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Dr. Bill Phillips addresses a crowd of about 100 local residents during a presentation of the school reorganization study on Monday evening, Aug. 12, at Lincoln Land Community College in Litchfield. *Journal-News Photo*

## Commission Recommends School Consolidation

by Mary (Galer) Herschelmann

"Our group believes that a strong school system is an integral part of making Montgomery County an attractive place to live and raise a family," said Dr. Bob Mulch of the Montgomery County School Study Commission. "The first step toward completing that vision is create one school district from either two or three of the school districts in the study."

Dr. Mulch spoke to a crowd of about 100 at Lincoln Land Community College in Litchfield on Monday evening, Aug. 12, as the Midwest School Consultants presented their report from a feasibility study including the Hillsboro, Panhandle and Litchfield School districts. The project was started over a year ago, and the Nokomis School District declined

to participate in a four to three vote by members of their school board.

Representatives from the Hillsboro, Panhandle and Litchfield school districts were present at the meeting, as well as superintendents for all three school districts and the superintendent of the Nokomis School District and other local leaders from each community.

"We started this process over a year ago, and we feel it is in the best interest for our communities to build a new high school between Hillsboro and Litchfield," said Dr. Mulch. "Schooling for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade would remain in their current communities."

Among the benefits of a new, consolidated school district would be replacement of outdated school facilities, including Hillsboro High School and elementary school buildings

in Litchfield, reduction in administrative costs, more academic opportunities for students, more dual credit classes, expanded vocational training, stable and expanded athletic programs, increased potential for higher test scores and improved school report cards and improved economic development opportunities in the county.

"Any decision regarding the future of our schools will be up to the local school boards and ultimately the citizens of our county," said Dr. Mulch. "We urge the school boards to move this project forward for a public vote."

Dr. Mulch said the idea for a consolidated school district was first brought up at a presentation of the Litchfield Economic Development Committee and later the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation.

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## County Board Approves Animal Control Contract

by Mary (Galer) Herschelmann

After some heated discussion, members of the Montgomery County board unanimously approved a one-year municipal contract for animal control services, during their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday evening, Aug. 13, at the Historic Courthouse in downtown Hillsboro.

HWE Committee Chairman Chuck Graden said the committee has been working on the contract, which outlines expenses municipalities pay for animal control services, for some time, and that it had been approved by Montgomery County State's Attorney Bryant Hitchings.

The contract runs from Dec. 1 through Nov. 30, and municipalities will pay the county for animal control services based upon usage during the past year. In addition, the county will charge \$65 per after hours call, for calls that are outside of regular business hours Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Graden said they wanted to approve the contract at this meeting so it could be presented at the next mayors' meeting on Aug. 21.

Board Vice Chairman Megan Beeler questioned some of the language that said the county provided 24-hour service, but then charged for after-hours calls. She would eventually offer an amendment to the contract, changing the language to read that the county agrees to make animal control services available 24 hours a day.

Board member Ron Deabenderfer asked if the municipalities had seen the contract, and Graden said no. County Board Chairman Evan Young said they had been given a heads up about some of the changes though. Board member

Glenn Bishop said the contract states any animal, though it refers mostly to dogs and cats. Young said the county's animal control ordinance defines the services are for dogs and cats.

Deabenderfer asked what if a city said no to the contract. Young said the county is only responsible for picking up dogs and cats in rural areas, and provides this service to cities in the county. If they are opposed to the new contract, they can turn it down and supply their own animal control services.

Graden said one of the purposes of the new contract is to help reduce the number of after-hours calls. Board member Bill Bergen asked if the \$65 fee was enough to cover the expenses of after hours calls, and Graden said the committee felt it was.

After much discussion, the board unanimously passed the contract, which will now be presented to county mayors on Aug. 21. During the public comment portion of the meeting, Bill Schroeder made the comment that "nothing gets people more excited than animal control."

### Other Business

Young called this month's meeting to order, and only board member Dillon Clark was absent. Last month, Clark submitted his letter of resignation to the board, and it was officially accepted on Aug. 13. Montgomery County Democrats now have 60 days to fill his spot.

Montgomery County Farm Bureau Director Katie Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance to start the meeting. Earlier in the afternoon, the farm bureau hosted an ice cream social for members of the board as well as legislative officials.

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## Hillsboro Schools Introduce New Staff

by Mike Plunkett

Schools in the Hillsboro district are ready to open next week, members of the school board learned during their meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 13, at the unit office.

The board took a look at the tentative fiscal year 2020 budget, greeted new teachers and aides, heard updates on summer construction projects, and heard from the four building principals in the district.

Building principals Marci Gutierrez, Zach Frailey, Don VanGiesen and Patti Heyen reported that their schools and staff are ready for the year to begin. School begins with teacher institute days on Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 19-

20, and students are expected to be in class on Wednesday, Aug. 21.

"We'll be ready for school to start next week," district maintenance director Fred Butler told board members on work projects completed at the four schools over the summer.

There is one asterisk, though. Superintendent David Powell said the new high school gym seating will not be finished until mid-September; that means a couple of home volleyball games will have to be moved to the junior high school.

Transportation director Adam Gregg reported 23 bus routes will run twice each day when school starts, plus four mid-day pre-K routes, one to Okaw Vocational Center in Vandalia, plus other

sports and extracurricular routes.

Near the beginning of the meeting, board members greeted two dozen new staff members who will go to work when school begins.

"We are fully staffed for the school year," the superintendent said enthusiastically before introducing each.

Going to work at Beckemeyer are new kindergarten teacher Brooke Gorowski, first grade teacher Brittany Millburg, third grade teachers Carley Brown and Shelly Forsys, fourth grade teacher Keri Teague, special ed teachers Elizabeth McMahon and Abby Reynolds, and aides Jerry Moler, Bailey Newingham, Hailey Newton and Shelby Monroe.

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## Congressman Davis Tours Atlas 46

Congressman Rodney Davis stopped by Atlas 46 in Hillsboro on Monday morning, Aug. 12, to learn more about their quality American-made products. Pictured above, he toured the facility with CEO Brian Carver, at left, who shared their mission of bringing opportunity to the Hillsboro community and recruiting other businesses to expand to the local area. "It's been really good," said Carver. "That's part of the reason we came down here." Congressman Davis commended the company, stating how rare it is for a manufacturing business to thrive in a downtown area and how it takes a lot of vision for someone to create jobs and opportunities as a tax-based business. "This is great," said Davis. "I can't wait to see you go forward."

*Journal-News/Bethany Martin*

## Hillsboro Council Discusses Water Line Issue

by Ron Deabenderfer

Retired plumber Jim Lohman, his brother Ken, and licensed plumbers Dave Bondurant and Steve Rovey came to the Hillsboro City Council meeting Tuesday evening, Aug. 13, to provide background and insight into the "Whose responsibility is it?" dilemma currently facing the council.

In 2006 the then council mem-

bers passed Ordinance 38-3-17, which stated the city was responsible for maintaining and thus repairing water infrastructure carrying water past homes and businesses; the home or business owner was to be responsible for the pipes from the curbstop (turnoff valve) to the water meter and all plumbing past the meter.

However, that ordinance wasn't consistently followed after it passed; at times the city would

repair/replace the pipe between the curbstop and the client but not charge the client for either the material nor the labor.

When the matter was discussed at the July 24 meeting, the city attorney said that shouldn't happen; all clients must be treated the same, not just for fairness but because that's the law.

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Weather Report			
	Hi	Lo	Prec.
Aug. 12	87	71	1.5
Aug. 13	88	71	1.0
Aug. 14	85	67	----

See the current weather and forecast on [www.thejournal-news.net](http://www.thejournal-news.net)

**Aloha!**  
Two Hillsboro sisters meet their brother for the first time in Hawaii. See page 5A for more.

**Celebrating 200 Years**  
The Donnellson Presbyterian Church is celebrating 200 years this Sunday. See page 10A for more.

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# Obituaries

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## Allen E. Marfell, 82 Veteran, Loved Golf



Allen Edward Marfell, 82, of Hillsboro, died Monday, Aug. 12, 2019, at 5:55 a.m. at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield.

Visitation will be held Saturday, Aug. 24, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Event Center in Hillsboro. A Celebration of Life will follow at 3 p.m.

at the Event Center with Pastor Mike Lawton of the United Methodist Church officiating. Military rites will be accorded. Cremation rites were accorded. Bass Patton Dean Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Marfell was born July 20, 1937, in Witt, to Edward and Retta (Sawyer) Marfell. He married Barbara Holmes on Sept. 15, 1958, in Witt, and she survives in Hillsboro.

A 1955 graduate of Hillsboro High School, he was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, then the Air National Guard of Illinois, as well as the 183 Fighter Squad in Springfield, where he retired



after 31 years. During his lifetime, he lived in Witt, Godfrey, Daphney, AL, and Hillsboro. He was an executive regional supervisor for Miller Mutual Insurance.

A member of the Hillsboro Country Club, he loved golf. He served on the Witt Volunteer Fire Department.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by children, Julie Marfell (husband Steve) Knopka of Lexington, KY, Bob (wife Jeannie) Marfell of Springfield, Suzie Marfell (husband Craig) Myers of Beardstown and Michael (wife Kara) Marfell of St. Louis, MO; 11 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; and sister, Mary Jo Tobias.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be made to Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online condolences may be left at [www.basspattondeanf.com](http://www.basspattondeanf.com).

## Loretta Cullison, 99 Elementary School Teacher

Loretta May Cullison, 99, died on Tuesday, August 13, 2019, at Avonlea Cottage in Sterling.

Visitation will be held at 10 a.m. on Monday, Aug. 19, at McDonald Funeral Home. Funeral services will follow at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be at Belvidere Cemetery in Belvidere. McDonald Funeral Home is located at 1002 12th Avenue in Rock Falls.

Mrs. Cullison was born in Belvidere on Dec. 4, 1919, to Harold and Harriet (Lloyd) Pritchard. She married Roy F. Cullison on Jan. 1, 1942, in Wichita Falls, TX. He preceded her in death on June 2, 2005. Mrs. Cullison was a 1937 graduate of Belvidere High School and later graduated from Northern Illinois State Teachers College in DeKalb.

She began teaching in a rural two room school in Boone County and concluded her career as a first grade teacher at Logan School in Belvidere. Mrs. Cullison was an active member of the Belvidere

First United Methodist Church, where she taught Sunday school and home Bible studies for many years. In 2002, she and her husband moved to Rock Falls to be near their daughter. She was a member of the Rock Falls United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Cullison is survived by her children, Bonnie (Kim) Groharing of Rock Falls and Stephen (Becky) Cullison of Hillsboro; five grandchildren, Janna Groharing, Marcy (John) Moorhead, Taylor (Alex) Cullison, Blair (Grant) Jarzynka, and Paige Cullison; and four great grandchildren, Alyssa and Kaitlyn Moorhead, and Blake and Lauren Cullison.

She was preceded in death by her husband; her sister and brother-in-law, June and Maynard Oakley; and a special brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Dale and Marge Cullison.

Condolences may be left online at [www.mcdonaldfuneralhomes.tributes.com](http://www.mcdonaldfuneralhomes.tributes.com).

## Timothy W. Mount, 47 Worked As A Carpenter

Timothy Wade Mount, 47, of Litchfield, died on Saturday, Aug. 10, 2019, at 9:03 p.m. at HSHS St. John's Hospital in Springfield.

A memorial service will be held at a later date with Pastor James Hayes officiating. Toberman-Dean Funeral Home in Coffeen is assisting the family.

Mr. Mount was born Oct. 9, 1971, in Hillsboro, to Danny Mount and Wanda (McLaughlin) Guckian. He married Susan Kershaw, and they later divorced.

He was employed as a carpenter.

During his lifetime, he resided in Coffeen, Hillsboro, North Carolina and Litchfield.

Mr. Mount is survived by his children, Dylan Mount, Wyatt Mount, Corey Quinn and Angel Mount; two brothers, Matt Hewitt and Anthony Hewitt; and several aunts, uncles and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be directed to the family. Online condolences to the family may be left at [www.basspattondeanf.com](http://www.basspattondeanf.com).

## May D. Probst, 90 Leaves Family In Fillmore

May Della Probst, 90, of Vandalia, formerly of Bingham, died Monday, Aug. 12, 2019, at Sweetbriar Retirement Home in Vandalia.

Visitation will be held Friday, Aug. 16, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Miller Funeral Home in Fillmore.

An additional visitation will be held Saturday, Aug. 17, from 9 to 10 a.m. at the funeral home. Funeral services will follow at 10 a.m. at the funeral home with the Rev. Everett Shaw officiating. Burial will be held in Glendale Cemetery in Fillmore.

Mrs. Probst was born May 21, 1929, in Vera, the daughter of Albert and Minnie Henrietta (Kresin) Hoffman. She married Paul Raymond Probst on Sept. 21, 1950, in Bayle City, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 27, 2017.

She was a homemaker, and



was a member of the First Church of God in Vandalia, Canaan Chapel in rural Bingham, Bingham/Ramsey HCE and TOPS, as well as the Fayette County Home Extension for 55 years.

She is survived by sons, Dr. Alan (Christy) Probst of Fillmore, Dr. Bruce (Laurel) Probst of

Belvidere and Dr. Keith (Donna) Probst of Estherville, IA; daughter, Rhonda (Bill) Jacobs of Chatham; brother, Wendell (Arlene) Hoffman of Vandalia; sister, Evelyn Probst of Ramsey; 15 grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren, with two on the way.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband.

Memorials may be made to Lighthouse Pregnancy Center in Vandalia. Online condolences may be left at [www.millerfh.net](http://www.millerfh.net).

## Rosemarie Werner, 66 Factory Worker

Rosemarie Werner, 66, of Wilsonville, formerly of Mt. Olive, died on Monday, Aug. 12, 2019, at 1:19 a.m. at Carlinville Rehabilitation and Health Care Center.

Visitation will be held Friday, Aug. 16, from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m. at Plummer Funeral Home in Litchfield. Graveside funeral services will follow, beginning at 11 a.m. in Elm Lawn Cemetery in Litchfield with the Rev. Gary Schwab, of First Presbyterian Church of Litchfield, officiating.

Mrs. Werner was born June 19, 1953, in St. Louis, MO, to James Junior and Hazel (Harrison) Parrish. She married Kenneth Ray Werner on May 15, 1970, at First Baptist Church in Litchfield, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 17, 2018.

During her career, she worked

in various factories.

Mrs. Werner is survived by three brothers, Mark Parrish of Sorento, Bobby (Corey) Parrish of Litchfield and Wesley (Bridgette) Parrish of Germany; two sisters, Fannie (Jon) Chasen of Greenville and Peggy (Danny) Wienburg of Kilgore, TX; brother-in-law, James (Ruth Ann) Werner of Wilsonville; sister-in-law, Bernice Lowe of Litchfield; and four grandchildren, William Werner Jr., Brock Werner, Braden Werner and Madilyn Werner.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; son, William Werner; and two brothers, Jessie and Daniel Parrish.

Online condolences to the family may be left at [www.plummerfuneralservices.com](http://www.plummerfuneralservices.com).

## Dr. Charles E. Vail, 95 Hillsboro Veterinarian



Dr. Charles Edwin Vail, 95, of Bentonville, AR, died late Saturday, Aug. 3, 2019.

Per his request, there will be no memorial service.

Dr. Vail was born Jan. 29, 1924, in Casey, to Charles McKinley and Mary May (Horine) Vail. He married Vera "Jean" Vail on July 15, 1945, and she preceded him in death on Oct. 16, 2016. He served his country as a flight gunnery trainer in the U.S. Army during World War II, during which he developed a serious fear of heights and actually flew in a plane only three times during his lifetime.

Although he wasn't tall (5'8"), Dr. Vail excelled in basketball and played college ball for Eastern Illinois University in Charleston. His wife of 71 years was a member of the EIU cheerleading team, which is how they met.

After his marriage, he and his



new wife moved to Ames, IA, where he earned his Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine degree at Iowa State University.

He was affectionately known as Doc Vail in the Hillsboro area, where he practiced as a large and small animal veterinarian, and his wife served as his assistant from 1954 to 1988. They ran the business out of their home at the western end of Hillside Avenue. They would eventually move to northwest Arkansas in 1991.

Dr. Vail and his younger son visited Hillsboro in August 2017 and met with friends and many of his clients from the past.

He is survived by his sons, Charles L. (Betsy) Vail and Mark (Christy) Vail; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to his wife, Dr. Vail was preceded in death by his parents; and older sisters, Beth Vail and Ginger Bell.

## Montgomery County Granted Emergency Program Funding

Montgomery County was recently selected to receive \$14,961 in federal funds to supplement emergency food and shelter programs in the county. The grant is funded through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency under the Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program.

The selecting board is chaired by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency and consists of representatives from the American Red Cross, Catholic Charities - USA, the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA, the Jewish Federations of North America, the Salvation Army and United Way Worldwide. The local board is charged with distributing funds, appropriated by congress, to help expand the capacity of food and shelter programs in high-need areas around the country.

A local board made up of the community action agency, local government, the American Red Cross and others, will determine how

the funds awarded to Montgomery County are to be distributed among the locally run emergency food and shelter programs in the area. This board is responsible for recommending agencies to receive these funds and any additional funds made available under this phase of the program.

The National Board stipulates that the local agencies chosen to receive these funds must be private, voluntary non-profits or units of government, be eligible to receive federal funds, have an account system, practice nondiscrimination and have previously demonstrated the capability to deliver emergency food and or shelter programs. Last year, CEFS was responsible for distributing \$14,471 in rental and food assistance.

Public or private voluntary agencies interested in applying for Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds may contact Charity Griggs at 217-532-5971 for an application. The deadline for applications is Tuesday, Aug. 27.

## Panhandle Will Hold Policy Meeting

The Panhandle School Board will hold a board policy meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 19, at Lincolnwood High School's library. The board will hold a regular meeting directly after at 7 p.m.

Agenda items to be discussed

include the school improvement plan for Lincolnwood Junior High School, an update on summer maintenance and district registration information. Lincolnwood High School is located at 507 N. Prairie Street in Raymond.

## Library Board Will Meet Aug. 20

The Hillsboro Area Public Library District will hold a board meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 20, at 6:15 p.m. at the Hillsboro Public Library at 214 School Street.

Agenda items include the use of the original construction report

(both floors)/grant applications, calendar/library closure dates for 2019-2020 and library clerk hourly pay.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 17, at 6:15 p.m. at 214 School Street in Hillsboro.

## 911 Board Will Meet Thursday

The Montgomery County 911 Emergency Telephone System Board will hold their meeting Thursday, Aug. 15, at 7 p.m. in the PBC Room, 120 N. Main Street in Hillsboro.

Under old business, agenda

items include ETSB/sheriff's office/county 911 update, radio equipment update and ETSB FY 2020 budget.

In new business, agenda items include workload study SCG Consulting Services.

## Harston Wins School Crazy Cash

Diantha Harston of Witt is this week's winner of \$175 in the Crazy Cash drawing at St. Louis School in Nokomis.

Tickets are \$25 each or five for \$100. They are available at the school office or by calling 563-2721.

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News About People and Events of Interest Throughout The County

A National Newspaper Association readership survey shows what we already knew, that community newspaper advertising is overwhelmingly effective. Completed by Susquehanna Polling and Research, the study found that television (38 percent) and newspapers (35 percent) are the two top primary sources of information respondents rely on for information about local communities.

Other parts of the study found that 64 percent of households read a community newspaper, and strong majorities see value in the positive attributes including the ability to be informed (92 percent) and serving as a reliable source of news for local news (76 percent).

Community newspapers also continue to be a dominant news source for shopping decisions and advertising content. For example, 79 percent of respondents agree community newspapers "provide valuable local shopping and advertising information." In addition, 24 percent of all respondents rate community newspapers as their primary "go-to" source for local purchasing decisions, higher than any other medium.

At *The Journal-News*, we are proud of the community newspaper we put in your hands each and every week, and strive to provide you with the most local information in every edition. Make sure you continue to shop locally, and tell them you saw their ad in *The Journal-News*!

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 Congratulations to our friends at CTI in Taylorville and Hillsboro. For the second year in a row, the technology company has earned the rank of 2,132 on the 2019 *Inc. Magazine* 5000 List, which is the most prestigious ranking of the nation's fastest-growing private companies. Keep up the great work!

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 Now that the kids are heading back to school, you might be looking for some good books to read. The Hillsboro Public Library is hosting a used book sale this week at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

The sale opens tonight, Thursday, Aug. 15, from 6 to 8 p.m. with a \$5 pre-view fee. The sale will continue on Friday, Aug. 16, from 3 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, Aug. 17, from 8 a.m. to noon. Make sure you stop by for some great reads!

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 Timber Creek Village is celebrating its first anniversary in Litchfield! They will host a special celebration tonight, Thursday, Aug. 15, from 3 to 7 p.m. The festivities include hot dogs, chips, popcorn and drinks, as well as live entertainment with Steve Davis as Elvis and Anna Blair as Patsy Cline.

They will also offer complimentary tours of the facility. Timber Creek Village is located at 101 W. Sallee in Litchfield. For more information, call 217-313-2208.

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 Beat the August heat with a summer lemonade stand at Tremont Ridge in Hillsboro. Stop by this Friday, Aug. 16, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for free snow cones, lemonade and hot dogs, just behind Tremont Ridge on School Street. Donations will be accepted for the Montgomery County Animal Shelter and the Hillsboro Dog Park.

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 World Harvest Church in Hillsboro is hosting a free concert event on Saturday, Aug. 17, with contemporary Christian recording artist Tom Golly of Nashville, TN. General admission is free with a suggested donation of a new or used Bible collected at the door for Love Packages in Butler. For more information, call Lisa at 217-556-8023.

## USDA Cuts Forecast For Illinois Crop Production

by Peter Hancock  
 Capitol News Illinois

This year's Illinois corn crop could be as much as 17 percent smaller than last year's crop, while soybean production could fall as much as 21 percent, the U.S. Department of Agriculture said Monday, Aug. 12.

Those numbers were part of a highly-anticipated report in which the USDA revised its most recent crop production estimates in light of this year's unusually wet planting season that delayed or prevented many farmers from getting crops into the ground, followed by a severe heat wave in July that affected the development of those crops.

As a result, USDA lowered its estimate of total acres planted for both major crops this year, as well as the per-acre yield for each crop.

Nationally, USDA projected that corn production would fall 14 percent this year, while soybean production is expected to drop 19 percent.

As bad as those numbers are, however, Illinois Department of Agriculture Director John Sullivan said they were not as bad as many farmers and traders had expected.

"All in all, I think that most farmers are surprised at what these numbers came out at. They expected them to be much lower," Sullivan said.

Sullivan said what surprised many people in Illinois is that, despite this year's weather conditions, USDA did not significantly

lower its estimate on corn production, the single largest cash crop in Illinois.

Nationally, according to the report, USDA expects farmers to harvest just more than 82 million acres of corn, up slightly from last year's 81.7 million acres. It also lowered its yield estimate to 169.5 bushels per-acre, down only slightly from last year's 176.4 bushels per-acre.

"I think that surprised a lot of people, that that per-acre average across the nation was that high, and I think most farmers out there, they're not seeing that," Sullivan said. "Of course, they're only looking at our small world here in Illinois, and so it's probably a bit deceiving, but I think there's some surprise in those numbers."

For Illinois specifically, however, USDA expects the number of corn acres harvested to fall by only 400,000 acres, to 10.4 million, and the yield to fall less than 14 percent, to 181 bushels per-acre, for total production of just under 1.9 billion bushels, down almost 17 percent from last year's production of nearly 2.3 billion bushels.

Soybean production is expected to fall to 546.7 million bushels, down from last year's 698.7 million bushels. That's based on a projection of 9.9 million acres harvested, at 55 bushels per-acre, down from last year's 10.7 million acres harvested at 65 bushels per-acre.

## Newspaper Owner Named Illinois Chair For Vets Group

*The Journal-News* owner John M. Galer of Hillsboro has been named the Illinois state chairman for the non-profit organization, State Funeral for World War II Veterans.

He leads the region's bi-partisan effort to request the President of the United States to designate this final salute to greatest generation service members.

"It's really a privilege to be part of this project," said Galer. "My grandfather served in World War I and my father in World War II. Military service runs through several generations in my family. This is my way to honor them and all of those who served."

"Galer currently owns and publishes ten community newspapers in central Illinois. A native of Hillsboro, he joined his family in the newspaper business in 1972. He received the Illinois Press Association Distinguished Service Award in 2017.

In addition, he gives his time to numerous civic, foundation and charity organizations, and has been a part of Imagine Hillsboro, a non-profit group seeking to revitalize the town through a myriad of economic and community initiatives.

"We are blessed that John agreed to spearhead our Illinois campaign," said State Funeral for World War II Veterans Chairman Lee William (Bill) McNutt. "To date, five states have adopted resolutions supporting our efforts and six more states' congressional delegations have sent letters to the President endorsing our organization. We need more to ensure that we offer this fitting tribute to the 16 million men and women of the greatest generation who served in our armed forces from 1941 to 1945."

State Funeral for World War II Veterans organization requests the public offer their support by visiting its *Change.org* petition.

The White House holds sole authority to hold a State Funeral and does not require approval from the U.S. Congress to enact.



John M. Galer

A State Funeral is a seven to ten-day national event, and consists of ceremonies within the state where the honoree was in residence.

Ceremonies will also be held within Washington, D.C. and in the state (or at Arlington National Cemetery) where the authorized individual has chosen to be interred. All funeral arrangements are made by The U.S. Military District of Washington, D.C., and involve Armed Forces honor guards, elite military bands, and/or guns support, according to the WhiteHouse.gov website.

The last two State Funerals were Ronald Reagan in 2004 and George Bush in 2018. The last non-Presidential State Funeral was General Douglas MacArthur in 1964.

This effort is the brainchild of McNutt's ten-year-old daughter, Rabel, a public school student, in honor of her godfather, Walter Ehlers, Congressional Medal of Honor recipient for his efforts at the Battle of Normandy in June 1944.

Three World War II Medal of Honor recipients are still alive, including Herschel "Woody" Williams of West Virginia, Francis "Frank" Currey of New York and Charles Coolidge of Tennessee. All three are more than 90 years of age.



Hillsboro Moose Lodge #1377 presented a large donation to TASC on Friday, Aug. 2. Above, from the left are TASC representatives, Tori O'Dell, Lynn Sellers, Bill Draper, Hillsboro Moose Lodge Administrator Paul Pershing and Lori Odorizzi.

## Local Moose Lodge Helps Families Raise Awareness

Hillsboro Moose Lodge #1377 presented a \$1,025 donation to TASC (The Autism Support Connection) on Friday morning, Aug. 2. The money was raised through a pack-the-place event the local lodge held for the Hillsboro-based organization on Thursday, July 11.

Hillsboro Moose Lodge served items off the menu and offered buffet specials at the fundraising event. Members of the local support group were present to assist the wait staff, answer questions about the group and to raise awareness about Autism and their children's needs.

In addition to donating a portion of the evening's sales to TASC, Hillsboro Moose Lodge Administrator Paul Pershing and his wife Lana, organized a silent auction during the event. Several

area businesses and individuals donated items for the event, including the Bank of Hillsboro, Paul and Lana Pershing, Pat and Charlie Buehler, (Hillsboro) Dollar General, Robin Pruden, Buck and Donna Moler, (Hillsboro) Ace Hardware, (Hillsboro) Subway, Don Baxter, First Community Bank, (Litchfield) Pizza Hut, Patti Wartmann, Pam Schiefer, Evrglo Neon Signs of Hillsboro (Jeff Dunn), Sam and Barb Whitlow and Marron Holcomb.

TASC holds several events for families of children with autism and other special needs throughout the year. They also hold regular support group meetings on the first Monday of each month and offer free sensory-friendly movies every month.

## Weather Forecast

THU AUG 15		Partly Cloudy	80°/65°	↙10%
FRI AUG 16		AM Showers	84°/68°	↙40%
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SUN AUG 18		Partly Cloudy	89°/70°	↙20%
MON AUG 19		Partly Cloudy	89°/69°	↙20%
TUE AUG 20		Partly Cloudy	87°/68°	↙20%
WED AUG 21		Partly Cloudy	86°/65°	↙20%

## Consolidation Study Will Be On Litchfield Board Agenda

Members of the Litchfield School Board will have their regular monthly meeting tonight, Thursday evening, Aug. 15, at Sihler School in Litchfield.

The meeting will start at 5:45 p.m. with a public hearing to waive the limitation on administrative costs for fiscal year 2019. State law requires that administrative costs cannot increase by a certain percentage each year, and as the Litchfield district paid two superintendents last year, they will need

a waiver to comply.

The hearing will be followed by the regular monthly meeting. Under new business, the board will discuss a tentative budget and date for the budget hearing for 2019-2020, a community listening session on Tuesday, Sept. 3, the purchase of eight new buses for the district, the 2019-2020 amended district calendar and the district consolidation study.

The meeting will be open to the public.

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**Births**

Blake and Brittany (Probst) Hagemeyer of Troy announce the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Rae Hagemeyer, born on Aug. 5, 2019, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 7 lbs., 10 ozs., and measured 19 ins. long. Charlotte was welcomed home from the hospital by her older sister, Audra Lynne, age nine, and her brother, Benjamin Allen, age seven. Their father works in video production and photography and their mother is a yeast culture manager for Anheuser-Busch.



Paternal grandparents are Curt and Tina Hagemeyer of Morrisonville. Maternal grandparents are Dan and April Probst of Nokomis. Paternal great-grandparents are Dwain and Betty Hagemeyer of Nokomis and Ernest and Joyce Flowers of Vandalia.

Roger and Brittany Davis of Hillsboro announce the birth of their son, Ryker James Davis, born at 2:54 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 13, 2019, at HSHS St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield. He weighed 8 lbs., 14 ozs., and measured 21.5 ins. long.

Ryker was welcomed home by his siblings, Roger Davis, Jr., age five, and Reese Davis, age three.

Maternal grandparents are Rodney and Juli Shipman of Hillsboro. Paternal grandparents are Ronald and Anita Davis of Litchfield. Maternal great-grandparents are David White of Hillsboro and Judy Dunn of Sebring, FL. Paternal great-grandmother is Ailene Davis of Litchfield.

Nicholas and Morgan (Furness) Burke of Hillsboro announce the birth of their first child, a girl, born at 12:58 p.m. Wednesday, July 3, 2019, at HSHS St. John's Hospital in Springfield. Layton Blake Burke weighed 6 lbs., 6 ozs. and measured 19.5 ins. long.



Her mother serves as a nurse practitioner and her father is employed with IBEW 309.

Maternal grandparents are Kirby and Beth Furness of Irving. Paternal grandparents are Mike and Cathy Burke of Hillsboro.

Paternal great-grandparent is Shirlee Chapin of Hillsboro. Paternal great-grandparents are Fern Burke of Hillsboro and Sam and Barb Whitlow of Schram City.

Rodney Christopher Lee Fyffe and Alexandra Alace Lee of Mt. Olive announce the birth of their son, Myles Harold Matthew Fyffe, born at 10:33 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 11, 2019, at HSHS St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield. He weighed 8 lbs., 2 ozs. and measured 21.5 ins. long.

Maternal grandparents are Matthew and Crystal Lee of Mt. Olive. Paternal grandparents are Chris and Kimmie Fyffe of Mt. Olive.

Maternal great-grandparents are Helen Lee of Mt. Olive, Ben and Lisa Pfeiffer of Staunton and Pattie and Denny Allen of Crestview, FL.

Paternal great-grandparents are Martha and Larry Glynn of Eldon, MO.

Jeffrey and Kimberly Shank announce the birth of a daughter, Danielle Rose Shank born Monday, Aug. 5, 2019, at 12:15 p.m. at Alton Memorial Hospital. She weighed 6 lbs., 15 ozs., and was 19 ins. long.

Her father is a police officer and her mother is a CPA with Mears Group, Inc. in Collinsville. Danielle is welcomed home by a big sister, Lillian, three years old.

Maternal grandparents are Rex and Cindy Nail of Litchfield. Paternal grandparents are James and Teresa Shank of Brighton.

Maternal great-grandparents are the late Harvey and Betty Nobbe and Henry and Jane Nail of Litchfield.

Paternal great-grandparents are Rosie Bolton of Quincy and the late Jim Bolton, the late Herbert and Helen Shank and the late Junior and Dorothea Bruns of Golden.

Joshua and Megan Burch of Carlinville announce the birth of their daughter, Claire Elise Burch, born at 4:48 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 11, 2019, at HSHS St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield. She weighed 7 lbs., 8 ozs. and measured 18.5 ins. long.

Claire was welcomed home by big brothers Bryce Burch, five years old, and Logan Burch, one year old.

Maternal grandparents are Bob and Suzanne Boston of Carlinville. Paternal grandparents are Michelle Michael of Litchfield and Bret Burch of Roxana.

Maternal great-grandparents are Gene and Jeanne Bell of Carlinville and Virginia Boston of Carlinville and the late Roland Boston. Paternal great-grandparents are John and Sandie Burch of Brighton, the late Barry Michael and Margaret Files of Wilsonville.

Mercedes Thacker of Mt. Olive announces the birth of her daughter, Aubree Brooke Thacker, born at 6:01 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, 2019, at HSHS St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield. She weighed 7 lbs., 6 ozs. and measured 19 ins. long.

Maternal grandparents are Mandy Thacker and Rob Thacker, both of Hillsboro. Maternal great-grandparents are Mike and Jackie Reynolds of Hillsboro.



Above, families line downtown Hillsboro sidewalks to patronize Imagine Hillsboro's annual Back to School Shop. The free clothing shop was held at the Hillsboro Moose Lodge on Saturday afternoon, Aug. 10.

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**Hillsboro Students Get Back-To-School Ready**

Local families lined Main Street to patronize Imagine Hillsboro's Back to School Shop on Saturday, Aug. 10. This is the third year for the outreach, which clothed over 200 students on Saturday afternoon. For the second year in a row, Hillsboro Moose Lodge #1377 donated use of their building for the free pop-up shop, which is open to all kindergarten through 12th grade students in the Hillsboro School District.

In collaboration with the Imagine Hillsboro event, White and Associates of Hillsboro organized a clothing drive at the beginning of the summer. Several area business collected the gently-worn items used to stock the Back to School Shop, including St. Agnes Catholic Church, Hillsboro Presbyterian Church, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Hilltop Elite Academy of Tumbling and Trampoline, Inc., The Journal-News, MCR Realty, Country Financial, Hillsboro Chiropractic Center, United Methodist Church, Calvary Baptist Church, Christian Church of Witt. The weekend before the event, committee members along with community volunteers, laundered all of the clothing at Hillsboro Laundry.

"Ed and Cathy Butler donated the use of Hillsboro Laundry and committee members along with community volunteers gave up their weekends to sort, launder and fold the donated items. St. Agnes Catholic Church allowed us to store the clean clothing in their parish. Less than a week later, volunteers gave up their

Friday and Saturday to set up the store," said committee member Tori O'Dell. "This is no small feat, we began setting up at 9:30 a.m., ended at 1 a.m. and were back at it by 8 a.m. the next morning, and the only complaints heard were that the volunteers themselves couldn't give more."

As in previous years, Coats for Kids via the Hillsboro Ministerial Alliance and Shoe Carnival of Litchfield partnered to provide new shoes to the student shoppers. Salvation Army of Hillsboro stepped in to provide vouchers for students who were unable to find their sizes at the shop. Several businesses and individuals donated to this year's event, allowing the group to give new underwear, socks and hygiene bags to the shoppers. The hygiene bags included, shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant and fe-

minie hygiene products.

Donors included, Quality Flooring Co. Inc. of Litchfield, Sweet Addictions and Street Eats, Capri IGA of Hillsboro, Gori, Julian and Associates, P.C., Dollar General of Hillsboro, Bill Murray, Debby Dvorak, Frank L Prickett, Jane Baugher, Delores and Harold Jurgena, Paula Keepper, St. Agnes Catholic Church, Hillsboro Presbyterian Church, St. Paul's Lutheran Church and the Hillsboro Ministerial Alliance.

"I am in awe at all of the amazing people who come together each year to make this happen," said committee member Katie Stewart. "What started as a collective vision among a group of friends is now a thriving reality and that is entirely due to the generous and unwavering support we (the Back to School Committee) receives from the community."



Above, committee member Gina Burke (of White and Associates) helps a student shopper figure out her shoe size. Journal-News Photo

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## Hillsboro Rehab Collects For The Wounded Warrior Project

Residents and staff at Hillsboro Rehabilitation and Health Care Center came together to help support the Wounded Warrior Project. Throughout the month of July, they collected donations to assist veterans who sacrificed so much for the country. The mission for the Wounded Warrior Project is to host events to raise the most amount of money and awareness for veterans. To learn more about this project, visit the Wounded Warrior Project website at <https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/>. Pictured above, from left to right are Younite Ambassador Barb Robinson and resident Lois Kessinger. In the back row is Activity Director Becki Stolte.

SORENTO NEWS • by Corrine Varner 272-4454

## Sorento Students Will Return To School Today, Tomorrow



### Do You Know

The Sorento Food Pantry will be open Saturday, Aug. 24, from 9 to 11 a.m.

The Shoal Creek Fire Protection District will meet Sunday, Aug. 25, at 4 p.m. at the Sorento Firehouse.

### Sorento Military Signs

The Sorento Village Board is replacing the old military signs with new long-lasting ones. These signs will have the names of the servicemen, the seal and name of the branch they were/are in on two sides, so people will see the person's name from each direction.

These signs are to honor our people who have and are serving our country. So if you have a relative that you would like to be honored, either past or present, go to the Sorento Water Office and ask Sheryl Collier or Dee Mossman to show you a copy of the sign and give them the order. The cost of the signs are \$30, plus tax for a total of \$32.33.

If you want the signs up for Veterans Day, the orders must be in before the last week of October.

### Cruthis Reunion

The annual Cruthis reunion will be held at the Sorento Firehouse on Sunday, Aug. 25, starting at 12:30 p.m. A white elephant auction will be held during the event.

### Sorento School News

The first two days of the 2019-

2020 school year are today and tomorrow, Aug. 15 and Aug. 16. There will be an early dismissal for both days.

### Sorento School Menus Aug. 15-23 Breakfast

Thursday: Cereal, toast.  
Friday: Mini pancakes or cereal, toast.

Monday: Yogurt and graham crackers or cereal, toast.

Tuesday: Scrambled eggs or cereal, toast.

Wednesday: Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast.

Thursday: Dutch waffles or cereal, toast.

Friday: Mini pancakes or cereal, toast.

### Lunch

Thursday: Hamburger, bun, baked fries, baked beans, peaches.

Friday: Cheese pizza or deli sandwich, broccoli and cheese, mixed fruit.

Monday: Corn dog or deli sandwich, carrot sticks, pears.

Tuesday: Crisпитos or deli sandwich, refried beans, mandarin oranges.

Wednesday: Chicken and waffles or deli sandwich, tator tots, peaches.

Thursday: Hot ham and cheese on bun, or deli sandwich, coleslaw, apple.

Friday: Pizza bites or deli sandwich, tossed salad, mixed fruit.

Milk is served with all meals. Juice and fruit are available with breakfast. Menus are subject to change.

## Hillsboro Sisters Meet Brother In Hawaii This Summer

by Mary (Galer) Herschelmann

It was a family trip 41 years in the making, as Hillsboro sisters Suzanne Tatham and Laura Lessman traveled to Hawaii this summer to meet their half-brother and his family.

"I was only two years old when he was taken from our family," Tatham said. "He was five or six. I don't really remember, but we always saw his pictures in photo albums, and our mom would tell us about him."

Then, eight years ago, Tatham decided to try and find him on Facebook, only to discover there were several pages for Darryle Matsumiya.

"I found what I thought was him, and just took a chance and messaged him," she said. "Within a half an hour, he responded to her request. He remembered us. He remembered our address growing up. He remembered that our mom can't cook."

Tatham said they always knew he was in Hawaii, but that was also frustrating for their family, as they grew up with little means to travel that far.

"We started messaging back and forth and sending Christmas cards for the past eight years," Tatham said. "We even talked on the phone once."

And while Tatham was too young to remember her brother, Lessman hadn't even been born yet.

"It never felt quite real to me," Lessman said. "They told me I had this older brother, but I never really knew. I even wrote him a letter once all about myself, but I never sent it."



Hillsboro sisters Suzanne Tatham, at left, and Laura Lessman, at right, traveled to Hawaii in July to meet their half-brother, Darryle Matsumiya and his family.

"He's our brother, but we never knew him," Tatham added.

Then, last summer, Tatham decided it was time all that changed. She started saving up to take Lessman and her daughter, Alexis, to meet Matsumiya.

"I was working with his wife and Laura's daughter, and was planning to surprise both of them for Christmas," Tatham said.

In the end, the trip didn't end up being a surprise, and Alexis didn't get to go, but it still turned out to be the trip of a lifetime for the sisters.

"It was my very first flight, and I was so nervous about the whole trip," Lessman said. "It just never seemed real to me."

"And what if they didn't like us?" Tatham said. "We were pretty nervous."

But after arriving safely in Honolulu, the sisters managed to spot their brother and his family at the airport and were greeted with big hugs and lots of time to catch up over the next ten days.

"We talked about growing up and how he grew up," Tatham said. "He was eventually adopted by his grandparents. As we were talking, I guess I expected him to be not-so-much like us, but he definitely had part of our personalities. We were just so much alike, and spent the entire time on our trip together."

"We all just meshed really well together," Lessman added. "It was nice just to get to know them, al-

though it felt like we already had."

Initially, Tatham and Lessman had made plans of their own throughout the week, so as not to overwhelm their brother and his family, but they ended up spending most of the time exploring Hawaii's beauty together. On their trip, they visited a Dole plantation, hiked to the top of Koko Head, explored some beaches and even got to attend their nephew's birthday party.

"Our sister-in-law is incredible," Tatham said. "She took us all kinds of places and we got to meet her family too. They were so welcoming. She has been really supportive of Darryle meeting his family."

And although another trip to Hawaii may not be in the cards anytime soon, both Tatham and Lessman are planning to bring their families to California next summer to meet up with Darryle and his family.

"It's going to be really hard not being around each other," Tatham said.

"Our nephews are so little. They are going to change so much before we see them again," Lessman said.

But the siblings have already created a Facebook group to share photos of their kids and their adventures and are looking forward to next summer. Matsumiya is even planning a trip to Illinois in the next several years.

"This trip definitely changed all of us," Tatham said. "It really didn't feel like we had ever been apart."

## Ethan's Angels For A Cure Sponsor Walk In Nokomis

Volunteers with Ethan's Angels for a Cure are finalizing plans for this year's Walk for a Cure on Saturday, Sept. 14, at Fred B. Johnson Park in Nokomis. All proceeds from this year's event will benefit the Montgomery County Cancer Association.

The theme of this year's Walk for a Cure is "Never Walk Alone," and participants are encouraged to walk with a best friend, such as a friendly pet, spouse, buddy or anyone special in this fight against cancer.



Registration is \$20 per person, and includes a "Never Walk Alone" shirt. The deadline to register for a T-shirt from this year's event is Aug. 22. Hoodies are also available for \$30.

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will also be available the morning of the race, beginning at 8 a.m., followed by this year's walk at 9 a.m.

For more information, visit the Walk for a Cure with your Best Friend event page on Facebook.

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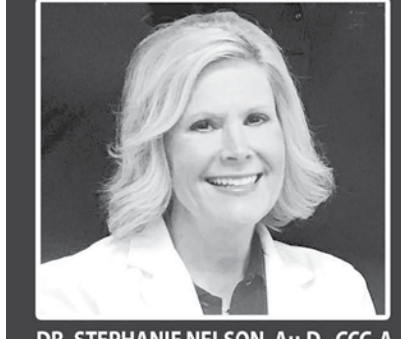
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Above, Paula Schwartzkopf is pictured with the steel tabletop grill she won from Paws Care Inc.'s recent raffle. In addition to the grill, Schwartzkopf won a basket of cooking supplies and a \$20 gift certificate from Paris Frozen Food.

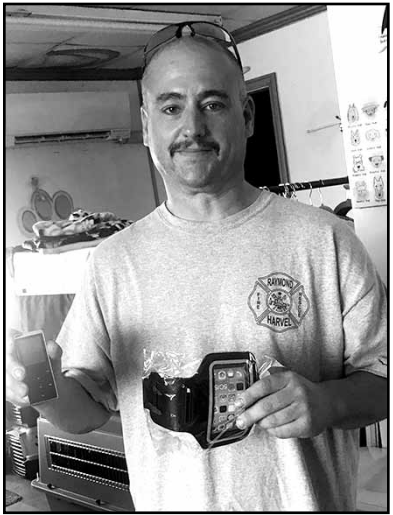
## Animal Rescue Announces July Winners

Paws Care Inc. raffled off several items at their Pints for Paws benefit, Wednesday, July 17, at the Opera House Brewing Company of Hillsboro.

Paula Schwartzkopf won the raffle drawing for a steel tabletop grill with a basket of cooking essentials including a \$20 gift certificate to Paris Frozen Food in Hillsboro. Shawn McCullum and Lisa Ginos won door prizes, MP3 players and armbands. Mrs. Ginos, who lives out of state, donated her prize back to the animal rescue organization.

Paws Care Inc., was able to raise just short of \$950 dollars during their first Pints for Paws event.

"Paws Care, Inc. would like to congratulate the raffle and door prize winners from the Pints for Paws event," said chairperson Florence Rozmislowicz. "All of the proceeds from this event are used to help Paws in our mission to rescue animals from kill shelters and re-locate them to no-kill shelters. Thank you to the Opera House for hosting this event and to everyone who came out and supported it."



Above, Shawn McCullum holds the door prizes he won, an MP3 player and arm band, at the Pints for Paws event.

## Montgomery County Board

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Board members unanimously approved the monthly mileage and per diem reports, including reimbursement to board member Gene Miles for attending a UCCI meeting in Galena. His request was \$40 over the statute, so it had to be approved separately. They also approved minutes from the previous meeting.

During the consent agenda, Treasurer Nikki Lohman said the county has nearly \$26 million in property taxes thus far, including more than \$680,000 done online with the new system. The county has had two distributions of the tax dollars to local taxing bodies.

### Liaison Reports

In 708 Board news, Earlene Robinson told the board they were awarding \$599,658 this year of the \$784,087.15 requested. Their budget for the year was \$600,000. They awarded \$194,000 to FAYCO, \$231,820 to the Montgomery County Health Department, \$6,250 to TASC, \$20,000 to SAAD (Standing Against Addiction and Drugs), \$43,000 to the Panhandle School District, \$43,000 to the Litchfield School District, \$15,588 to Litchfield Family Practice Center and \$30,000 to Cross Over Ministries. Robinson said the board is getting ready to set things up for next year's funding.

In CEFS news, Robinson said she attended the annual board meeting on Aug. 1. They honored two local businesses with Community Service Excellence awards. The first recipient was the Belvidere Motel in Litchfield, which helps to provide low-cost housing. Also honored was St. Agnes Catholic Church in Hillsboro for offering regular food drives for the CEFS Food Pantry. Paige Davidson of Litchfield received a CEFS scholarship.

In health department news, Sandy Johnson said she attended the July meeting, where they focused on the importance of vaccinations, like influenza. She added that to date, no mosquitoes in Montgomery County had tested positive for West Nile virus. Johnson also said the health department's 5K in May to raise awareness for suicide was a big success, raising \$5,000. She said they also installed billboards around the county and have placemats and coasters in local restaurants. Robinson said the 708 Board funded the billboards, and county board members said how nice the billboards were.

In senior citizens news, Deabenderfer said they had one bid for a new roof on the senior center in Taylor Springs, and were awaiting one more.

In UCCI news, Miles said he attended a meeting in Galena, where they provided an overview of the new minimum wage law and other changes, as well as grant funding and upcoming legislative efforts. He also mentioned a UCCI-sponsored trip to Washington, D.C. Sept. 17-19 for any board members interested in attending.

### Coordinating

Young reported the county's phone system is up and running with CTI, and they expect the internet services to be up by the end of the month.

Sheriff Rick Robbins presented a resolution to the board to oppose the passage of any legislation by the Illinois General Assembly that restricts second amendment rights. Robbins said he had been approached about a resolution

based on the referendum from the November ballot. County residents voted more than 79 percent in favor of such a resolution. Board member Jim Moore said he felt the language was a bit strong in demanding the legislature cease further action, and said he didn't see the point of the resolution. Robbins said the language was intentionally strong as county residents voted strongly in favor of such a measure, although he did note the county does not have a say in the final outcome with such legislation.

In a census update, County Clerk and Recorder Sandy Leitheiser said there will be a meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 21, at both 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. with a regional census bureau representative to explain the census process. Leitheiser said this is a very important meeting, and they already have confirmed participation from seven of the county's townships and ten of its municipalities. She encouraged board members to participate as well.

### Building and Grounds

Building and Grounds Committee Chairman Bob Sneed said Smart Watt continues its work at the jail complex, where they have installed four or five units and are nearly finished. Sneed said the project has gone smoothly, and they are pleased.

He added that his committee approved fixing some exterior lights at the new courthouse and jail, utilizing a rebate from Ameren.

Sneed said that animals had chewed through part of the rubber roof at the Annex building, which they fixed. Board member Kirby Furness encouraged him to see if it would be covered by insurance. County Coordinator Chris Daniels said they had a \$10,000 deductible, and Sneed said it was not that much to fix the roof. Furness suggested getting the work applied to the deductible, and Sneed said they would look into it.

The committee continues to work on the surplus sale, and Daniels said they had most everything picked up. Circuit Clerk Holly Lemons said they still needed to pick up items at her office, and Sheriff Robbins said he had some vehicles and slot machines to add to the sale as well.

Sneed said they had a little trouble with the panic buttons at the Historic Courthouse, and were working to correct it.

Following less than half an hour in closed session, the board approved a second easement with Ameren for a gas line project in Taylor Springs, pending approval of the state's attorney.

### Finance

Also following closed session, the board approved a settlement of litigation, and agreed to the capped amount.

In the Supervisor of Assessors report, Beeler said they had seen a rather large spike in online usage of the county's Beacon (GIS) system, noting more than 150,000 views. She said the usual is around 40,000. Supervisor of Assessors Ray Durston was monitoring where all the views were coming from. The county will also see up to a 10 percent increase in fees from Beacon this year, but it's the first time there has been an increase since they signed on with Beacon.

In capital improvement fund news, Beeler said they received another small monthly payment of \$30,000 in coal royalties, and that the county is very grateful for

it. She said they had a CD coming due in September, and the county plans to reinvest it as part of the capital improvement fund.

Beeler said they finished budget hearings in July, coming in right about \$100,000 in the red. She said they still have some work to do to reach a balanced budget, but felt the county was in a good place. Beeler added that one reason is they budgeted for an 8 percent increase in health insurance costs, but the renewal came in at just 2 percent higher. She said the county was planning to put some additional funding into the HRA for employees to help take some of the pressure off the employees.

Beeler said the committee had four requests for the addition of part-time employees, including a part-time summer employee for building and grounds and part-time help in the EMA office. She said they are looking at the requests at this time.

In recycling news, Beeler said they are still talking about potential funding options, including the creation of a special services district and options for a service fee. She continues to encourage board members to share ideas on how to fund recycling, and was pleased that Deabenderfer had sent her a handwritten letter of ideas in the mail. The committee is also looking into the possibility of a non-binding referendum to give citizens a chance to voice their opinion about the recycling program too.

Beeler said she didn't have a new report on the 911 contact, as the board did not vote to approve the county's offer at their last meeting. The offer was asking them to pay 41 percent plus a 9 percent fee for operating expenses. Beeler said the board has asked for more information, which she provided. They meet again on Thursday evening, Aug. 15.

The board unanimously approved an increase in part-time minimum salary from \$10 an hour to \$11 an hour starting on Dec. 1.

They also unanimously approved a fee for the use of the county's email accounts outside the county's general fund expenditures. They will now charge \$75 per account per year. Beeler said they may also have to approve an intergovernmental agreement as part of the fee.

Board members unanimously approved a fee schedule for information systems services for offices that levy their own real estate taxes (like the Highway Department, the Veterans Assistance Commission and the 708 Board). Due to security issues, those offices have to use the county's information systems, and Beeler said they would also likely have to approve an intergovernmental agreement for this as well.

The county received word that the state's attorney's salary had been increased, which also increases the public defender's salary, and board members unanimously approved the increase, as well as the contract for the public defender.

In IMRF news, Beeler said the county needed to make a payment of \$22,945.18 to IMRF, on two county employees currently retired, and it was unanimously approved. She said they will need to make another payment later this year. The board also unanimously approved Trish Roemelin as the county's IMRF agent, since Liz Holcomb left the treasurer's office.

The board also unanimously approved providing remote access to Treasurer Nikki Lohman, when she will be out of the office later this fall.

Beeler said she attended a cannabis meeting with board member Bill Bergen and Lemons. She said she felt it was very interesting.

"Sheriff Robbins has been telling us for months that the state pushed this through without thinking about it, and it's very true on multiple points, not just law enforcement," Beeler said.

Bergen added he learned there were craft cannabis growers, similar to craft beer brewers, and that the state was going to pull out all the stops to make it happen.

In a final note, Beeler said that payroll vouchers for non-elected department heads will be signed by the chairman, while vouchers for the chairman will be signed by the Finance Committee, to avoid people signing their own vouchers.

### Road and Bridge

In Road and Bridge Committee news, the board unanimously passed appropriations for four culvert projects. Among them was a pipe culvert project on Morrisonville Avenue, split with Pitman Township for a total of \$13,000; a box culvert on Grandpoint Avenue, split with Irving Township for \$12,000; a pipe culvert project on Waggoner Avenue, split with Harvel Township for \$14,000; and a box culvert on Ohlman Road, funded entirely by the county for \$15,000.

Road and Bridge Committee Chairman Gene Miles said they will open bids for the surplus paint booths at their September committee meeting. He added they are still looking into two new overhead doors at the collision center. The committee has approved up to \$35,000, but are still looking at the possibility of glass doors versus solid ones.

In a final note, Miles said that one county maintainer, Lee Joyce, is retiring later this year, and they will be looking to replace him.

### HWE

In addition to the animal control contracts, the HWE Committee discussed upcoming elections in 2020. Leitheiser said that 11 of the 21 county board seats will be up for election, including Connie Beck and Jeremy Jones in District 1, Gene Miles and Chuck Graden in District 2, Kirby Furness in District 3, Jim Moore in District 4, Richard Wendel and Glenn Savage in District 5, Dennis McCammack in District 6 and Glenn Bishop and Dillon Clark in District 7. Petition circulation begins on Sept. 3, and packets are available in Leitheiser's office. There will be no fall election in 2019. A primary election will be held on March 17, 2020, the next general election will be Nov. 3, 2020.

In EPA news, Graden said the county received a larger EPA grant from the state, up \$3,000, and Bill Gonet would like to see an increase in his salary. Graden said they were looking to work that out.

In recycling news, Graden said they have one employee out on a workman's comp claim, and have been picking up additional materials as counties around them continue to shutter recycling services.

### Economic Development

Economic Development Committee Chairman Donna Yeske said things are going well at the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation. She added that the CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) program is about to kick off a new school year, and the next annual

meeting will be held at Jack Tossetti's home.

In broadband news, Yeske said CTI continues to expand in Hillsboro and they hope to hear soon about future expansions.

In tourism news, there is a new tourism video about Lake Hillsboro on the website, and others are expected soon.

Yeske said they will not be able to award a second round of tourism grants this year, but plan to do it again next year.

In Eagle Zinc news, Yeske said they have completed hauling dirt at the site and are now spreading it.

Yeske said there is no update on the Enterprise Zone application, but they hope to hear more in September.

Board members unanimously approved funding for a CEDS document (Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy) that needs to be updated. Previously, the county paid the West Central Development Council to process the document. The University of Illinois Extension has agreed to complete the application, and if enough counties participate, it will cost Montgomery County around \$1,500, which is not much different than they paid the West Central Development Council.

Yeske said the county's Planning Commission will meet in October to discuss the wind ordinance.

In a final note, she said that MCEDC Program Coordinator Valerie Belusko attended a meeting of the Community Risk Committee, and is looking to compile data for the county on statistics, like births, deaths, suicides, arrests and other information.

### EMA

EMA Committee Chairman Bill Bergen said ambulance collections are going well, although they noted collections for Hillsboro were down about \$7,000. He said the county is just a collections agent, and there isn't anything they can do about it.

Bergen also reported a mix-up with the ambulance contracts, but they will correct it for next year.

911 Coordinator Greg Nimmo requested a line item be added to the budget for donations to the EMA.

Bergen also reported they are pushing up the timeline on repairs of some of the radios. Board member Jeremy Jones said they aren't changing anything that had been budgeted for, just speeding up the timeline as some radios are falling apart.

He said the county responded to a haz mat call on Five-Mile Bridge, but it turned out to be water turned over that created the smell. They also responded to a runaway call in Nokomis for a teenager, but it was resolved without incident.

Bergen said the county's drone had been sent to California for repairs, but it should be back soon.

### Personnel

Personnel Committee Chairman Kirby Furness said they had originally been quoted that health insurance renewal would come in at a 6.4 percent increase, but were pleasantly surprised to find it had been increased only 2 percent. Furness said the county should see some savings.

They also heard a presentation from GBS, which is a self-funded insurance program during their committee meeting.

Furness said they also received some feedback on updating the personnel manual and will be looking it over as a committee. He said they will also have to add provisions as the state's cannabis laws come into play.

After approving all the committee reports and paying the bills, the board unanimously voted to adjourn at 7:25 p.m. They will meet again as a full board on Tuesday evening, Sept. 10, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Historic Courthouse in downtown Hillsboro.

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## School Consolidation

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The study, which cost \$18,000, was provided at no charge to any of the school districts. The Montgomery County Board paid \$10,000 of the total cost, and the rest was paid by donations from local businesses and individuals.

After several months of studying data presented by the three school districts, Dr. Bill Phillips, Dr. Scott Day and Dr. Leonard Bogle, presented their findings at this meeting. With the help of CTI, the Montgomery County Economic Development Corporation streamed the meeting live on their Facebook page for residents who were unable to attend. Copies of both the complete study and the Power Point presentation of the meeting are now available with all the school districts as well.

In opening the 90-minute presentation, Dr. Phillips said he and his associates have done roughly 60 consolidation studies, and all have long careers in the field of education.

"The purpose of a study like this is to provide a district with information that can help determine options for its students," Dr. Phillips said.

Over the past few months, they have looked at curriculum, finances, staff needs, transportation issues and facilities for all three school districts participating in the study. They looked at two scenarios, including one with all three school districts and one with Hillsboro and Litchfield.

"We provide a neutral viewpoint on the information provided," said Dr. Phillips.

The first presenter was Dr. Scott Day who focused on the curriculum program in each of the districts. He said that if a combined district were formed, there was a good possibility it would provide more educational opportunities for students.

Dr. Day added that all three districts have strong family and consumer science programs and ag programs, which could be enhanced through consolidation. He said that it would also be possible to consider an industrial technology center for increased vocational education, and that it could be opened up to other school districts in the area to provide added revenue.

For all grades, Dr. Day said that a consolidated district would have to decide on a unified curriculum and textbooks, as well as a grading scale, and encouraged teacher input on all facets.

The evening's second speaker was Dr. Leonard Bogle, who focused on both enrollment and transportation.

The study's figures include a five-year projection, which shows a steady decline of students. Five-year projections for Litchfield showed the only positive figure, an increase of one student over current enrollment numbers.

"You see a pretty steady drop all across the state in enrollment," Dr. Day said. "That's nothing unusual. And of course it can change. That's why we don't look at projections beyond five years."

He said that a consolidated district with all three districts in the study would be around 1,000 high school students, while a high school with Hillsboro and Litchfield would be around 900 students. Currently, none of the high school facilities in the study can accommodate that many students, which means a new high school would have to be built somewhere in the new district.

Dr. Day also addressed increased transportation costs in bringing students to a new high school either in Hillsboro or somewhere between. He said they looked at Hillsboro because a new

building could be built on its existing campus, whereas there isn't as much room to expand around Litchfield High School. In addition, if there was a consolidation, Litchfield High School could be used to house elementary school students, saving costs on fixing up some of those facilities.

Dr. Day used the Butler T as an example for a new site, but suggested it is not that feasible at this time as there is no infrastructure (like water and sewer lines) there.

To transport Panhandle and Litchfield students to Hillsboro would cost \$43,000 a year, while transporting only Litchfield students would cost around \$21,000. To transport students to a neutral site in Butler would cost \$53,000 for all three districts and \$35,000 for Litchfield and Hillsboro.

In his final report, Dr. Day discussed facilities in all three districts.

"Why do I tell you all this?" Dr. Day said. "This study is kind of like a marriage and it gives you a picture of what the other side is bringing to the table."

He talked about facilities at each of the districts, as well as health life safety issues and repairs at each.

If any of the districts were to combine, there would have to be a new high school facility built, and the study estimates a new building could cost as much as \$61 million. Although there could be savings in moving existing furniture and technology.

The final presenter of the evening was Dr. Phillips, who focused on the finances of each district. Dr. Phillips pointed out that the tax rate for each of the districts is fairly similar (5.32 in Hillsboro, 4.91 in Litchfield and 5.21 in Panhandle). Each also spends between \$9,500 and \$10,500 per student.

Dr. Phillips said a combined district with all three would net an EAV (equalized assessed value) of \$380 million, and he estimates the tax rate would not change much, and be about 5.26 for all three or 5.27 if Hillsboro and Litchfield combined.

The new tax rate would be decided by a committee of ten citizens formed if the school boards decided to pursue consolidation.

Dr. Phillips also reported that teacher tenure is guaranteed in a new school district, meaning all certified teachers would bring their years of experience with them. New contracts would have to be negotiated, and Dr. Phillips said on the average, Litchfield teachers made the most money of the three.

He added a new district could see some staff reductions, possibly in teachers at the high school level, and most certainly in administration. It would ultimately be up to the new school board to decide based on class sizes and classes offered. Dr. Phillips said that grade schools and special education are very often not affected by consolidation.

Before closing, he talked about the incentives available from the state for consolidation, adding that the state does pay these incentives. If all three districts combined, they would be offered \$3.4 million over four years, and if Hillsboro and Litchfield combined, they would be offered \$2.1 million over four years. Dr. Phillips said there is also the possibility of getting some funding to build a new high school, but expected that would not exceed \$4 million.

In conclusion, the consultants felt that a consolidation of the Hillsboro and Litchfield school districts had the most potential for success, and would include a new name, a new school board and a new tax rate.

If local school boards decided to pursue consolidation, they would

petition the Regional Office of Education, and Superintendent Julie Wollerman would host a hearing to gather information. That hearing would be open to the public, and any citizen would be allowed to voice a concern.

Following that hearing, the petition would go to the state superintendent to approve or deny the consolidation effort. If approved, the Regional Office of Education would set a date for an election, and voters in each district would have the chance to vote for or against consolidation. To pass, 51 percent of voters in each affected district must approve the measure, and if the measure fails in any district, it fails overall.

In addition, Dr. Phillips said that the consolidation election can also include election of seven new school board members (elected at large) and could include a bond measure for the new school. Those items may also be done during a separate election.

He added that in rare cases, where a school board does not choose to pursue consolidation, a citizens petition of 200 signatures (it must include 50 from each district) may also be presented. Dr. Phillips said that does not happen very often, but did happen in the North Mac School District. The Girard School Board did not approve consolidation with Virden and it was done through a citizens' petition.

Following the presentation, the three consultants answered questions submitted from the audience.

One question was asked about why Nokomis chose not to participate and if they could be included later. Dr. Mulch said he didn't know why they opted not to participate in the study, but if there were a consolidated district in the future, and Nokomis was interested, he felt the new district would consider that request.

Dr. Bogel answered questions about the facility and transportation costs, while Dr. Day answered questions about curriculum and increased opportunities.

One question posed the possibility of less participation chances for students in a larger school, for example, playing time in basketball. Dr. Day said that a larger school would have increased competition for spots, but would also create a stronger program and more real-world experience.

Another question focused on creating specialty high schools, like in St. Louis, where one high school focuses on vocational trades and another focuses on music. He said that's possible in larger communities, but would be unlikely in this area.

One question asked about town's losing their identity in losing a high school building.

"That's an adult concern," he said. "Adults remember things about their own high school experiences, but kids will have no problem assimilating to a new school and making their own memories."

Another question asked if school districts that have consolidated would do it again, and Dr. Phillips said the majority would absolutely do it again.

"It's an issue of getting over tradition," he said. "And making decisions that are best for the boys and girls you serve."

Dr. Phillips answered a question on the location of the new high school, which would be voted on by the new school board.

Another question asked how many of their studies had resulted in consolidation, and he said around 25 percent.

"Our job is to give you enough information so you can make informed decisions," Dr. Phillips said. "I challenge you to take this information and turn it into



New staff at Beckemeyer and Hillsboro Junior High School, from the left are Keri Teague, Brooke Gorowski, Carley Brown, Shelby Monroe, Bailey Newingham, Shelly Forys, Dave Mattson, Elizabeth McMahon, Ruth McCario, Heidi Olson, Brittany Millburg and Abby Reynolds. *Journal-News Photo*



New staff at Coffeen and Hillsboro High School, from the left, are Amy Knodle, Evan Malloy, Lacey Heldebrandt, Tony Marcolini, Coral Christian, Jamie Trader, Gina Currie and Carli Keown. *Journal-News Photo*

## Hillsboro School Board

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At Coffeen, new staff members are fifth grade teacher Jamie Trader, special ed teachers Carli Keown, Lacey Heldebrandt and Amy Knodle, and aides Coral Christian, Lauren Jackson and Karen Melton.

At the junior high, Dave Mattson will be teaching sixth grade social studies, Heidi Olsen seventh grade math, and Ruth McCario special ed.

New high school teachers are Evan Malloy in science, Anthony Marcolini in industrial arts, and aide Gina Currie.

The board meeting paused for a reception to greet the new staff.

Board members studied a \$21.3 million tentative fiscal year 2020 budget, one that predicts a total deficit of \$300,000 but over \$815,000 in the Education Fund alone. At the end of the fiscal year, the tentative budget predicts a total fund balance of \$5.6 million.

According to the superintendent, changes in how the school

district handles special education nets to about \$300,000 more in expenses than last year.

"That is not all a function of the (Mid-State Special Education) reorganization," Powell said, "but over half of it is." The rest is largely due to new special education staff.

There is another \$225,000 in expense for added staff, but \$120,000 of that is offset by not replacing the vacant assistant superintendent position. Another \$140,000 in additional expenses is for the new grade school English and language arts curriculum.

The board is expected to act on the budget after a hearing at next month's meeting, which will be on Tuesday, Sept. 17—a week later than normal to allow for the statutorily-required 30-day public inspection period.

Also, per state requirements, the 2018-19 administrator and teacher salary and benefit report will be posted on the school district website.

Powell reported that he had promises from the three school dis-

tricts that are leaving Mid-State Special Education (Nokomis, Pana and Taylorville) that they will pay the remaining balance on their assessment to the cooperative.

The superintendent described a new district partnership with Hillsboro Area Hospital and SIU School of Medicine on a suicide prevention project. One of the first steps will be the development of a survey that will be administered to grade 6-12 students.

"It's one of several good partnerships the district has with the hospital," Powell said, introducing hospital board member Dave Imler.

After a closed session, the board accepted the resignation of Cassie Furness as an aide and employed Tabitha Hamilton as an aide at Beckemeyer. They also approved a second-semester leave of absence for aide Kelby McCoy and accepted the resignation of Liz Maass as full-time bus driver.

Board member Dan Wilson was not present for the meeting.

## State Police Host Speed Awareness Day

Illinois State Police (ISP) recently announced the results of a statewide Speed Awareness Day campaign, which took place on Wednesday, July 24.

Governor J.B. Pritzker proclaimed Wednesday, July 24, as Illinois Speed Awareness Day, with the goal of encouraging the public to recognize the importance of speed awareness and driving safely. The ISP took a proactive approach to promote safety for motorists, pedestrians and cyclists

through enforcement and education. ISP officers conducted nine presentations throughout the state to educate the public on the dangers of speeding and the importance of obeying the posted speed limit.

During the 24-hour reporting period, troopers issued 876 speed-related traffic citations and 681 speed-related written warnings. Troopers also issued 391 citations and 848 written warnings for other traffic related offenses

during the reporting period. "These enforcement efforts and the hard work of our officers were instrumental in preventing injuries and saving lives," said ISP Acting Director Brendan F. Kelly. "Please help avoid a tragedy by obeying the posted speed limit at all times."

The ISP considers education to be a critical component in achieving their overall mission to change driving behaviors and make Illinois roadways safer.



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# Out & About

8A - Thursday, August 15, 2019

## Community Calendar

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### Thursday, August 15

6 p.m. - MOPS meeting, Hillsboro Free Methodist Church  
6:30 p.m. - Litchfield City Council  
6 p.m. - Litchfield School Board  
6 to 8 p.m. - Hillsboro Public Library Book Sale, St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
7 p.m. - Montgomery County 911 Board, 120 N. Main, Hillsboro  
7 p.m. - Litchfield Eagles Aerie #4499  
7 p.m. - Raymond-Harvel Kiwanis  
7:30 p.m. - Mt. Moriah AF&AM, Hillsboro Masonic Hall  
8 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous, First Baptist Church, Litchfield

### Friday, August 16

11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. - Dog Days of Summer Lemonade Stand, Tremont Ridge Assisted Living  
2 to 7 p.m. - Litchfield Farmer's and Community Market, Library Park  
3 to 6 p.m. - Hillsboro Public Library Book Sale, St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
4 to 8 p.m. - Fish and Chicken Dinner, Hillsboro Moose Lodge

### Saturday, August 17

8 a.m. to 12 p.m. - Hillsboro Public Library Book Sale, St. Paul's Lutheran Church  
8:30 to 10:30 a.m. - Coffeen Food Pantry, Coffeen UMC  
9 a.m. to Noon - Hillsboro Farmer's Market, Lincoln Plaza  
10 a.m. - Litchfield Cowboy Action Shoot, Litchfield Sportsman's Club  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Montgomery County Genealogical Society, Litchfield Museum and Rt. 66 Welcome Center  
2:30 to 3:30 p.m. - 4-H Cloverbud Meeting  
7 p.m. - Tom Golly Concert, World Harvest Church, Hillsboro

### Sunday, August 18

1 to 4 p.m. - Irving Area Historical Museum  
1 p.m. - Crabtree Ringers Horseshoe Club, Old Crabtree School, Litchfield  
3 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous, Standing Against Addiction and Drugs Office, 119 West State Street, Nokomis

### Monday, August 19

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Sewing for Missions, Witt United Methodist Church  
10 a.m. - Raymond-Harvel Home Arts Club, Tosi's  
5:30 p.m. - Breaking Bread, First Baptist Church, Litchfield  
7 p.m. - Coffeen City Council  
7 p.m. - Panhandle Board of Education, Lincolnwood Library  
7 p.m. - Raymond Village Board  
7 p.m. - Nar-Anon Family Group, Mt. Olive Care Center, 120 East Main Street  
7:30 p.m. - Litchfield American Legion  
7:30 p.m. - A Day At A Time Group Meeting, 1st Baptist Church, 608 North Van Buren, Litchfield

### Tuesday, August 20

7 a.m. - Hillsboro Sertoma Club, Hillsboro Moose Lodge  
6 p.m. - Nar-Anon Meeting, Standing Against Addiction and Drugs Office, 119 West State Street, Nokomis  
6:15 p.m. - Hillsboro Public Library Board  
6:30 p.m. - Community Bingo, Heritage Manor, Litchfield  
6:30 p.m. - IL TOPS #1708, Southside Church, weigh-in 6 to 6:30 p.m.  
7 p.m. - Taylor Springs Village Board  
7 p.m. - Nokomis School Board  
7 p.m. - Panama Village Board  
7 p.m. - ACTS Substance Abuse Program, Cornerstone Apostolic Fellowship of Litchfield (324-2030)  
7 p.m. - Al-Anon Meeting, St. Francis Hospital, Litchfield  
7 p.m. - Montgomery County Democratic Central Committee, County Board Room, Hillsboro Historic Courthouse  
7:30 p.m. - Litchfield Moose Lodge #1634  
7:30 p.m. - Narcotics Anonymous, 325 N. Madison, Litchfield  
7:30 p.m. - Litchfield Masons #236  
7:30 p.m. - Zonta Club, Evergreen Place, Litchfield  
8 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, St. Agnes Catholic Church, Hillsboro

### Wednesday, August 21

7 a.m. - Litchfield Rotary Club, Maverick Steaks & Spirits  
8:15 a.m. - TOPS Chapter #L 2468 weigh-in, Litchfield Comm. Center  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Montgomery County Genealogical Society, Litchfield Museum and Rt. 66 Welcome Center  
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. - Customer Appreciation Day, TCCU Hillsboro  
Noon - Hillsboro Rotary Club, Canton Inn  
6 p.m. - Nar-Anon Meeting, Standing Against Addiction and Drugs Office, 119 West State Street, Nokomis  
7 p.m. - Alzheimer Support Group, Hillsboro Rehab and Health Care  
7 p.m. - Bingo, Litchfield Moose Lodge

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## Perfect Weather For August Pickers Market

Hundreds of shoppers filled the streets in downtown Litchfield for the August Pickers Market on Sunday, Aug. 11. "We had just amazing weather this month," said Litchfield Tourism Coordinator Sarah Waggoner. Residents from all over the area shopped for some great antique and vintage items and enjoyed live music from the *Natu Band* and *Lenny Frisch Tropical Music*. Only two Pickers Market events remain this season on Sunday, Sept. 8, and Sunday, Oct. 13, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in downtown Litchfield. For more information, visit [www.visitlitchfield.com](http://www.visitlitchfield.com).



## Hwy 55 Cruise In Draws Classic Cars To Litchfield

Local diners at Hwy 55 Burgers, Shakes and Fries in Litchfield took a step back in time Friday evening, Aug. 9, as part of their monthly cruise-in event. This month, the Cruzin' 66 Band provided live entertainment, while diners had a chance to check out all the cars on display in the parking lot. There's one cruise-in event left this summer on Friday evening, Sept. 6, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. Cruisers get 10 percent off their meal, as well as a commemorative dash plaque. Hwy 55 Burgers, Shakes and Fries is located at 1403 W. Ferdon in Litchfield.

## Extension Office Will Hold Succulent Wreath Workshop

Montgomery County Extension office will hold a succulent wreath workshop on Monday, Sept. 16, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. at the Extension office, located at #1 Industrial Park Drive in Hillsboro. University of Illinois Extension horticulture educator Andrew Holsinger will host the workshop.

Holsinger will teach individuals how to use succulents in a creative way. He will guide them as they create their own wreaths with a mix of succulents to enjoy through the holiday season.

The cost of the workshop is \$20, and includes all materials to create a wreath to take home. Advance registration is required by Friday, Sept. 13. To register, visit [go.illinois.edu/cjmm](http://go.illinois.edu/cjmm) or call 217-532-3941. Contact Holsinger

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## TCCU Member Appreciation Day Is Aug. 21

Taylorville Community Credit Union (TCCU) in Hillsboro will hold its annual Member Appreciation Day on Wednesday, Aug. 21, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. All current TCCU members are invited to the credit union office at 138 E. Wood Street in Hillsboro.

Credit union staff and management will welcome members to a casual lunch and an opportunity to visit in a non-business environment.

"Without our members, we couldn't enjoy the success that we've had," said Todd Maxwell, branch manager. "Member Appreciation Day is just one opportunity for us to say 'thank you' for their membership and loyalty."

TCCU is a not-for-profit financial cooperative with more than 6,000 members throughout the tri-county area. Membership is open to anyone who lives or works in Shelby Christian or Montgomery counties.

For more information about TCCU, visit [www.taylorvillecommunitycreditunion.com](http://www.taylorvillecommunitycreditunion.com) or call the Hillsboro location at 217-532-5300.

## Generation Trivia Night To Benefit Martin and Family

Family of 26-year-old Caleb Martin of Mt. Olive will be hosting an exciting trivia night on Saturday evening, Aug. 24, at Turner Hall in Mt. Olive, 307 West 2nd South Street. The event begins at 7 p.m. and will feature fun generation questions.

The cost per team is only \$100 with teams consisting of up to eight players. Those interested may register by calling Kelly (Fox) Baker at 480-231-3788.

Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase, and a 50/50 raffle will be held.

Hailing from Gillespie, Martin

was diagnosed with a rare form of bone cancer called Osteosarcoma in October 2012, when he broke his femur and underwent several rounds of chemotherapy treatments at HSHS St. John's Hospital in Springfield.

After being cancer free for just over five years, his illness returned in September 2017, and he has been receiving chemotherapy and radiation treatments at Siteman Cancer Center in St. Louis, MO, since. He and his wife Bethany (Knox), who is a Waggoner native, currently reside in Mt. Olive.

## Paws Care Will Hold Garage Sale On Aug. 23 And Aug. 24

Paws Care will hold a garage sale on Friday Aug. 23, from 1 to 5 p.m., and on Saturday, Aug. 24, from 8 a.m. to noon at 427 S. Harrison Street in Litchfield.

Items for sale include outdoor kennels, miscellaneous items and over 150 purses.

All proceeds from the sale will be donated to Paws Care, Inc. The proceeds will be used to purchase fuel cards to continue the rescue of animals from kill shelters, and for the transportation to no-kill shelters so the animals may have a second chance at life.

## St. Louis Gateway Postcard Club To Host Weekend Show

Professional postcard dealers, from eleven states, will gather for the 44th annual postcard show and sale on Friday, Aug. 30 and Saturday, Aug. 31, at the VFW Hall in Collinsville. The event will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 30 and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 31.

St. Louis Gateway Postcard Club hosts the yearly show, which is one of the largest shows of its type in the Midwest. It is also one of the few shows that offers free admission, free parking, free appraisals and daily attendance prizes. There will be 26 professional postcard dealers on-site and at least two dealers will sell supplies.

"People collect postcards for

many reasons. Some collect postcards relating to family history, such as the college where dad met mom. Others collect themes such as trains, ships, military, sports, famous people, expos, holidays and postcards drawn by specific artists," explained Tom Snyder, member of the St. Louis Gateway Postcard Club. "Postcards are a type of time machine. They are an excellent way to document social and family history. Some people collect postcards because they are pretty and everyone collects them because they are fun."

To find out more information about the show contact Tom Snyder at 618-531-4189 or via email at [the.snyders@charter.net](mailto:the.snyders@charter.net).

### NEW DATE FOR Zion Lutheran Ladies Aid

## RUMMAGE SALE

August 22-24 • Zion Lutheran Church Gym

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PREVIEW NIGHT: Thursday, August 22

6:30-8 p.m. (\$2 admission)

SALE: Friday, August 23 • 8 a.m.-2 p.m.,

Saturday, August 24 • 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

(\$2 for a sack full)

In conjunction Zion's Preschool will sponsor a **Bake Sale** during the event.





## Tremont Ridge is having their Annual Dog Days of Summer Lemonade Stand

Friday, August 16 • 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m.  
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Saturday, August 17

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To find out more about Tom Golly and listen to his latest single "Keep Fighting", check out his website at [www.tomgollymusic.com](http://www.tomgollymusic.com). For more info about the concert, contact Lisa Huber at 217-556-8023

# Schram City Receives Community Grant

by Bethany Martin

A public hearing regarding the Community Development Block Grant preceded the Schram City Village Board meeting on Monday evening, Aug. 12, at the village hall.

The grant will fund construction improvements to the phase I water system rehabilitation by replacing 1960 cast iron pipes with plastic.

"Basically it would come from Miller Street, alongside the hall, down the Big 4 curve and end near the old Canton Inn building," said President Albert Oberle.

The village will apply for \$500,000 in grant funding, which will benefit 65.59 percent of minimum low to moderate income individuals, however, the proposed activity will not displace any persons as a result of the project.

Upon entering into regular session, DAR Representative Patty Whitworth presented a pamphlet to the board explaining the organization's mission to perpetuate the memory of those who served their country and foster patriotism. She also shared its tree planting project, which will commemorate the 13 original colonies, starting with the oldest settlement in Montgomery County. Beginning with Fillmore, the village of Schram City marks the 12th municipality to be recognized with Taylor Springs being next.

Whitworth asked permission for the DAR to plant a 12-foot Red Maple tree, and if they have the resources to dig the hole. She said the landscape artist who assists in planting suggests completing their project at the end of October. The board agreed and will decide where to place it. A tree planting ceremony will be held Saturday, Oct. 26, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Following Whitworth's remarks, Oberle said the village received the Community Development Block Grant at a total of \$500,000 to update the five lift stations. He said they received five bids, ranging from \$767,500 to \$578,161. According to Oberle, the village is required to accept the lowest bid, which was submitted by Haier Plumbing and Heating Inc. of Okawville.

In speaking with the grant manager, who suggested reviewing the scope of work contained in the grant agreement, the village president said they could negotiate with the contractor and opt out of a number of different items included. Items include a spare pump, saving \$23,216; sump pump; removing lin-

ing from valve balls, saving \$10,762; changing the liner on all wet wells, \$9,000; rather than lining, they could place an additive into the concrete, saving \$22,870.

"This is nice to have, but if we can't afford it, we don't really need it," said Oberle. "Bottom line is, we came up with \$65,894 worth of savings, which drove the cost to \$512,267. With that being said, the village will have to contribute \$12,267."

He said administrative costs and engineering services are excluded in the grant funding, and that the village will owe Brown and Roberts \$24,000 and Prairie Engineering \$33,000. Oberle presented the idea of borrowing from the sewer fund, which would leave \$8,991.

"If we start to have some dry months here, the sewer fund will build up," he said. "It's entirely up to the board on what they want to do."

He reminded the board that the contract was in the amount of \$78,161, however, they will soon thereafter begin negotiations to bid some of the work.

Oberle said pump manufacturer Flight was one of two bids Haier received, which is a pricier pump. The village currently operates with hydromatic pumps, leading the village president to ask Illinois Electric, who performs the village's repairs, if they work with Flight's products. Illinois Electric does, however, they warned Oberle that it will cost them more on repairs.

In addition to engineering costs, items including a trash basket (\$1,000) at the Munchler lift station will also need to be purchased as the pump will require more repairs without a trash basket.

"We really need to do this project," said Oberle. "And I believe we can figure out how to do it."

Trustee Earl Eller asked if the pumps interchange with Oberle stating he requested a standard approach, but will be working more on that. Trustee Pat Rhoades inquired about borrowing from another fund once the sewer fund is low. Oberle said they could and have in years past. Rhoades also mentioned that the sewer fund has decreased \$8,000 from last month. Oberle explained how the amount of rain has contributed to that, plus a sump pump was repaired, costing the village over \$5,000 to fix.

The board agreed to move forward in executing a contract with Haier. Oberle will add terms and conditions and present it before the

board during next month's meeting.

Board members would also pass two resolutions. The first was a resolution to amend the sewer extension agreement with Glenwood Equities, LCC, passed during last month's meeting. Oberle said the developer behind the Dollar General project will be working with IDOT for the next eight weeks, stalling construction on the retail business building. The sewer extension agreement was amended from July to October.

The second was a resolution of support regarding the CDBG that will fund the water system rehabilitation project. The motion was passed by Trustee Sam Whitlow and seconded by Trustee Tuetken.

Village Clerk Janet Stewart reminded board members of the 2020 Decennial Census, inviting them to join her in attending a census meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 21, with slots beginning at 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the Historic Courthouse. Village Attorney Alicia Granito informed them that funding is also based off the census.

Oberle presented the village's tax levy ordinance to be passed during next month's meeting. He would also propose a trash ordinance, requiring haulers to obtain a permit, pay a fee and submit annual reports, which would include an agreement that prohibits them from driving through alleyways.

Fire protection fees to the Hillsboro Volunteer Fire Department are due by Aug. 31. The village president encouraged those in attendance to pay it, saying there are several Schram City residents who do not. He warned everyone that in the event of a fire, the cost increases significantly if dues are not paid.

In other news, Oberle reported that upon reading a water meter this month, village employees found feces and toilet paper.

"I just want everyone to know that the meter pit, the meter top and all the controls on the meter are village property," he said. "If anyone tampers with them, they're subject to prosecution."

Trustee Rhoades proposed a new holiday for village employees, allowing them time off to enjoy Old Settlers with their families. Trustee Eller also addressed the board, sharing that residents have approached him about allowing side-by-sides on the roadway. After some discussion on both matters, they were tabled for next month's meeting, which will be held Monday evening, Sept. 9, beginning at 6 p.m. at the village hall.

# Hillsboro City Council

Continued from front page

Jim Lohman was a plumber for decades in Hillsboro and surrounding areas so he has "institutional knowledge" of the water and sewer mains because he's worked on them often. He's visited council meetings occasionally to offer his expertise as well; he began this time by reciting an incident from the past. He said at one time city ordinance stipulated that lead pipe be used for a client's incoming water; now lead is prohibited, with copper recommended -- but some copper pipe leaks under pressure. Lohman also talked of a water main down School Street which had plastic pipe (not PCV) used under School Street to houses as their connection to the main; he said the city had okayed the use of that material, so home owners will protest when it fails. He said that was an engineering problem from the past.

The Environmental Protection Agency and the Public Health Department have tightened regulations since 2006. Water Commissioner Don Downs and Tim Ferguson have been in contact with the EPA as they attempt to see what the next regulations may be; that's part of the city's dilemma because more restrictive regulations will be expensive for someone.

Ferguson said current law says lead pipe that isn't broken now doesn't have to be replaced when it's exposed, but that could change. However, if a licensed plumber exposes it, he could lose his license if it isn't replaced before it's recovered. One of the plumbers said lead levels in the water within a client's house or business rise if the pipe is disturbed, so there is a reason to not jar it. Hints abound that soon all lead pipes within a city will have to be replaced, and that will be expensive for the city, if that's the city's responsibility, or for the consumer if it's his responsibility. Lohman commented that there is much lead pipe underground in the town.

Mayor Brian Sullivan brought the discussion to a close by pointing out that the dilemma couldn't be solved during the meeting, but he thanked the visitors for their input. He also said that once the EPA publishes its regulations, the consumers will be the ones who pay, either by paying to have the work done to their building individually

or collectively when water and sewer rates increase to pay the costs. (By law, the Water and Sewer Fund has to be self-sustaining; money can't come from the General Fund for those services.)

Mike and Christy Meyers came from the Sherwood Forest campers who are planning another Haunted Forest experience for the area. The planned dates are Oct. 11 and 12. As in past years, they need help from the Auxiliary Police and volunteer drivers. In spite of bad weather on Friday night last year, 350 people attended; on Saturday, over 1,200 took the scary tour; it does draw people to town. The council gave 4-0 approval to their plans pending approval of Police Chief Randy Leatham, who needed time to review the plans.

Also on the agenda was a request from the churches in town to close the Courthouse Square to vehicle traffic on Halloween Night (Thursday, Oct. 31) from 6 to 8 p.m. They hope to have Trunk or Treat cars parked around the square with a bounce house, entertainment, free food, and carnival-type games, according to spokesperson Rev. Jeff Hemken. He was accompanied by Rev. Randy Sands, and they expected attendance of 500 to 600 people. Chief Leatham needed to review those plans too, and he still anticipates hearing from the Chamber of Commerce (Trick or Treat Trail) and the Halloween Parade folks.

Finance Commissioner Katie Duncan presented July bills payable in August for \$387,570.42; payment of the bills' approval was 3-0 with Daniel Robbins abstaining.

Intern Jonathan Weyer had suggested that Hillsboro form an Arts Commission (Committee). It will require no funding from the city; members (hopefully they volunteer) will be appointed by the mayor and approved by the council; and Mayor Sullivan said he'd heard from several community members that a need for such a committee exists. It will function as the Historical Preservation Committee, Natural Resources Committee, and others do. The idea was approved 4-0; City Attorney Kit Hantla will draw up the necessary ordinance.

The final action item on the agenda put some teeth into the ordinance discussed earlier. The older ordinance was amended to allow the city to place a lien upon property on which the city does work that is the

owner's responsibility, if the owner doesn't pay the city when he/she is billed. It is specifically applied to the cost of water line repairs.

The traditional commissioners' and mayor's report to begin the meeting seemed shorter than usual. Commissioner Robbins' Public Properties crew was busy dealing with preparations for the end of summer -- spraying weeds, cutting grass, hauling dirt (to the dog park area and former beach at City Lake).

Robbins and Superintendent Jim May worked with the campground hosts to install the new campground software, cleaned the storage building in City Park, oversaw electrical work at the closed-for-the-season pool, and helped with cleanup from Old Settlers, including the car show. Summer workers Ashton Walden, Chris Moore, and Dalton Taylor were thanked for their work as they return to school.

The Street Department fixed two water leaks on Lakeside Knolls, one on Anna Street, and one on Tremont. They also fixed a hole next to the storm drain on Gunning Street, helped with Old Settlers cleanup, and did some pothole patching.

Public Safety Commissioner Michael Murphy praised the employees for working together so well to clean the town after various celebrations, and he asked citizens to help keep it clean. "Don't pile your garbage in your or your neighbor's yard. If you don't have a trash service, hire one. Respect your neighbors and their property."

He also thanked the police, the state police, county deputies, Litchfield police, and Taylor Springs police for helping with traffic control during the big parade. He promised a progress report at the second August meeting concerning the continued demolitions around town.

Commissioner Duncan said the audit reports were being typed and will be available soon.

Commissioner Downs voiced concern about the water leaks; most of his comments and questions were reserved for the first agenda item.

Mayor Sullivan echoed the thanks of all the commissioners for those who had any part in Old Settlers. "I went to bed with cups and containers strewn up and down the street; when I awoke, the town was clean." He thanked the Auxiliary Police for their work as well.

The council next meets on Tuesday, Aug. 27, at 7 p.m. in city hall.

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**5K Run and 1 Mile Walk**  
**Saturday, Aug. 31 ~ 9 a.m.**

Family-friendly course starts at  
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- Princess Visits
- Snow Cones

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## Donnellson Presbyterian Will Celebrate 200 Years

This Sunday, Aug. 18, the congregation of Donnellson Presbyterian Church will mark their 200th anniversary as they celebrate their 120th annual Harvest Home Sunday. The observance will begin with an 11 a.m. church service. The Rev. Ralph Ward of Hillsboro will preach. A carry-in dinner will follow at 12:30 p.m., which continues the tradition of Harvest Home. The meat and beverages will be provided.

Then at 1:15 p.m., guests can meet in the sanctuary to enjoy the program. The program will focus on the 200-year history of the church. All are invited to attend the celebration. The church reminds guests that the restrooms are not handicapped accessible.

The next year after Illinois became a state, Robert Paisley called the first camp meeting of the congregation at his home, which would become Donnellson Presbyterian Church. His home was located southwest of the pioneer village of Elm Point, which is south of the present village of Donnellson.

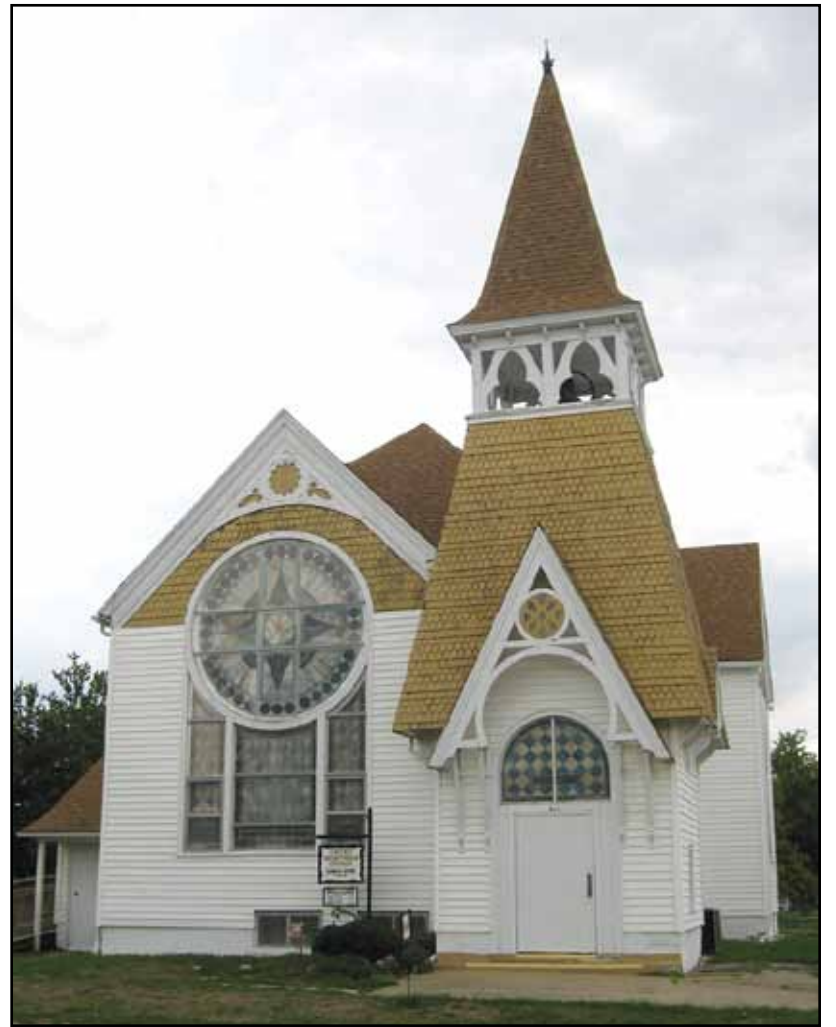
In the fall of 1819, the group was organized as the second Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Illinois with six members, including Paisley, and took the name of the Bear Creek Society. A year later, the first church building was erected with logs according to the style of the day, which was located northeast of present-day Donnellson, and it was that year that the congregation had increased sufficiently to be instrumental in the establishment of the Presbytery of Illinois.

The first meeting of the Presbytery of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in Illinois was held May 9, 1823, and was held in this first church near the home of Jesse Johnson. The log church was used until Johnson sold his farm.

The second church building was also made of wood, but with handmade weatherboard, which made it possible to have a stove so services could be held in the severe winters. This building was constructed in 1836 on the Joseph Paisley land, north and west of Donnellson across the road from the Donnellson cemetery.

After the town was platted and the railroad line was established in 1857, it seemed advisable to move the church into the town of Donnellson. The third church was built on the present location of brick in 1869, on property offered by Thomas Carson Donnell. This house of worship had two doors, one for the entrance of men and one for women. There was a steeple, but no bell until after the Civil War. The pulpit was purchased in 1879 for \$13, and is still in the church, though not in full use.

The name was changed to the Donnellson Cumberland Presbyterian Church in 1882. In 1889, the present church building began and it was dedicated, debt free, in 1890. A major renovation was completed in 1957, and included the installation of a gas furnace, laying of hardwood floors, carpet-



Pictured above is the Donnellson Presbyterian Church, which will hold its 200th anniversary celebration on Sunday, Aug. 18.

ing, pews and redecoration, including upstairs and downstairs. The basement was added in the 1920s. In 1959, a restroom facility was added in the basement. Stained glass windows were added in 1962. It was in 1946 that the Donnellson congregation became part of the Parish of the Open Door, joining with other small congregations of Presbyterians nearby, in order to establish a more sound financial situation for all involved, thereby providing a full-time ministry for the churches.

At this time, the Parish also includes Reno-Bethel Presbyterian Church, Sorento Presbyterian Church, Waveland Presbyterian Church, Butler Union Church and Witt Presbyterian Church. In 1966, all the churches in the Alton Presbytery became members of the United Presbyterian Church of the United States of America, so again the official name of the church was changed. The denomination's name was changed to Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) in 1983, and the presbyteries have been realigned, so that Donnellson is now a member of the Presbytery of Southeastern Illinois.

The Rev. James D. Howie was the pastor of the church while a student at Millikin University, and continued preaching during his years of seminary at Louisville, KY. Upon returning, he became the pastor and only minister to be ordained in the church. He continued to serve as the Parish director for 60 years, living in the manse provided in Donnellson, while serving in at least six churches and sometimes more. He celebrated the 60th anniversary of his ordination in June 2019 during

his retirement.

In the early years of the church, the congregation sang using the "ear pitch," pitch-pipe, or line singing. An organ was brought in as a part of the church music in the 1880s. The organ has been replaced by a piano in the ensuing years. A choir was started in the early 1890s, and several choirs have come and gone throughout the years.

Sunday school was likely established in 1836, in the second church building. A class of girls who called themselves "The King's Daughters" was the first to receive a charter. Sunday School still meets every Sunday at 10 a.m.

Harvest Home was suggested by the William Bigham family after they had visited a similar gathering in Texas in 1898. This originated as a dinner and in 1899, became a means of raising funds by serving both dinner and supper. In later years it has become more of a homecoming with the receiving of a special offering, a potluck dinner and an afternoon program.

The current membership has 12 members, and the Session includes Rodney Christin, Eleanor Gregory, Jane Hopkins, and Robert Clausen. Many former members continue to support the church.

The sanctuary has been described as "a spirit-lifting space, graced with tall stained-glass windows, a cantilevered u-shaped balcony and a luminous area in which to retire from the cares of daily life to praise God and learn from His Word, and to refresh one's spirit for the week ahead."



Participating in this year's Summer Reading Program, Exercise Your Mind..Read Books, pictured above, in front, from the left, are Addison Stone, Katrina Millburg, Gracie Arnold and Arya Stimac. Middle row are Levi Downs, Kinsley Mears, Nova Rockwell, Claire Matthews, Jolee Downs and Addelyn Beal. In the back row are Carley Hart, Hudson Witt, C.J. Matthews, Elisa Gelpi and Carter Arnold.

Rick Wade/The Panhandle Press

## FW Library Reading Program Concludes

The Farmersville-Wagoner Library Summer Reading Program, Exercise Your Mind..Read Books, concluded on Friday, Aug. 2, with a picnic at the park for readers who completed the program and their families.

Library Board President Carol Rovey shopped for and prepared the delicious picnic meal of grilled hot dogs, chips, rice krispie treats, watermelon, cantaloupe, juice

and lemonade served to the attendees.

Seventeen readers completed the program and were eligible to attend the picnic, where they each received school supplies as designated by each teacher for the upcoming school year. To complete the program, the children were required to read 15 books and write a small book report for each one that was turned in

to the library staff.

Three drawings were held, and the winners were Jolee Downs, who received \$50; Levi Downs, \$25; and C.J. Matthew, \$25. Each reader will also receive a T-shirt at a later date.

Assisting Rovey at the picnic were Gail Kraus, library board member; Mary Meyer and Barbara Gentry, library staff members and Courtney Meyer.

# The Journal-News Section B

Hillsboro, IL 62049

Thursday, August 15, 2019

## Hillsboro School District Bus Routes

### East Hillsboro, Schram City, Irving

#### Bus #26

7:10 15073 Seven Sisters Ave.  
7:13 13115 Coffeen Road  
7:15 457 South Pine St.  
7:16 447 South Pine St.  
7:16 309 South Pine St.  
7:17 221 South Pine St.  
7:19 204 S. Spruce St.  
7:19 204 S. Maple St.  
7:20 320 E. Central  
7:21 501 E. Bailey St.  
7:24 113 S. Oak St.  
7:25 105 S. Oak St.  
7:27 South Vine & Central

#### Bus #21

7:11 113 West Front St.  
7:12 305 West Front St.  
7:13 401 W. Front St.  
7:15 228 Bell St.  
7:18 Franklin & Vine  
7:22 Franklin & Spruce St.  
7:24 221 E. Franklin  
7:26 Franklin & Oak St.  
7:31 Front St & North Rd.  
7:31 422 East State St.  
7:32 409 East State St.  
7:33 13376 IL Rt. 16  
7:35 13008 IL Rt. 16  
7:37 Pipeline Rd. & Rt 16

#### Bus #2

7:04 10199 Bended Tr.  
7:06 18387 Fillmore Tr.  
7:09 18179 Fillmore Tr.  
7:14 14351 Fillmore Tr.  
7:15 14012 Fillmore Tr.  
7:20 504 Walnut St.  
7:21 507 Walnut St.  
7:22 709 Walnut St.  
7:23 KC & Pine St.  
7:23 901 Walnut St.  
7:25 KC & Maple St.  
7:26 KC & Chestnut St.  
7:27 Washington & Broadway St.  
7:28 Washington & Locust St.  
7:29 Washington & Maple St.  
7:31 Jackson & Broadway St.  
7:32 2710 Jackson St.  
7:33 Codemo & Kortkamp St.

#### Bus #28

7:20 1713 School St.  
7:20 20th & School St.  
7:20 2011 School St.  
7:23 409 23rd St.  
7:24 Schram Ave. & Rt 16  
7:26 1812 Miller Ave  
7:27 1904 Frey Ave.  
7:28 Frey & 21st St.  
7:30 629 Park St.  
7:30 613 Park St.  
7:32 Beal St. & Park St.  
7:33 678 Virginia St.  
7:34 652 Virginia St.  
7:35 1233 School St.  
7:36 Eccles & Bell St.  
7:37 654 Eccles St.  
7:38 607 E. Tremont St.  
7:39 523 East Tremont St.

#### Taylor Springs

#### Bus #29

7:17 1721 Old Bus Line Rd  
7:18 Old Bus Line Rd. & Cypress St.  
7:20 East St. & Hargrave Ave.  
7:21 East St. & Williamson Ave.  
7:22 East & Montgomery St.  
7:22 Prairie & East St.  
7:23 Prairie & Livingston St.  
7:26 West Main & Williams Ave.  
7:28 710 West Brown Ave.  
7:29 West Brown & Division St.  
7:30 Seyborn & Summit St.  
7:31 Adams & Peach St.  
7:31 1805 Adams St.  
7:35 205 West Kincaid Rd.

#### Hillsboro & North Hillsboro

#### Bus #33

7:00 15039 Caulk Rd.  
7:04 14226 White Ave  
7:08 Pine & Warren St.  
7:11 988 McCords Tr.

7:15 640 McCords Tr.  
7:25 12205 East 13th Rd.  
7:26 12136 East 13th Rd.  
7:28 Lakecrest Tr. & Bandor Cr.  
7:30 Smith Rd. & Rodeo Dr.  
7:31 Lakeside Knolls  
7:33 City Lake Rd. & Parkside St.  
7:34 City Lake Rd. & Country Club  
7:36 730 City Lake Rd.  
7:38 524 City Lake Rd.  
7:39 318 Shelbyville Rd.  
7:41 308 Wood St.

#### Bus #5

7:14 510 School St.  
7:15 905 School St.  
7:16 1012 School St.  
7:16 School St. & Eccles St.  
7:18 645 Anna St.  
7:19 672 Anna St.  
7:19 656 Leva St.  
7:19 Ash St. & Crittenden St.  
7:20 149 South East St.  
7:22 114 Starr St.  
7:24 South Long Ave.  
7:25 Middle Long Ave.  
7:26 North Long Ave.  
7:27 104 Independence Dr.  
7:28 112 Independence Dr.  
7:29 128 Independence Dr.  
7:30 201 Bowles St.  
7:30 Brailey & Bowles St.  
7:31 North St. & Douglas St.  
7:32 North St. & East St.  
7:32 123 North East St.  
7:33 402 Wood St.

#### Bus #15

7:05 17271 E. 14th Rd.  
7:12 16299 Montgomery Tr.  
7:12 16245 Montgomery Tr.  
7:15 15243 North Rd.  
7:19 11356 Meisenheimer Ave.  
7:22 110 Pinnacle Pt.  
7:23 137 Pinnacle Pt.  
7:25 13310 North Rd.  
7:27 Lands End & Lakewood Dr.  
7:28 222 Lakewood Dr.  
7:29 12101 North Rd.  
7:33 Brailey & Main  
7:34 125 E. Brailey St.  
7:36 Vawter & Rollins  
7:38 White & Rollins  
7:39 151 Broad St.  
7:39 157 Broad St.  
7:40 119 Broad St.  
7:41 Broad & Water St.  
7:43 Roundtree & Mill  
7:42 Mill St. & Roundtree St.  
7:45 Jr High

#### Witt

**Bus #18**  
7:00 19203 N. 15th Ave.  
7:07 Main & Vermillion St.  
7:09 219 2nd St.  
7:10 Ford & 2nd St.  
7:11 411 2nd St.  
7:12 416 N. Main St.  
7:13 Main & Rogers St.  
7:15 Mitchell & 5th St.  
7:16 Mitchell & 6th St.  
7:17 Broadway & 6th St.  
7:19 Hirst & Berry St.  
7:24 Witt Park  
7:26 Transfer from bus 25  
7:27 Transfer from bus 34  
7:29 Broadway & 3rd St.  
7:30 Main & Broadway St.  
7:31 Main & Middleton  
7:32 523 South Main St.  
7:40 457 S. Pine St. Irving

#### Bus #34

7:01 18143 N. 15th Ave.  
7:06 17116 N. 16th Ave  
7:10 17905 N. 17th Ave  
7:18 Monroe & Meadows Rd.  
7:20 423 Monroe St.  
7:21 Ford & Stuart St.  
7:24 Transfer at Witt School  
7:27 105 West Broadway

#### Bus #25

7:10 18307 E. 18th Rd.  
7:12 Illinois & Main St.  
7:25 12205 East 13th Rd.  
7:14 Allen & 2nd St.  
7:15 Allen & North St.  
7:16 Allen & Stuart St.  
7:17 Stuart & Ford Ave.  
7:18 Ford & Young St.  
7:19 Ford & 2nd St.  
7:22 Transfer at Witt School  
7:26 29 E. Mitchell St.  
7:27 Main & Middleton St.  
7:28 Main & Vermillion St  
7:29 Main & Miller

**Coffeen**  
**Bus #13**  
7:18 8601 Coffeen Rd.  
7:26 17223 Old Cemetery Rd.  
7:29 501 North Rd.  
7:30 North Rd. & Jefferson St.  
7:30 Cumberland & Church St.  
7:31 108 N. Central St.  
7:32 605 Cumberland St.  
7:33 Cumberland & Park St.  
7:33 Cumberland & Prospect St.  
7:34 Cumberland & Locust St.  
7:35 Barry & Locust St.  
7:36 Grand & Locust St.  
7:37 Grand & Elm St.  
7:48 15172 Rt. 185

#### Bus #24

7:16 18152 IL Rt. 185  
7:22 17264 IL Rt. 185  
7:30 17182 IL Rt. 185  
7:30 Happy Ln. & Rt. 185  
7:31 17018 Rt. 185  
7:31 614 E. Main St.  
7:32 604 E. Main St.  
7:33 600 E. Main St.  
7:34 410 E. Main St.  
7:34 306 E. Main St.  
7:35 Ash & Main St.  
7:35 South & Main St.  
7:38 Coffeen School  
7:41 Post Office & Library  
7:42 Casey's (Coffeen)  
7:43 Western St. & Rt. 185

#### Bus #31

6:50 811 Ticky Point Tr.  
6:51 19th & Durbin Ln.  
6:54 17362 N. 3rd Ave.  
6:55 3rd & Jakes Ln.  
6:57 680 Red Ball Tr.  
6:58 16444 Ticky Point Tr.  
7:00 926 Red Ball Tr.  
7:01 1039 Red Ball Tr.  
7:06 407 Cundiff St.  
7:06 201 E. 3rd St.  
7:06 Cundiff & 1st St.  
7:07 Church & 1st St.  
7:08 Church & 3rd St.  
7:09 Coffeen Apartments  
7:11 700 6th St.  
7:12 6th & Orchard St.  
7:14 808 6th St.  
7:15 64 Fox Ln.  
7:17 619 S. Central St.  
7:17 504 S. Central St.  
7:18 Central & 3rd St.  
7:18 Central & 2nd St.  
7:22 204 S. Central St.  
7:45 821 Spring St. Taylor Springs

#### Donnellson/Panama

**Bus #1**  
7:13 647 Pan Estates Ave.  
7:15 1874 Reno Rd.  
7:16 1834 Reno Rd.  
7:19 Pan Estates & Bear Ln.  
7:22 688 Donnell Ave.  
7:28 409 W. Union Ave.  
7:29 303 W. Union Ave.  
7:30 Jefferson & North St.  
7:32 Hampton & Jefferson St.  
7:33 North & Maple St.  
7:35 Hampton & East St.  
7:36 2210 IL Rt. 127  
7:37 153 Bear Creek Ln.  
7:39 3141 IL Rt. 127  
7:45 Hilltop & Hadley St. (Hillsboro)

#### Bus #19

7:07 10228 Donnellson Ave  
7:08 Motyka Ln.  
7:13 500 Panama Ave.  
7:15 520 Panama Ave.  
7:16 566 Panama Ave.  
7:18 Shoal Creek Ave. & Jefferson  
7:19 Old Panama School  
7:22 Nu-Way Deli  
7:23 North Ave. & Oak St.  
7:25 710 North Ave.  
7:27 1654 Long Bridge Tr.  
7:31 689 Fox Hunt Tr.

**Bus #27**  
6:57 1028 Hopewell Ave.  
7:00 1956 IL Rt. 127  
7:02 701 Washington Ave.  
7:03 602 Adams St.  
7:08 2206 IL Rt. 127  
7:15 8414 Hilltop Tr.  
7:16 8410 Hilltop Tr.  
7:18 8384 Hilltop Tr.  
7:23 850 Red Bridge Tr.  
7:25 315 Barry Hope Tr.  
7:30 8105 IL Rt. 127  
7:38 4 Huber Dr.  
7:40 1445 Vandalia Rd.  
7:50 112 E. Fairground

#### Bus #9

6:56 14273 Mt. Moriah Ave.  
6:58 1948 Jacketown Rd.  
6:59 1929 Jacketown Rd.  
7:20 4003 Buckeye Tr.  
7:25 14261 North 4th Ave.  
7:26 15025 North 4th Ave.  
7:35 15010 North 6th Ave.  
7:40 13030 North 7th Ave.  
7:43 7135 IL Rt 127  
7:46 9030 IL Rt 127

#### Butler, West and Northwest of Hillsboro

#### Bus #6

6:52 104 White Ln.  
6:53 12 White Ln.  
6:58 278 Clear Springs Ln.  
7:01 8209 Miller Tr.  
7:02 9104 Miller Tr.  
7:03 10003 E. 8th Rd.  
7:05 9347 E. 8th Rd.  
7:06 934 E. 8th Rd.  
7:09 29 Arts Ln.  
7:11 195 Washboard Tr.  
7:12 440 Washboard Tr.  
7:14 597 Washboard Tr.  
7:15 Chautauqua Tr. & Washboard Tr. 7:18  
85 Duff's Ln.  
7:20 6344 Chautauqua Tr.  
7:22 10336 East 8th Rd.  
7:29 707 Interurban Cr.  
7:31 10161 Miller Tr.  
7:32 10075 Miller Tr.  
7:40 11688 Walshville Tr  
7:41 Walshville Tr. & Edgewood Dr.

#### Bus #17

7:12 6205 N. 17th Ave.  
7:13 6126 N. 17th Ave.  
7:18 8297 Wares Grove Ave.  
7:20 9313 Wares Grove Ave.  
7:24 14219 IL Rt. 127  
7:27 936 Water St., (Butler)  
7:27 920 Water St.  
7:28 806 Cherry St.  
7:29 Water St. & Park St.  
7:30 Park & Cherry  
7:31 Seward St.  
7:32 13210 IL Rt. 127.  
7:40 Oak & Dearborn St. (Hillsboro)

#### Bus #30

6:50 Chapin St. & Kirk Terrace Litchfield  
6:52 Chapin St. & Kirk Terrace Litchfield  
7:06 273 Rainmaker Tr.  
7:08 7176 Rocky Hollow Tr.  
7:10 822 Elm St. (Butler)  
7:11 Elm & Chestnut St.  
7:12 Elm St. & Railroad St.  
7:13 104 Titcomb St.  
7:14 244 Titcomb St.  
7:15 13198 Niemyer Tr.  
7:20 7192 IL Rt. 16  
7:29 1518 Interurban Cr.  
7:33 10193 IL Rt. 16  
7:33 10135 IL Rt. 16  
7:42 231 Springfield Rd.

Give To Student To Carry Or Pin To Clothing  
NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_  
BUS NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

- Courtesy of The Journal-News



Litchfield racer Dustin Bryant had plenty of company in victory lane on Saturday, Aug. 3, at the I-57 Dragstrip in Benton, after his second win in as many weeks. From the left are Corey Wood, Scott Pinkerton, Phil Bryant, Dustin Bryant, Hadley Weller, Sharon Bryant, Sarah Weller and Randy Weller.

Photo courtesy of I-57 Dragstrip

## Three Weeks, Three Wins For Bryant

The I-57 Dragstrip in Benton has been pretty good to Dustin Bryant over the last few weeks.

After winning the footbrake division at the track's weekly bracket racing series on July 27, Bryant has won twice more at Benton for a three-week streak in victory lane.

Both of Bryant's wins in August have come in the pro class,

although he has continued to have success in footbrake as well.

On Aug. 3, Bryant beat out Tom Syers in the pro final to take the top spot and also made it to the quarterfinals in footbrake before bowing out.

On Aug. 10, Bryant would take the top spot over Javan Androff in the pro class and made it down to three cars in the semifinal, before

being knocked out by his father, Phil Bryant. Mechanical issues would put Phil in second place in the class, keeping the Bryants from their second father-son double of the season.

Litchfield racer Corey Wood also finished in the money in Benton on Aug. 10, making it to the quarterfinals in footbrake.



Pro Winner, Dustin Bryant

For the third week in a row at I-57 Dragstrip in Benton, Litchfield's Dustin Bryant found himself in victory lane on Saturday, Aug. 10. After winning the footbrake division on July 27, Bryant has been in the winner's circle twice in August in the pro class. From the left are Corey Wood, Phil Bryant, Dustin Bryant and Scott Pinkerton.

## Hearn Races In Midwest Junior Super Series

The Hearn Motorsports team was in Byron on Aug. 9-11, as ten-year-old Timothy Hearn competed in the Midwest Junior Super Series event at the Byron Dragway.

Going into the race, Hearn was third in the 10-to-12-year-old division with 50 points, while sitting in 15th overall in the 8.90 index class. This is his first year in the older, faster classes.

On Saturday, Hearn would take a loss in his first race in the 8.90 index class after missing the tree, but the young racer would rally back the next day. Hearn picked up a win in the age group race on Sunday, before bowing out in the second round.

The series has three more stops before the end of the season. On Aug. 23-25, there will be a race at US131 in Martin, MI, followed by a "home" race for the Hearn on Sept. 20-22 at Gateway Motorsports Park in Madison. The season wraps up on Oct. 4-6 at Lucas Oil Raceway in Indianapolis, IN, with the MJSS Championship Celebration.

For more on the Hearn race team, find them on Facebook at Hearn Motorsports and Performance.



Timothy Hearn, the ten-year-old son of David and Michelle Hearn of Litchfield, waits for his run in the Midwest Junior Super Series event at Byron Dragway on Saturday, Aug. 10. Racing against older, faster competition this year, Hearn was still in third place in the 10-to-12 age group going into last weekend's race.

## Ex-LHS Coach Named Coach Of The Year

by Kyle Herschelmann

After 45 years as a coach, including stops in Litchfield and Mt. Olive, John Harder ended his career on top.

On June 26, in Bismarck, ND, Harder was named the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Coach of the Year in girls basketball after a career that spanned more than four decades and included 905 wins and three state titles in Florida.

For 35 of his 45 years in coaching, Harder was at Southeast High School in Bradenton, FL. After two years as an assistant, Harder took over the girls basketball program and never looked back.

Taking over for Florida basketball legend Ben "Buzz" Narbut in 1985 after Narbut left Southeast to become head coach at Florida State University, Harder won the state championship in his first year.

To show it wasn't a fluke, Harder did it again, twice actually, in 1990 and 2014, and nearly picked up a fourth state title in 2019, before his Seminoles bowed out in the state semifinal with a 49-48 loss to Bishop Kenny to end their season with a 26-5 record.

That brought Harder's career win total to 826 at Southeast in 1,042 games. He also won 21 district titles and had 65 players earn basketball scholarships under his watch going into the 2019 season.

Despite his success, Harder gave credit where credit was due.

"I never made a basket in my life at this high school," said Harder in an interview with Jason Dill of *The Bradenton Herald*. "I never blocked a shot. I never stole the ball. I was never out there. Coaching is a different gig. To me, it's all been these kids. They did it year in and year out for 34 years now."

Before he became a legend, Harder was a disciple of Highland Park coach Chuck Schramm and later Hillsboro and Litchfield



On June 26, John Harder, pictured with wife, Rhonda, earned the National High School Athletic Coaches Association Coach of the Year in girls basketball after 905 wins and three state titles in 45 years. Before becoming a legend at Southeast High School in Bradenton, FL, Harder was a football and basketball coach at Litchfield and Mt. Olive in the late 1970s.

Photo courtesy of Dale Brakenhoff

coach Stan Horst. The Lansing native was an assistant under Horst at Litchfield in 1977 and 1978 and was named girls basketball coach at LHS in June of 1979.

Harder never coached the Lady Panthers though, instead resigning in July to coach football and take over as head coach of the Mt. Olive boys basketball team, where he went 7-38 in two seasons.

According to *The Bradenton Herald*, a vacation to the Sunshine State put the wheels in motion for Harder to end up in Florida. After a season as an assistant football coach at Southeast, he took the assistant job with girls basketball and the rest, as they say, is history,

appropriately enough, the subject that Harder taught at Southeast, where he was a two-time teacher of the year.

After his final game, Harder told Dill that he plans to spend time with his children and grandchildren, who are spread out across the country. He added that it felt appropriate to end his career at Southeast where it started, at the state tournament.

"It's storybook, couldn't have been better scripted," Harder said. "It's by the grace of God that I sit here. I sat here 34 years ago and I'm sitting here on my last day of my career."

## Lynchs Race At Macon, Brownstown

The Lynch Motorsports team continued its season on Aug. 3 and Aug. 10, as brothers Nathan and Brady Lynch raced in Brownstown and Macon.

On Saturday, Aug. 3, Nathan Lynch overcame a tough setup in practice and qualifying, where he would finish fifth in the first heat, to take ninth in the 17-car feature race at the Fayette County Speedway in Brownstown.

On Saturday, Aug. 10, both

brothers were in action at the Macon Speedway. Both driver's would be in the second heat for qualifying, with Brady finishing third and Nathan finishing fifth. The feature would be a learning experience for the pair though as Nathan was collected in a wreck and did not finish, while Brady ran fifth, but failed the post race inspection.

Fellow Hillsboro driver Kevin Rench joined Lynch Motorsports

at both stops. Rench ran sixth in his heat race at Brownstown, then finished tenth in the feature. At Macon, he would take two DNFs (did not finish) in his heat race and in the feature.

Mt. Olive's Tim Hancock, Sr. would win the feature in Macon, beating out Rob Timmons of Centralia and Kyle Helmick of Smithton.

## Country Financial Sponsor Of 2019 Prep Pick 'Em Contest

There is a new sponsor for the *Journal-News* Prep Pick 'Em contest this year thanks to three Country Financial agents in Montgomery County.

Greg Holcomb (Hillsboro), Cory Evans (Litchfield) and Nathan Clementz (Nokomis) are sponsoring this year's contest, which gives readers the opportunity to pick the winner of the five South Central Conference football games each week, along with the Nokomis High School game.

"We are thrilled to have Greg, Cory and Nathan come on board for this season," said *Journal-News* Sports Editor Kyle Her-

schelman. "They've all shown a dedication to their communities, including the athletic programs, and we couldn't think of a better sponsor for this county-wide contest."

Entry forms for week one of the Prep Pick 'Em contest, sponsored by Country Financial, will be in the Aug. 26 and Aug. 29 editions of *The Journal-News*.

Picks can be turned in at the *Journal-News* office by Friday at 5 p.m. or can be emailed to [JNsports@consolidated.net](mailto:JNsports@consolidated.net) prior to kickoff. This year's weekly winner will receive a limited edition *Journal-News* winter beanie.

## Sports Calendar

**Hillsboro Hiltoppers**  
Thursday, August 15  
12 p.m. - Boys Golf at Prep Tour Invitational at Seneca Oak Ridge  
1 p.m. - Boys Golf at St. Anthony Invite at Fox Prairie

**Lincolnwood Lancers**  
Thursday, August 15  
10 a.m. - Boys Golf at Meridian Hawk  
Early Bird Invite at Moweaqua Golf Course

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## Fans Can Meet The Toppers On August 29

*The Journal-News* and Hillsboro Moose Lodge #1377 will once again be hosting its Meet The Toppers fundraiser for the Hillsboro High School football team on Thursday, Aug. 29, at the Hillsboro Moose Lodge.

For a \$5 donation, fans will receive a hot dog, chips and a drink, with all proceeds going to the Hillsboro High School football program.

Doors open at 6 p.m., with the introduction of the players and a short program to follow at 6:30 p.m.

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Pictured above, from the left are Kolin Reynolds, Erin Kistner, Alden Knodle, Kendall Knodle and Kaden Reynolds.

## County 4-Hers Attend Illini Summer Academies

Five local 4-H members from Montgomery County had a chance to experience college life while gaining hands-on knowledge from University of Illinois instructors, when they attended Illini Summer Academy June 23-29.

Participants were able to select one of 17 career tracks which interested them and participated in seven class sessions.

Alden Knodle of Fillmore participated in the game design field of study, where they worked in groups to create a game, then

create pieces with a 3-D printer, or create cards for the game, while Kolin Reynolds of Nokomis learned about honeybees and beekeeping.

Erin Kistner of Witt participated in the farm to table tract, picking produce from the college garden, developing recipes and creating food dishes.

Kaden Reynolds of Nokomis learned more about natural resources, while Kendall Knodle of Fillmore was part of agricultural mechanization, horses to drones

program.

All six students are members of the Starr Shooters 4-H Club. They had a chance to make new friends from around the state, enjoy campus opportunities and have the experience of being away at school in a dorm, with support of Illinois staff.

The Summer Academies are held each year. For more information, contact University of Illinois Extension staff members at 217-532-3941.

## Crop Production

### Corn

Planted area is estimated at 10.70 million acres, down 3 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 10.45 million acres, is down 4 percent from 2018.

Based on Aug. 1 conditions, the Illinois corn yield is forecast at 181 bushels per acre, down 29 bushels from 2018. Production is forecast at 1.89 billion bushels, down 17 percent from last year's production. If realized, this would be the lowest planted and harvested acreage since 1998.

### Soybeans

Planted area is estimated at ten million acres, down 7 percent from last year. Harvested area, forecast at 9.94 million acres, is down 8 percent from 2018.

Based on Aug. 1 conditions, the Illinois soybean yield is forecast at 55 bushels per acre, down ten bushels from 2018. Production is forecast at 547 million bushels, down 22 percent from 2018.

### Winter Wheat

Harvested area in 2019 is forecast at 590,000 acres, up 30,000 acres from the previous year. The winter wheat yield is forecast at 65 bushels per acre, down one bushel from 2018. Production is forecast at 38.4 million bushels, up 4 percent from last year.

## Crop Condition

There were 6.5 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending Aug. 11.

Statewide, the average temperature was 74.5 degrees, .7 degrees above normal. Precipitation averaged .41 inches, .50 inches below normal.

Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 20 percent very short, 42 percent short, 37 percent adequate and 1 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at 11 percent very short, 35 percent short, 52 percent adequate and 2 percent surplus.

Corn silking was at 93 percent. Corn dough was at 42 percent, compared to 89 percent last year and 76 percent for the five-year average. Corn condition was 5 percent very poor, 16 percent poor, 39 percent fair, 36 percent good and 4 percent excellent.

Soybeans blooming was at 80 percent, compared to 99 percent last year and 95 percent for the five-year average. Soybeans setting pods was at 49 percent, compared to 89 percent last year and 79 percent for the 5-year average. Soybean condition was 6 percent very poor, 17 percent poor, 38 percent fair, 35 percent good and 4 percent excellent.

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## Section 15 Officers Enjoy State Fair Twilight Parade

Section 15 FFA officers promoted the FFA organization as they walked in the Illinois State Fair Twilight parade on Thursday, Aug. 8, in Springfield. They joined officers from the other 24 FFA sections around the state, as well as state officers. Pictured above, from the left are Section 15 officers, including Treasurer Jordyn Gerlach of Lincolnwood High School in Raymond, Vice President Reagan Kulenkamp of Carlinville High School, Secretary Laura Watson of Southwestern High School in Piassa, Reporter Anna Poppe of Jerseyville High School and President Mati Thornsberry of Southwestern High School in Piassa.

## Farmers Unable To Plant Crops On More Than 19.4 Million Acres

Agricultural producers reported they were not able to plant crops on more than 19.4 million acres in 2019, according to a new report released by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). This marks the most prevented plant acres reported since USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA) began releasing the report in 2007 and 17.49 million acres more than reported at this time last year.

Of those prevented plant acres, more than 73 percent were in 12 Midwestern states, where heavy rainfall and flooding this year has prevented many producers from planting mostly corn, soybeans and wheat.

USDA supported planting of cover crops on fields where farmers were not able to plant because of their benefits in preventing soil erosion, protecting water quality and boosting soil health. The report showed where producers planted 2.71 million acres of cover crops so far in 2019, compared with 2.14 million acres at this time in 2018 and 1.88 million at this time in 2017.

To help make cover crops a more viable option, USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA) adjusted the haying and grazing date of cover crops, and USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service held sign-ups in select states that offered producers assistance in planting cover crops. Meanwhile, USDA added other flexibilities to help impacted producers, including adjusting the deadline to file acreage reports in select states.

This data report aggregates information from crop acreage reports as of Aug. 1, 2019, which

producers file with FSA to maintain program eligibility and to calculate losses for various disaster assistance programs. The crop acreage data report outlines the number of acres planted, prevented from planting, and failed by crop, county and state.

To receive FSA program benefits, producers are required to submit crop acreage reports annually regarding all cropland uses on their farm. This report includes data for producers who had already filed for all deadlines in 2019, including the mid-July deadlines, which are for spring-seeded crops in many locations.

In addition to acreage reports filed with FSA, producers with crop insurance coverage for prevented planting file claims with their insurance providers. These claims are provided to RMA and may differ from the prevented planted acres reported to FSA. More information on prevented plant coverage is available on the RMA website.

Official USDA estimates of total acres planted, harvested and to be harvested, yield, and production are available from USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service at [nass.usda.gov](http://nass.usda.gov).

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**THURS., AUG. 15 - 6 p.m.** Bidding ends for no reserve online only auction for the estate of Judy Debatin at 1055 Rocky Mountain Ave., Greenville. Antiques, furniture, appliances, misc., Wells Cargo enclosed trailer. Pick up: Fri., Aug. 16 5-8 p.m., Sat., Aug. 17 8 a.m.-noon, Sun., Aug. 18 1-5 p.m. Langham Auctioneers, Inc., langhamauctioneers.hibid.com, 618-267-8400.

**THURS., AUG. 22 - 6 p.m.** Bidding ends for online only no reserve auction located at Langham Outdoors, S. of Donnellson on Rt. 127 to Powder Ave. Tiling & construction equip., farm machinery, tools. Inspection: Thurs., Aug. 15, Fri., Aug. 16 & Sat., Aug. 17, 1-7 p.m. each day or by appt. Langham Auctioneers, Inc., langhamauctioneers.hibid.com, 618-267-8400.

**SUN., AUG. 25 - 9 a.m.** at Mulberry Grove, exit 52 off I-70. Tractors, new skid loader equip., Layne estate incl. Ford tractor-mowers-equip.-tools-fishing equip., machinery, ATVs, lawn & garden, cars, trucks, trailers. McDowell Auction Service, 618-267-3410, www.mcdowellauctions.com.

**MON., AUG. 26 - 9:30 a.m.** Machinery auction at Mendenhall Auction Bldg., approx. 4.5 mi. S. of Taylorville on County Hwy. #1. James Mendenhall Auction Service, 217-824-9324 or 824-9751.

**THURS., AUG. 29 - 6 p.m.** Bidding ends for online only RE auction of 323 N. Spruce St., Nokomis. 2BR, 1R, kitchen, laundry room, bathroom. Central air, det. gar., all on 100'x140' lot. Inspection: Tues., Aug. 20 4-6 p.m. & Sat., Aug. 24 10 a.m.-noon. Aumann Auctions, 888-282-8648, aumannauctions.com.

**SAT., AUG. 31 - 9 a.m.** RE & personal property auction located at 80 Dorsey Rd., Gillespie (south edge of Mt. Clare along Rt. 138). RE of 3BR/3BA home to sell at 10 a.m. Furniture, appliances, safes, lawn & garden, tools, more. Motto Family Trust, seller: Mike Crabtree, auctioneer, 217-473-2507, mikecrabtreeauctions.com.

**SUN., SEPT. 8 - 10 a.m.** RE & personal property auction at 14158 Finney Rd., Girard, 1 mile north of Girard on IL Rt. 4 to Finney Rd., then 5.5 miles west. RE of 15 +/- acres w/2BR/1BA mod. home, 30x54 pole barn, pond. Classic trucks, motorcycles, tractor/mower, mowers, skid steer, side x side ATV, generator, chainsaws, power tools, shop tools, antiques/collectibles, furniture/appliances, outdoor recreation. Dave Blackburn, seller: Mike Crabtree, auctioneer, 217-473-2507, mikecrabtreeauctions.com.

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**MACHINERY:** Krause 9 shank soil saver; (3) corn heads; head cart; New Holland 1003 Stackliner; Gehl 100 grinder-mixer; Lindsay 28 ft. field cultivator; (4) 250 bu. gravity wagons; I.H. 9 ft. sickle mower; I.H. 7 ft. sickle bar mower; 6 ft. Service 3 pt. rotary mower; J.D. 40 pto spreader w/hyd. gate; I.H. bar rake; M.F. 4 bottom 3 pt. plow; Woods 7 ft. 3 pt. rotary mower; 8x16 hay wagon on Papep gear; 5 ft. 3 pt. Bush Hog mower; 3 pt. hyd. bale spear; Oliver hay wagon; 6 ft. Bush Hog mower; 8 ft. 3 pt. commercial tiller; Vermeer 605 F baler; N.H. mower conditioner.

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**YARD SALE:** 633 Virginia St., Hillsboro. Aug. 15, 16, 17. Thurs. 4 p.m. to 8 p.m., Fri. and Sat. 9 a.m. to ? Lots of misc.

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**Police**

**Litchfield Police**

• **John C. Plopper, 25,** of Bunker Hill, was jailed for criminal trespass to a motor vehicle at 1:45 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 7, at Burger King.

• **Robert J. Bowman, 37,** of Carlinville, was jailed for driving while license revoked at 12:38 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, at Thunderbird and Continental.

• **Patrick M. Galligan, 36,** of Ashland, WI, was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident at 7:41 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, at Corvette and Rt. 16.

• **Jason L. Hicks, 27,** of Litchfield, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 12:25 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9, at Van Buren and Union.

• **Mary H. Ferguson, 43,** of Carlinville, was cited for an expired registration at 11:17 a.m. Friday, Aug. 9, at State and Ryder.

• **Bret A. Bray, 31,** of Hillsboro, was cited for no valid registration at 2:36 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, at Clinton and Union.

• **Diana D. Logan, 33,** of Hillsboro, was jailed for a Montgomery County warrant, for possession of methamphetamine and for possession of a hypodermic syringe at 2:36 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 10, at Clinton and Union.

• **Tommy J. Perkins, 20,** of Litchfield, was jailed for mob action and aggravated battery at 2:05 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 11, at the 300 block of West Union.

• **Christian A. Perkins, 21,** of Litchfield, was jailed for mob action and aggravated battery at 2:05 a.m. Sunday, Aug. 11, at the 300 block of West Union.

• **Kristina M. Fenton, 35,** of Butler, was jailed for theft over \$500 at 8:53 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 13, at Walmart.



As part of Levi Weir's Eagle Scout project, the stage in the Lincolnwood High School auditorium pictured above will get a new makeover after nearly 30 years of wear.

**Weir Restores Lincolnwood Auditorium Stage**

by *Bethany Martin*

From Drama Club performances to Scholastic Book Fairs, the auditorium at Lincolnwood High School in Raymond is home to many events throughout the year, and thanks to Life Scout Levi Weir of Raymond, it will be restored to its fullest glory.

"After part of the auditorium ceiling collapsed, causing water damage to the stage, I decided that I wanted to help take a burden off of the school financially because they already had to fix the roof," said Weir, who has been a member of the Drama Club for the past three years. "It just seemed like the stage got worse and worse

every year."

A Life Scout with Troop 77 in Raymond, Weir wanted a project that would have an impact on a large number of people in the community, so he made it his mission to refinish the stage floor. The damage is significant, including deep cuts, paint spots, water damage and broken boards, which is especially hazardous because it presents splinters to those who use it.

He received multiple referrals from restoration experts who suggested hardwood flooring specialist, Rusty Menge of Hettick, who now serves as his mentor. He said the project will consist of sanding down the surface four times, re-

placing damaged boards, covering with two coats of finish, polishing the surface, then adding the final coat of finish.

During the Waggoner Car Show this Saturday, Aug. 17, Weir will be selling coffee and baked goods in the morning and will offer pork patties, pork chops, cheeseburgers and hot dogs for the remainder of the event. Community members may also find him promoting his project and accepting donations at Midway Trailer Sales Car Show on Saturday, Aug. 24.

For more information about the project or to make a donation, contact Weir at 217-246-9649, or mail them to Levi Weir, P.O. Box 492, Raymond, IL 62560.

**Accidents**

**Cyclist Injured**

Two vehicles were involved in an accident at 11:23 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 1, at the intersection of East Union and North State in Litchfield.

Emil E. Schneck, of Troy, was northbound on State Street on a motorized pedalcycle when he disregarded the red light at the intersection and struck the passenger side of a 2007 Buick Lucerne, driven by Kevin Stewart, of Butler, on eastbound Union Avenue.

Schneck was transported by Arch helicopter to St. John's Hospital in Springfield for injuries sustained in the accident.

**Failure To Reduce Speed**

Two vehicles were involved in an accident at 7:41 a.m. Thursday, Aug. 8, at the intersection of Rt. 16 and Corvette Drive in Litchfield.

Kirsten E. Sherman, of Gillespie, was stopped at the in-

tersection in a 2015 Chevrolet Captiva when her vehicle was struck from behind by a 2015 GMC Sierra, driven by Patrick M. Galligan, of Ashland, WI. Galligan told Litchfield Police that he was watching Sherman ease towards making a right turn on red when he proceeded and struck Sherman's vehicle.

The collision damaged the rear bumper, tailgate and left rear quarter panel of Sherman's vehicle. There was no visible damage to the front bumper of Galligan's vehicle. Galligan was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident.

**Intersection Accident**

Two vehicles were involved in an accident at 5:41 p.m. Friday, Aug. 9, at the intersection of West Ferdon Street and North Litchfield Plaza Drive in Litchfield.

Alyssa N. Buske, of Litchfield, was southbound on Litchfield

Plaza Drive at the same time Brit-tany S. Longwell, of Litchfield, was westbound on Ferdon Street. Both drivers arrived at the intersection at the same time and had stop signs. Both proceeded into the intersection and struck each other in the middle, causing damage to the front and driver's side of Buske's 2018 Kia four-door and the front and passenger side of Longwell's 2004 Chrysler Pacifica.

**Fire Calls**

**Single-Vehicle Accident**

On Tuesday, Aug. 13, at 8:34 p.m., 11 members of the Coffeen Fire Department responded to a one-vehicle accident. One occupant had minor injuries. They cleared the scene and were back in service at 9:34 p.m.

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**NOW HIRING!**  
**Montgomery County Treasurer's office is hiring an Assistant Collector.**  
**JOB DUTIES** include, but not limited to: Collecting and Posting annual Real Estate & Mobile Home taxes. Process and Distribute tax money to appropriate municipalities, process and mail tax delinquent notices and supervise and assist in preparation and execution of tax sale of delinquent properties. Reconcile and balance monthly bank statements. Maintain drainage district accounts.  
**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** High school diploma and three years of work related experience. Knowledge of general accounting practices and Excel spreadsheets. The ability to perform detailed work under deadline pressure. Must have effective public communication skills.  
 Full-time position 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Full benefits.  
 Resumé can be submitted to Montgomery County Treasurer's Office, 1 Courthouse Sq., Room 101, Hillsboro, IL 62049 by August 20 at 4 p.m.

**FOR RENT**  
**Main Street Office Space in Downtown Hillsboro**  
**Call John or Susie at 217-532-3933**

**LITCHFIELD COMPANY LOOKING TO FILL MULTIPLE POSITIONS!**  
 Experience in Collections/ Customer Service required. General computer knowledge and multiple-line phones a plus. Weekly bonuses paid.  
 \$\$\$ Unlimited Earning Potential \$\$\$  
 We pay you while you train for the position!  
 Please email resúmes to: [djones@corporatesvcs.org](mailto:djones@corporatesvcs.org) or fax to (866) 956-6541 or call (866) 956-8107 ext. 1002.

**Montgomery County Sheriff's Office** is seeking individuals who would like to be employed with the Sheriff's Office in the future as a full time Correctional Officer. Candidates must be a citizen of the United States. Must be 21 years of age at the time application is received. Must possess a valid driver's license. Must have a high school diploma or equivalent. All applicants must be able to successfully complete a physical test, written test, oral interview, psychological assessment and drug test. The written and physical tests are ranked by the results; there are no disqualifying scores. All interested individuals must obtain an application from the MCSO in Hillsboro or [montgomeryco.com](http://montgomeryco.com) on the Sheriff's page. The application must be completed and brought to a mandatory orientation at 10:00 a.m. or at 5:00 p.m. at the Montgomery County Historic Courthouse on the 2nd floor in the County Board room on Wednesday, August 28, 2019. All applicants will receive additional information regarding the position and upcoming dates and times for testing.

**HIRING!!**  
 Litchfield company has immediate openings with several positions available for Travel Coordinators. 40 hour work week. Starting pay \$12/hr. plus monthly bonuses and paid vacations. Our national client base is doubling and we are in need of 20 employees. We are looking for reliable, promotable, long term employees. Customer service experience and general computer knowledge is a plus. Join our team and have fun making someone's vacation dream a reality!  
 Please email resúmes to: [support@agentsupportservices.com](mailto:support@agentsupportservices.com) or fax to (888) 227-7960 or call (855) 309-2370 ext. 2019 for applications.

**HELP WANTED**  
**Lube and basic light mechanical technician, tire experience helpful.**  
**Alignment and skilled mechanical technician needed.**  
 Please send resumé or apply in person at:  
 Taylor Tire And Auto, Inc.  
 1301A West Eilerman Ave.  
 Litchfield, IL 62056

**Help At HOME**  
**— Hiring Immediately —**  
**Homemakers for Macoupin, Montgomery and Christian Counties**  
**217-532-2500**  
 Sign on bonus, vacation, holiday pay and insurance  
 Full- or Part-Time  
 No CNA needed.

**Title Transfers**

**July 15**

Kyle Jenkins Tr., William K. Jenkins Trust to Neil Jenkins, Julie Jenkins, Lucy Jenkins, Trustee Deed, Sec. 2, Situated in the City of Hillsboro, Hillsboro Twp.

Linda Clouse to Carl Aaron Thornton, WD, Sec. 5, Pt. NE/NW; Situated in the City of Witt, Witt Twp., Sec. 5, Pt. NE/NW, Witt Twp.

Larry P. Lehnen, Sharon A. Lehnen, Loren P. Lehnen, Monica R. Lehnen to Charles F. O'Malley, Giovanna L. O'Malley, WD, Lot 1-2, Blk. 1, Capps JM Addn.

**July 16**

Maria J. Aldrich to Edward E. Gamache, WD, Lot 7, Blk. 1, Fishs AE Addn.

Craig Entrikin to Jamie Geisler, WD, Blk. 11, Tylers 3rd Addn.

Margaret A. Coss, Margaret A. Clelland, Beuford L. Coss to Rhonda Daniels, Greg A. Daniels, WD, Lots 7-8, N/2 Lots 7 & 8, Blk. 15, Litchfield Original Town (Bk. L/16).

Randall M. Stewart, Sr., to Calab M. Daniken, Sabrina Marie Dawson, WD, Lots 4-5, Lot 5 & Pt. Lot 4, Blk. 2, Donnellson OT.

**July 17**

Dennis Rueter to Rueter, QCD,

Lot 3, Incomplete Legal Given for Tract 2, Blk. 6, Tylers 3rd Addn.

William T. Shurtz to William T. Shurtz, Sonia L. Hodson, QCD, Sec. 6, Pt. NE/NE; Situated in the City of Witt, Witt Twp.

Montgomery County Tr., Trust No. 03 21 453 005, Kane A. M. Hobson, Deed, Lot 8, Blk. 2, Waggoner Original Town.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that on August 6, 2019, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Montgomery County, Illinois setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: TWICE AS NICE RESALE AND BOUTIQUE located at 310 E. WATER STREET in the city of HILLSBORO and state of IL.

Dated August 6, 2019  
Sandy Leitheiser,  
County Clerk  
24-3T\*

**Public Notice of Draft NPDES Permit**

**Public Notice Number: BDF:17071001.bah**

Public Notice is hereby given by Illinois E.P.A., Division of Water Pollution Control, Permit Section, 1021 N. Grand Ave. East, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, IL 62794-9276 (herein Agency) that a draft

National Pollutant Discharge System NPDES Permit Number IL0029203 has been prepared under 40CFR 124.6(d) City of Hillsboro, 447 South Main Street, Hillsboro, Illinois 62049 for discharge into Middle Fork of Shoal Creek from: Hillsboro STP, Old Taylorville Road, Hillsboro, Illinois (Montgomery County)

This facility provides treatment of wastewater generated within its service area.

The application, draft permit, and other documents are available for inspection and may be copied at the Agency between 9:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. A Fact Sheet containing more detailed information is available at no charge. For further information call the Public Notice Clerk at 217-782-0610. Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the draft permit to the Agency at the above address. The NPDES Permit and Public Notice numbers must appear on each comment page. All comments received by the Agency not later than 30 days from the date of this publication shall be considered in making the final decision regarding permit issuance.

Any interested person may submit written request for a public hearing on the draft permit, stating their name and address, the nature of the issues proposed to be raised and the evidence proposed to be presented with regard to these issues in the hearing. Such requests must be received by the Agency not later than 30 days from the date of this publication.

If written comments and/or requests indicate a significant degree of interest in the draft permit, the permittee authority may, at its discretion, hold a public hearing. Public notice will be given 30 days before any public hearing.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

SECURITY NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff,

vs.

DARRELL W. WALLACE; BETTY L. WALLACE; BRITTANY COX DEVAN ARKEBAUER; UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.

**2019 - CH - 2**

**NOTICE OF SALE DATE**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment 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. For information regarding the real estate, contact: Robert Williams, Security National Bank, Witt, IL 62094, 217-594-2221

B. The information on the real estate:

Part of Lots One (1), Two (2), and Three (3) in Block Eight (8) in Hitt's Addition to the City of Witt, situated in the City of Witt, Montgomery County, Illinois, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Block 8, thence South 00° 18' 35" West on the Westerly line of Main Street, 54 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing South 00° 18' 35" West on said Westerly line, 66 feet; thence North 89° 56' 13" West on the Northerly line of an alley, 150 feet to the Westerly line of said Lot 3; thence North 00° 18' 35" East on said Westerly line, 66 feet; thence South 89° 56' 13" East, 150 feet to the point of beginning.

PIN: 13-06-183-013

1. Commonly known as: **116 N. Main Street Witt, IL 62094**

2. A description of the improvements on the real estate is: residential building.

C. The real estate will not be open for inspection prior to sale date.

D. The time and place of the sale will be on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Montgomery

County Courthouse, 120 N. Main St., Hillsboro, IL 62049

E. The real estate will be sold to the highest bidder. The terms of the sale will be 10% down on the day of the sale and the balance will be due within 24 hours.

F. Title will be conveyed subject to all delinquent taxes and all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, and special assessments, if any, easements and restrictions of records, and any liens not foreclosed herein.

G. Upon and at the sale of real estate under Section 15-1507, the purchaser shall pay to the person conducting the sale pursuant to Section 15-1507 a fee for deposit into the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, a special fund created in the State Treasury. The fee shall be calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser to the person conducting the sale, as reflected in the receipt of sale issued to the purchaser, provided that in no event shall the fee exceed \$300. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale of any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lien or acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. Upon confirmation of the sale under Section 15-1508, the person conducting the sale shall remit the fee to the Clerk of the Court in which the foreclosure case is pending. The Clerk shall remit the fee to the State Treasurer as provided in this Section, to be expended for the purposes set forth in Section 7.31 of the Illinois House Development Act.

Security National Bank, Plaintiff

/s/ Erik D. Hyam, #06311090 Attorney for Security National Bank

314 N. Monroe St. P.O. Box 98 Litchfield, IL 62056 Telephone: 217-324-6147 Facsimile: 217-324-6249 erik@silverlakelaw.com

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that on August 5, 2019, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Montgomery County, Illinois setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: PARADOX SAVINGS located at 905 EDGEWOOD DR. in the city of HILLSBORO and state of IL.

Dated August 5, 2019  
Sandy Leitheiser,  
County Clerk  
24-3T\*

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Public Notice is hereby given that on August 5, 2019, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Montgomery County, Illinois setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: EASY SNACKS located at 445 WILLIAMS ST. in the city of HILLSBORO and state of IL.

Dated August 5, 2019  
Sandy Leitheiser,  
County Clerk  
24-3T\*

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Landers Self Storage will be closing out overdue units for non-payment of rent. Being sold to highest bidder at 106 W. Main St., Coffeen, IL on September 6, 2019

UNIT NUMBER	NAME OF PERSONS	AMOUNT OF LIEN
#22	Emily Pickens	\$125
#25	Josh Flowers	\$350
#40	Amanda Klump	\$325
#41	Donna Medlock	\$682
#60	Paul White	\$170

**Landers Self Service**

2024 Landers Trail, Coffeen, IL 62017

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JESSE RUSSELL ROBINSON, Deceased.

**NO. 19-P-39 CLAIM NOTICE**

Notice is given of the death of Jesse Russell Robinson of Panama, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on August 9, 2019, to Nathan Robinson, Greenville, IL, as Administrator, whose attorney is Thomas G. DeVore of Silver Lake Group, Ltd. of Greenville, IL 62246.

Claims may be filed within six

(6) months from the date of publication and any claim not filed within that period is barred as to the estate which is inventoried within that period.

Claims must be filed in the office of the Clerk of this Court at the Montgomery County Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois, and copies mailed or delivered to the Administrator and to his attorney.

**Thomas DeVore**  
**IL Bar No. #06305737**  
**Attorney for Administrator**  
**Silver lake group, ltd.**  
**118 N. Second Street**  
**Greenville, IL 62246**  
**Telephone - 618-664-9439**  
**Facsimile 618-664-9486**  
**tom@silverlakelaw.com**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**STATE OF ILLINOIS FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MONTGOMERY COUNTY SECURITY NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff,**

vs.

RANDY J. SMITH, KIMBERLY L. DECK, UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS,

Defendants.

**2019 - CH - 31**

**NOTICE OF SALE DATE**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment 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. For information regarding the real estate, contact: Robert Williams, Security National Bank, Witt, IL 62094, 217-594-2221

B. The information on the real estate:

**PARCEL 1:**  
LOT FIVE (5) AND THE ADJOINING SOUTHEAST HALF (SE ½) OF LOT FOUR (4) IN THE BLOCK NINETEEN (19) OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN, NOW CITY OF WITT, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF WITT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS EXCEPT THE COAL WITHIN AND UNDERLYING THE LAND AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL

PIN: 13-06-234-003

**PARCEL 2:**  
LOT ONE (1) AND THE ADJOINING NORTHWEST HALF (NW ½) OF LOT FOUR (4) IN BLOCK NINETEEN (19) OF THE ORIGINAL TOWN, (NOW CITY) OF WITT, SITUATED IN THE CITY OF WITT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS, EXCEPT THE COAL WITHIN AND UNDERLYING THE LAND AND ALL RIGHTS AND EASEMENTS IN FAVOR OF THE ESTATE OF SAID COAL.

PIN: 13-06-234-008

1. Commonly known as: **PARCEL 1:** 413 E. ALLEN AVE. WITT, ILLINOIS

**PARCEL 2:** N. STUART ST. WITT, ILLINOIS

2. A description of the improvements on the real estate is: residential building.

C. The real estate will not be open for inspection prior to sale date.

D. The time and place of

the sale will be on Wednesday, September 11, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Montgomery County Courthouse, 120 N. Main St., Hillsboro, IL 62049

E. The real estate will be sold to the highest bidder. The terms of the sale will be 10% down on the day of the sale and the balance will be due within 24 hours.

F. Title will be conveyed subject to all delinquent taxes and all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, but have not yet become due and payable, and special assessments, if any, easements and restrictions of records, and any liens not foreclosed herein.

G. Upon and at the sale of real estate under Section 15-1507, the purchaser shall pay to the person conducting the sale pursuant to Section 15-1507 a fee for deposit into the Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, a special fund created in the State Treasury. The fee shall be calculated at the rate of \$1 for each \$1,000 or fraction thereof of the amount paid by the purchaser to the person conducting the sale, as reflected in the receipt of sale issued to the purchaser, provided that in no event shall the fee exceed \$300.

No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale of any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lien or acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale.

Upon confirmation of the sale under Section 15-1508, the person conducting the sale shall remit the fee to the Clerk of the Court in which the foreclosure case is pending. The Clerk shall remit the fee to the State Treasurer as provided in this Section, to be expended for the purposes set forth in Section 7.31 of the Illinois House Development Act.

Security National Bank, Plaintiff

/s/ Erik D. Hyam, #06311090 Attorney for Security National Bank

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**ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

On Friday, August 30, 2019 at 6 p.m., at Hillsboro City Hall, there will be a Zoning Board of Appeals meeting to discuss an appeal to the Zoning Board of Appeals reference to a manufactured home placed at 642 Parkside St., a request for a variance / special permit by Barbara Bradshaw for 642 Parkside St. in Hillsboro and amending 40-6-8 (signs) of the Zoning Code of Ordinances of the City of Hillsboro.

Gary Satterlee  
Zoning Administrator

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: KERRI ANN HARTMAN, Petitioner,

and

DONOVAN BARRY HARTMAN, Respondent.

**Case No. 2019-D-65 NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**

The requisite affidavit having been duly filed herein, NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, DONOVAN BARRY HARTMAN, that a *Petition for Dissolution of Marriage* has been filed in the above-captioned matter by the Petitioner against you for a dissolution of marriage.

UNLESS YOU FILE your answer or otherwise file your appearance in this case in the office of the clerk of this court, 120 North Main Street, Hillsboro, Illinois 62049, on or before September 12, 2019, A JUDGMENT OR DECREE BY DEFAULT MAY BE TAKEN AGAINST YOU FOR

THE RELIEF REQUESTED IN THE PETITION.

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

Holly Lemons  
Clerk of the Circuit Court

**Prepared by:**  
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**efile@GiffinWinning.com**  
**Post Office Box 2117**  
**Springfield, IL 62705-2117**  
**(217) 525-1571**

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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 4TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MONTGOMERY COUNTY, HILLSBORO, ILLINOIS**

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC, Plaintiff,

vs.

DAVID N. BISHOP AKA DAVID BISHOP and DOROTHY J. BISHOP AKA DOROTHY BISHOP, Defendants.

**19-CH-16**

**PROPERTY ADDRESS: 915 N. MONTGOMERY ST. LITCHFIELD, IL 62056**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment of the above Court entered in the above entitled cause on June 10, 2019, the following described real estate, to-wit:

Lot One (1) in Block Ninety-Six (96) of the Addition to the Town, now City of Litchfield, as platted by P.C. Huggins, situated in the City of Litchfield, Montgomery County, Illinois.

Permanent Index Number: 10-33-408-006 fka 11-201-364-00

**Commonly known as: 915 N. Montgomery St. Litchfield, IL 62056**

Will be offered for sale and sold at public vendue on September 18, 2019, at 10:00 A.M., at the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, Courthouse Square, Hillsboro, Illinois.

The Judgment amount is \$48,201.41.

The real estate is improved with vacant land.

Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Sheriff of Montgomery County. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance, including the Judicial sale fee for Abandoned Residential Property Municipality Relief Fund, which is calculated on residential real estate 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/or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours.

No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the mortgaged real estate arose prior to the sale.

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 the Plaintiff and in "AS IS" condition. The Sale is further subject to confirmation by the Court.

Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser shall receive a Certificate of Sale, which will entitle the purchaser to a Deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale.

The property will NOT be open for inspection. Prospective bid-

ders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

For information contact Plaintiff's Attorney: Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, 111 East Main Street, Decatur, IL 62523, (217) 422-1719

The purchaser of a condominium unit at a judicial foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, who takes possession of a condominium unit pursuant to a court order or a purchaser who acquires title from a mortgagee shall have the duty to pay the proportionate share, if any, of the common expenses for the unit which would have become due in the absence of any assessment acceleration during the 6 months immediately preceding institution of an action to enforce the collection of assessments, and which remain unpaid by the owner during whose possession the assessments accrued. If the outstanding assessments are paid at any time during any action to enforce the collection of assessments, the purchaser shall have no obligation to pay any assessments which accrued before he or she acquired title.

If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by the Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5 (g-1).

If the sale is not confirmed for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the purchase price paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.

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

Note: Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act you are advised that the Law Firm of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC, is deemed to be a debt collector attempting to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

**Veronika L. Jones (#6313161),**  
**Its Attorney**  
**Of Heavner, Beyers & Mihlar, LLC**  
**Veronika L. Jones (#6313161)**  
**HEAVNER, BEYERS & MIHLAR, LLC**  
**Attorneys at Law**  
**P.O. Box 740**  
**Decatur, IL 62525**  
**Send Notice/Pleadings to:**  
**Veronika L. Jones (#6313161)**  
**Email: Non-CookPleadings@hsbattys.com**  
**Telephone: (217) 422-1199**  
**Facsimile: (217) 422-1754**  
**I3127236**

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THURSDAY EVENING

AUGUST 15, 2019

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC: Holey Moley (TVPG) (N)	Family Food Fight (N)	Reef Break (TVPG) (N)	Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline				
<b>CABLE</b>	A&E: The First 48 (TV14)	The First 48 (TV14)	The First 48 (TV14)	60 Days In: Narcoland	The First 48 (TV14)					
<b>AMC</b>	(6:00) The Green Mile (99, R) ★★★ Tom Hanks, Michael Clarke Duncan.	The Taking of Pelham 123 (09, R) ★★½								
<b>ANIMAL</b>	Devoured (TV14)	Super Squid (TVPG)	Killer Whales: The Mega Hunt (TVPG)	Super Squid (TVPG)						
<b>BET</b>	(5:30) Big Momma (00)	Shaft (00, R) ★★½ Samuel L. Jackson, Vanessa Williams.	Martin	Martin	Martin					
<b>BRAVO</b>	Mil. Listing NY (TV14)	Million Dollar Listing (N)	Flipping Exes	Watch What	Mil. Listing NY (TV14)	Below				
<b>CARTOON</b>	Dad	Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick/Morty	Robot	Jellies	Check It
<b>CMT</b>	(6:30) Legally Blonde (01, PG-13)	(45) Pretty in Pink (86, PG-13) Molly Ringwald.	(45) Legally Blonde (01, PG-13) ★★½							
<b>CNN</b>	Anderson Cooper 360°	Anderson Cooper 360°	CNN Tonight (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	Anderson Cooper 360°					
<b>COMEDY</b>	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Daily (N)	Lights Out	South Side	South Park	South Park
<b>DISCOVERY</b>	Naked and Afraid	Naked and Afraid: "Haunted and Hostile" (TV14) (N)								
<b>DISNEY</b>	BUNK'D	BUNK'D	Raven	Raven	Coop & Cami	Coop & Cami	Raven	Andi Mack	BUNK'D	BUNK'D
<b>E!</b>	Overboard (87, PG) ★★½ Goldie Hawn, Kurt Russell.	Overboard (87, PG) ★★½ Goldie Hawn, Kurt Russell.								
<b>ESPN</b>	NFL Preseason Football: Oakland Raiders at Arizona Cardinals (Live)	SportsCenter	SportsCenter							
<b>ESPN2</b>	(6:00) 2019 Little League	2019 Western & Southern Open: "Round of 16"								
<b>FOOD</b>	Chopped (TV G)	BBQ Brawl: Flay (N)	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	BBQ Brawl (TV G)			
<b>FREEFORM</b>	Matilda	Pitch Perfect (12, PG-13) ★★★ Anna Kendrick, Skylar Astin.	The 700 Club (TV G)	Sweet Home (02) ★★½						
<b>FX</b>	The Hangover Part III (13, R) Bradley Cooper.	Baskets	Baskets	Baskets	(33) The Hangover Part III (13, R)					
<b>HGTV</b>	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop				
<b>HISTORY</b>	Ax Men: "Whiteout" (N)	Mountain Men (N)	Alone: "Thin Ice" (N)	(05) Alone: "Thin Ice"	Ax Men: "Whiteout"					
<b>LIFETIME</b>	Little Women: LA (N)	Little Women: LA (N)	Little Women: LA (N)	(03) Little Women: LA	(01) Little Women: LA					
<b>MTV</b>	Jersey Shore (TV14) (N)	Ex on the Beach (N)	Jersey Shore (TV14)	Jersey Shore (TV14)	Ridiculous	Ridiculous				
<b>NICK</b>	Tooth Fairy (10, PG) ★★ Dwayne Johnson, Ashley Judd.	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends				
<b>PARMT</b>	The Dark Knight Rises (12, PG-13) ★★★ Christian Bale, Gary Oldman.	Star Trek Beyond (16)								
<b>SYFY</b>	Blade II	Twister (96, PG-13) ★★½ Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton.	Krypton (TV14)	Blade (98, R) ★★						
<b>TBS</b>	Bang	Chasing the Cure (TV14) (N)	Bang	Conan (TV14)	Brooklyn	Conan				
<b>TGM</b>	In the Heat of the Night (67, NR) Sidney Poitier.	A Fistful of Dynamite (72, PG) ★★½ Rod Steiger.								
<b>TLC</b>	Dr. Pimple Popper	Dr. Pimple Popper (N)	Untold ER (TV14) (N)	My Crazy Birth Story	Dr. Pimple Popper					
<b>TNT</b>	Age of Ultron (15) ★★½ Chasing the Cure (TV14) (N)	Jack Reacher (12, PG-13) ★★★ Tom Cruise, Rosamund Pike.								
<b>TRAVEL</b>	The Dead Files: "The Convict" (TVPG)	The Dead Files (N)	The Dead Files (TVPG)							
<b>TV LAND</b>	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Men	Men	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
<b>USA</b>	San Andreas (15, PG-13) ★★ Dwayne Johnson.	Queen of the South (N)	(01) Pearson (TV14)	Queen of the South						
<b>VH1</b>	Black Ink Crew (TV14)	Black Ink Crew (TV14)	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out
<b>WGN</b>	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Married	Married		
<b>PREM</b>	HBO: Favorite (TV14)	Aquaman (18, PG-13) ★★ Jason Momoa, Amber Heard.	(25) Our Boys (TVMA)	Our Boys						
<b>MAX</b>	Midnight Special (16, PG-13) Michael Shannon.	Ready Player One (18, PG-13) Tye Sheridan.	(15) Isle of Dogs (18)							
<b>SHOW</b>	American Gigolo (80)	Boogie Nights (97, R) ★★½ Mark Wahlberg, Julianne Moore.	(35) Den of Thieves (18, R) ★★							

FRIDAY EVENING

AUGUST 16, 2019

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC: Housewife	Boat	What Would You Do?	20/20	Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline			
<b>CABLE</b>	A&E: Live PD: Rewind (N)	Live PD: "Live PD - 08.16.19" (TV14) (N)	Live PD: "08.16.19"							
<b>AMC</b>	(6:00) Road House (89, R) ★★ (35) First Blood (82, R) ★★ Sylvester Stallone.	Fear the Walking Dead	Preacher							
<b>ANIMAL</b>	The Zoo: San Diego	The Zoo: San Diego	Secret Life (TVPG) (N)	Wild Bear	Wild Bear	The Zoo: San Diego				
<b>BET</b>	black-ish	black-ish	Tales (TV14)	The Next Big Thing	Martin	Martin	Martin	Martin		
<b>BRAVO</b>	(18) Hitch (05, PG-13) ★★ Will Smith, Eva Mendes.	(54) Hitch (05, PG-13) Will Smith, Eva Mendes.								
<b>CARTOON</b>	Dad	Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick/Morty	Squidbillies	Dream Corp	Eric Andre		
<b>CMT</b>	Pure Country (92) ★★ Cheerleaders (N)	Racing Wives (N)	Cheerleaders (N)							
<b>CNN</b>	Anderson Cooper 360°	CNN Special Report (N)	CNN Tonite	CNN Tonight (N)	Anderson Cooper 360°					
<b>COMEDY</b>	The Office	The Office	The Comedy Central Roast of Rob Lowe	Cellar (N)	Roast Lowe	South Park	South Park	South Park		
<b>DISCOVERY</b>	BattleBots: "Flips, Fires, and Finche" (TVPG) (N)	Masters of Disaster (N)								
<b>DISNEY</b>	Moana (16, PG) Dwayne Johnson.	Sydney	Mickey	Just Roll	Raven	Andi Mack	BUNK'D	BUNK'D		
<b>E!</b>	Monster-In-Law (05, PG-13) ★★ Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda.	Monster-In-Law (05, PG-13) ★★ Jennifer Lopez, Jane Fonda.								
<b>ESPN</b>	Little League Baseball: "Game 8" (Live)	SportsCenter	SportsCenter							
<b>ESPN2</b>	(6:00) 2019 Western & Southern Open: "Quarterfinals" (Live)	UFC Weigh	Flashback	UFC Unleashed (TV14)						
<b>FOOD</b>	Diners	Diners	Diners (N)	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners		
<b>FREEFORM</b>	Pitch Perf	Sweet Home Alabama (02, PG-13) ★★½ Reese Witherspoon.	The 700 Club (TV G)	Family Guy	Family Guy					
<b>FX</b>	The Angry Birds Movie (16, PG) Jason Sudeikis.	The Angry Birds Movie (16, PG) Jason Sudeikis.	Snowfall (TVMA)							
<b>HGTV</b>	My Lottery	My Lottery	My Lottery	My Lottery	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters		
<b>HISTORY</b>	Ancient Aliens (N)	Ancient Aliens (N)	The Unexplained (N)	Ancient Aliens (TVPG)	Ancient Aliens (TVPG)					
<b>LIFETIME</b>	Unforgettable (17, R) ★★ Rosario Dawson, Katherine Heigl.	(33) The Perfect Soulmate (17)	(01) Unforgettable (17)							
<b>MTV</b>	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous		
<b>NICK</b>	The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie (04) ★★	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends		
<b>PARMT</b>	Top Gun (86, PG) ★★ Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis.	Top Gun (86, PG) ★★ Tom Cruise, Kelly McGillis.								
<b>SYFY</b>	Deep Blue Sea 2 (18, R) Danielle Savre.	Killjoys (TV14) (N)	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama		
<b>TBS</b>	Avengers: Age of Ultron (15, PG-13) ★★½ Robert Downey Jr.	Chasing the Cure	Mr. Deeds (02) ★★½							
<b>TCM</b>	The Awful Truth (37, NR) ★★½ (45) I Remember Mama (48, NR) ★★ Irene Dunne.	When Tomorrow (39)								
<b>TLC</b>	90 Day Fiancé: Before the 90 Days (TV14)	90 Day Fiancé (TV14)	The Family Chantel	90 Day Fiancé (TV14)						
<b>TNT</b>	Jack Reacher (12, PG-13) ★★ Tom Cruise, Rosamund Pike.	(45) Jack Reacher: Never Go Back (16, PG-13) Tom Cruise.								
<b>TRAVEL</b>	Ghost Brothers (TV14)	Ghost Brothers (TVPG) (N)	Paranormal (TVPG) (N)	Portals to Hell (TV14)	Ghost Brothers (TVPG)					
<b>TV LAND</b>	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Men	Men	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
<b>USA</b>	Iron Man (08, PG-13) ★★½ Robert Downey Jr.	Family	Family	Family	Family	Family	Family	Family	(50) Suits	
<b>VH1</b>	(6:30) Men in Black (97, PG-13) ★★ Will Smith.	Men in Black II (02, PG-13) Tommy Lee Jones.	Big Momma's 2 (06) ★★							
<b>WGN</b>	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Married	Married		
<b>PREM</b>	HBO: The Dilemma (11, PG-13) ★★ Vince Vaughn.	Real Time Maher (N)	Sketch (N)	Real Time (TVMA)	Sketch					
<b>MAX</b>	Blockers (18, R) ★★ Leslie Mann.	(45) Twins (88, PG) ★★½ Arnold Schwarzenegger.	Johnny English Strikes Again (18)							
<b>SHOW</b>	Blaze (18, R) ★★½ Ben Dickey, Alia Shawkat.	(15) Personal Best (82, R) ★★½ Mariel Hemingway.	City Hill							

SATURDAY EVENING

AUGUST 17, 2019

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC: Norman Lear's All in the	All About	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Local Programs	Local Programs					
<b>CABLE</b>	A&E: Live PD: Rewind (N)	Live PD: "Live PD - 08.17.19" (TV14) (N)	Live PD: "08.17.19"							
<b>AMC</b>	(5:30) Jaws (75, PG) Roy Scheider.	Jaws 2 (78, PG) ★½ Roy Scheider, Lorraine Gary.	Jaws 3 (83, PG) ★½							
<b>ANIMAL</b>	The Zoo (TVPG) (N)	The Zoo: San Diego	The Vet Life (TVPG) (N)	Hendersons (TVPG)	The Zoo: San Diego					
<b>BET</b>	Bobby Brown: "Part 1"	(02) The Bobby Brown Story: "Part 2" (TV14)	Martin	Martin	Martin					
<b>BRAVO</b>	(5:2) The Devil Wears Prada (06, PG-13) ★★ Meryl Streep.	(26) The Devil Wears Prada (06, PG-13) ★★ Meryl Streep.								
<b>CARTOON</b>	DBZ Kai	Dragon	Rick/Morty	Family Guy	Family Guy	Dragon (N)	Gen:Lock	Fire Force	Lupin (N)	
<b>CMT</b>	(6:30) Joyful Noise (12, PG-13) Queen Latifah, Dolly Parton.	Walk the Line (05, PG-13) ★★½ Joaquin Phoenix.								
<b>CNN</b>	CNN Newsroom (N)	CNN Special Report	The Seventies	The Nineties	The 2000s					
<b>COMEDY</b>	Meet the Parents (00)	Step Brothers (08, R) ★★ Will Ferrell, John C. Reilly.	(25) Meet the Parents (00, PG-13)							
<b>DISCOVERY</b>	Deadliest Catch: "High Water" (TV14) (N)	Undercover Billionaire: "Million Dollar" (N)	Deadliest Catch (TV14)							
<b>DISNEY</b>	Hotel Transylvania (12, PG) ★★	Raven	Big City	Big City	Raven	Andi Mack	BUNK'D	BUNK'D		
<b>E!</b>	A Madea Christmas (13) Tyler Perry.	Boo! A Madea Halloween (16, PG-13) ★★ Tyler Perry.	Happy Family (11) ★½							
<b>ESPN</b>	UFC Fight Night Prelims: "Comrie vs. (Live)	Top Rank Boxing: "Navarrete vs. De Vaca" (Live)	SportsCenter							
<b>ESPN2</b>	2019 Little League World Series: "Game 12"	MLS Soccer: Seattle vs Los Angeles (Live)	E:60 Pictures							
<b>FOOD</b>	Restaurant: Impossible	Restaurant: Impossible	Restaurant: Impossible	Restaurant: Impossible	Restaurant: Impossible					
<b>FREEFORM</b>	Zootopia (16) Idris Eba.	(15) The Incredibles (04, PG) ★★½ Craig T. Nelson, Holly Hunter.	(55) Tarzan (99, G) ★★							
<b>FX</b>	The Purge: Anarchy (14, R) ★★ Frank Grillo.	The Purge: Election Year (16, R) ★★ Frank Grillo.	Pose							
<b>HGTV</b>	Love It or List It (TV G)	Love It or List It (TV G)	Love It or List It (TV G)	Mountain	Mountain	Love It or List It (TV G)				
<b>HISTORY</b>	Ancient Aliens: Declassified: "Egypt Unearthed" (TVPG) (N)	Ancient Aliens (TVPG)								
<b>LIFETIME</b>	V.C. Andrews' Gates of Paradise (19, NR)	(03) Pregnant and Deadly (19) Christa B. Allen.	Gates of Paradise (19)							
<b>MTV</b>	Ridiculous	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Squares	To Be Announced				
<b>NICK</b>	D.R.E.A.M. All That	All That	5th Grader	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	(45) Mom	
<b>PARMT</b>	Pretty Woman (90) ★★	Forrest Gump (94, PG-13) ★★ Tom Hanks, Sally Field.	Ghost (90)							
<b>SYFY</b>	Sharknado 2: (14) ★★	Zombie Tidal Wave (19, NR)	Megalodon (18, NR) Michael Madsen.							
<b>TBS</b>	(6:00) The House (17)	Bang	Bang	Bang	Frontal	Detour	Claws: "Finna" (TVMA)			
<b>TGM</b>	Captain Blood (35, NR) ★★½ Errol Flynn.	(15) Gentleman Jim (42, NR) ★★½ Errol Flynn.	The Dawn Patrol (38)							
<b>TLC</b>	Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress: "Randy Will Show" (N)	Say Yes to the Dress	Say Yes to the Dress						
<b>TNT</b>	Cinderella (15, PG) ★★½ Lily James.	(15) Tomorrowland (15, PG) ★★ George Clooney, Britt Robertson.								
<b>TRAVEL</b>	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures: "Old County Jail" (TVPG)	Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures						
<b>TV LAND</b>	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men	Men		
<b>USA</b>	(6:00) Captain America: The Winter Soldier (14)	Captain America: The Winter Soldier (14, PG-13) ★★½ Chris Evans.								
<b>VH1</b>	(5:30) Movie	The Notebook (04, PG-13) ★★½ Ryan Gosling, James Garner.	Movie							
<b>WGN</b>	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Married	Married	
<b>PREM</b>	HBO: The Mule (18, R) ★★ Clint Eastwood.	Succession (TVMA)	Sketch	I Love You, Now Die	I Love You					
<b>MAX</b>	The Ice Harvest (05, R) ★★½	Friday Night Lights (04, PG-13) ★★	Traffic (18, R) ★★½ Paula Patton.							
<b>SHOW</b>	Peppermint (18, R) Jennifer Garner.	Tombstone (93, R) ★★½ Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer.	Drive Angry (11, R) ★★ Nicolas Cage.							

TOPPER TALK • by Sarah Huber at Hillsboro High

## Junior Sarah Huber Is New Topper Talk Reporter



Hello, Toppers! My name is Sarah Huber, and it's an honor to write this year's Topper Talk for you.

I am currently a junior at Hillsboro High School, where I participate in many extra curricular activities. I am a member of the Chamber Choir, as well as the band. I also participate in the Interact Club, Student Council, Peer Tutoring and the Anime Club. I also play on the Scholar Bowl team.

At school, I have always enjoyed math and science classes. After high school, I plan to attend a four-year college/university. However, I haven't decided what I'm going to major in.

In my free time, I love playing my flute, singing, reading, and spending time with friends and family.

"Welcome to the Hill" will take place on Monday, Aug. 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the HHS gym. This is for incoming freshmen and their parents/guardians.

The first day of school is Wednesday, Aug. 21. The high school will have a 2:11 p.m. dismissal time for the days of Aug. 21 through Aug. 23.

For any student interested in purchasing a 2019-2020 yearbook, they can visit the high school's website. Under the Topper News section, there is a link to where the yearbooks can be purchased.

While the rest of us are relaxing during the end of our summer break, the HHS fall sports teams have been very busy.

The boys golf team will play at the Hickory Stick Invitational tomorrow, Friday, Aug. 16, at Belk Park Golf Course starting at 8:30 a.m. They also have an away match on Thursday, Aug. 22, hosted by Teutopolis High School.

The girls golf team will play against Staunton and Greenville on Tuesday, Aug. 20, at the Timber Lakes Golf Course in Staunton. On Thursday, Aug. 22, they will have a match, hosted by Teutopolis.

For all the sports teams and returning students, I wish everyone the best of luck!

## County Families Are Top Bidders At State Fair Sale

Two Montgomery County families were winning bidders at the Illinois State Fair Governor's Sale of Champions on Tuesday night, Aug. 13, in the newly refurbished Coliseum.

Mike McGraw of the Litchfield McGraw family was the winning bidder for the grand champion bacon, produced by Leiding's Meats in Danville, and the McDowells for McDowell Auction and the Canton Inn in Schram City won the best of show wine produced by Galena Cellar in Jo Daviess County. The McGraws' winning bid was \$525 and the McDowells' winning bid was \$325.

Impressive winning bids, but a bit short of the price paid by the governor's wife MK Pritzker, who won the grand champion steer for \$75,000 after a bidding war with

her husband. The top steer was shown by Cole Caldwell of Peoria County.

In addition to being spotlighted before the crowd, the grand champion exhibitors, along with the reserve grand champion exhibitors, receive a portion of the proceeds from the sale of their animal. The exhibitors use the funds towards their college education or invest it back into projects for next year.

"These exhibitors are the future of agricultural in our state and the represent the best of the best," according to Director John Sullivan, of the Illinois Department of Agriculture. "The Sale of Champions is the highlight of the Illinois State Fair and to be able to bring it back inside of the Coliseum is phenomenal."

## Litchfield Veteran Will Take 57th Honor Flight Aug. 20

Land of Lincoln Honor Flight (LLHF), serving central and mid-southern Illinois, will take the next honor flight on Tuesday, Aug. 20, departing from Springfield's Abraham Lincoln Capital Airport.

On-board LLHF Flight #57 to Washington, DC, will be five World War II, 29 Korean War and 59 Vietnam War veterans – with 19 Air Force, 43 Army, 8 Marine, one Coast Guard and 22 Navy veterans taking part in the flight.

Among the veterans on this trip will be Hans Mizera of Litchfield, U.S. Army.

Ninety-three senior veterans on this flight come from 52 central and southern Illinois cities and communities of Altamont, Assumption, Atlanta, Auburn, Bloomington, Breese, Bunker Hill, Cerro Gordo, Champaign, Charleston, Chatham, Collinsville, Cornland, Cowden, Danville, Decatur, Delavan, Effingham, Elkhart, Elmhurst,

Forsyth, Gilman, Godfrey, Graf-ton, Hettick, Jacksonville, La-Salle, Lincoln, Litchfield, Maroa, Mattoon, Meredosia, Mt. Zion, Murrayville, Newton, Normal, Petersburg, Rantoul, Red Bud, Riverton, Shelbyville, Sherman, Sparta, Springfield, St. Joseph, Taylorville, Tilton, Troy, Urbana, Utica, Waverly and Willow Hill.

The veterans and their escorts will board three luxury motor coaches upon arrival at Ronald Reagan National Airport in DC. Their most important stops will be at the World War II, Korean and Vietnam War memorials, as well as Arlington National Cemetery for the Changing of the Guard ceremony at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. Other stops include the Lincoln Memorial, the National Air and Space Museum (Chantilly, VA), the U.S. Air Force Memorial, the U.S. Navy Plaza and the U.S. Marine Corps Memorial (Iwo Jima).

This day of honor is provided at absolutely no cost to the veterans. "They have paid enough; it is our turn to pay them back," said Land of Lincoln Honor Flight President Joan Bortolon.

The return to Springfield's airport is planned at 9:30 p.m., and the general public, along with friends and family, are encouraged to "pack the port" to welcome home the heroes.

All are encouraged to wear red, white and blue patriotic colors, bring balloons, posters and more to show appreciation and support to these veterans who served and sacrificed so much for our country.

Veteran applications continue to be accepted, with flight priority given in the following order: World War II (enlisted by 12/31/1946), then Korean War era (01/01/1947 to 12/31/1957), followed by the Vietnam War era (01/01/1958 to 05/07/1975). Any

certified terminally ill veteran should contact LLHF directly. Veteran or guardian applications may be obtained at [www.Land-ofLincolnHonorFlight.org](http://www.Land-ofLincolnHonorFlight.org) by clicking on the applications tab.

LLHF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that receives no government funding. It is only able to honor the veteran with a trip to DC due to the generous donations, sponsorships, fundraising events, merchandise sales and supporting efforts of the many local businesses, individuals and organizations within our service area.

Please visit the website to make a donation, consider holding a fundraiser, book a board member speaker, check the calendar or to obtain more information on the Honor Flight mission. Also consider following LLHF on their Facebook page to stay current on upcoming events and future flights.



## Hillsboro Class Of 1984 Meet For 35-Year Reunion

Members of the Hillsboro High School class of 1984 met on Friday, Aug. 9, at The Event Center in Taylor Springs to reminisce and celebrate the 35 years that have passed since their graduation. Classmates, front row from the left, live in Hillsboro unless otherwise noted: Marcella (Balla) Jokisch (Jacksonville), Marla (Eddington) Sidwell (Irving), Kristen (Hassinger) Penn (Norman, OK), Trisha (Mondhink) Wallace, Becky (Dyer) Lessman, Trina (Milanos) Moore (Irving), Brenda (Corday) Umek, Jodi (Elam) Summers (Coffeen), Shelley (Dobrinic) Fenton, Susan (Civitate) Hughson (Grand Prairie, TX), Carol (Robertson) Gudausky (Witt.) Second row: Connie (Lawler) Gummadi (Cantrell), Connie (Harms) Melton (Auburn), Karen (Maroney) Vunetich, Brenda (Reynolds) Stretch (Chatham), Jill (Ruppe) Durbin (Coffeen), Kim (Clinard) Waters (Smithboro), Kathy (Blankenship) Turner (Coffeen), Tracey (Shannon) White, Carla Durbin (West Palm Beach, FL), Julie (Chesser) Pachesa, Michelle (Bellaver) White (Irving), Brian Patton. Back row: Gene Reener, Ron Gad (Wayne), Chris Brown (Manhattan Beach, CA), Bret Reeves, Jim Lawson, Kevin Fowler, Dave Beal, Bryan Mattox (Mesa, AZ), Son Clayton, Steve Giunn (Nokomis). Not present for photo: Chuck Lentz (Bolivar, MO), James Smith (Mountain Lake, NJ).

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## Hiltopper Classmates Share Twenty Years Of Memories

Members of the Hillsboro High School class of 1999 gathered at Forsee Vineyard and Winery in Coffeen on Saturday evening, Aug. 3, to share 20 years worth of memories. Classmates enjoyed reminiscing and catching up over the years. Those in attendance are pictured above, and are from Hillsboro, unless otherwise noted. In front, from the left are David Hockett of Irving, Ginny Pryor, Amber (Casey) Kalaher, Anne (Zuber) White, Amy Hendricks of Litchfield, Renee (Spinner) Laughlin, Jill (Laughlin) Wagahoff of Taylorville, Karyn (Ferguson) Bayer of Inverness, Melissa (Hubbard) Reynolds, Maegen (Vogel) Trone, Casey Matthews and Zach Wylg. In the second row are Josh Lang, Tim Tolle of St. Louis, MO, Briana Gibb, Amy (Burlson) Jones of Butler, Mindy (Benson) Tiek of Germantown, April Athey of Staunton, Melanie Wells of Panama, Jennifer (Maass) Allen of Taylor Springs, Katie (Weller) Halliwill, Shelly (Shelton) Neely of Donnellson, Kelli (Zerrusen) Rasche of Chatham, Cara (Page) Pasdeck of Nokomis, Amanda (Fuller) Wright, Amber (Ott) Miles of Nokomis, Robin (Niehaus) Kim of Indianapolis, IN, Sarah (Burchyett) Cowen of Louisville, KY, Greta King of Denver, CO, Amanda (Brown) Hockett of Irving, Nathan Black of Litchfield and Lainie (Carlock) McNary of Fillmore. In back are Jason Blankenship, Wendy McCario of Panama, Seth Yount, Jesse Jones of Springfield, Forrest Lipe, Blake Webb of Brimfield, Chris Reynolds of Taylor Springs, Garrett Miller of Fillmore, Brian Howard of Coffeen, Brian Thompson of Loleta, CA, Michael McSperritt, Jeremy Seamon and Joe Summers of Witt.

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## Students And Parents To Be Welcomed To The Hill

Incoming freshman will get the chance to learn all about Hillsboro High School at Welcome to the Hill night on Monday, Aug. 19.

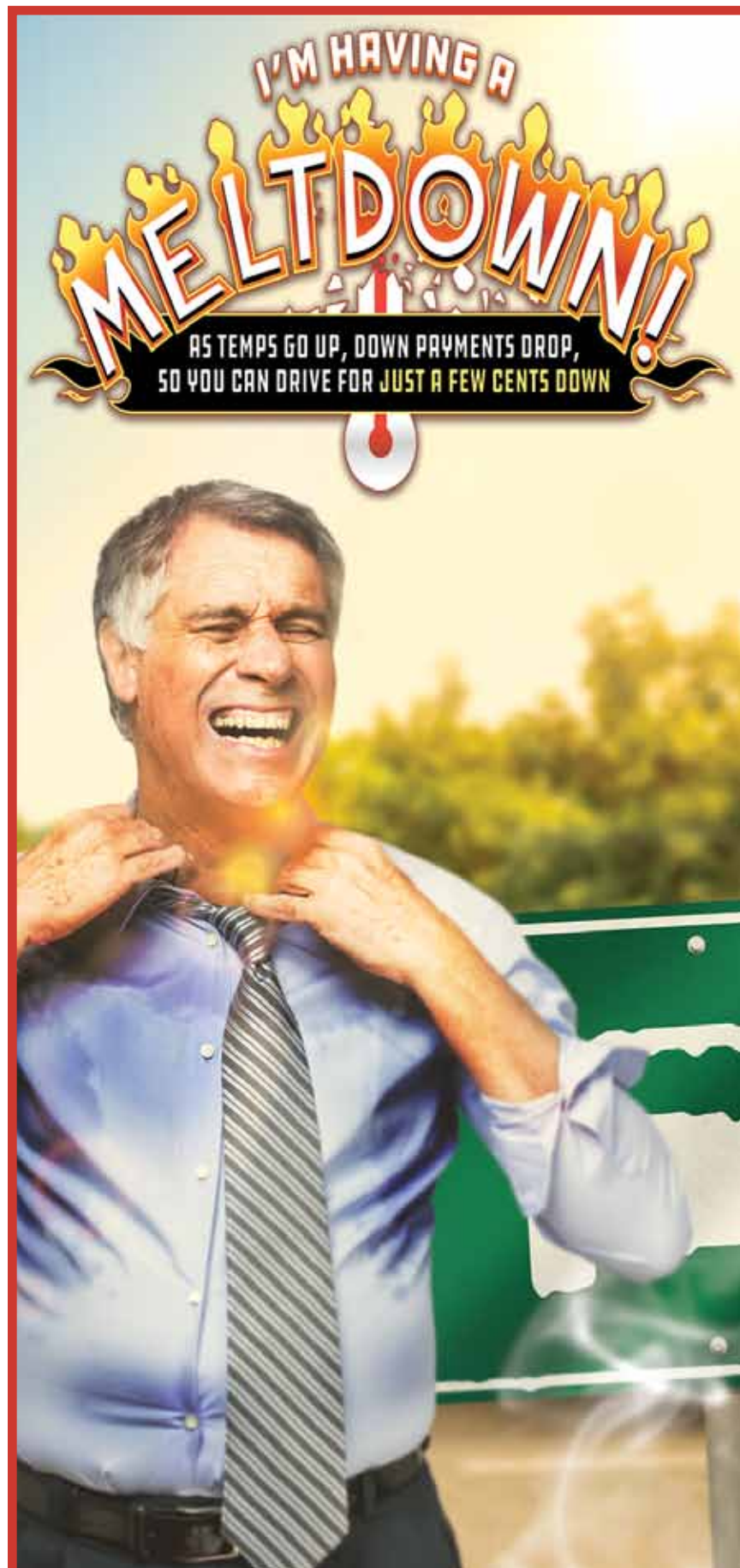
The informational orientation will be held at the high school's gymnasium at 6:30 p.m. The welcome event is open to students and parents, and will feature important sessions for parents and building/informational tours for students.

Each parent/guardian and student will begin the evening in the high school gym for a short presentation from principal Patti Heyen and assistant principal Mr. Andrew Stritzel. Breakout sessions will begin at 6:45 p.m. Parents will attend presentations in the business department hallway and students will be guided on a school tour by current student council members and members of the principal's advisory team. Each guardian will begin in an assigned presentation. The presentations will last approximately ten minutes and the parents will rotate through each of the five stations. The presentations are estimated to begin at 6:45 p.m.

and end at 7:43 p.m.

The white presentation will be held in room G200, Mrs. Amber Connor and Mrs. Julie Pachera will discuss organizational skills, classroom expectations, the new grading scale, grade calculations and why zeros matter. The green presentation will be held in room G201, Mrs. Laura Rench and Mrs. Paige Cullison will discuss chrome book policies, procedures and paperwork. The blue presentation will be held in room G202, Mr. Jason Burke and Mr. Aaron Duff will discuss club and athletic opportunities, and eligibility. The orange presentation will be held in room G203, Mr. Tim Morford and Mrs. Janet Wilkinson will discuss parent's roles and the semester token program. The red presentation will be held in room G205, Mrs. Jessica Olroyd and Mrs. Theresa Coleman will discuss study skills and strategies, FLEX time and privileges.

Around 7:45 p.m. the parents and students will reconvene in the high school gymnasium for a question and answer session.



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16 CHEVY MALIBU LT, like new, cajun red, 7k	\$18,900
15 CHEVY MALIBU LT, bluetooth, butte red, only 29k	\$14,900
19 CHEVY COLORADO Z71, crew cab, 1-owner, pacific blue, 6k	\$34,900
16 CHEVY COLORADO LT, 4x4, crew cab, black, 31k	\$29,900
17 CHEVY SILVERADO K1500 Z71, crew cab, 1-owner, silver, 37k	\$32,900
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Youngsters paint wooden piggy banks after learning about the importance of saving money from Community Affairs Specialists from the Illinois State Treasurer's Office, Lisa Badger and Dustin Morrison.

## Children Learn All About Money

Community Affairs Specialists from the Illinois State Treasurer's Office, Lisa Badger and Dustin Morrison, paid a special visit to the Farmersville-Waggoner Public Library on Monday, July 29, to present a Money Minded Story Time.

The duo read books titled, "Just Saving My Money" by Mercer Mayer and "Franklin Wants A Pet" by Paulette Bourgeois. The program sparked a discussion on saving money and different items each attendee would like to save short-term to purchase.

Badger and Morrison shared the many responsibilities of the Illinois State Treasurer's Office and the importance of investing by that

office. Different denominations of money were shown and identified for important future plans.

Activity sheets were presented and they included games of matching money, a coloring page and matching animals to their homes. Each attendee also chose a wooden piggy bank from a selection of butterflies, houses and a windmill to paint and take home. A snack of chocolate coins, chips, cookies and juice was enjoyed.

Children participating in the event were C.J. Matthews, Claire Matthews, Cody Matthews, Nova Rockwell, Jake Rockwell, Louis Rockwell, Rowen Rockwell and August Rockwell. Savannah Bowman assisted during the program.

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