk, left, third place, \$10.00. Barb Daniels of the Auxiliary, right, presented the checks. This year's theme was "What I would tell America's Founding Fathers." Eighth grade teacher Mrs. Goley had 58 students participate. A \$50.00 check was presented to her to use as she deemed appropriate. She plans to buy a book regarding a war, as she does every year, for the students to read and report

**Dwight Love Boxes food and Dwight Christmas for Kids gifts** will be delivered Dec. 10.

**Democrats continue their** 

Thomas Bennett, State Representative 106th District

## **Arrest Made** by LaSalle **County Investigators**

LaSalle County Sheriff Adam Diss reported on November 10 that LaSalle County Investigators arrested George E. Bond III, 38, of Cedar Point, on an outstanding warrant out of Columbia County, Wiscon-

Bond is charged with 1st Degree Sexual Assault of a Child Under 12-years old and Incest stemming from a 2021 investigation by the Wisconsin Dells Police Department. Bond is also charged with being a Fugitive from Justice in Illi-

Bond will be held at the LaSalle County Jail on no bond and is awaiting extradition to Wisconsin.

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While some of Tuesday's races remain too close to call, enough results have come in to confirm that Democrats will retain their control of state government. Governor JB Pritzker and Lieutenant Governor Juliana Stratton were re-elected, as were Attorney General Kwame Raoul, Treasurer Mike Frerichs, and Comptroller Susana Mendoza.

Our new Secretary of State will be Alexi Giannoulias.

Democrats also maintained their majorities in the state House and Senate, though the margins are not yet finalized.

Early Wednesday morning House Republican Leader Jim Durkin announced that he would not seek another term as leader. Leader Durkin has served in that post since 2013.

I congratulate all those who

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hold on Springfield were victorious on Tuesday, and thank everyone who participated in the process. Now that the political season is behind us, I hope we can come together and get to work on solving the

> So who is my representative? The current 106th district was broken up by redistricting, and some residents will have new representatives and senators when the 103rd General Assembly is sworn in on January 11. I was honored to be chosen for another two years as your representative, but the new district will only include a portion of the current district.

important problems facing the

Next year I will continue to represent all of Iroquois County, most of Ford County, and the eastern half of Livingston County. The new 106th district has been expanded to the north and northwest. The remaining areas of the current 106th district will have new representatives next year.

Veto session coming up next week. After more than seven months away from Springfield, the House and Senate will be coming back into session on Tuesday, November 15, for the first of six scheduled fall session days, also known as the veto session. Though the fall session has traditionally been a time to discuss legislation which the Governor vetoed over the summer, the legislature can use the fall session to debate and discuss other legislation as

One issue we expect to see action on is reforming the SAFE-T Act, the controversial overhaul of the state's criminal justice system which was rammed through last January over the objections of most in law enforcement. As the law's serious shortcomings and dangerous changes became better known, we heard a lot of promises of reform and change, though there were very few specifics. I would like to see us repeal this law and start over, this time involving our law enforcement groups and listening to their concerns. But at the very least we need significant changes to the law. I am looking forward to that discussion and to some meaningful action.

The veto session is scheduled to meet for three days next week and three days the week after Thanksgiving.

How much do we owe? As of the time of this writing, the of Illinois owes \$2,262,222,649 in unpaid bills to state vendors. One year ago, the backlog stood at \$4.8 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.

Did You Know? We are all familiar with the red-white-andblue Illinois license plate featuring the portrait of Abraham Lincoln which has graced Illinois cars for around 20 years. But, did you know that Illinois originally changed its license plate design every year? Illinois plates have had a variety of

color schemes, sizes and shapes. Plates have been made out of aluminum and steel, and even fiberboard during the 1940s when metal was needed for the war effort.

The words "Land of Lincoln" first appeared on Illinois plates in 1954. The now-standard 6-by-12 inch plate debuted two years later.

Thank you to our veterans. This week people in all 50 states participated in an election to choose our leaders and to map out the future of our country. We are able to do that, and to exercise the other rights which we all cherish, only because brave men and women have won and safeguarded our freedoms for almost 250 years.

Thank you to all those who have served in our armed forces, those who are currently serving and their families. We appreciate your service and your sacrifice.

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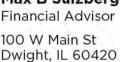
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You may have heard about "sustainable investing." But if you're not familiar with it, you may have some questions: What does it involve? Is it right for me? Can I follow a sustainable investing strategy and still get the portfolio performance I need to Sustainable investing can be defined in different ways, with different terminologies. However, one way to look at a sustainable approach is by thinking of it as investing in a socially conscious way which may involve two broad categories: environmental,

social and governance (ESG) investing and values-based investing. As its name suggests, ESG investing incorporates a broad range of environmental, social and governance risks and opportunities, along with traditional financial measures, when making investment decisions. This approach may have a neutral impact on performance because it maintains a focus on managing risk, traditional fundamental analysis and diversification.

Here's a quick look at the ESG elements: • Environmental - Companies may work to reduce carbon emissions, invest in renewable energy, decrease pollution and

· Social - A business may promote gender and pay equality within its workforce, and maintain positive labor relations and

safe working conditions for employees. · Governance - Companies distinguished by good governance may institute strong ethics policies, provide transparent financial reporting and set policies to ensure it has an independent, objective board of directors.

You can pursue an ESG investing approach through individual stocks, mutual funds or exchange-traded funds (ETFs). which hold a variety of investments similar to mutual funds, but are generally passively managed - that is, they do little or no trading. As an ESG investor, you don't necessarily have to sacrifice performance because ESG investments generally fare about as well as the wider investment universe. Some investments may even gain from the ESG approach. For example, a company that invests in renewable energy may benefit from the move away from fossil fuel sources.

Now, let's move on to values-based investing. When you follow a values-based approach, you can focus on specific themes where you may choose to include or exclude certain types of investments that align with your personal values.

So, you could refrain from investing in segments of the market, such as tobacco or firearms, or in companies that engage in certain business practices, such as animal testing. On the other hand, you could actively seek out investments that align with your values. For instance, if you're interested in climate change, you could invest in a mutual fund or ETF that contains companies in the solar or clean energy industries.

One potential limitation of values-based investing is that it may decrease the diversification of your portfolio and lead to materially lower returns due to narrowly focused investments, prioritization of non-financial goals and too many exclusions. Ultimately, if you choose to include a sustainable investing approach, you will want - as you do in any investing scenario to choose those investments that are suitable for your goals, risk tolerance and time horizon. If sustainable investing interests you, give it some thought – you may find it rewarding to match your money with your be-

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## **ALIVE Literacy and Baby Talk Programs** at KCC Receive United Way Funding

The ALIVE Literacy and Baby Talk programs at Kankakee Community College received Community Impact funding from the United Way of Kankakee and Iroquois Counties.

This support will reach adults who need help with basic reading and writing skills as well as babies born in Kankakee and Iroquois Counties. United Way's Community Impact grants are distributed annually to programs that fight for the health, education, and financial stability of individuals and families in Kankakee and Iroquois Counties.

"Literacy is more than just knowing how to recognize written words," said Shannan Carrell, program specialist for the ALIVE and Baby Talk programs at KCC. "It involves the comprehension of written passages, the ability to follow written directions, and basic math skills. We want to help people learn to complete daily activities many take for granted, such as reading mail, ordering at a restaurant, and reading to their children."

The Baby Talk program stresses the importance of read-

ing, singing, and talking to babies from birth. All families receive a new book to jump start their children's path to literacy.

KCC also invites adults who would like to improve their literacy skills to contact the ALIVE program. Additionally, there are opportunities for people from the community to become adult volunteer tutors or to help with Baby Talk.

For more information about KCC's ALIVE program, contact Carrell at 815-802-8307 or visit adulted.kcc.edu/programs/ community-literacy/.

## Fossil Ridge Library Adult Programs

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

• November 18, 1:00-3:00 p.m. – LIHEAP (Low Income Heating and Energy Assistance Program) (Registration **Required):** This program is designed to assist households with low incomes to help, through financial aid, meet their energy needs.

**Teen Programs** • November 21, 4:00-5:00 p.m. - Maker Monday: **Cracked Glass (Registration Required):** Paint your favorite colors on cracked glass stones

**Child Programs** Every Thursday, 10:00-

and make something out of this

Toddlers and their caregivers can explore with various toys and sensory materials each week.

• November 18, 3:30-4:30 p.m. - Kids BINGO (Registration Required): A fun hour of everyone's favorite game and candy prizes.

• Every Monday, 5:00-6:00 p.m. - Crafternoon (Registration Required): Each week, they will have a story, song, and a craft or science experiement. Topics will include: insects, emotions, time, shadows, bones, water works, and marbles.

• November 16, 1:00-3:00 p.m. - Half Day Movie Matinee - Lightyear: Legendary space ranger Buzz Lightyear embarks on an intergalactic ad-11:00 a.m. – Toddler Time. venture alongside ambitious re-

cruits Izzy, Mo, Darby, and his robot companion, Sox.

• November 19, 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. - Stem Saturday -Elevator Challenge (Registration Required): In this challenge, students will design and build a cranking elevator. They will attempt to lift items to the top of about a two-foot height.

• November 21, 6:00-6:30 p.m. - Pajama Storytime (Registration Required): Join each month in your favorite pair of comfy pajamas as they enjoy stories, crafts, treats, and learn about a different topic each month.

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

## **New Books at Piper City Library**

Piper City Library, 39 Main murder trial when she receives St. in Piper City, has the following books available for check-out:

Triple Cross by James Patterson; Mad Honey by Jodi Picoult; and Righteous Prey by John Sandford.

They also have available Livid by Patricia Corwell.

Murder and mayhem, Scarpetta is back, and she's racing against the clock...

Chief medical examiner Kay Scarpetta is the reluctant star witness in a sensational

shocking news. The judge's sister has been found dead. At first glance, it appears to be a home invasion, but then why was nothing stolen, and why is the garden strewn with dead plants and insects?

Although there is no apparent cause of death, Scarpetta recognizes tell-tale signs of the unthinkable, and she knows the worst is yet to come. The forensic pathologist finds herself pitted against a powerful force that returns her to the

past, and her time to catch the killer is running out...

The library also has HRH So Many Thoughts on Royal Style, donated by Skip Ficklin, in memory of Lois Froelich Birkenbiel; and a History Magazine of Anne Frank: Her Inspiring Life, in memory of Russell and Donna Gearhart.

They also received several new DVDs, including: Dead Bang; The Awakening; The Promise; and Glee, Seasons 1-4 and Season 6.



# WINTER CAR CARE

## How to Travel Safely this Holiday Season

Transportation Security Administrators screened more than 1.3 million people on January 3, 2021, at airport security checkpoints across the United States. That was the largest number of travelers the TSA had seen since March 15, 2020, which was just four days after the World Health Organization declared a pandemic. Airports and other transportation hubs are now as crowded as ever, as the world has largely opened up and vaccinations have helped people feel more confident about traveling.

With millions once again re- Practice safe air travel turning to the roads, rails and once again prudent to go over safety tips that pertain to holiday-related travel. Follow these guidelines when heading home for the holidays.

#### Make your home secure

Travel safety begins before you even step outside your door. It means securing the home and any belongings in-

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side and protecting them from thieves who prey upon holiday travelers. Burglaries tend to rise in both the summer months and during the holidays, when homes are more likely to be vacant. Ask a neighbor to keep an eye on the property and report any suspicious activity. Install a home alarm and activate it. Utilize a video doorbell, which can be answered remotely. Don't post travel plans on social media, and be sure your home looks occupied while you're away.

Airports are busy at all skies to celebrate the holidays times of the year, but particu- Prepare for vehicle travel with friends and family, it is larly so during the holiday season. Guard belongings by keeping an eye on your luggage and other bags at all times, even after boarding the plane. If you will be bringing a tablet, laptop or another expensive device onto the plane, put it on the x-ray belt last, so the device will not be out in the open for too long. Keep close to young children so they cannot wander

off and get lost.

If you're driving, get an oil change if it is due or close to it. Have an emergency kit packed into the car that includes road breakdown tools, flares, blankets, water, and snacks.

Avoid distractions while on the road and depart after getting plenty of rest. Designate a sober driver to get everyone home after drinking at a party where alcohol is being served. It's cold, icy and snowy in most areas during the holidays. Roads can be slippery and conditions suboptimal. Leave extra time, drive slowly and avoid

driving until roads have been treated.

## Keep gifts out of sight

When transporting gifts to and from home, including shopping for presents, keep items away from curious eyes. Packages should be kept in a locked trunk or in a covered cargo area. Consider shipping items to their destinations (and insure the packages) to avoid running the risk of gifts being lost or stolen en route.

These are just a few ways to keep safe when traveling for the holiday season. Keep merry and bright by avoiding theft and injury.

## **How to Prepare** Your Car for Winter

In anticipation of adverse driving conditions, vehicle owners can take various steps to prepare their cars and trucks for winter.

• Upgrade your wiper blades. Perhaps nothing is compromised more than visibility when driving in winter compared to other times of year. Snow makes it hard to see when driving, but fewer hours of daylight also can affect visibility. The difficulty of driving at night is even more significant when wiper blades are not up to the task of keeping rain and snow off drivers' windshields. Prior to winter, inspect wiper blades and upgrade them, if necessary. Streaks left on a windshield are a telltale sign that blades need to be replaced.

• Purchase winter tires. Winter tires may not be necessary in regions with relatively mild winters. However, drivers accustomed to winters marked by heavy snowfall and/or icy roads should consider replacing their existing tires with winter tires. Many newer vehicles are now equipped with allseason tires providing great performance but are not de-

signed to handle extreme winter conditions like snow and ice. Winter tires are specially designed to handle such conditions, making them a worthy investment for drivers who live in regions where it's not unusual to encounter snow and ice throughout the winter.

• Study up on your engine oil. Some vehicle manufacturers recommend different grades of oil depending on the range of temperatures a car or truck will be driven in. The owner's manual will likely indicate if the manufacturer recommends using a different type of engine oil in especially cold temperatures. Even if the manual does not include such a suggestion, drivers can seek the advice of a local mechanic.

• Schedule a pre-winter tuneup. A mechanic can check the radiator, hoses and other components that could be affected by especially cold weather in the months to come. If any issues are found, address them immediately. After all, it's better to be proactive than leave yourself vulnerable to breakdowns or other issues once the mercury drops.

A dream without ambition is like a car without gas...

#### stocks increasing dramatically could mean that demand is falling due to growing economic concerns in the market. If economic growth stalls or reverses course, crude demand will likely follow suit alongside prices. City/Village Nov. 14 Dwight \$4.14 \$4.22 \$4.32 \$4.35 Kankakee Streator \$3.80 \$3.95 Pontiac \$3.90 \$3.95 Gardner \$4.19 \$4.19 Braceville \$4.21 \$4.27 Morris \$4.12 \$4.19

\$4.25

\$4.37

\$4.14

\$3.77

**Gas Prices For This Week** 

Since last Monday, the national average for a gallon of

regular gasoline decreased three cents to \$3.77. According to new data from the EIA, gas demand increased from 8.66 million b/d to 9.01 million b/d last week.

Tighter supply and robust gasoline demand would typically push pump prices higher; however, fluctuating oil prices have limited price increases. Pump price increases could continue to be limited if oil prices continue to decline. Total domestic commercial crude

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

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## Red Cross Recognizes Service After Service

On Veterans Day, the American Red Cross recognized veterans who continue their service in local communities across the country.

As disasters roil communities across the country, veterans are donning the Red Cross vest and lending a hand to those in need in their local communities. At military bases and in local neighborhoods, veterans are rolling up their sleeves to donate blood and help give the critical gift of life. Whether teaching lifesaving skills or giving back to their own by volunteering to assist fellow veterans, they are making an impact through the teamwork and dedication that served them well during military service.

According to the census, there are more than 18 million U.S. military veterans around the world. When it's time to put the uniform away, some veterans encounter difficulty with the process. According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, 1/3 of all veterans report that they struggle with depression after military service. From difficulty navigating the culture of civilian life to finding a shared sense of purpose, 27% of veterans report difficulty integrating into the civilian workforce post-service according to the Pew Research Center. Syracuse University's Institute for Veterans & Military Families (IVMF) reports that prior military service and



civic participation are linked. IVMF concludes that military service helps overcome barriers to volunteering and provides positive outcomes for veterans.

At the Red Cross, many of these veterans say they are finding connection and purpose through service to others.

'Whether it's helping fellow veterans at our VA Medical Centers or comforting a stranger who just survived a house fire, these veterans are again answering the call to duty. Many volunteer as a way to continue using the skills they learned through their service. Responding to disasters, coordinating life-saving blood drives, and providing emergency communications all utilize key skills learned in the military," stated Crystal Smith, Service to the Armed Forces/International Services Program Director.

Veterans are joining American Red Cross and to help others. When Hurricane Ian caused devastation across

Florida, veterans from across the country were among the first to help in the recovery and response efforts. Veterans are critical members of the community, and Red Cross appreciates and values their service after service.

#### The Heart of Their Workforce

Many Red Cross volunteers are veterans who continue to support their communities after their active-duty service ends. From the front lines of disaster recovery to service in Veterans Administration (VA) and military hospitals across the nation and around the world, their impact is integral to the Red

Over 20,000 Red Cross volunteers are veterans - making up 14% of their workforce. Veterans hold many positions at the Red Cross, from nurses to logisticians, emergency management experts, project managers and preparedness experts, as well as a number of veterans in leadership roles at local Red Cross chapters across the coun-

#### What You Can Do

Volunteer to help veterans or to work alongside them to make communities stronger. To learn more about how you can give back in your community,

redcross.org/volunteer

## **Godley Park District Upcoming Programs, Events**

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

#### **Craft Fair**

• Saturday, November 19, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: Set-up begins at 7:00 a.m.

#### **Gong Meditation**

• Saturday, November 19, 2:00-3:00 p.m. Gong Meditation at the Rec Hall will begin and end with a brief guided meditation in order to draw you deeper into the experience. Cory Flanigan will play the gong for an hour. Wear layers of comfortable clothing that do not constrict the body, allowing for deep abdominal breathing and warmth. Take a mat to lie on as well as a pillow and blanket as needed. Make sure to arrive early to settle into place. A fee applies. Walk-ins are welcome, up to a maximum of 25 in attendance. Doors open at 1:30 p.m.

#### **Lunch Out & About**

• Wednesday, November 23: Join the laughter and fun as they venture to different restaurants, including Route 66 Restaurant in Dwight Nov. 23. A transportation fee applies (lunch is on your own). All trips depart at 10:30 a.m. Register/Pay by November 16.

#### **The Original Secret Pantry**

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

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

Dates and times may vary, depending on availability and

when a truck can arrive. For the most up to date information, join 'The Original Secret Pantry' group on Facebook.

#### Winter/Holiday **Building Closures**

The Godley Park District Community Center will be closed November 24 and 25. For emergency closing information due to weather, follow their Facebook page and check their website for up-to-date information.



## WINTER CAR CARE

## What's Behind Noises Your Car Might Be Making

Few things can be as unsettling when behind the wheel as a sudden noise. Noises coming from a car can indicate a host of issues, and that's one reason why such sounds tend to be so different. Quickly identifying what's behind car noises can make for safer driving and potentially save drivers substantial amounts of money.

#### **Noise: Rattling coins**

**Problem:** Loose lug nut in a hub cap

This noise can be loud and unsettling, but the good news is that it's often a simple fix if addressed immediately. The automotive insurance experts at Geico note that a noise that sounds like coins rattling around in a dryer is likely a loose lug nut in a hubcap. The Noise: Engine knocking lug nut might have become loose if a wheel was not tightened sufficiently after a recent maintenance appointment or even if drivers changed a tire on their own. The longer drivers wait to address this, the more dangerous and costly it could become, as it could have an effect on the wheel bearings. If addressed promptly, the damage is likely minimal.

**Noise: Squealing on start-up** Problem: Issue with the serpentine belt

A squealing noise at start-up

is among the more annoying peated tapping. The noise will noises a driver can hear. This sound is often indicative of a worn or damaged serpentine belt, which connects the crankshaft to the alternator, power steering and additional components. Thankfully, a worn down serpentine belt is a relatively inexpensive repair, though it's important that it be addressed promptly. Squealing at start-up also could indicate a loose tensioner, which is designed to keep the serpentine belt at a certain tightness and tension, or wear and tear to the belt due to parking outside. These issues can be addressed by readjusting or replacing the tensioner or reticularly if the part is old.

#### **Problem: Various issues**

A knocking noise from the

often become louder as the vehicle accelerates. Various issues can be behind the knocking sound, and drivers should avoid self-diagnosing the problem, even if they've experienced it in the past with the same or a different vehicle. Some drivers hear knocking because they're using 87 octane fuel instead of the highperformance and more expensive fuel the owner's manual recommends (this could be a common problem in recent months given the meteoric rise in fuel prices). Another potential cause of engine knock could be problems with the pisplacing the serpentine belt, partons or crankshaft. Regardless of what's causing engine knocking, drivers are urged to take their vehicle to a mechanic promptly, as the cost of repairs is likely to rise the longer engine typically sounds like re- knocking goes untreated.



coming from their vehicles. quickness of drivers' responses and a more time-consuming, However, such noises should could make the difference be- expensive repair.

No one wants to hear noises be addressed promptly, as the tween a simple, less costly fix



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## **Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame Honors Dedication of Livingston County 4-H Leader**

Illinois 4-H volunteers empower and prepare youth for success as the program relies on its more than 6,000 volunteers to fill key leadership and mentoring roles. Longtime volunteers and former staff members were recently honored by the Illinois 4-H Foundation for their selfless dedication to the University of Illinois Extension 4-H youth development pro-

The Illinois 4-H Foundation established the statewide Hall of Fame in 2005 to honor and celebrate extraordinary 4-H alumni, volunteers, and former 4-H staff. Those inducted have a track record of exemplary service to 4-H or outstanding career and community achievement and were nominated by either county University of Illinois Extension staff or by the Illinois 4-H Foundation Board. Each inductee receives a commemorative Hall of Fame medallion.

"The Foundation is pleased to honor these outstanding individuals for their commitment to the 4-H program," says Angie Barnard, Illinois 4-H Foundation executive director. "The impact that is made on youth because of these inductees' willingness to provide a patient, caring hand is invaluable."

Livingston County is proud to announce local 4-H leader and volunteer Amy Schlipf as one of the 84 honorees inducted into the 2022 Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame.

Amy's involvement with 4-H spans over 26 years. Her dedication, creativity, and incredible organizational skills have guided countless youth in her club and across Livingston County. In addition to being a Waldo Peppy Club Leader,

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LIVINGSTON COUNTY 4-H congratulates leader Amy Schlipf as a 2022 Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame nominee.

committees and is a staple at the Livingston County 4-H Show each year as a judge, superintendent, and willing to help wherever needed. This year being no different.

Illinois 4-H programs reach nearly 130,000 youth each year through 4-H clubs, camps, educational programs, workshops, and conferences held in communities, schools, parks, and homes across Illinois. Volunteers fill key leadership and mentoring roles throughout the

To volunteer locally in Livingston County, contact the Ex-

Amy has served on different tension office at 815-842-1776 or visit go.illinois.edu/ Livingston4H.

> "There is a place for everyone in 4-H, whether you have an hour or a lifetime to give," Barnard says.

> "The Foundation provides avenues to support the work of Illinois 4-H by accepting financial gifts specifically directed to the program you wish to support," says Barnard. "Gift planning services are available to those wishing to continue their 4-H legacy."

To learn more, visit: 4hfoundation.illinois.edu

## **Dwight Thanksgiving Ecumenical Service**

The 2022 Ecumenical Service of Thanksgiving in Dwight will be held in Saint Patrick

Catholic Church, corner of Mazon and Prairie Avenues, Sunday, November 20, at 6

offered by the Dwight Ministerial Association, and everyone is invited and encouraged to at-

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## The Prairie Singers Celebrate 34th Year with Christmas Concert Series



The Prairie Singers mark their 34th year of music making by returning this Christmas season with "When Christmas Morn Is Dawning."

The Prairie Singers have selected carols that reflect the joys and beliefs of this Christmas season. Go and enjoy "When Christmas Morn Is Dawning" as the Singers' gift

Concerts this year begin Tuesday, November 29, at Prairie Creek Public Library, Dwight, at 6:00 p.m. The lito the public with refreshments following the concert.

First United Methodist Church, Morris, will host the Singers Sunday, December 4, at 2:00 p.m.

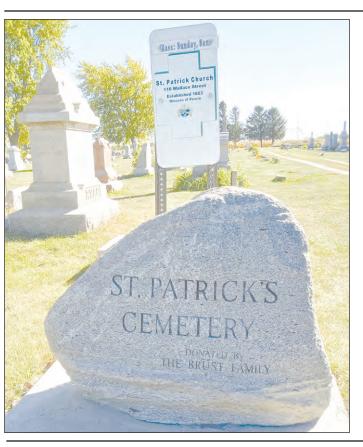
First United Methodist Church, Streator, stages the Singers Friday, December 9, at 7:00 p.m.

The final concert will be at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Seneca, Sunday, December 11, at 2:00 p.m. The gothic church is a perennial favorite of the Singers, as they close their brary concert is free and open Christmas season. A free will

offering will be taken at all church concerts.

The Prairie Singers are a chamber ensemble comprised of singers from Grundy, LaSalle, Kendall, and Livingston Counties.

The choral ensemble welcomes membership inquiries from interested singers. Information concerning group or performance scheduling may be obtained by contacting George McComb at 6830 O'-Malley Rd., Verona, IL 60479, or 815-287-9806.



A CEMETERY WALK was held at St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Ransom, November 6, to honor the founding parishioners who donated stained glass windows when the church was being constructed in 1922. Presenters at the walk were: Mary Ross, Brad Coughlin, Marita Stevens, Norm Lewis, Joan Miller, Jean Phelan Condon, Kinsley Stevens, Caitlyn Talty, Angela Ross, and Jayne Corsini. Kathleen O'Loughlin came from Chicago to tell about her great-grandfather, Michael D. O'Loughlin. Fr. Bowan Schmitt gave an introductory prayer and a final blessing. There were over 30 people in attendance to celebrate the 100-year anniversary of the building of the church.

## Angels in Odell

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and I are usually the ones who do the shopping. We power shop for up to 70-80 kids. We try to keep the gifts for each kid around the same price point, but there isn't a definitive number. It all depends on how much we raise.

"Last year, when I had Covid and Melissa broke her foot and her ankle, the Odell Grade School helped and did the shopping. Everyone pitches in for the cause."

Odell Christmas Angels was originally started by the Odell Lions Club.

When the club disbanded, Foster wanted to continue bringing Christmas cheer and gifts to any family who needed it, so she found a way for the program to stay alive.

Foster and Bolen run the operations of shopping and corralling packages for each family, which have seen as many as 70-80 each Christmas in the last five years, while the Knights of Columbus is the overseer who corresponds with Foster and Bolen to make sure program is running

smoothly and every child is accounted for.

"We don't wrap the gifts. Some families will adopt a the shopping on our list in one day," Foster said. "We invite the parents to come with us. It's up to them if they want to or not. We'll spend the day in Bloomington and shop for all of the kids.

"We have every family on its own piece of paper so we can do family by family. We bag them and then we label them by family. In recent years, we've really reached out to the community to get more volunteers. Now, there is a lot more community involvement."

Foster and Bolen shop for clothes, while toys given as gifts for children up to 11 years old are donated by Toys for

Odell Christmas Angels does shop outside of clothing stores, to make sure high school students in the families receive cool, more favorable gifts as well

"Really the whole community helps with Odell Christmas

Angels. I've always had a love for kids. It's giving back to our community," Foster said. "Maybe I can't financially affamily to shop for. Joleen and I ford to buy gifts for all of these will power shop and get all of families, but this gives me an opportunity to give back.

> "It's nice to be able to help provide for a kid and know they have something to open under the Christmas tree on Christmas. It's really a giant community project because everyone helps and we couldn't do it without the help and support of the community.

> "I think it means a lot. It's special. If you drive into Odell off of Rt. 66, the sign says, 'Welcome to Odell, a small town with a big heart, where everybody is somebody.' Odell Christmas Angels just reiterates the sign. Our community is amazing. Anytime there is a need, we're all there. It just goes to show that Odell really is a special community."

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

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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Irene A. Fraher

Irene A. Fraher, 97, of Pontiac passed away at 10:54 a.m., Thursday, November 10, 2022 at St. James John Albrecht Medical Center in Pontiac.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Marv's Catholic Church, Pontiac, on Friday, November 18, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. with Father

Adam Cesarek officiating. Burial will follow in St. Paul Catholic Cemetery, Odell. Pallbearers will be Dennis Bull, Casey Fraher, Ryan Fraher, Chris Schultz, Tyler Kopp, and Tom Legner. Honorary pallbearers are Darrin Pierce, Zain Pierce, Cooper Fraher, Brooks Bull and Carver Schultz.

A rosary will be said Thursday, November 17, 2022 at 3:30 p.m. at Duffy - Baier -Snedecor Funeral Home, Pon-

A visitation will be held after the rosary from 4:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., also at the Funeral Home.

Memorials in Irene's memory may be made to St. Mary's Catholic School, St. Mary's Catholic Church, or to the donor's choice.

Duffy - Baier - Snedecor Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Irene was born December 16, 1924 in Streator, Illinois to John and Anna (Kozak) Ondek. She married Bob Fraher on October 25, 1952 in St. Stephen's Catholic Church in Streator, Illinois. He passed away May 30, 2017 after 64 years of marriage.

Irene graduated from St. Stephen's Grade School and

Streator Township High School. She the worked in LaSalle County Treasurer's Office in Ottawa. Later, she worked at the Odell Schools for more than 20 yeas as a sec-

Irene was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Pontiac, Catholic Daughters of America, Historical Society, Ladies Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary, and St. Mary's Guild.

She is survived by her children: Tom (Kathleen) Fraher, Joan (Tom) Bull, Nancy Fraher, and Jim (Carol) Fraher; grandchildren: Dennis (Sarah) Bull, Susan (Tom) Legner, Katie (Tyler) Kopp, Casey (Jenna) Fraher, Kellie (Chris) Schultz, Ryan Fraher, and Rachel Fraher; and greatgrandchildren: Brooks and Edith Bull, Darrin and Zain Pierce, Cooper Fraher, Carver and Calum Schultz, and Remington Kopp.

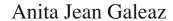
She was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Bob; sisters, Mary Ondek and Lucille Swain; and brothers, George, John and Andy Ondek.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandma, greatgrandma, aunt, and friend. She enjoyed playing cards and watching her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Irene was an avid Chicago Cubs and Chicago Bulls fan.

She will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.

This obituary may be view-

www.duffyfuneralhome.com or visit us on Facebook.



Jean Anita Galeaz, age 66, of Illinois Campus, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family at 10:40 a.m. in her home in Campus, Illinois on Thursday, November 10, 2022.

According Anita's wishes cremation rites were accorded.

Private graveside services will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Campus, Illinois.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in honor of Anita may be made to St. Jude's Children's Memorial Hospital, which she faithfully gave to over the

Hager Memorial Home in Dwight is in charge of arrangements.

Anita was born July 10, 1956 in Elgin, Illinois, the daughter of William and Martha (Simmons) Troutt. She married Tony Galeaz May 5, 1982 in Pontiac, Illinois. He survives in Campus.



Also surviving are sons: Butch (Julie) Galeaz, Mario (Ami) Galeaz, and Nicholas Galeaz, all of Campus: daughters: Brandy (Junior Sanchez) Robison of Pontiac and Toni Ann (Zach) Fraga of Cam-

pus; grandchildren: Trevor Robison, Joslyn Galeaz, Natalie and Kylie Fraga; brother and sister, Carolyn (Grandal) Satterfield of Chatsworth and Curtis Troutt of Piper City.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her motherand father-in-law, Ellen and Candido Galeaz.

She was a longtime member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Campus. She enjoyed spending time with friends, her time at the lakehouse, shopping and decorating. She loved spending time with her children and grandchildren, and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Condolences may be left at www.calvertmemorial.com

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF ARNOLD KEE MUNZ, Deceased.

Case No.: 2022-PR-66

#### **CLAIMS NOTICE**

NOTICE is hereby given to you of the death of ARNOLD KEE MUNZ, who died on June 16th, 2022. At the time of his death, ARNOLD KEE MUNZ was a resident of Fairbury, Livingston County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on July 15th, 2022, to TAMMY SUE STREIB, Independent Executor, whose address is 21286 E 650 N. Rd., Fairbury, IL 61739. Her 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 27th, 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 112 W. Madison 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. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble efiling, visit http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp.

DATED: 10/27/2022

Tammy Sue Streib Independent Executor

/s/ William J. Gerber William J. Gerber, attorney

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

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for their kind expressions of sympathy

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**Betty Donovan** 

**Larry and Karen Donovan and family** 

**Donna and Steve Williams** 

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We welcome your thoughts.

#### **Notice of Petition to Change Name**

Take notice that the undersigned mother and natural guardian of McKynlee Marie Harris, a minor, will pursuant to statute on the 16th day of December, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. on behalf of said minor, file her petition in the Circuit Court of Livingston County, Illinois, applying to said court to change said minor's name to McKynlee Marie Ferrari. Dated at Pontiac, Illinois, this 9th day of November, 2022.

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

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

#### NOTICE OF JUDICIAL SALE

Public notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the court in the above entitled cause the property hereinafter described, or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

A. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Donald R. McClarey, Mc-Clarey Law Firm, 313 S. Prairie Ave., P.O. Box 9, Dwight, IL 60420-0009; (815) 584-1525.

B. The common address of the real estate is 816 N. Plum St., Pontiac, IL 61764

C. The legal description of the real estate is:

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

PIN: 15-22-216-002

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

D. A description of the improvements on the real estate is: 1-story single-family home, including 2 bedrooms, 1 bathroom, full basement, and 1-car detached garage.

E. The real estate may not be inspected prior to the sale.

F. The date, time and place of the sale are: November 29, 2022 at 10:00 A.M., Livingston County Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main St., Pontiac, IL 61764.

G. The terms of the sale are: 50% paid at sale and balance paid within 48 hours of sale, all in cash or certified funds. No refunds.

H. Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions apparent and of record.

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

DONALD R. McCLAREY, Attorney for Bank of Pontiac





#### TWITTER

Twitter was once a play where it was easy to find news and follow athletes and reporters to stay up to date on anything happening in the sports world. It's now... well it's still kind of that, but a few things have changed since Elon Musk took over the company a few weeks ago, buying the company for 44 billion dollars.

Elon Musk came into the Twitter acquisition with the idea being that Twitter is the "town square" of public discourse and that all ideas should be welcomed on the application from all ends of the ideology spectrum. I think that's a pretty worthwhile idea and he's right, ideas from any side of the aisle shouldn't be suppressed as long as they are not advocating for harm or violence.

Whether that will take hold and be something that actually succeeds, he also implemented the ability for anyone to get the "verified" checkmark. His idea being that by having an option for people to verify their actual identity it would solve some of the harassment and bot problems on the platform.

Unfortunately everyone instantly got verified, had the checkmark, and then changed their names to impersonate a company or person and it was the wild, wild west for a few days (and still is).

The most jarring of these incidents was an account acting as Eli Lilly claiming that insulin would now be free, and the actual company's stock fell 4+% in the aftermath of it. As did subsequent insulin companies. While it's certain that insulin costs too much money this sets a weird precedent of impacting real life things coming from fake (but at the time seem like

Elon has a solid track record of turning companies around and making them powerhouses, but the early days of his tenure at Twitter leave some questions to be answered.

Go, Bears.

Aaron J. Boma DTHS, ISU Grad



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

US Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VRMTG Asset Trust **PLAINTIFF** 

Vs.

Paul C. Birkett A/K/A Paul C. Birkett; Wendi A. Birkett; Bank of Pontiac; State of Illinois; United States of America; David J. Babb, Jr. **DEFENDANTS** 

No. 2020CH00014

#### **NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE**

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 09/09/2022, the Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois will on December 14, 2022 at the hour of 10:00 AM at New Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main Street, Pontiac, IL 61764, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Livingston and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

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If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-22-01353.

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REDBIRD TEACHERS OF THE MONTH during the month of October, pictured, from left, were Barbara Svornik, Stephanie Flott, and Patricia Aldrich.



OCTOBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH at Dwight Common School included: PreK - Ryan Redmann, Temperance Tippy, and Braelyn Marshall; Kindergarten - Preston Sancken, Brayden Wilkins, and Sam Veselak; 1st - Mason Johnson, Landon McGann, and April Gundlach; 2nd - Lane Carey, Callan Kucera, and Jack Veselak; 3rd - Aiden Fromherz-Herald, Zoey Coughlin, and Riley Watts; 4th -Riley Moser, Lillianna Noriega, and Riley Wicks; 5th - Nash Miner and Libby Stipanovich; 6th - Erdi Gashi and Reagan Connor; 7th - Avery Crouch and Leanna Ruth; 8th - Honorine Mwizerwa and Jason Stukel..

#### **ORDINANCE 2022-07**

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AND ASSESSING TAX FOR THE PRAIRIE CREEK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT OF THE COUNTIES OF GRUNDY, LASALLE AND LIVINGSTON STATE OF ILLINOIS,

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING THE 1ST DAY OF JULY 2022 AND ENDING THE  $30^{TH}$  DAY OF JUNE 2023

WHEREAS, the President and the Board of Trustees of the Prairie Creek Public Library District in the counties of Grundy, LaSalle, and Livingston and the State of Illinois, did on the 13th day of September, 2022 adopt the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2022-04) for said Library District for the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, said Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance was duly published as provided by law after its adoption.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PRAIRIE CREEK PUBLIC LI-BRARY DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTIES OF GRUNDY, LASALLE, AND LIVINGSTON, AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section One: That the total sum of TWO HUNDRED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$249,438.00) composed as follows: the sum of ONE HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$194,438.00), being the amount required for the necessary Corporate purposes of the Prairie Creek Public Library District, Grundy, LaSalle and Livingston Counties, Illinois; the sum of NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$9,000.00) being required for payment of employer contributions of Prairie Creek Public Library District to the Social Security Fund; the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$7,000.00), being required for the payment of employer contributions of Prairie Creek Public Library District for the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund; the sum of TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$2,000.00), being required for the payment of the professional opinion of an accountant and other auditing expenses from an Audit Fund; the sum of NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$9,000.00) for the purpose of payments of premiums due for the purchase of liability insurance, property damage (e.g. fire) insurance, worker's compensations, unemployment compensations, and legal fees for defending or other protecting itself against liability from a Liability Fund; the sum of TWENTY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$28,000.00), being required for the maintenance, repairs and alterations of library buildings and equipment from a Maintenance Fund be and the same is hereby levied and assessed upon and against all taxable property within this Public Library District according to the full fair value established and ascertained for the State and County purposes for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 and the Board of Trustees of the Prairie Creek Public Library District having on the 13th day of September duly passed and adopted the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 and ending June 30, 2023 and said Ordinance having been duly published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Public Library District, this Board find that the specific purposes and the specific amounts provided for in said Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance, a copy of which is attached hereto and by this reference made a part thereof, are required to be levied for the necessary purposes of the Prairie Creek Public Library District.

Section Two: The Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Prairie Creek Public Library District is hereby directed to file a duly certified copy of the Ordinance with County Clerks of Grundy, LaSalle and Livingston Counties, in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois, on or before the last Tuesday of December, 2022; and said County Clerks are hereby authorized and directed to extend the said tax so levied by this Ordinance, according to law, against all taxable property within the Prairie Creek Public Library District. The Secretary of the Prairie Creek Public Library District shall also file on or before the last Tuesday of December 2022, duly certified copies of the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance and this Ordinance with the Prairie Creek Public Library District, where they shall be available for public inspection as provided

Section Three: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as provided by law.

Passed by the Board of Trustees of the Prairie Creek Public Library Dis-

trict and approved by its President November 8, 2022. Board of Trustees of the Prairie Creek Public Library District

President: <u>Teresa Bradley</u>

ATTEST: Susan Strickland Secretary

## **Dwight Common School Board Meets,** 2022 Tax Levy Established

The 2022 Tax Levy for Dwight Common School District #232 was established at the regular Board of Education Meeting held November 11 in the Grade School Library.

Superintendent Josh De-Long made a presentation to the Board, showing a significant increase in Equalized Assessed Valuation of over \$11 million. He noted the large increase in EAV in Grundy County of nearly 13% and the increase of 5.5% in Livingston County, averages out to a nearly 8% increase in total District EAV. Due to this increase, and the Board's desire to maximize the levy, a Truth in Taxation hearing will be needed because the proposed levy will exceed 105% of last year's levy extension. The levy increase being proposed is 9.15%, resulting in an extension increase of approximately \$331,000. However, because of the increased valuation, the tax rate will actually decrease from 3.0164 to 3.0118. A Truth in Taxation Resolution was approved by the Board.

ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT **BROUGHTON TOWNSHIP & ROAD DISTRICT** FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2022

TOWNSHIP - REVENUE SUMMARY: From Windmill Fund, \$69,000; Property Tax, \$49,254; From Social Security, \$8,000; Replacement Tax, \$2,083; TOIRMA, \$882; Interest, \$53; St of Illinois, \$46; **TOTAL REVENUE:** \$129,318.

TOWNSHIP - EXPENDITURE SUMMARY: Martin Equipment, \$109,000; IRS, \$9,054; Mack & Assoc, \$4,000; IL Dept of Revenue, \$1,679; All other disbursements less than (\$1,000), \$665; TOTAL VEN-**DORS:** \$124,398.

TOWNSHIP - COMPENSATION SUMMARY: Eric Bruner, \$21,338; Jennifer Tjelle, \$4,000; Cathy Burke, \$2,020; Zach Malone, \$443; Patrick Turner, \$332; Dana Masching, \$406; Warren Sancken, \$369; Marlin Donley, \$138; Brenda Strachan, \$138; TOTAL COM-**PENSATION:** \$29,184.

ROAD DISTRICT - REVENUE SUMMARY: Property Taxes, \$140,139; From Ritchie Bros, \$22,313; EDF Renewables, \$3,325; Replacement Tax, \$3,288; TOIRMA, \$1,080; Miscellaneous, \$741; Interest Income, \$316; TOTAL REVENUE: \$171,202.

**ROAD DISTRICT - EXPENDITURE SUMMARY:** Gray's Garage, \$42,150; Grosso Trucking, \$17,224; Evergreen FS, \$9,890; Vulcan, \$8,335; To Town Fund, \$8,000; TOIRMA, \$6,921; Martin Equipment, \$6,833; Hampton, Lenzini, Renwick, \$4,490; Mid-State Asphalt, \$4,112; Sancken Farms, \$3,539; Bruner Const., \$2,219; Bradbury Tree Service, \$1,100; Clauss Specialties, \$1,044; All other disbursements less than (\$1,000), \$6,156; **TOTAL VENDORS:** \$122,013.

ROAD DISTRICT - COMPENSATION SUMMARY: Eric Bruner, \$2,700; Steve Vertin, \$2,847; **TOTAL COMPENSATION:** \$5,547.

#### SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION

		SPECIAL	CAPITAL	DEBI	
	GENERAL	REVENUE	PROJECT	SERVICE	ENTERPRISE
Beginning					
Fund Balance	64,738	324,507	0	0	0
Revenue	129,318	171,202	0	0	0
Expenditures	(153,582)	(127,560)	0	0	0
Other					
Financing					
Sources	0	0	0	0	0
Ending	40,474	368,149	0	0	0

Subscribed and sworn to this 1st day of September 2022

Jennifer Tjelle - Treasurer

I, Cathy Burke, Clerk of Broughton Township, Livingston County, Illinois, do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the Annual Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2022

Cathy Burke - Clerk

he intends to extend expiring bus leases on the (9) 2019 yellow buses for another 3 years. He also intends to extend the leases of the 2 activity buses as they have low mileage and it is difficult to find these type buses at this time. The leases on the (2) lift buses are in year 2 of a 3-year lease. He noted that the buses have been wellmaintained and with the lease renewal they will also have a full warranty on each of those buses, other than the usual warranty exceptions such as tires,

In addition, DeLong reported that the District is awaiting a decision from the ISBE on a Maintenance Grant. An application was submitted to use the \$50,000 matching grant on building plumbing issues.

DeLong and Schultz recently attended a job fair at ISU in Normal. They gave out information to several students but so far have not been successful in finding a PE Teacher.

DeLong asked the Board to hold their December 14th meeting in the HS Board Room, as they will also have a HS meeting later that evening. The Board was agreeable to this.

Principal Julie Schultz announced that the Redbird Teachers of the Month were Patti Aldrich, Stephanie Flott and Barb Svornik.

Matt Schueler and Tonya Lofgren from auditing firm WIPFLI were in attendance by zoom to give the audit report. The district again received a 4.0 rating of Recognition, which is the highest rank you can achieve. The district finances are currently very healthy, with 345 days of cash on hand.

Stephanie Flott was in attendance to give the Dwight Education Association (DEA) report, which included comments on 5th grade life science and the food chain, 6th grade studying the rock cycle and honoring Veterans for Veterans

Schultz reported that they have added nine new students in the past month, five just this week, for a new enrollment total of 555 students. She also thanked Country Financial, who provided lunch for all employees at both districts on journed at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday November 9. She Teacher Brooke Sulzberger will have a Student Teacher next semester.

Assistant Principal/Athletic Director Jeremy Jenkins restarting soon, and he will be December 14.

DeLong also reported that looking at once again having a Cross Country program next year, and possibly a Wrestling program as well.

Employment was affirmed for Kirsten Pullen and Emily Moore, Substitute Teachers.

In Unfinished Business, De-Long updated the Board on the status of his conversations with the Village on the proposed TIF district. Action on this TIF will happen at the November 14th Village Board Meeting. He has had conversations with several Trustees and the Mayor, and still wants to work out an Intergovernmental Agreement to avoid the tax rate being frozen for the school districts for the next 23 years on the property in the TIF. He has several different formats that he has received from other school districts and he would like to sit down with the Village, with attorneys present for both, to iron out an agreement. He will keep the Board members posted on this

DeLong also reported that after meeting with other financial advisors regarding maximizing our capital reserves, he made the decision that we would be better off putting our excess reserves into laddered CDs at the Bank of Pontiac. He discussed B of P's interest rates with their President and has been assured they will match the ISDLAF rates for CDs and Money Market accounts, which are currently in the area of 3%.

Board Treasurer Angela Hilt did a cash analysis to help determine how much money could be laddered into these CDs and still maintain a healthy checking account balance to pay monthly bills.

The motion to approve the Bank of Pontiac's investment proposal, Money Market rates and CD rates was approved. The Board moved into Ex-

ecutive Session from 6:50 p.m. to 6:59 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, comdiscipline, pensation, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

The regular meeting was ad-

Board Members present also noted that 2nd Grade were Lori Bowman, Mark Christenson, Michael Cornale, Tara Hansen, Jaime Mallanev, and Board President Nick Stipanovich. Absent was Marc Ellis. The next regularly schedported that Volleyball will be uled Board Meeting will be on

#### Shop This Week's Inserts: Humana R.P. Home & Harvest

Some inserts not available in total market area.



# PORTS SPORTS



## **GSWB TIGERS BASKETBALL**

Wednesday, November 2 **GSWB** vs. Morris 7th Grade -

On November 2, the Tigers defeated Morris, 31-15.

Caden Christensen led with nine points, followed by Cameron Gray and Case Christensen with eight each. Brody Grimes added four, with Isaiah Bouwma scoring two points. 8th Grade -

The eighth grade Tigers took a 44-13 loss to Morris.

Holden Grimes GSWB's high scorer with six points. Tyler Galass, Hunter Partilla, and Chris Ozee each scored two points, while Reed Millette hit a free throw. Thursday, November 3

#### **GSWB vs. Saunemin** 7th Grade -

In a match-up with Saunemin November 3, GSWB fell,

Case Christensen's eight points led the way, with Caden Christensen scoring four. Isaiah Cameron Gray, Bouwma, and Thomas Phillips each had two points.

8th Grade -

In the eighth grade meeting, the Tigers were victorious over the Eagles, 40-29.

Holden Grimes led all scorers with 20 points. Chris Ozee and Tyler Galass scored six points each, followed by four from Hunter Partilla. Aiden Mack and Ryan Dennis pitched in with two points each. Monday, November 7

GSWB vs. ICS 5th Grade -GSWB's fifth graders fell to

Jaxon Pluger led with four points. Chase Chandler nailed

a free throw. 6th Grade -The sixth grade Tigers im-

proved to 2-1 on the season with a 26-20 win over ICS. Kash Kerner and Mason

Jordan led GSWB with eight points each. Kash Olsen had six points, while Ryan Male and Fallon Sten each added a bucket.

7th Grade -

The GSWB Tigers took out ICS, 39-9, in the seventh grade

Caden Christensen led with 2 points with Cameron Gray put up 10 points, while Wyatt McNally, Isaiah Bouwma, and Brody Grimes scored two points each.

8th Grade -

GSWB's eighth grade boys defeated ICS, 40-6.

Holden Grimes had a gamehigh 13 points, followed closely by Cooper Biros with 12. Ryan Dennis put up four points, with Logan Rice, Aiden Mack, Aiden Bodine, Chris Ozee, and Coleman Slush scoring two points each. Hunter Partilla hit a free throw.

#### Wednesday, November 9 **GSWB** vs. Herscher 7th Grade -

On November 9, the Tigers lost an overtime thriller against Herscher, 29-28.

Caden and Case Christensen each had nine points, with Cameron Gray and Brody Grimes scoring six and four points, respectively.

8th Grade -GSWB suffered a 33-18 loss to Herscher.

Holden Grimes led the Tigers with eight points. Cooper Biros scored four. Hunter Partilla, Aiden Mack, and Aiden Bodine each had two points.

Thursday, November 10 **GSWB** vs. Marseilles 6th Grade -Ransom St. Michael's

**Tournament** 

In Ransom St. Michael's Tournament play November 10, GSWB lost to Marseilles,

Ryan Male led the Tigers with eight points, while Mason Jordan and Fallon Stein added six and three points, respectively.

GSWB vs. Ransom 6th Grade -

In their second match-up with hosts, Ransom, the Tigers

won by a score of 20-17. Ryan Male would lead the way with 12 points. Mason Jordan finished with eight points. Ty Tjelle contributed four assists.

Friday, November 11 **GSWB** vs. Rutland 5th Grade -

Ransom St. Michael's **Tournament** 

The fifth grade Tigers would lose an early lead in the first round to Rutland, leading to a 15-14 loss.

Kash Olsen had eight points, while Kash Kerner

Jaxon Pluger was tough on "D" at the top of the key, challenging Rutland's ball-handlers all night long.

Saturday, November 12 GSWB vs. Woodland 6th Grade -

Ransom St. Michael's **Tournament** 

After concluding pool play with a record of 1-1, GSWB would play for third place against Woodland November

The Tigers jumped out to an early 14-2 lead, and would cruise to a 36-23 victory.

Ryan Male had 15 points to lead his team. Mason Jordan scored 12 points, with David Allen and Ty Tjelle (4 assists) adding six and three points, respectively.

John Johnson and Parker Thompson were solid on the defensive end, with Johnson keeping Woodland's post player from scoring and causing several jump-balls.

**GSWB** vs. Marseilles 5th Grade -

On November 12, the Tigers beat Marseilles, 25-9.

Kash Olsen's eight points led the solid team effort, while Kash Kerner and Jaxon Pluger chipped in with six and five points, respectively. Chase Chandler, Levi Fink, and Matthew Tyree each scored two points.

#### GSWB vs. Ransom 5th Grade -

In a meeting with hosts, Ransom, GSWB notched another win, 24-15.

Kash Olsen and Kash Kerner led the Tigers with 12 adding 11. Case Christensen and 11 points, respectively. Harrison DeYoung added one point, while he and Tyler Futia stepped up and played big on defense and added some key rebounds.

**GSWB** vs. Rutland 5th Grade

The Tigers would square off with Rutland once again, this time for the championship.

It was another close battle, but unfortunately GSWB came up on the wrong side of a 19-18 decision - taking second

place in the tournament. Kash Kerner and Kash Olsen had six points each. Tyler Futia and Jaxon Pluger each added two points. Talon Mack stepped in and helped his squad with solid defense and rebounding.



THE RIVER VALLEY CONFERENCE announced their All-Conference volleyball team for 2022. Tri-Point's All-Conference members, pictured, from left, are junior Madelynn Stites (Special Mention), senior Kyra Cathcart (2nd Team), senior Zoey Honeycutt (2nd Team), and senior Emma Creek (1st Team).

## **Church Dartball League**

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Hers. Luth. #2	3	0	Emman. Luth.	5	1
Tri Parish	0	3	Dwight Cong.	5	1
			Hers. Luth. #1	4	2
Dwight Meth.	2	1	Hers. Luth. #2	4	2
Hers. Luth. #1	1	2	Zion Luth.	3	3
			Dwight Meth.	3	3
Zion Luth.	0	3	New Life	3	3
Emman. Luth.	3	0	Trinity Luth.	2	4
			Hers. Meth.	1	5
Dwight Cong.	2	1	Tri Parish	0	6
Hers. Meth.	1	2	The next nig	ht of 1	olay wi
			be December 5		

#### DCS REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

#### Thursday, November 10 **Dwight vs. Coal City** 6th Grade -

Dwight's sixth grade boys traveled to Coal City November 10, falling 34-11.

Dalton DeLong led with four points. Braxton Flahaut and Max Veselak both scored Hoffner making a free throw. Jace Jensen led the team with six rebounds, followed by four from Eridi Gashii.

The "B" game ended with the Redbirds coming up short.

Oliver Snyder grabbed two rebounds, while Kayden Conroy snagged one.

#### Saturday, November 12 Dwight vs. Woodland 8th Grade -

On November 12, the Dwight Redbirds picked up a big win over Woodland, 56-22.

Dwight got off to a hot start, leading 13-1 after the first quarter, and never looked back. For the game, the Redbirds shot over 50% from the field and played very good defense.

Colin Bachand led with 22 points, six assists, six steals, and four boards. Trevor Jensen added 13 points, six steals, four rebounds, and two assists, while Graham Meister (4 rebounds) and Matt Watchinski (2 rebounds, 1 steal) put up nine points each. Blake Thetard two points, with Landon hit a three, with Axel Kargle (2 steals, Lassist) and Evan Olson each pulling down one rebound. Carson Sandeno dished two assists and had one swipe.

#### Dwight vs. Woodland 7th Grade -**Livingston County Tournament**

In seventh grade Livingston County Tournament action November 12, the Redbirds lost to Woodland.

Kayden Wood led with eight points, three rebounds, an assist, and a steal, followed by seven points, two steals, and one board from Axel Kargle. Evan Olson (8 rebounds, 1 steal) and Walter Bradley each had two points. Cason Johnson provided a steal and one assist.

## Victory Lanes

## **Bowling League Results**

**Sportsman League Bowlers** November 2

HSG: Kyle Battle, 269; Chris Cook, 266; Bosco Gassman, 254; Jeff Saltzman, 233; Doug Gassman, 230. HSS: Bosco Gassman, 692; Kyle Battle, 656; Chris Cook, 649; Doug Gassman, 626; Jeff Saltzman, 605. HSG: LTG Shuttles, 971. HHG: DeLong Ford, 995. HSS: LTG Shuttles, 2830. HHS: DeLong Ford,

November 9

HSG: Reco Stevenson, 258; Aaron Paquette, 254; JD Gernentz, 254; Bosco Gassman, 247; Doug Gassman, 246. HSS: Jeff Gallup, 675; Brandon Petry, 667; Bosco Gassman, 667; Doug Gassman, Kent Jensen, 637. HSG/HHG: LTG Shuttles, 973. HSS: Star Trucking, 2830. HHS: Stumble Inn, 2844.

League Standings	$\underline{\mathbf{W}}$	$\underline{\mathbf{L}}$
Star Trucking	7	1
Willy's Pub	7	1
Rambo Construct.	7	1
Cafe 110 West	5	3
Jensens I	5	3
DeLong Ford	4	4
Jensen BP II	4	4
Future Tree	3	5
LTG Shuttles	2	6
Jeremy's Barber	2	6
Stumble Inn	2	6

#### **Commercial League Bowlers** November 3

HSG: Brian Scott, 257; Brandon Petry, 235; Doug Gassman, 235; Chuck Dudak, 215; Chris Coyne, 210 – Chris Bryant, 258; Denise Clifford, 186; Paula Rhodes, 168; Sheri Colebank, 162; Anne Sporrer, 149. HSS: Brandon Petry, 690; Doug Gassman, 661; Brian Scott, 611; Chris Coyne, 595; Kevin Oelschlager, Jr., 541 -Chris Bryant, 629; Paula Rhodes, 463; Denise Clifford, 443; Sheri Colebank, 434; Anne Sporrer, HSG/HHG: HG&N, 921 HSS/HHS: HG&N, 2694.

#### November 10 HSG: Brian Scott, 235;

Chris Coyne, 209; Blain Wilkey, 201; Sevin Vargas, 198; Timothy, 193 - Chris Bryant, 255; Denise Clifford, 181; Anne Sporrer, 168; Jennifer Light, 163; Stacy Richie, 161. HSS: Brian Scott, 659; Chris Coyne, 588; Paul Seabert, 535; Dave Bzdusek, 521; Doug Gassman, 521 -Chris Bryant, 643; Jennifer Light, 454; Denise Clifford, 447; Kaitlin Kenny, 433; Stacy Richie, 431. HSG: Pumpkin Patch, 908. HHG: Gaston Construction, 918. HSS: Pumpkin Patch, 2467. HHS: Gaston Construction, 2563.

League Standings	W	L
Pumpkin Patch	7	1
HG&N	6	2
Gaston Construct.	5	3
Love's	5	3
Dairy Queen	4	4
Whiskey River	4	4
Maxwell Truck.	3	5
Becker's Storage	3	5
Willy's Pub	2	6
Cherry RR	1	7

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## **MVK Mavericks Basketball**

#### Wednesday, November 9 MVK vs. Marseilles 7th Grade -

The seventh grade Mavs overcame a 10-point first half deficit to defeat Marseilles 29-25 on November 9.

Colton Baudino led with 13 19 points.

points, while Kolten Pfeifer added 11.

#### 8th Grade -

Marseilles topped MVK in the eighth grade game, 46-27. Brant Roe had a team-high



## DCS LADY REDBIRDS BASKETBALL

#### Wednesday, November 9 Dwight vs. Ottawa Shepherd 7th Grade -

On November 9, Dwight 8th Grade traveled to Ottawa Shepherd, suffering a 29-5 loss.

game, the Lady Redbirds 37-17.

played tough defensively, but shots were not falling.

In the eighth grade matchup, Ottawa Shepherd's defense Despite the low scoring was too much, as Dwight fell,





SWGS held its Veterans day program with veterans, family and friends. The children read poems and sang a song to the veterans, followed by treats. The names were read of those who could not attend the program and of those who have passed away.

8:00-4:00

#### ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022

will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by November 30 annually.

(815) 584-6217

Individuals wanting to review this form should contact: Dwight Twp HSD 230

School District/Joint Agreement Name Also by January 15 annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022.

Office Hours Telephone will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website at www.isbe.net.

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

801 S Franklin St Dwight, IL 60420 1339

		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	3,079,981	574,510	0	871,987	117,172	154,218	39,292	182,915	1)
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	Ó				
State Sources	3000	739,017	50,000	0	46,198	0	.0	0	0	J)
Federal Sources	4000	492,587	936	0	12,977	18,199	0	0	0	3
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		4,311,585	625,446	0	931,162	135,371	154,218	39,292	182,915	-
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		3,959,068	410,303	34,671	671,305	151,232	180,255		125,018	
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		(34,671)	7,034	34,671	0	0	0	(7,034)	0	,
Beginning Fund Balances without Student Activity F July 1, 2021	funds -	5,123,964	1,212,372	38	381,522	99,352	228,523	815,529	185,563	ý
Other Changes in Fund Balances	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	))
Ending Fund Balances without Student Activity Fundances 20, 2022	ds - June	5,441,810	1,434,549	38	641,379	83,491	202,486	847,787	243,460	- 5)
Ending Fund Balances (all sources) with Student Act Funds - June 30, 2022	tivity	5,664,837	1,434,549	38	641,379	83,491	202,486	847,787	243,460	3

SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

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Dwight Twp HSD 230	District
(815) 584-6217	Phone
8:00-4:00	Office Hours

#### GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999	Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	Salary Range: 60,000 - \$89,999	Salary Range: \$90,000 and Over
Erik Borne; Chuck Butterbrodt; Tom Conroy; Justin	Robert Caridi; Carli Serpe	Eric Englert; Patricia Farrell-Levange;	Amy DeMarse; Nicole Dunnill; Catherine	Richard Jancek; Julie Jensen; Andrew
Eggenberger; Abigayle Groves; Tayah Guerrero;	2000	Tamara Fritchtnitch; Melissa Harri; Sidney	Fatigante; Stephanie Flott; Jackie Froelich;	Pittenger
Madison Herlan; Katherine Hogan; Lindsey Jensen;		Krople; Paul Lebryk; Anthony March; Devi	Eric Hall; Todd Severns; Kathy Wiemken;	1
Feri Kennedy; Charles Prong; Clark Reamer;		Pappas; Jessica Smith; Luke Standiford;	Karen Zabel	
Nicholas Schultz; Andrew Smith; Debra Snyder;		Rebecca Stipanovich; Mitchell Thompson;		
lared Steck; Kristen Telford; Linda Thomas; Amie		Steven Turner		
Thompson				

#### GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999	Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	Salary Range: \$60,000 and Over
Mjellma Asllani; Breanna Bartlett; Elizabeth Bland;	Mike Cherveny; Debbie Conroy; Tiffany	Brian Berta; Cathy Ferguson; Demitrius	Jack Connor; Logan Murray
Joe Bloxam; Jana Brooks; Kyle Cahill; Jeremy	Gamble; Angie Goley; Amie Lee; Jane Lemke;	Skrapates	100000000000000000000000000000000000000
Connor; Kathryn Crouch; Laure DeFrees; Ruben	Marvin Lemke; Chad Miller; Bruce Moody;	1	
Diaz; Dennis Dunlap; Daniel Edwards; Alycia Ferrari;	Anna Ruskin; Terry Sarff; John Steurer;		
Susan Fox; Jack Gallet; Marc Gamble; Kathleen	Jordyn Tilley; Stephanie Weissmann		
Gettinger; Jonathan Golden; James Gussman;			
Melinda Gutzman; Jill Haacke; Corilyn Hensel-			
McCullough; Angela Hilt; Barbara Hyatt; Diana			
Kinnamon; Lesa Kline; Larry Lane; Dezirae Leonard;			
Tom Leonard; Eric Link; Katrina Mays; Kevin Murphy;			
Kaylin Nelson; Coreen Perschnick; Lori Schade;			
Allison Schantz; Sharon Scrivner; Allison Siebert;			
Jamie Stanton; Bruce Statler; Jennifer Statler;			
Kathleen Steurer; Brian Trainor; Tracie Wargo;			
Debra Wolf			

#### PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OVER \$2,500 EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES

If no payments were made, put "None" in "Person..." column and "0" in "Aggregate" column.

5,240

10,131

2.887

51,962

64.221

18,082

3,225

2,765

138,076

97,513

7,412

Aggregate Amount

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A&R Mechanical Contractors Inc

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E-Rate Funding Solutions

Engie Resources Energy

Grieff's Exterior Service

Illinois Assoc of School Boards

Evergreen FS

Gray's Garage

Grizzly Industries

Howard Industries

Health Alliance

Humana

AIG Retirement Services	22,664
Allred Floor Service Company	6,800
American Fidelity	29,155
Arbor Management	127,004
Blue Cross Blue Shield	466,664
Sarah Brown-Wessling	3,825
BSN Sports	19,633
Bushue HR	4,044
Captain's Concrete	18,589
Commonwealth Edison	8,145
Constellation New Energy	39,600
DeLong Ford	44,063
DTHS Activity Fund	12,008
Dwight Country Club	5,750
Dwight Education Assoc	18,071

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
Illinois Dept of Revenue	130,201
IMRF	95,426
ISCorp	4,800
K-Log Inc	24,994
Kelly Electric	11,535
Kristy's Creations	5,794
Leaf	33,998
Liminex Inc	2,816
Livingston Area Career Center	49,341
LCSSU	211,055
Mastercard	553,826
Midwest Transit Equipment	132,845
National Cheerleaders Assoc	4,650
Nicor Gas	3,641
Nixon Insurance Agency	3,184
Oppenheimer	38,329
OSF St. James	3,800
Peoples Nat'l Bank of Kewanee	465.865
Popejoy Inc	43,249
Pro-Vision Solutions	37,084
PSIC	83,553
QNS	93,178
Quadient	2,673
Regional Office of Education	6,248
Riddell/All American Sports Corp	7,307
Rival5 Technologies Corp	11,059
Riverside Workforce Health	6,720
Santander Leasing LLC	19,968
Skyward Accounting Dept	6,726
Symmetry Energy Solutions	7,818
Teachers Health Insurance Security	31,689
Teachers Retirement System	187,530
The Heller Stores	73,752
TK Elevator Corporation	2,829
Tomkat Roofing	4.755
Velocita Technology	6,894
Victory Lanes	4,004
Village of Dwight	32,102
WIPFLI	8,750

## Premise Alert Program Helping to Keep Citizens, First Responders Safe

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Over two years ago, Livingston County implemented a notification system that passes pertinent information onto the responding law enforcement officer, firefighter, and ambulance personnel to make them aware and better equipped to understand and appropriately respond to a call involving a citizen with a special need.



This voluntary and free program was implemented by the Livingston County Law Enforcement community and VCOM 911 and is named the Premise Alert Program. The program allows individuals, legal guardians, or family members to register someone with special needs, such as Alzheimer's, Autism, hearing impairment, or mental illness,

etc., to be entered into the County-wide database system.

Brochures and registration forms are available on livingstoncounty-il.org, Pontiac.org, at the Chatsworth, Dwight, Fairbury, Streator, and Pontiac Police Departments, as well as the Livingston County Sheriff's Department.

Again, this is a voluntary program and all information is solely for the purpose of assisting police, fire, and emergency response agencies to more effectively respond to an emergency situation. By providing this information for the purpose stated above, it does not entitle the individual to any preferential treatment nor a timelier response to any emergency or potential emergency situation.

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'20 F150 Crew XLT, 19K, 4WD	\$46,900
'19 F250 Crew XLT, 39K, 4WD, Diesel	\$58,900
'19 Chevy 2500 Crew LT, 39K, 4WD, Diesel	\$49,900
'18 F150 Crew XLT, 56K, 4WD	\$34,900
'18 F150 S/C XLT, 76K, 4WD	\$29,900
'17 F150 S/C XLT, 62K, 4WD, 8' Bed	\$29,900
'17 F150 Crew XLT, 82K, 4WD	\$29,900
'15 F250 Crew XLT, 74K, 4WD, Diesel	\$40,900
'11 F250 Crew Lariat, 128K, 4WD, Diesel	\$28,900
'11 Silverado 1500 Crew LT, 114K, 2WD	\$14,900
'10 F350 Crew Lariat, 201K, 4WD, Diesel, DRW	\$14,900
'00 F150 S/C XL, 115K, 4WD	\$8,900

<u>CARS</u>	
'18 Fusion Titanium, 44K, AWD	\$25,900
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'18 Transit Connect Titanium, 93K	\$23,900
'18 Escape SEL, 68K, FWD	\$23,900
'18 Terrain SLT, 75K, AWD	\$24,900
'18 Explorer LTD, 62K, FWD	\$29,900
'15 Escape SE, 86K, FWD	\$15,900
'14 Escape SE, 94K, FWD	\$14,900
'14 Escape SE, 103K, FWD	\$13,900
'13 Grand Caravan SXT, 82K	\$11,900
'10 Escape LTD, 201K, 4WD	\$6,900

## LTLD Helps You Get Ready for the Holidays

Thanksgiving is coming – and you want to be ready for it.

Need something to entertain everyone? Check out Limestone Township Library District's games, including Jumbo Building Blocks, the Pizza Topple game, or Race to the Treasure game.

Looking for a new dessert option? They have a display of cookbooks that will satisfy your sweet

Programming is in full swing for the month of November. Sign up ahead of time so they can be prepared with enough supplies. Do so by stopping in at the library or calling them at 815-939-1696.

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.

Join Wednesday, November 16, at 7:00 p.m. for an online conversation with Caitlin Doughty, mortician, bestselling author, and advocate for death acceptance. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. When you sign up, give your e-mail address so you can be sent the online invitation for the program.

Adults get their own craft night Monday, November 21, at 6:30 p.m. when they will create DIY Snow Globes for lasting memories. All materials are supplied and there is no fee for this program.

Are you participating in National Novel Writing Month this year? Spend a part of the day with the library when they host a NANOWRIMO Open Writing Space Saturday, November 26, starting at 11:00 a.m. Get a change of scenery by taking your laptop or note book and write with others in their meeting room. Snacks will be provided.

Join for Adult Craft Night

Monday, November 28, at 6:30 p.m. Spend the evening at the library creating a woven wreath. All supplies are provided and there is no fee for this program.

Santa is working on his list and creating toys. But he is going back to the Library for his annual Evening with Santa Tuesday, December 6, from 5:30-7:30 p.m. for a quick visit with the children. Make sure you get on the list to meet the Jolly Old Elf.

You don't have to have a library card to attend programming.

The Library will be closed Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25, in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. They will reopen Saturday, November 26, at 10:00 a.m.

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

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## Parishes of Saint Patrick, Dwight and Saint Paul, Odell

## Advent Mission/National Eucharistic Revival Event

The parishes of Saint Patrick, Dwight, and Saint Paul, Odell, are hosting an Advent Mission/National Eucharistic Revival Event.

The National Eucharistic Revival is a three-year grassroots revival of devotion and belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, to renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Have news to share? Call

The Paper 815-584-1901

in Saint Patrick Church

Mission Talk: Father Grandon - 4:30 p.m. Holy Hour for Life, Marriage and Liberty with Reconciliation

Monday, November 28th in Saint Paul Church

Mass - 5 p.m. Mission Talk: Father Grandon -6:00 p.m. Holy Hour with Reconciliation -

6:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 29th in Saint Patrick Church Holy Hour with Reconciliation -

Mission Talk: Father Grandon (within Holy Hour) - 6:00 p.m.

(Michael James Mette)

Join for a 'Wrap-Up Dinner' on Tuesday in Saint Patrick Hall following the Mis-

sion (6:45 p.m.). RSVPs not required, but helpful for ordering food. You may do so by phone (815-584-3522), email stpatsdwight@att. net, or via FLOCKNOTE: https://spdspo.flocknote.com/ signup/105456, or by using the sign-up sheets in the churches

vestibules. Father Doug Grandon is a Catholic priest today, but spent the first half of his life as a Protestant. As an Anglican priest

and missionary for nearly 25 years, he began to wonder whether the liturgy he was celebrating actually resulted in the body and blood of Christ, or simply bread and wine. In 2003, with the Catholic Church. Father Grandon was ordained to the priesthood in 2008, after Pope Benedict XVI granted Daniel Jenky, Bishop of Peoria, permission to ordain him a married Catholic priest, under the Pastoral Provision created by Pope St. John Paul II.

Since his ordination, Father Grandon Worked for the Diocese of Peoria in the Office of Catechetics, and his wife, too, in the

attended Peoria Notre Dame and Alleman High Schools. He has served four parishes and taught at St. John Vianney Seminary in Denver, Colorado. In 2015, Curhe entered into full communion tis Martin, the founder of the Colorado-based Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS), invited him to join FOCUS as a part-time National Chaplain. And now, he serves full-time with FOCUS.

> As part of the multi-year Eucharistic Revival initiated by the U.S. bishops, 60 priests have been commissioned to make themselves available to preach on the Eucharist. Grandon is one of those preachers.

#### ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022

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801 S Franklin St Dwight, IL 60420 1339

5:30 p.m.

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**Dwight Common SD 232** School District/Joint Agreement Name

Telephone

Office Hours

Also by January 15 annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022

will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website at www.isbe.net,

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year

		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	3,388,272	829,662	20	165,462	261,956	346,492	83,817	105,875	
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	1,152,995	0	0	77,548	0	50,000	0	0	3
Federal Sources	4000	902,946	37,881	0	0	15,855	0	0	0	
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		5,444,213	867,543	20	243,010	277,811	396,492	83,817	105,875	
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		4,748,072	445,776	29,536	284,677	157,213	177,580		91,009	
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		(13,320)	0	29,536	0	0	0	(16,216)	0	
Beginning Fund Balances without Student Ac - July 1, 2021	ctivity Funds	2,135,102	326,079	6,492	424,916	107,395	189,537	1,207,242	520,212	
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ending Fund Balances without Student Activi June 30, 2022	ity Funds -	2,817,923	747,846	6,512	383,249	227,993	408,449	1,274,843	535,078	
Ending Fund Balances (all sources) with Stud Funds - June 30, 2022	dent Activity	2,877,219	747,846	6,512	383,249	227,993	408,449	1,274,843	535,078	

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Danielle Battles; Sharon Bossert; Torn Conroy; Kathryn Crouch; Cassie Fleischauer, Amie Gallois; Abigayle Groves; Eric Hall; Timothy Halloran; Madison Herlan; Katherine Hogan; Sarah Jones; Ter Kennedy; Sarah Maddox; Arny Nielsen; Linda Rosenbaum; Nicholas Schultz; Kara Stork; Kristen Telford; Linda Thomas; Laura Vigna; Kathleen Warner	Jennifer Boudreau; Emily Brownfield; Emma DeLong; Laura Drews; Megan Gorga; Madeline Policht; Jessica Schmeltzer; Brooke Sulzberger	Amy Kargle; Jana Kinkin; Jessica Law; Jessica Legner; Cassie Maxard; Brittani McQueen; Suzanne Schall; Mary Schultz; Andrew Smith; Jared Steck; Christine Stephens; Amie Thompson	Patricia Aldrich; Samantha Beier; Kelly Bruce; Chuck Butterbrodt; Justin Eggenberger; Carol Fink; Catherine Gartke; Stinnett Gettinger; Richard Jancek; Jeremy Jenkins; Jeanette McCloskey; Joy Meister; Laura Reamer; Julie Schultz; Katherine Stewart; Tammy Stolzenbach; Barbara Svornik

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Tracy Anderson; Heather Boucher, Emily Bovelle;	Linda Brady; Paul Bruce; Debbie Conroy;		***************************************
Isabella Burkhardt; Chloe Butterbrodt; Martha	Heidi Hooker; Dezirae Leonard; John Scott;		
Cockernam, Bryaan Colclasure; Riley Connolly;	Julia White		
Bailey Conroy; Ian Cox; Ruben Diaz; Karen			
Donovan; Destinie Drapeau; Alycia Ferrari; Sabrina			
Fisher, Jane Fritsch; Marc Gamble; Donna			
Gebhardt; Angie Goley; Melinda Gutzman; Linda			
Hansen; Rachel Heath; Angela Hill; Sara Hurt;			
Tracey Karstens; Marion Kennell; Lesa Kline; Susan	0		
Legner, Donal Muzyka; Kaylin Nelson; Ethan Olson;	I.		
Jordan Partney; Coreen Perschnick; Shanna			
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McKenzie Zeedyk			

#### PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OVER \$2,500 EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES

If no payments were made, put "None" in "Person..." column and "0" in "Aggregate" column.

Aggregate Amount

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Liminex	2,816
Livingston County Custodial Service	19,031
LCSSU	434,194
Mastercard	287 979

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
Miller, Tracy, Braun, Funk & Miller	4,00
Nicor Gas	4,13
Nutoys Leisure Products	83,84
NWEA	5,73
Oppenheimer	10,70
Performance Food Service	4,02
Popejoy Plumbing & Heating	32,77
PSIC	48,71
QNS	35,30
Renaissance Learning	3,32
Rival5 Technologies	10,87
Skyward Accounting Dept	6,66
Symmetry Energy Solutions	9,35
Teachers Health Insurance Security	39,64
Teachers Retirement System	245,01
The Paper	2,74
Trafera	16,40
VALIC	12,00
Village of Dwight	34,55
Vissering Construction Company	4,30
Voya	2,93
WIPFLI, Inc	15,25



## Five Reasons to Shop Small Versus Big Box

The importance of small businesses to the economy cannot be overstated. Though national chains often garner publicity, local businesses are equally, if not exceedingly, worthy of attention.

What defines a small business as "small" varies significantly, but these businesses are generally privately owned and generate far less revenue than big corporations. General consensus also defines small businesses as companies with fewer than 500 paid employees, according to the U.S. Small Business Administration.

Here's a deep look at why small businesses are so vital, and why consumers should direct more of their purchasing power to smaller companies rather than the big box retailers and other national chains.

#### 1. Autonomy and diversity

The layout and offerings at national chains will be identical whether you live in the mountains or at the beach. Big box stores follow a consistent marketing strategy and look the same regardless of where they are located. That familiarity can come at the cost of variety. On the other hand, an independent business offers the products and services that are reflective of the customers and the community they serve.

#### 2. Local hiring strategy

Certain big box retailers will hire local residents, but hiring policies may push for promoting from within the organization. This could mean relocating an employee rather than bringing in someone from the community who may be more in tune with local sensibilities. Small businesses may be more inclined to hire resi-

dents they know and keep hiring centralized to the local area — something that keeps more resources and money in the community.

#### 3. Adaptability and change

Local businesses can move more quickly to respond to economic factors that require change. Since they are focused more on the needs of their customers rather than stockholdchanges can ers. implemented rapidly without having to go through red tape, meetings and updates to corpobe customized to the local community at large.

4. Investing in the town According to the financial resource Financial Slot, shopping at locally owned businesses rather than big box retailers keeps more money in the community. Local property

taxes and other taxes paid by the businesses go right back into the community. This helps raise overall value for homeowners and can even reduce their taxes. The funding helps keep police, fire and school departments functioning properly.

#### 5. Turnover is greater

While no one wants to see a small business fail, that fate is sometimes unavoidable. However, that turnover helps teach communities what was done poorly and helps others learn from those mistakes. It also rate policies. Changes also can means fresh businesses will come in and replace the old, driving new growth, opportunity and competition that keeps prices competitive.

> The benefits of a thriving small business sector are numerous. Consumers can do their part by patronizing these firms more frequently.

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Statement of Operations as of June 20, 2022

South Wilmington CCSD 74

School District/Joint Agreement Name

		Educational	Operations & Maintenance	Debt Services	Transportation	Municipal Retirement/Social Security	Capital Projects	Working Cash	Tort	Fire Prevention & Safety
Local Sources	1000	572,126	114,445	30,971	37,920	18,488	0	10,404	51,709	10,404
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	244,327	50,000	0	35,648	0	0	0	0	
Federal Sources	4000	86,739	0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	(
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		903,192	164,445	30,971	73,568	18,488	0	10,404	51,709	10,404
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures	1	885,398	92,467	30,987	116,990	23,637	0		49,021	4,851
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		(16)	0	16	30,000	0	0	(30,000)	0	(
Beginning Fund Balances without Student Act - July 1, 2021	ivity Funds	61,889	118,600	0	54,658	31,363	0	75,038	27,312	81,125
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ending Fund Balances without Student Activit June 30, 2022	y Funds -	79,667	190,578	0	41,236	26,214	0	55,442	30,000	86,678
Ending Fund Balances (all sources) with Stude Funds - June 30, 2022	ent Activity	113,617	190,578	0	41,236	26,214	0	55,442	30,000	86,678

#### SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

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South Wilmington CCSD 74	District
815-23702281	Phone
7:45AM-3:15PM	Office Hours

#### **GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL**

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$90,000 and Over
SHANNON GREVAS ANNE SIMMS	CYNTHIA CHRISTENSEN
Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	
AMY BORDEWYK	
SHELIA CLOUSE	
BETH TOBOLSKY	
EMILY WURL	
KATIE OLSON	
MICHELLE PHILLIPS	
STACY FALETTI	
LISA JOHNSON	

#### **GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL**

SHARON OWENS TREVOR SAMPSON

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999
RICHARD JOHNSON	RALPH COUNTRYMAN
AUSTIN MCDOWELL	TAMI FINN
DARLENE GRANGER	
DEBRA HOLM	
DONNA SESSOMS	
DONNAL WALLEY	
ANN COLLETTE	
HALEY RESIDORI	
HARMONY LABANOWSKI	
JENNIFER FISHER	
JOEL MICETICH	
KYLIE HAWKS	
LINDA MICETICH	
LINDA SHELDON	
LOGAN CONGER	
MARY PHILLIPS	
HARMONY LABANOWSKI	
JENNIFER FISHER	
JOEL MICETICH	
KYLIE HAWKS	
LINDA MICETICH	
LINDA SHELDON	
LOGAN CONGER	
MARY PHILLIPS	
MONICA WILLIAMS	
MYCKALA TOBOLSKY	
PAIGE LARDI	
RUTH LARDI	
RYAN OLSEN	

## PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OVER \$2,500 EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES

South Wilmington CCSD 74	District
815-237-2281	Phone
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Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
CloverLeaf Farms Distributors	2,616.50
Alarm Detection Systems, Inc.	2,696.67
Illinios Assn of School Boards	2,717.00
McGraw-Hill School Education Holdings LLC	3,089.11
Image Systems & Business Solutions	3,987.51
Custom Cleaning Inc.	4,440.00
ComEd	4,609.21
Gordon Food Service	5,221.10
Gassensmith & Michalesko Ltd.	5,955.00
Nicor	6,186.77
CDW Government	10,174.00
Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund	11,322.24
Prairie State Insurance Cooperative	18,343.00
Illinois Dept. of Revenue	27,862.12
GSW High School	28,452.75
Worth Township School Treasurer	31,257.50
Mastercard	32,877.40
AXA Equitable	32,970.00
Teachers' Retirement System of IL	57,253.77
United States Treasury	89,640.92
Illinois Central School Bus	104,063.30
Grundy Co. Special Education Cooperative	212,690.05

## **How Consumers Can Help Small Businesses**

to be the backbone of the North American business community. According to the career resource Zippia, there are 33.2 million small businesses in the United States. Those organizations employ around 62 million people. The financial wellness company Fortunly says that small businesses account for nearly half of all private sector jobs in Canada. In fact, small employer businesses made up 98.1 percent of all businesses in Canada in 2021.

Despite the prevalence of small businesses and the abundance of people willing to become entrepreneurs, 20 percent of these firms fail within the first year, and only 55 percent survive five years or more, says Zippia. The COVID-19 pandemic was particularly harsh on small

Small businesses continue businesses. However, many of them survived through digitization that they plan to continue to utilize even when the pandemic is long gone.

> Maintaining a small business through economic highs and lows and other issues often comes down to customer involvement. Consumers are the driving forces behind the success of small businesses. Here are some effective ways for consumers to help small businesses

> • Shop local. The "Shop Local" movement has been around for awhile but remains as relevant as ever. Shopping local means becoming repeat patrons at the independent businesses that comprise Main Street as opposed to the chain stores that dominate strip malls.

• Share on social. Social

spread the word about businesses you like and point out particular examples why you shop there. Utilizing social media platforms to highlight the positive attributes of a business can help that busi-

ness grow. • Call direct for take-out *orders.* Those ubiquitous third-party food delivery services may be convenient, but businesses have to share the profit from your purchase with the delivery service, cutting into their bottom lines. Pick up your order or rely on the restaurants' own delivery

• Engage with the business online. Complicated algorithms and other factors determine how a business' website or social media page gets seen by the public. You can help things along by liking pages, visiting the web-

media can be a great way to site frequently and sharing any posts.

> Speak about a business in person. When out and about, whether you're dining with friends or chatting with a stranger, try to push and recommend businesses you support. If someone compliments your lawn, shoes or haircut, mention the businesses that did the work or

> sold you the products. • Suggest opportunities for exposure. If you know about a school or organization looking for vendors, make the suggestion to a small business you use frequently. They may get new customers from participating in the event.

> Small businesses are driving forces in the economy. Consumers can do their part to keep them thriving and profitable.

#### **AUCTION**

**VIRTUAL ONLINE** LASALLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS AND AUCTION



The Stremlau farm is located approximately 3 miles southwest of Mendota, IL, or 15 miles north of Peru, IL. The land is further described as being located in Section 8, T35N-R1E, Troy Grove Township, LaSalle, IL. The property contains a total of 48 taxable acres, will be sold in 1 tract, and represents highly productive Class A farmland with a 143.5 Pl.

> Farmers and investors, be sure to check out this Class A farm in LaSalle County, Illinois.

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Representing Attorney: Michael S. Guilfoyle Guilfoyle & Stevenson LLP | 815-539-6711 1316 Meriden St., Mendota, IL 61342

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## **Certified Food Protection Manager Course in Eureka**

Illinois regulations require food establishments to have at least one Certified Food Protection Manager (CFPM) on staff. University of Illinois Extension offers the Food Protection Manager Certification course and examination, which is required every five years. University of Illinois Extension uses the National Registry of Food Safety Professionals examination, which is approved by

the American National Stan-

dards Institute. Participants learn about basic food safety, personal hygiene, cross-contamination and allergens, time and temperature, and cleaning and sanitation.

The Certified Food Protection Manager class will meet Tuesday, November 29, and Thursday, December 1, at the Woodford County Extension Office (109 E. Eureka Avenue, Eureka). The first day of the class will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00

p.m. and the second day of 309-663-8306 or jesmith6@ the class, including the test, will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Take a photo ID on the day of the exam and plan for a 30-minute lunch break.

There is a program fee per person (all sessions). This fee is for the purchase of materials and the examination. If you need materials in a language other than English, notify the course instructor, Jenna Smith, at least 10 business days prior to the class at

illinois.edu.

Space is limited, so enroll now. For more information or to register, visit go.illinois.edu/LMWevents using event dates or call the Extension office at 309-663-8306. University of Illinois Extension provides equal opportunities in programs and employment. If you need a reasonable accommodation to participate in this program, contact them.

#### ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2022

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2022 Individuals wanting to review this form should contact:

will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by November 30 annually

Allen-Otter Creek CCSD 65

School District/Joint Agreement Name

400 S Lane St Ransom, IL 60470 8087

815-586-4611 Telephone

Monday-Friday, 8AM to 4PM.

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Local Sources	1000	1,285,785	196,604	101,072	94,112	50,639	0	28,003	39,217	27,480
Flow-Through Receipts/Revenues from One District to Another District	2000	0	0		0	0				
State Sources	3000	82,063	50,000	0	71,895	0	0	0	0	0
Federal Sources	4000	177,943	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total Direct Receipts/Revenues		1,545,791	246,604	101,072	166,007	50,639	0	28,003	39,217	27,480
Total Direct Disbursements/Expenditures		1,347,133	164,785	101,605	126,688	63,209	0		28,249	70
Other Sources/Uses of Funds		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Beginning Fund Balances without Student Ac - July 1, 2021	tivity Funds	410,978	116,276	2,594	93,684	33,388	0	295,270	55,897	53,769
Other Changes in Fund Balances		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ending Fund Balances without Student Activi June 30, 2022	ty Funds -	609,636	198,095	2,061	133,003	20,818	0	323,273	66,865	81,179
Ending Fund Balances (all sources) with Stud Funds - June 30, 2022	dent Activity	617,706	198,095	2,061	133,003	20,818	0	323,273	66,865	81,179

#### SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

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GROSS PAYMENT FOR CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999	Salary Range: \$40,000 - \$59,999	Salary Range: 60,000 - \$89,999
HAINA LUDKOWSKI	ERIN MARCONI	ANITA DALLY
	MARY BAIMA	BRAD COUGHLIN
	MARY CABA	KATRINA HAMILTON
	MINDY STEVENS	LINDSEY PAUL
	PAUL DURDAN	NANCY MCMULLEN
	TINA GAGNON	

#### GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999
CARA BOREN	ANGELA LEWIS
CATHEREN STÄRNER	SHERRI LEROY
CINDY MACCHIETTO	THOMAS EMM
CLARA ZAVADA	
CORINNE SCHMITZ	
CRISTYN KOSTAL	
CURTIS STARNER	
JACOB KNOX	
JANELL SATLER	
JANICE EMM	
KIRSTY MCCOY	
LINDA PLYMIRE	
MINDY HEPNER	
RHONDA BOREN	
SHANAN DIAGOSTINO	

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KATRINA L HAMILTON

PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OVER \$2,500 EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES If no payments were made, put "None" in "Person..." column and "0" in "Aggregate" column

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Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount	Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount	Person, Firm, or Corporation
ALLEN - OTTER CREEK #65	3,867	KELLY ELECTRIC, INC.	23,426	T.W.A.P.T., INC.
AMTRUST NORTH AMERICA	6,195	KIRSTY L MCCOY	4,394	TEACHERS RETIREMENT
ANGELA KAY LEWIS	10,672	KOHL WHOLESALE	35,233	THE ATLANTA NATIONAL BANK
ANITA M DALLY	22,325	L.E.A.S.E.	34,516	THE HARTFORD
BENCHMARK BANK	14,958	LASALLE COUNTY ROE	5.319	THE HOME DEPOT PRO
BRAD COUGHLIN	7,966	LAURA MENTGEN	18,320	THIS FUND
BRAD THOMAS COUGHLIN	20,927	LINDA K. PLYMIRE	4,706	THOMAS J EMM
CARA E BOREN	4,408	LINDSEY B PAUL	21,218	TINA GAGNON
CARD MEMBER SERVICES	28,923	LINDSEY B. PAUL	13,110	WALTER J.ZUKOWSKI & ASSOC
CATHEREN STARNER	5,214	LIVINGSTON CO SPEC SERV	29,580	WESTERN NRG, INC.
CDW GOVERNMENT	2,993	MACK & ASSOCIATES	7.095	WOODLAND COMM.DIST. 5
CENTRAL CUSTOMER CHARGES	3,705	MARCO, INC	5,947	WOODLAND COMM.DIST. 3
CHEMSEARCH	3,558	MARY CABA	11,961	
COMMON GOAL SYSTEMS	7,617	MARY PAT BAIMA	10,678	
CONSOLIDATED COMMUNICATION	2,688	METCALF-MARTIN	4,484	
CRISTYN KOSTAL	5,501	MINDY CHRISTINE STEVENS	16,651	
CURTIS R STARNER	3,243	MINDY E HEPNER	3,744	
DAWN REILLY	12,825	NANCY A MCMULLEN	20,312	
DESIREE E EDEN	13,882	NEXTERA ENERGY SERVICES	13,808	
DESIREE EDEN	6,274	NICOR	8.671	
ERIN M MARCONI	19,171	NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY	1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	
ERIN MARCONI	14,400	ODELL CCSD #435	16,200	
FIRST STATE BANK	142,447	PAUL DURDAN	7,835	
HILLMANN PEDIATRIC THERAP	5,483	PAUL DURDAN	15,093	
IDEAL ENVIRONMENTAL	3,047	PRAIRIE FARMS, ROCKFORD DIV.	5,168	
IFIBER	8,400	RAMZA INSURANCE GROUP INC.	2,810	
IL DEPT. OF REVENUE	47,919	REVOLVING FUND	16,193	
ILL. ASSOC. OF SCHOOL BDS	3,259	RHONDA BOREN	9,618	
ILL. EDUCATION ASSOC.	7,865	SCHOOL SPECIALTY, INC.	2,892	
ILL. MUN. RET. FUND	42,379	SEW PERSONAL 4U	2,951	
ILLINOIS AMERICAN WATER	2,695	SHAINA LUDKOWSKI	2,592	
ILLINOIS CENTRAL SCH BUS	92,136	SHANAN D'AGOSTINO	9,066	
KATRINA HAMILTON	3,635	SHERRI L LEROY	5,303	
	3,033	SHERRI L LEKUY	10 107	

SHERRI L LEROY

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#### REPORT ON CONTRACTS EXCEEDING \$25,000 AWARDED DURING FY2022

Total number of all contracts awarded by the school district:	0
Total value of all contracts awarded:	\$0.00
Total number of contracts awarded to minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, businesses owned by persons with disabilities, and locally owned businesses:	
*If there are no contracts of this nature, please enter "0" in box to the right.	0
Total value of contracts awarded to minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, businesses owned by person with disabilities, and locally owned businesses:	
"If there are no contracts of this nature, please enter "0" in box to the right,	\$0.00

Salary Range: Less Than \$25,000	Salary Range: \$25,000 - \$39,999
CARA BOREN	ANGELA LEWIS
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MINDY HEPNER	
RHONDA BOREN	T .
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Aggregate Amount

15,600

101,605 23,100

> 9,386 8,045 18.297

15,977

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#### **AUCTIONS**

**VIRTUAL ONLINE** VERMILION COUNTY, ILLINOIS LAND AUCTION

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022 AT 10:00 AMCT



The Long Family farm is located approximately 2 miles west of Collision, IL, or 20 miles northwest of Danville, IL. The land is further described as being located in Section 27, T21N-R14W, Pilot Township Vermilion County, IL. The property contains a total of 80 taxable acres, will be sold in 1 tract, is improved with a wind turbine and represents productive

Farmers and investors, be sure to check out this Vermilion County, Illinois property.

#### LONG FAMILY FARM

Representing Attorney: R. Kurt Wilke Barber, Segatto, Hoffee, Wilke & Cate | 217-544-4868 831 E. Monroe Street, Springfield, IL 62701 Auction Manager: Kevin Haas (309) 264-7767

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## VIRTUAL ONLINE | LASALLE & LEE COUNTY, IL

## **LAND & REAL ESTATE AUCTION**

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022 AT 11:00 AMCT



OPEN HOUSE THURS., DEC. 1 • 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM DATES: & SAT., DEC. 3 . 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Tracts 1-6 & 8 of the Doughty farm are located approximately 3 miles southeast of Meriden, IL, or approximately 6 miles east of Mendota, IL. The farms are further described as being located in Sections 20, 21 29, 33 & 36, T36N-R2E. Meriden Township and Section 11, T35N-R2E, Ophir Township, both in LaSalle County, Illinois. Tract 7 is located approximately 4 miles southwest of Compton, IL, or 8 miles north of Mendota, IL. The farm is further described as being located in Section 20, T37N R1E, Brooklyn Township, Lee County, IL. Tract 1 represents highly productive tillable cropland and is improved with a well maintained RLA private runway. Tracts 2-7 represent highly productive farmland with Class A soils. Tract 8 offers 2 beautiful ranch homes, 3 airplane hangars and several buildings all situated on 4.5 acres in Mendota School

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Representing Attorney: John Cantlin The Cantlin Law Firm | (815) 433-4712 760 E Etna RD, Ottawa, IL 61350

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

US Bank Trust National Association, Not In Its Individual Capacity But Solely As Owner Trustee For VRMTG Asset Trust **PLAINTIFF** 

Paul C. Birkett A/K/A Paul C. Birkett; Wendi A. Birkett; Bank of Pontiac; State of Illinois; United States of America; David J. Babb, Jr. **DEFENDANTS** 

No. 2020CH00014

#### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 09/09/2022, the Sheriff of Livingston County, Illinois will on December 14, 2022 at the hour of 10:00 AM at New Law & Justice Center, 110 N. Main Street, Pontiac, IL 61764, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Livingston and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

PIN: 10-10-101-001 10-10-101-002 Improved with Residential COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 300 West Henry St. Odell, IL 60460

Sale terms: 10% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the auction; The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser not to exceed \$300, in certified funds, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and 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.

If the property is a condominium and the foreclosure takes place after 1/1/2007, purchasers other than the mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4).

If the property is located in a common interest community, purchasers other than mortgagees will be required to pay any assessment and legal fees due under the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g-1).

If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after Confirmation of the sale. The successful purchaser has the sole responsibility/expense of evicting any tenants or other individuals presently in possession of the subject premises.

The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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

For information: Examine the court file or contact Plaintiff's attorney: Codilis & Associates, P.C., 15W030 North Frontage Road, Suite 100, Burr Ridge, IL 60527, (630) 794-9876. Please refer to file number 14-22-01353.

#### **Dwight Peace Meals** Home delivery

Monday - Friday 60 and up homebound- Must make reservations -

Wed., Nov. 16: Home-style meatloaf, mashed potatoes w/gravy, seasoned green beans, spiced apple rings, whole grain wheat.

Thurs., Nov. 17: BBQ pulled pork sandwich, Capri veggie blend, baked beans, pineapple tidbits, bun.

Fri., Nov. 18: Chicken and noodles, scalloped tomatoes, seasoned

collard greens, Mandarin oranges, dinner roll. Mon., Nov. 21:

Country fried steak, mashed potatoes w/gravy, seasoned carrots, fruit juice, whole grain wheat.

Tues., Nov. 22: COOK'S CHOICE -REGIONAL VORITES WILL BE SERVED. Wed., Nov. 23:

Roasted turkey or chicken w/gravy, sweet potatoes, California veggie blend, cranberry-apple salad, dinner roll. Thurs., Nov. 24:

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## Pet of the Week

Mario Puzo, from The Godfather said "Friendship is everything. Friendship is more than talent It is more than the government. It is almost the equal of family." I'm Gambino, The Dogfather, and I believe that friends and family are everything. Our actions have consequences and we learn from those actions. My action was going after Dirty Squirrel Max. That little furball took my buddy Benny's ball and ran. I ended up doing hard time (5 days). I just got out of the slammer and turned my life around. I'm a devoted family dog now with my heart belonging to only the family...I mean my family. I'm learning how to walk straight on a leash but the hardest thing that I have to learn is that I can't drive cars any more. Sitting in the backseat seems odd to me



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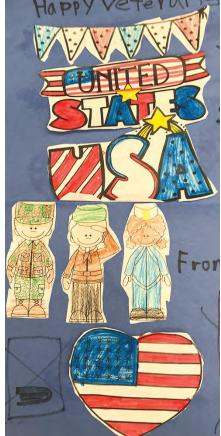
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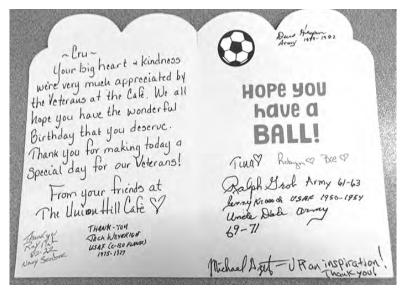
NOVEMBER 11 IS AN IMPORTANT DAY FOR CRU SIKES, a first-grader at Bonfield Grade School. Of course because it's Veterans Day, in a family which includes several Veterans, but also because it's his birthday.

His first-grade class recently studied about the importance of Veterans Day and each student made a poster pointing out the significance of the day. When the poster made its way home, Jared, Cru's dad, suggested they hang the piece of art where others could see and appreciate it. They decided Union Hill restaurant was the perfect spot.

The two discussed the notion that every Veteran who came into the restaurant that special day would get a free meal compliments of Cru. (He might need to take out a loan from his Dad, but it's the sentiment that counts). Several Veterans took him up on his offer, and were appreciative as expressed in the thank you card they gave him.

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