

Property Tax Report Calls For Consolidating Schools

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A task force formed to study ways to reduce property tax burden on Illinois residents is calling for consolidation of school districts and other local units of government and a boost in the state's share of funding for K-12 education.

Those and other recommendations are part of a draft report circulated among the 88-member Property Tax Relief Task Force that state lawmakers formed during the 2019 session. A final report is expected to be released before the 2020 legislative session begins Jan. 28.

The bill creating the task force was part of a package of legislation also including a proposed constitutional amendment to allow for a graduated income tax. And while the draft report does not mention the proposed amendment, which will appear on the November general election ballot, Democratic Gov. J.B. Pritzker has said that he wants at least some of the new income tax revenue to be used for property tax relief if voters approve the amendment.

Rising property taxes have been a political flash point in Illinois for many years. The current system dates back to a 1901 Illinois Supreme Court decision that overturned the tax levying method that was used until that time, according to the draft report.

The report notes, however, that property ownership today is no longer the indicator of wealth and ability to pay that it was in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. It also states the current system is full of special exemptions for select

groups of property owners—including Tax Increment Financing districts, or TIFs, that have the effect of shifting the tax burden on to other property owners.

The document also notes that local governments in Illinois—school districts in particular—rely more heavily on property tax revenue than in other states. Local property taxes account for two-thirds of all funding for public schools in Illinois, while state funding accounts for only about 26 percent.

"Today's reliance on property taxes underscores how broken the system of funding local government services has become," the report states. "Too many units of government rely too heavily on property taxes, which are predicated on the value of something that is most often unrelated to the owners' ability to pay."

The report argues the property tax system should be reformed on several levels, including how property values are determined, consolidating townships and other local units of government, and reducing or eliminating some property tax exemptions.

But addressing the issue of education funding would likely have the biggest impact because school taxes make up the bulk of most people's property tax bills. Rep. Sam Yingling, D-Grayslake, one of eight co-chairs of the task force, said in an interview that one way to increase the state's share of school funding would be to expand the state's sales tax base to cover certain services not currently taxed. He added that also allows the state to reduce its sales tax rate.

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Soldiers enjoy the free lunch provided by Pizza Man of Litchfield. Pizza Man wanted to treat soldiers who will be deploying at the end of the month.
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Pizza Man Caters Lunch To Soldiers

Pizza Man in Litchfield is well-known for helping those in need in and around the community of Litchfield. And Saturday Jan. 11, was no different. The establishment catered a free lunch to the Illinois Army National Guard Recruiting office in Litchfield for soldiers who are getting ready to leave for deployment.

"We appreciate Pizza Man taking care of us like this. We have approximately 90 soldiers getting ready for deployment at the end of January and they have been busy packing to leave," said Commander Tyler Brown. "Pizza Man said they wanted to do something really big for us before

the soldiers leave."

Commander Brown went on to say that they have soldiers from many different areas both locally and nationally who are deploying.

"We have a very diverse group here in Litchfield. We have soldiers who are from Litchfield, Hillsboro, Raymond, Gillespie, Bloomington and Chicago, and even Wisconsin," said Commander Brown.

The soldiers will be deployed to the central command area of responsibility for approximately ten months on a security force mission. The last deployment for Litchfield was 2008-2009.



Soldiers pack for deployment.

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Boundary Change Could Close Sorento School

Around 200 people showed up for an informational meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 8, in Sorento, where many feel they are in a fight to save their school.

The meeting was the third in as many days throughout the Bond County Community School District—Monday in Greenville, Tuesday in Pocahontas, and Wednesday in Sorento—for members of the school board to hear public input on a number of potential school boundary changes in the district.

Impetus behind the potential

boundary changes, according to Superintendent Dr. Wes Olsen, is equalizing class sizes among attendance centers due to declining enrollments. The average kindergarten class size in 2017-18 was 27 students at Greenville Elementary School, but only 13 at Pocahontas and 10 at Sorento.

Most of the options take students from the Old Ripley area who currently go to school in Greenville and distribute them between schools in Pocahontas and Sorento. Those options, of course,

are not popular among parents whose children would have to switch schools.

One option, though, would close Sorento School.

Those at the Sorento meeting Wednesday pointed toward the school's 2012 recognition as a National Blue Ribbon School, and pointed toward the work done by the Sorento Community Development Organization to revitalize the village and bring in more families.

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Queen Brielle Will Compete For State Title

The 61st annual Miss Illinois County Fair Queen Pageant will be held Thursday, Jan. 16 through Sunday, Jan. 19 at the Crowne Plaza in Springfield.

The pageant will be held in conjunction with the Illinois Association of Agriculture Fairs annual convention.

Brielle Marten of Litchfield, the 2019 Miss Montgomery County Fair Queen, will be a contestant to compete for the title of 2020 Miss Illinois County Fair Queen among 72 other county fair queens.

Marten will be on stage for preliminary competition on Saturday, Jan. 18 from 1 to 4 p.m. The preliminary competition on Saturday is open to the public with a \$20 admission. She will compete in four categories, including interview, stage presence (evening gown), beauty and physique (swimsuit),

and speech and communication.

The finals will be on Sunday, Jan. 19, when the top 15 are announced to finish the competition.

Marten is the 20-year-old daughter of Jeff and Brandi Marten of Litchfield. She is currently a junior at the University of Illinois Chicago College of Nursing located on the Springfield campus. She will graduate with her RN-BSN in May 2021.

Marten works as a patient care tech at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield and as a sales consultant at MyFormals in Litchfield. She also spends her time as a stage coach and choreographer for the local Miss Litchfield and Miss Black Diamond Days pageants.

"All county residents are encouraged to attend to support Queen Brielle," said local pageant director Ashley Vinyard. "We hope to see you there."



Miss Montgomery County Brielle Marten



Stamp Out Cancer Names 2020 Teams

Stamp Out Cancer, now celebrating its tenth year, kicked off this year's fundraiser with an announcement of the 2020 Lip Sync Battle teams on Sunday evening, Jan. 12, at the Opera House Brewing Company in downtown Hillsboro. Competing for bragging rights in this year's event, in front, from the left are Random Clavin and Tessie Lessman of Raymond and Tara Baker and Madison Baker of Hillsboro. In back are Aaron and Ally Wodd of Nokomis and Diana Sisson of Litchfield and Jenny Pezold of Walshville.

This year's Stamp Out Cancer fundraiser will be held on Saturday, March 28, at The Event Center of Montgomery County in Taylor Springs. In addition to the Lip Sync Battle, it will feature live music by Platinum Rock Legends and a silent auction. Tickets are \$25 each for this typically sold-out event and will go on sale on Saturday, Feb. 1, beginning at 10 a.m. at Tee Shirts Ink in downtown Hillsboro. All proceeds from Stamp Out Cancer fundraisers will benefit the Montgomery County Cancer Association.

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Jan. 11	59	34	2.90
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Kenneth L. Brown, 85

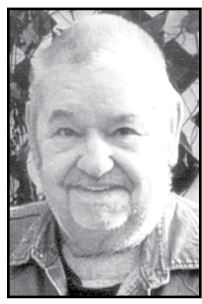
Coffeen Lions Club Member

Kenneth L. Brown, 85, of Coffeen, died on Friday, Jan. 10, 2020, at 12:50 a.m. at his residence in Coffeen.

Family and friends may gather at 10:45 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at Toberman-Dean Funeral Home in Coffeen. A graveside service will follow, at 11 a.m. at Glendale Cemetery in Fillmore, with Pastor Danny White, of Coffeen, officiating.

Mr. Brown was born on Jan. 25, 1934 in Fillmore, the son of Audra (Brown) Toberman and step-father Lewey Toberman. He married Janet Howard, they later divorced. He then married Donna Clark, they later divorced. On Dec. 31, 1988, he married Jean (Chumley) Brown, she survives in Coffeen.

He was a retired farmer. He also



worked as a milk hauler, telephone lineman and in construction. Mr. Brown was a member of the Coffeen Lions Club, Beef Producers Association and Montgomery County Farm Bureau. He was known for his quick wit and sense of humor by his family and friends.

Mr. Brown is survived by his children, Debra (Brown) Drobnack, Karen (Jeff) Woods, Lee Brown and Crystal (Mike) Rivali; seven grandchildren, Nickolas and Cameron Rivali, Whitney and Sarah Drobnack, Dylan and Skylar Woods, and Lillie Brown; and one great-grandchild.

Memorials may be directed to St. Louis Children's Hospital in St. Louis, MO. Condolences may be left online at tobermandeanfh.com.

Gary L. Kolkhorst, 77

Farmer, Cardinals Baseball Fan

Gary Lee Kolkhorst, 77, of Litchfield, formerly of Raymond and Harvel, died on Sunday, Jan. 12, 2020, at 7:56 a.m. at Montgomery Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Taylor Springs after a lengthy battle with Parkinson's disease.

Visitation will be held Tuesday, Jan. 14, from 3 to 7 p.m. at Plummer Funeral Home in Litchfield. Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, Jan. 15, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at Zion Lutheran Church in Litchfield with the Rev. James F. Ritter officiating. Burial will follow in Elmwood Cemetery in Litchfield.

Mr. Kolkhorst was born Aug. 20, 1942, in Litchfield, to Wilbert Herman and Wilma Vera Caroline (Brockmeyer) Kolkhorst. He married Sherlyn "Sherry" Kay Clevenger on June 24, 1962, at St. James Lutheran Church in Harvel, and she survives.

He graduated from Raymond High School with the class of 1960, and went on to become a lifelong farmer in the Raymond and Harvel areas.

Mr. Kolkhorst was a member of the Montgomery County Farm



Bureau, where he served on the board of directors for several years and was past president; and the 3M Firefighters Association. Additionally, he served as a volunteer firefighter for the Raymond-Harvel Fire Department for several years.

He enjoyed St. Louis Cardinals baseball and was a big fan.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Kolkhorst is survived by his son, Mark (Char) Kolkhorst of Overland Park, KS; daughter, Marci (Greg) Millburg of Sycamore; brother, Ron Kolkhorst of Chicago; five grandchildren, Lexie, Kyle and Adam Millburg, Samantha (fiance Austin Denny) Kolkhorst and Sophie Kolkhorst; nephew, Bradley Kolkhorst; and niece, Ronda Clarke.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be directed to the Raymond-Harvel Fire Department or Parkinson's Foundation, Heartland Chapter, 200 SE 1st., Suite 800, Miami, FL 33131. To light a candle or sign the online guestbook, visit www.plummerfuneralservices.com.

Joyce A. Huber, 60

Active Right To Life Volunteer

Joyce Ann Huber, 60, of Springfield, formerly of Hillsboro, died on Friday, Jan. 10, 2020, in Hillsboro.

Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday Jan. 18, at Hillsboro Presbyterian Church with Pastors Shawn Huber and Kenny Vallelonga of World Harvest Church in Hillsboro officiating. Visitation will be Saturday from 9 a.m. until service time at the church. Burial will be in St. Johns Cemetery in Coffeen. Hough and Sons Funeral Home in Hillsboro is in charge of arrangements.

Miss Huber was born on March 16, 1959, in Litchfield to Joseph A. and Agnes M. (Limper) Huber. She attended Coffeen grade school and was a graduate of Hillsboro High School and Lincoln Land Community College.

She retired from Illinois Department of Revenue as a computer programmer.

She was a member of Kum-



ler United Methodist Church in Springfield, Springfield Right to Life, Table of Life Prayer Ministry and Springfield Tea Party. She was generous to her nieces and nephews, and dedicated her life to the Lord's work.

She is survived by her mother Agnes; 11 brothers and sisters, LaVerne L. Thompson, Steven J. Huber, Elaine E. Munos, Sidney J. Huber, Stanley J. Huber, Maria J. Aldrich, Lorraine F. Beers, Christina R. Thompson, Jean M. Metcalf, Shawn J. Huber and Stewart J. Huber; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her father.

Memorials may be directed to Hillsboro Presbyterian Church, World Harvest Church in Hillsboro, Springfield Right to Life or Kumlner United Methodist Church in Springfield. Condolences to the family may be left at www.houghfuneralhome.com.

Norma Lorene Harbaugh, 83

Leaves Family In Litchfield

Norma Lorene Harbaugh, 83, of Plainview, died at 12:58 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2020, at Heritage Health of Gillespie.

Services were held on Saturday, Jan. 11, at the First Baptist Church in Gillespie, with Pastor Jared DePope officiating. Burial was at Prairie Lawn Cemetery in Carlinville. Kravanya Funeral Home, Gillespie assisted the family with arrangements.

Mrs. Harbaugh was born on Sept. 13, 1936, in Lowder, to William Welcome Bettis, Sr. and Beulah (Waters) Bettis. She married



Charles W. Harbaugh on Nov. 19, 1953, in Hettick, he preceded her in death on Nov. 16, 1991.

She worked as an Avon Lady. She was a member of the First Baptist Church, where she was a Sunday School Teacher for 55 years.

Mrs. Harbaugh is survived by her children, William Lester Harbaugh of Gillespie, Charles Edward Harbaugh of Arkansas, Douglas Lee (Michele) Harbaugh of California, Cheryl Ann Force of Benld, Jeffrey Kirk (Jenifer) Harbaugh of Litchfield and Charles Lee (Amber) Harbaugh of Gillespie; 22 grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and brother, William Welcome Bettis, Jr. of Nilwood.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and spouse.

Memorials may be directed to the First Baptist Church in Gillespie. Condolences may be left online at www.kravanyafuneral.com.

Carol A. Lankutis, 85

Litchfield Resident

Carol A. Lankutis, 85, of Litchfield died on Saturday, Jan. 11, 2020, at 2:30 p.m. at Heritage Health: Therapy and Senior Care in Litchfield.

Visitation will be held Thursday, Jan. 16, from 10 to 11 a.m. at Litchfield Family Funeral Services. Funeral services will follow, beginning at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be held in Elmwood Cemetery.

Mrs. Lankutis was born Aug. 28, 1934, in Raymond, to William L. and Amelia Sophia (Smith) Watkins. She married George Lan-

kutis on Nov. 1, 1952, in Litchfield, and he preceded her in death on July 15, 2012.

She is survived by her children, Harold (Brenda) Lankutis, James Lankutis, Brenda (Dwayne) Wayman and Lee (Sandy) Lankutis, all of Litchfield; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Lankutis was preceded in death by her parents; and sisters, Mary Tigner, Edith Elam and Dorothy Cancio.

Condolences to the family may be left at www.litchfieldffs.com.

Dale O. Peters, 81

Served In Air National Guard

Dale O. Peters, 81 of Livingston, died on Monday, Dec. 30, 2019, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Jan. 4, at the Lesicko Funeral Home in Livingston, with the Rev. Heath R. Curtis officiating. Burial was held at the family's plots in Worden City Cemetery in Worden. Lesicko Funeral Home in Livingston assisted the family with arrangements.

Mr. Peters was born on Sunday, May 15, 1938, in Litchfield, to Ottmer and Maude Goldie (Wildhaber) Peters. He married Annette Hayman on May 18, 1958, and she preceded him in death on Friday, May 5, 2006.

Mr. Peters was employed by McDonnell Douglas-Boeing of St. Louis, MO, for 53 years. He started with McDonnell Douglas as a tool and die maker, later advancing to



a position as an industrial engineer. He then became a methods engineer and eventually retired as an engineer in supply chain management.

During the beginning of his professional career with McDonnell Douglas he was also a member of the Illinois Air National Guard.

Mr. Peters is survived by his daughter, Gale (Kevin) Keenoy of Auburndale, FL; grandson, Devlin Keenoy of Fort Myers, FL; his dear friend, Denise Heinemeier of Livingston; brothers-in-law, Allan "Mike" Hayman and Gordon Hayman; and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, William "Bill" Peters; and his best "bully" friend, Leon.

Memorials may be directed to Adopt-A-Pet. Condolences may be left online at www.lesickofuneral-home.com.

Mildred Virginia Hicks, 92

Leaves Siblings In Nokomis

Mildred Virginia Hicks, 92, of Decatur, died on Jan. 1, 2020, at Decatur Memorial Hospital.

Funeral service were held on Tuesday, Jan. 7, at Graceland Fairlawn Funeral Home in Decatur. Burial was at Graceland Cemetery.

Mrs. Hicks was born on May 5, 1927, in Ramsey, to John Alfred and Sarah Frances (Dilbeck) Eller. She married Clyde E. Hicks on Nov. 10, 1944, in Fayette County, he preceded her in death Aug. 3, 2007. Mrs. Hicks was a computer programmer and operated her own business, Millie Hicks Real Estate.

She loved education and attending college classes. She earned degrees from Illinois State University, Sangamon State University and Richland Community College. In her spare time, she enjoyed bowling and golfing, and was a member of the women's area Se-

nior League. She loved to travel, and visited many splendid areas.

She is survived by her daughter, Rose Anna (Larry) Crawley of Dalton City; brother, Clifford (Georgie) Eller of Nokomis; sisters, Edith Petska of Pana and Evelyn Stevenson of Nokomis; grandchildren, Diana (Ron) Cloyd, Vickie (Danny) Epperson, Darlene Miller, Laura (Eric) Kline, Lisa (Terry) Simpson; 12 great-grandchildren; two step great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; sons, Larry D. Hicks and Steven Hicks; brothers, Carl, Roy, Arthur and Merle Eller; and sister, Madge Ray.

Memorials may be made to the Richland Community College Foundation. Condolences may be left online at www.gracelandfairlawn.com.

Doris Louise Pickel, 85

Leaves Family In Coffeen

Doris Louise Pickel, 85, of Mt. Zion, died at 11:35 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2020, at her residence.

Services were held at Dawson and Wikoff Funeral Home on Saturday, January 11. Burial was at the Mt. Zion Township Cemetery. Dawson and Wikoff Funeral Home in Mt. Zion is assisting the family with arrangements.

Mrs. Pickel was born on Oct. 29, 1934, in Coffeen, to Ferdinand and Inez (Schraut) Huber. She married Charles Phillip Pickel on March 3, 1956, he preceded her in death on Oct. 24, 2013. She retired as the bookkeeping supervisor from Soy Capital Bank.

Mrs. Pickel is survived by her



daughters, Pam (Gary) Brueggemann and Teri Schenck, both of Mt. Zion; brothers, Donald (Phyllis) Dean Huber and Ramon Huber, both of Coffeen; sister, Marie Mienenheimer of Coffeen; grandchildren, Justin (Natashia) Brueggemann of Oreana, Randi (Tim) Boyle of Algonquin, Chel-

sea (Marcus) Durand of Mt. Zion and Chaim Schenck of Mt. Zion; great-grandchildren, Grace Durand, Charlie Brueggemann, Gabriel Durand and Adalynn Boyle.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; and three brothers.

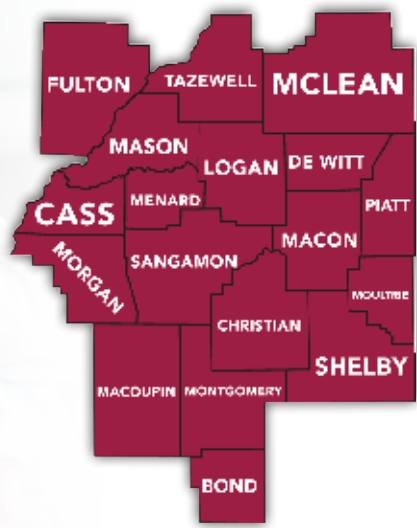
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TUE JAN 14		Mostly Sunny	54°/34°	↗10%
WED JAN 15		AM Showers	51°/24°	↗30%
THU JAN 16		Partly Cloudy	39°/30°	↗20%
FRI JAN 17		Showers	46°/32°	↗50%
SAT JAN 18		Partly Cloudy/Wind	37°/15°	↗20%
SUN JAN 19		Partly Cloudy	27°/18°	↗0%

Zala Alice Meyer, 84

Licensed Practical Nurse

Zala Alice Meyer, 84, of Hillsboro died on Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2019 at 7:35 p.m. at Hillsboro Area Hospital.

Family and friends are invited to attend an informal memorial service Saturday, Jan. 18, beginning at 1 p.m. at The Abbey on Broad in Hillsboro, 202 South Broad Street. Cremation rites were accorded. Bass Patton Dean Funeral Home assisted the family.

Ms. Meyer was born on Dec. 9, 1935, in Coffeen, to Jerome and May (Gaines) Malloy. She graduated from Coffeen High School in 1953, and married Denver C. Meyer that same year.

She began her married life working as a farmer's wife, before moving to Hillsboro in 1961 and raising four children. She later divorced, and earned her LPN at Capitol Area Vocational Center. Ms. Meyer worked at Hillsboro Hospital, area nursing homes and Graham Correctional Center Medical Unit, where she worked for 22 years before retiring.

Ms. Meyer had a large, close-knit extended family and enjoyed them all. She loved to attend the countless get togethers they held.



In addition to her four children, she wrangled all of the neighborhood kids that hung out with her children. She was an Eastern Star member. In her spare time, she enjoyed music, traveling with friends and family, reading and puzzles.

Ms. Meyer is survived by her children, Daniel Dean (Jackie) Meyer of Hillsboro, Lloyd Alan Meyer of Hillsboro, Douglas Kent (Diana Casey) Meyer of Coffeen and Miki Malloy (Eric) Smoot of Hillsboro; grandchildren, Luke (Kim) Meyer, Jessie (Jamie) Hatfield and Cody Meyer; five great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mary May Mansfield of Brighton and Lila (Arthur) Mazzier of Wheaton.

She was preceded in death by her parents; one grandson, Kyle Meyer; a daughter-in-law, Cindy Meyer; and four brothers, Drexel Malloy, Carl T. Malloy, Carroll Malloy and Durrel J. Malloy.

Memorials are suggested to the Montgomery County Senior Citizens, Imagine Hillsboro or the donors choice.

Online condolences may be left online at www.basspattondeanfh.com.

Springfield Woman Found Dead In Burning Home

A Springfield woman with local family was found dead after a fire broke out at her home at around 5:46 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11.

Abby Neisler, 24, was discovered by firefighters battling the blaze. She is daughter of Jerry and Dayna Neisler of Pawnee, granddaughter of Bob and the

late Marilyn DeLuca of Nokomis, Dorothy Neisler of Witt and Gary Neisler of Hillsboro.

Neisler worked at Aldi's in Springfield. An obituary will be posted on the newspaper website when available and printed in the next edition.

Sorento School

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Another potential boost in Sorento attendance could come from the Hillsboro School Districts, where Bond County residents in Panama and Donnellson said they have made inquiries into the process of detaching from Hillsboro and joining the Bond County School District.

Superintendent Olson pointed out that although the potential

boundary changes are not financially driven, the option to close Sorento School would save the school district an estimated \$735,000 a year.

"It was very evident that the people of the Sorento area are very proud of their school, and are willing to work to make it better that it is already," Susan Wall of Sorento said after the meeting. "Determination for a good cause makes great things happen."

Planning Commission Will Meet

Members of the Hillsboro Planning Commission will hold their monthly meeting Thursday, Jan. 16, beginning at 12:30 p.m. at the Hillsboro City Hall.

Agenda items include updates

on Imagine Hillsboro, housing, H.C.D.C., Natural Resources Committee, downtown building vacant property and Eagle Zinc, as well as plans for the city.

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Jan. 30 & 31 Certified Food Managers Course & Exam, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Extension office

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Recent Rain Raises Glenn Shoals Level

The water level at Glenn Shoals Lake in Hillsboro is up several feet—as evidenced in this photo from the dam looking west—after nearly four-and-a-half inches of moisture fell at the end of last week. Most of the 4.42 inches was rain, but rain turned to snow on Saturday with an accumulation of approximately an inch. Showers once again show up in the mid-week forecast.

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Unwanted Calls? Get On The Registry

The national "Do Not Call" registry was created to stop unwanted sales calls, according to the Federal Trade Commission, and is free to register both home or mobile phone numbers.

Those who have added their phone number to the Do Not Call registry and are still getting a lot of unwanted calls are likely getting them from scammers. The Do Not Call registry stops sales calls from real companies. It is a list that tells telemarketers what numbers not to call. The FTC does not and cannot block calls.

One reason people get a lot of unwanted calls is because it's easy and cheap for scammers to call people anywhere in the world. Scam calls may be blocked on mobile devices using reputable blocking apps, and on land lines using telephone company services. Scam calls should also be reported to the FTC.

To add a phone number to the Do Not Call registry, go to donotcall.gov or call 1-888-382-1222 (TTY: 1-866-290-4236) from the phone you want to register. It's free. Those who register at donotcall.gov will get an email with a link you need to click on within 72 hours to complete the registration. After registering, the phone number should show up on the registry the next day, but it can take up to 31 days for sales

calls to stop.

Phone numbers on the Do Not Call registry never expire. The FTC will only remove a number from the registry if it's disconnected and reassigned, or if the owner asks to remove it.

Even for those on the Do Not Call registry, rules still allow political calls, charitable calls, debt collection calls, purely informational calls, and surveys, but none of them can include a sales pitch.

If a robocall—a call that plays a recorded message—is selling something, it's illegal unless the call recipient has given the company written permission to call that way.

"So if you haven't given the company permission, and the robocall isn't purely informational—like your cable company confirming a service appointment—there's a good chance it's a scam," according to the FTC Do Not Call registry website. "At the very least, it's from a company you don't want to do business with. If you get an illegal robocall, hang up. Don't press buttons to be taken off a call list or to talk to a live person. It might lead to more unwanted calls. Instead, report it to the FTC."

Unwanted calls may be re-

ported at donotcall.gov. Report the number that appears on caller ID—even if it might be spoofed or faked—and any number you're told to call back.

Companies that illegally call numbers on the national Do Not Call registry or place an illegal robocall can currently be fined up to \$42,530 per call.

Legitimate telemarketers can't call before 8 a.m. or after 9 p.m., be deceptive or abusive or lie about any terms of their offer, ask for payment with a cash-to-cash money transfer or by giving the PIN from a cash reload card or by asking for bank account information.

Telemarketers must connect their call to a sales representative within two seconds after the phone is answered, transmit their telephone number and—if possible—their name to caller ID, say right away what seller or charitable organization they represent and that the call is a sales call or a charitable solicitation, disclose all material information about the goods or services they're offering and the terms of the sale, and get the buyer's permission to charge them.



Property Tax Report

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The report also notes that one task force member, Chicago Democratic Rep. Mary Flowers, who co-chaired the subcommittee on social and economic disparities, "recommends the removal of school districts from the property tax system so that the State of Illinois has sole funding responsibility for K-12 schools."

Illinois also has an unusual system of organizing public schools, with 850 individual districts. Of those, more than 300 serve only grades K-8 and nearly 100 serve only high school students. The remainder are known as "unit" districts that serve all grades from K-12.

"Each of these has administrative staff and combining them into unified school districts will result in efficiencies of scale," the draft report states. "The degree and scope of savings will vary from district to district and from school to school, but in parts of the state, merger will make great financial sense, and without raising concerns about geographic dislocation for students."

Rep. Stephanie Kifowit, an Oswego Democrat who served as co-chair of the task force's school funding subcommittee, said in an interview that she agrees with the need for school district consolidation.

"When you talk about school funding and single purpose districts such as K-8 or high school districts, the residents have to know that they are essentially being almost double-taxed versus a unit district," she said.

By way of example, Kifowit shared a photograph she took of a constituent's property tax bill. The bill was for a home in Park Forest, a village south of Chicago in Cook County. The home was valued at just over \$128,000 and the tax bill was for more than \$13,000. That included more than \$7,000 levied by two school districts.

The task force was originally supposed to deliver its final report to the governor and General Assembly by Dec. 31, but Yingling said members felt it was important to get feedback on the draft from all four legislative caucuses — Republicans and Democrats in the state House and Senate. He

said he expects a final report to be complete before the 2020 session begins Jan. 28.

Once the final report is released, its recommendations will be drafted into legislation for the General Assembly to consider this year.

"It's gonna take longer than one session in one year to fix but I think this is a great first step in the right direction," Kifowit said. "And I think that we can have a commonsense solution for it to really work to lower property taxes for our residents."

But not everyone on the task force was pleased with the draft report.

"As a current draft, the final report is nothing more than a collection of thoughts with no real recommendations, put together by only a handful of people," Rep. Joe Sosnowski, R-Rockford, said in a statement.

Litchfield Board To Meet Tonight

Members of the Litchfield School Board will have a special meeting tonight, Monday, Jan. 13, beginning at 6 p.m. in the Radius Room at Litchfield High School.

On the agenda for the work session are discussion of extracurricular and co-curricular activities as well as Vision 2020 for the school district.

The next regular monthly meeting for the Litchfield School Board will be Thursday, Jan. 23, beginning at 6 p.m. at Sihler School.

County Board Meeting Begins At 5:30 Tuesday

Items that have been the subject of ongoing discussions remain on the agenda for the Montgomery County Board when they meet at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, at the Historic Courthouse in Hillsboro: the upcoming census, Foresight Energy, 911, recycling and animal control.

Among other items falling under the board's eight standing committee reports are budget control policies and procedures, and a resolution committing certain county revenues to specified expenditures.

Hillsboro School Board Will Discuss Career Consortium

Hillsboro School Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at the District Unit Office in Hillsboro.

Agenda items to be discussed include forming a Montgomery County Career and Technical Consortium, a budget reduction plan for the fiscal year 2021 and a presentation on the Safe School Helpline program.

Hillsboro City Council Will Meet Tuesday

Members of the Hillsboro City Council meet Tuesday, Jan. 14, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Hillsboro City Hall.

Agenda items include a proposal to update the city's zoning map, real estate, purchasing baby changing stations for public bathrooms, campground manager position and more.

708 Board Will Meet Monday

The Montgomery County 708 Board will meet at 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13, in the PBC Room on the bottom floor of the Montgomery County Courthouse in Hillsboro. Entry to the meeting is accessed through the rear of the building.

Board Of Review Set To Meet

The Montgomery County Board of Review will meet at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14, on the second floor of the Historic Courthouse in Hillsboro.

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Hillsboro Church Celebrates Confirmation In December

The Hillsboro United Methodist Church celebrated the confirmation of two youth during the regular worship service on Sunday, Dec. 8, with Pastor Mike Lawton, standing in back. Pictured above, in front, from the left are Kinsley Trader, daughter of Brandon and Angelica Trader, and Emilee Roemelin, daughter of Chris and Trish Roemelin.

The students completed a ten-week confirmation program, learning about the history of the United Methodist Church and what it means to be a Christian. During the special service, each student received a certificate and a personalized Bible. Following the service, students and their families enjoyed a reception at the church.

Also participating in the confirmation program at their respective churches in the Good Shepherd Parish were Amber Carroll of the Irving United Methodist Church and Kacey Nave of the Coffeen United Methodist Church.

County Clerks Office Reminds Residents To Register To Vote

The Montgomery County Clerk's office reminds voters that their voter registration information must be up-to-date to avoid problems or voting delays in the General Primary Election on Tuesday, March 17.

The last day for registration or transfer of voter registration with all deputy registrars, and with the County Clerk's office, is Tuesday, Feb. 18. The County Clerk's office will be open on Saturday, Feb. 15, from 9 a.m. until noon, to provide voter registration services. Montgomery County residents who are at least 17 years old and who will become 18 years old on or before the Tuesday, Nov. 3, General Election are also eligible to register to vote until the registration deadline - and may vote during the Tuesday, March 17, General Primary Election.

Voters are reminded that they must completely re-register to vote if their name has changed or if they have recently moved to Montgomery County. Voters who have moved within the county and/or precinct may do this either by completing the voter transfer information on the back of their current Voter's Identification card or by completing the voter address change form; which can be downloaded and printed from the county website at www.montgomeryco.com. These documents must

be sent to the County Clerk's office in Hillsboro. Voter registration services can also be completed in person at the County Clerk's office in Hillsboro.

The qualifications to register to vote in Illinois General Primary Elections are: US Citizenship, must be 17 years old on or by Primary Election Day - if individual will be age 18 by General Election Day. Voters are also required to have resided in the precinct for 30 days by the date of the election, Tuesday March 17. When registering to vote, applicants will be requested to provide documentation of their identity and current physical address.

In addition to the County Clerk's office, many Deputy Registrars are available throughout Montgomery County to provide all voter registration services.

Information about registering to vote and Deputy Registrars in local areas may be found online at www.montgomeryco.com. Inquiries may also be directed to the County Clerk's office via email at countyclerk@montgomeryco.com, telephone at 217-532-9530 or in person.

The Montgomery County Clerk's office is located on the first floor of the historic courthouse in Hillsboro, business hours are Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Births

Joe and Ashley (Young) Webb of Litchfield announce the birth of their first child, a son, Cal Joseph Webb, born at 3:29 p.m. on Jan. 3, 2020, at HSHS St. John's Hospital in Springfield. He weighed 5 lbs., 11 ozs., and measured 19 ins. long.

His father is a teacher at Lincolnwood High School in Raymond, and his mother is the director of strategic incentives at the Illinois Association for Behavioral Health.

Paternal grandparents are Mike and Sandy Webb of Wagoner.

Maternal grandparents are Kevin and Micki Young of Litchfield.

Maternal great-grandparents are Tjode Young of Hillsboro and Peggy Simpson of Decatur.



Michael A. and Corinna N. Lee, of Litchfield, announce the birth of their daughter, Zoe Amara Lee, born at 8:03 a.m. on Thursday, Jan. 9, 2020, at HSHS St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield. She weighed 7 lbs., 11 ozs. and measured 19 ins. long.

Zoe is welcomed to the world by her older siblings, Michael, age nine, Noah, age five, and Cheyenne, age four.

Maternal grandparents are Penny McCullough of Decatur and Clark C. Warner of Gibson City. Paternal grandparents are Margie and Pat Bisto of Metamora.

Maternal great-grandmother is Carolyn Kelly of Decatur.

Paternal great-grandparents are Dorthy and Jess Anglin of Mt. Olive, and Thelma Lee of Metamora.

Branden Ketcherside and Cassandra "Casey" Brown of Coffeen announce the birth of their daughter, Gwendelyn Mae Ketcherside, born at 9:42 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, 2020, at HSHS St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield. She measured 6 lbs., 5 ozs. and 18.5 ins. long.

Gwendelyn was welcomed home by her big brother, Ezra Ketcherside, two years old, and big sister, Aubrianna "Auby" Ketcherside, ten years old.

Maternal grandparents are Michelle Brown of Fairview Heights and David Brown of Omaha, NE. Paternal grandparents are Michael and Joyce Ketcherside of Coffeen.

Maternal great-grandparents are Michelle Rice, Cleve Rice and Rebecca Rice, all of Coffeen.

Hillsboro Senior Club Will Hold Holiday Party

The Hillsboro Community Senior Club will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 28, at the Senior Center in Hillsboro. This month's meeting will be the club's cancelled Christmas party.

The meal will be catered by Lyn. The club plans to eat at noon and asks members to bring a dessert. Following lunch, the club will play dirty Bingo. All members should bring a \$5 gift to participate.

Reservations should be made to Lyn at 217-532-3662 by Friday, Jan. 24.



Lions Governor Johnson Awards Pins To Members

Illinois Lions District 1-M Governor David Johnson from Mt. Zion Lions Club made his annual club visit on Thursday, Jan. 9, and awarded a 30-year member Chevron Pin to Lion member Greg Schoen, and a 25-year member Chevron Pin to Sharon Schoen. Governor Johnson also awarded 45-year pins to Lions members George Blankenship and Bob Calvert, as well as ten-year pins to members James Hertel and Scott Merano. Pictured above, from left to right are Sharon Schoen, Governor David Johnson and Greg Schoen. Not present for photo were James Hertel and Scott Merano.

Rent Celebrates Anniversary Tour At Fox

The *Rent* 20th anniversary tour will return to St. Louis, MO, due to popular demand. The Broadway musical will play Feb. 21-23 at the Fabulous Fox Theatre.

Tickets for *Rent* at the Fabulous Fox are on sale now at MetroTix.com, by calling 314-534-1111 or in person at the Fabulous Fox Box Office. Ticket prices start at \$29. Prices are subject to change; please refer to FabulousFox.com for current pricing. *Rent* is part of the U.S. Bank Broadway Series.

Performances of *Rent* at the Fabulous Fox run Feb. 21-23. Show times are Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

In 1996, an original rock mu-

sical by a little-known composer opened on Broadway and forever changed the landscape of American theatre.

Two decades later, Jonathan Larson's *Rent* continues to speak loudly and defiantly to audiences across generations and all over the world. And now, this Pulitzer Prize and Tony Award-winning masterpiece returns to the stage in a vibrant 20th anniversary touring production.

A re-imagining of Puccini's *La Bohème*, *Rent* follows an unforgettable year in the lives of seven artists struggling to follow their dreams without selling out. With its inspiring message of joy and hope in the face of fear, this timeless celebration of friendship and

creativity reminds us to measure our lives with the only thing that truly matters, love.

The show received its world premiere off-Broadway at New York Theatre Workshop on Feb. 13, 1996 to ecstatic reviews and transferred to Broadway on April 29, 1996. *Rent* won the 1996 Tony Award for Best Musical as well as the Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

The *Rent* 20th anniversary tour is produced by Work Light Productions whose other touring productions include the 2016 Olivier Award-winning production of *Jesus Christ Superstar*, Irving Berlin's *White Christmas*, *Bandstand*, and the upcoming tour of the Tony Award-winning musical *Ain't Too Proud*.



Pictured above, from the left, are kindergartner Cohen Martincic, first grader Kamrynn Timo, second grader Adilyn Milanos, third grader Gracelynn Crayne, fourth grader Joe Lanter and fifth grader Luci VanGiesen.

Beckemeyer Students Caught With Character

Six students at Beckemeyer Elementary School in Hillsboro were Caught with Character in December. The students for the month of December are kindergartner Cohen Martincic from Mrs. Kindernay's class, first grader Kamrynn Timo from Mrs. Water's class, second grader Adilyn Milanos from Mrs. Cady's class, third grader Gracelynn Crayne from Mrs. Hoffman's class, fourth grader Joe Lanter from Mrs. Smith's class and fifth grader Luci VanGiesen from Mrs. Leek's class.

Perseverance was the focus in December at Beckemeyer Elementary School as part of the "Caught with Character" program.

This year each grade level will choose a student who displays the monthly character trait.

The winning students also received a character education T-shirt, designed by Brittney.

These T-shirts will be worn by all staff in the building on the first day of each month, which is "Caught with Character (Character Education) Day." Students awarded the T-shirts are encour-

aged to wear them the same day as the building staff throughout the school year.

During the month of January, Beckemeyer students are learning about responsibility.

Classroom teachers will read books, provide character lessons, show videos and have general discussions about responsibility with their students.

Beckemeyer thanks the local businesses and individuals, in the community, who continue to support and fund the "Caught with Character" program.

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Youngsters Have Snow Much Fun At Story Hour Program

Just before the latest snowfall, snowmen were the theme of the January preschool story hour program at the Hillsboro Public Library on Thursday afternoon, Jan. 9. Library Director Shelley Kolb read "The Best Snowman Ever" by Stephanie Stahl and "What Snowmen Do at Night" by Caralyn Buehner. After the stories, youngsters had a chance to create their own snowman to take home. In the photo at left, Kolb reads to Marlee Wrachford, Charlotte Herschelman and Lainey Holderread. In the photo at right, youngsters work on their snowmen. Clockwise from the left are Lainey Holderread and her mom, Megan, Library Director Shelley Kolb, Marlee Wrachford and Charlotte Herschelman.

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Madison Park Students Honored By Principal Favre

Madison Park Elementary School Principal Adam Favre has announced the winners of the Principal's Recognition Award for the week of Jan. 6. These students are nominated by their classroom teachers for very specific positive things they are working on in class, be it social or academic in nature. Students are recognized in front of the entire student body in morning opening and receive a certificate for their accomplishment. In the photo at left are the kindergarten winners, from the left, Lucien Gillespie, Abigail Nowell, William Holloway, Trey Wilson and Kaleesi White. In the photo at right are first grade winners, from the left, Dalton House, Kobe Wyatt and Ranna Traylor.

Old Settlers Association To Begin Planning Celebration

With the ringing in of a new year, it is time to start planning Old Settlers 2020.

The annual three-day event kicks off this year with the community church service, car show

and county fair on Sunday, Aug. 2.

The queen's coronation, carnival and parades will follow on Wednesday, Aug. 5 and Thursday, Aug. 6.

Planning an event of this size

takes many volunteers and the Old Settlers Association is actively seeking additional assistance this year.

The first planning meeting will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 14, at 7

p.m. at the Challacombe House in Hillsboro.

Mark your calendar and come see how you can help make Old Settlers 2020 another great event.

PANTHER PRESS • by Bethany Seely at Litchfield High

Litchfield Students Return To Class After Break



After one week back, students and staff will have two shorter weeks to follow.

On Friday, freshmen through juniors will be MAP testing all day. Seniors are still required to be in attendance, and use this time to work on scholarships with the aid of their enrichment teacher.

After MAP testing is over, all students will head to the gym for Mr. Hoster's game show, and enjoy a 1:30 p.m. early dismissal. The following Monday school will not be in session due to Martin Luther King Day. School will resume on Tuesday.

The LHS wrestling team traveled to Princeton last Friday to compete in the Princeton invitational at 4:30. The team traveled back to Princeton last Saturday to complete in the invite, at 9 a.m.

The girls basketball team traveled to Lincolnwood last Monday. The girls traveled to Hillsboro last Thursday. The girls were back on the road last Saturday to compete against Greenville. Good luck ladies!

The boys basketball team traveled to Nokomis last Tuesday. The boys competed on their own court

Friday against Vandalia.

Caleb Jurgena, Bethany Seely and Blake Rentz traveled to the district Voice of Democracy contest at Alton last Saturday. Blake and Bethany were recognized with being selected for the district level judging, however were not moved on to the state level. Caleb Jurgena brought home a first as well as a cash prize. He will compete in the state judging in February. Congrats, Caleb!

The boys basketball team travels to East Alton-Wood River on Tuesday. They play again against North Mac on Friday. On Saturday, the boys will begin the Rick McGraw Memorial Tournament at Litchfield. The tourney will continue throughout next week. Good luck this week!

The girls basketball team competes against Pana on Thursday. Good luck!

The wrestling team competes against Taylerville, Decatur and MacArthur at home on Tuesday. The team travels to Highland on Thursday. The team is back on the road on Saturday for the freshman-sophomore Invite at Glenwood. Good luck!

The scholastic bowl team travels to Carlville on Tuesday for a meet. Good luck!

Students Submit Designs To Be Featured On Paws T-Shirt

In October 2019, Paws Care, Inc., launched a T-shirt design contest. Local high school student's designs are now online at the Paws Care page on Facebook.

High school and junior high school students were tasked with creating an original design that incorporated the Paws Care, Inc., name/logo and the elements of love and caring for animals; as these qualities represent the organization's mission to rescue animals from kill-shelters.

Prizes will be awarded at both the high school and junior high

school level. The first place prize is a \$100 gift card to the winner's choice of Dick Blick, Amazon or Walmart. People's Choice will also be awarded with a \$50 gift card to the same businesses. The winners will also get to see their design made into the next Paws Care t-shirt.

All are encouraged to vote for their favorite design online via the Montgomery County Paws Care Page on Facebook. Voting for the high school's People's Choice award will run through Friday, Jan. 24.

REDSKIN REVIEW • by Macee Eisenbarth at Nokomis High

Redskins Back In Session



After Christmas Break

New year, same 'ole Redskins Review!

The students of NHS were all thrilled to come back to school after the well-anticipated two week winter break. Let me tell ya, they couldn't wait to get back to waking up before noon.

As they walked down the halls dressed in new clothes and new shoes from Christmas, the underclassmen were counting down the days until summer break, while seniors were counting down the days until graduation.

To start off 2020 at NHS, the Lady Redskins traveled to Brownstown to battle the Lady Bombers. Despite their hard work, they were defeated 24-61.

On Tuesday night, the Redskins hosted the Litchfield Panthers. The crowd was buzzing and the players were "hyped" as the kids say these days. The Redskins defeated the Panthers with little difficulty.

Forget to order a yearbook last year? No worries! There are extras for sale in the office for \$50. Just stop by and grab one; you don't want to miss out on all of the memories!

Speaking of yearbooks, seniors don't forget that a baby picture is

due for the yearbook on Feb. 14. I suggest you pick the funniest or most embarrassing one, but that's just my opinion.

Congrats to the December Students of the Month! Those selected were Hailey Engelman, Isabella Daily, Makynna Johnson and Sophia Keller.

The junior high character classes are selling "I Heart Saving Money" T-shirts for fans to wear to the game on Feb. 21 to show support of the American Heart Association. Order forms are in the junior high and high school office for anyone interested!

The school was booming Friday night thanks to the pork chop dinner before the game, the large crowd Raymond brought, and the large crowd of supporters for the Redskin players.

The game was dominated by the Lincolnwood Lancers Friday night. As soon as the Redskins would take the lead, Lincolnwood would steal it right back.

The game was down to the wire with minutes left. Unfortunately for the Redskins, the Lancers took the lead and ran with it, defeating them 44 to 50.

Thanks for tuning in! I hope your holidays were filled with cheer and your 2020 has been great so far! See you next week!



Illinois College Lady Blues Honor Grace Herschelman

Former Hillsboro basketball standout Carly Cameron and her Lady Blue teammates hosted the family of Grace Herschelman at their home game on Saturday, Jan. 11, at the Bruner Center to raise awareness for INAD (infantile neuroaxonal dystrophy). The Lady Blues would go on to defeat Beloit 81-48 and with Cameron picking up ten points and ten rebounds.

Prior to the game, Cameron and fellow senior Grace Yaanches presented Herschelman, age eight, with a Lady Blues jersey signed by the team. The jersey, number 14, belonged to another former Lady Hiltopper and Lady Blue, Jaicie Halleman. In lieu of admission to Saturday's game, the school collected donations, raising nearly \$500 for the INAD Cure Foundation. Pictured above, from the left are Mary Herschelman, Carly Cameron, Grace Herschelman and Kyle Herschelman.

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Dr. Sieberg's philosophy is simple: find the root cause of your chronic illness and treat accordingly – this covers all aspects of a patient's life: physical, emotional, spiritual and mental. He knows that for many disorders, proper gut health and nutrition play a huge role.

What can I expect when working with Dr. Sieberg?
With Dr. Sieberg's background in Functional medicine he prioritizes quality over quantity with his patients. Dr. Sieberg will listen carefully to your history, documenting your personal choices and medicinal interactions. Assessment and prevention are prioritized over wait-and-see treatment approaches, with nutrition always utilized as the first step in prevention. Patients are armed with information and encouraged to take an active role in improving their health.

How does functional medicine differ from traditional medicine?
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Does Dr. Sieberg provide Acupuncture and what are the benefits?
Yes, he does offer acupuncture. Acupuncture is a component of the health care system of China that can be traced back at least 2,500 years. The general theory of acupuncture is based on the premise that there are patterns of energy flow (Qi) through the body that are essential for health. Disruptions of this flow are believed to be responsible for disease. Acupuncture is thought to correct the imbalances of flow at identifiable points close to the skin.

Acupuncture can be used to reduce headaches and migraines, improve chronic pain and arthritis, nausea, stress, muscle tension, menstrual irregularities, anxiety, depression, inflammation, hot flashes, side effects of chemotherapy and insomnia.

Do I have to transfer providers in order to be seen by Dr. Sieberg?
No, as with all of the services at Thrive T.E.C.S. you can continue with your current treatment providers and still utilize our services. We also accept referrals and will work hand in hand with other counselors and doctors to aid in the treatment of your patients. You can learn more about our providers and services at yourtimetothrive.org

Call today for a free consultation or to schedule an appointment directly with Dr. Sieberg, MD (618) 283-2222.

Toppers Celebrate 1,500 With Another Victory

by Ron Deabenderfer

It was a triple feel good night for Topper fans in the Hillsboro gym Friday evening, Jan. 10, when the boys from the 'Boro entertained the Gillespie Miners. First, the younger Toppers won a closely contested junior varsity game 55-54. Then a contingent of past Hillsboro players and coaches plus the current crop gathered on the floor to receive an award from the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association in honor of reaching 1,500 program wins. Then, in another dramatic contest, the varsity gained yet another win 52-50.

The varsity contest began with a Drake Vogel burst (the sophomore point guard scored the first eight points of the contest), then settled into a Gillespie comeback as junior reserve guard Brock Frederick's five second quarter points helped them close to an 18-18 tie with two minutes left in the half. Ian Malloy came off the bench in the second quarter to establish a physical presence underneath defensively; his two field goals in that period helped the Toppers lead 22-20 at halftime.

The second half began with hot shooting in terms of percentage by both teams - and a see-saw scoreboard resulted. Gillespie's biggest lead was three and they had the ball, but then turned it over. Nic Ondrey found his stroke in the third quarter and maintained it through the fourth.

Gillespie's Frankie Barrett, though, had nine of his 14 points in the third to balance Ondrey's efforts. The last quarter had its bizarre moments, fitting for a close game. For example, Gavin Matoush made the front end of a one-and-one chance, but the point (and with it, both his chance for another and possession) was taken away because a Topper jumped into the lane prematurely. Near the end, Gillespie's 6'4" Blake Zenner scored his first points to forge a 46-46 tie, but he missed the attached free throw that would have provided a lead.

Perhaps the most bizarre play of the season helped Jace Tuetken provide the lead. Hillsboro fans' disappointment when an errant Gillespie pass bounced off an official instead of flying out-of-

bounds for a turnover became joy when the ball was alertly picked up by Tuetken, who drove for the go-ahead basket as he was fouled. The free throw made it 49-46 with 20 seconds to play.

Anthony Kravanya, whose 18 points tied him with Ondrey for game high points honors, hit a ten foot jump shot with 14.7 seconds left -- the Miners were within one. When Hillsboro successfully inbounded the ball, Gillespie fouled Matoush. It was the Miners' tenth foul of the half.

The Toppers sophomore made both free throws. At the other end the Miners missed the needed three, but Zenner made the rebound shot in the lane -- 51-50. Hillsboro inbounded, so the Miners fouled Ondrey with 0.4 seconds to play. When Ondrey made the second of his free throws, the Miners had to inbound the ball far away from their target with no chance for a legitimate shot.

The junior varsity game was even closer. Malloy (22) and Blaze Helton (10) dominated inside, but Will Christian made the second of two free throws with 0.9 seconds on the clock to provide the margin of victory. Hillsboro made only 8 of 23 free throws - and 21 of the misses were in the last quarter.

Besides Malloy and Helton, Hillsboro had points from Bryce Connor (8), Christian (6), Ethan Lentz (4), Brady Meier (3 - he made his first shot after a long injury layoff) and Dillon Smail (2 - he is restricted to first half play only because of varsity duties).

Hillsboro next hosts a strong North Mac team (the team represents the Girard and Virden areas since consolidation) tomorrow, Tuesday, Jan. 14. The Litchfield Tournament starts this Saturday, Jan. 18, when the Toppers play Taylorville at 2:30 Simmons gym.

January 10 at Hillsboro

Gillespie 7 13 19 11 ---- 50
Hillsboro 10 12 14 16 ---- 52
Gillespie (50) - Anthony Kravanya 18, Frankie Barrett 14, Billy Gill 5, Brock Fredericks 5, Blake Zenner 4, Alex Ottersburg 4.

Hillsboro (52) - Nic Ondrey 18, Drake Vogel 12, Jace Tuetken 9, Gavin Matoush 9, Ian Malloy 4. **Totals:** 20-55 9-15 52.

Three-point field goals: Hillsboro 3 (Vogel 2, Ondrey 1); Gillespie 4 (Fredericks 1, Barrett 1, Gill 1, Kravanya 1).

Records: Hillsboro (5-11, 1-2); Gillespie (5-12, 1-2).

Powell Medals At PIT

Six members of the Litchfield High School wrestling team were in Princeton on Jan. 10-11, for one of the toughest Class 1A tournaments in the state.

The Panthers would compete against wrestlers from 34 other teams in the Princeton Invitational, an event that tests the best of the best each season before the stretch run to regionals.

Half of the group would make it to the quarterfinals at Princeton, with freshman Alex Powell earning a spot on the medal podium with an eighth place finish. Powell would defeat Kaleb LaFine of Clifton Central by fall 55 seconds into the first period, but fell to Collin Altensey of Riverdale in the quarters. Powell then beat Isaiah Reynolds in a 2-0 decision to guarantee a spot on the podium, before losing to Julian Decker of Wilmington (by 5-0 decision) and Dalton Nimrick of Alleman (by fall at 3:55) to place eighth.

Carter Powell and Jefferson Thomas also made it to the quarterfinals at Princeton at 126 and 220 pounds respectively. Carter Powell defeated Eli Hinde of Riverdale by fall at the 3:53 mark, before losing to Colton Linke of Morrison by major decision 16-5 and Hakeem Banks of Dixon in a 9-3 decision. Thomas would also win his first match by fall, pinning Cole Klauzer of PORTA at the 2:41 mark, but lost to Peyton Lind of Byron by fall at 3:42 and to Brandon O'Brien (Ottawa) by fall at 1:31.

Ashtin Carver would go 1-2 at 113 pounds, beating Mateao Blessing of Coal City by fall in 40 seconds in his first wrestling-back match. Aaron Roach (132) and Dylan Maxwell (182) also competed for the Panthers and went 0-2.

The Panthers will be on their home mats for the first time since Dec. 7, on Tuesday, Jan. 14, when they take on Taylorville and Decatur MacArthur at Simmons Gym. Litchfield will also travel to Highland this Thursday, Jan. 16, to face the Bulldogs and Vandalia.



Alex Powell

Princeton Invitational

January 10-11 at Princeton
Team Results: 1. Dakota 212; 2. Vandalia 195; 3. Auburn 188; 4. Riverdale 153; 5. Coal City 152; 6. Alleman 124; 7. Orion 119; 8. Tremont 105; 9. Leroy 93; 10. Dixon 90; 11. Ottawa 87; 11. Reed Custer 87; 13. Byron 85; 13. Rockridge 85; 15. PORTA 84; 16. Gibson City 79; 17. Morrison 78.5; 18. Rock Falls 78; 19. Mercer County 77; 20. Heyworth 75.5; 21. Princeton 68.5; 22. Monticello 68; 23. Illini Bluffs 62; 23. Warrensburg-Latham 62; 25. IVC 54; 26. Sterling Newman 49; 27. Litchfield 32; 28. Clinton 31.5; 29. Wilmington 28; 30. Roxana 27; 31. Clifton Central 25; 32. Olympia 17.5; 33. Manteno 17; 34. Pittsfield 15.

Litchfield Results

106: Alex Powell - def. Kaleb LaFine (Clifton Central) by fall at :55; lost to Collin Altensey (Riverdale) by fall at 1:55; def. Isaiah Reynolds (Clinton) by dec. 2-0; lost to Julian Decker (Wilmington) by dec. 5-0; lost to Dalton Nimrick (Alleman) by fall at 3:55 to place 8th
113: Ashtin Carver - lost to Dalton King (Auburn) by fall at 2:57; def. Mateao Blessing (Coal City) by fall at :40; lost to Owen Miller (Vandalia) by fall at 4:09
126: Carter Powell - def. Eli Hinde (Riverdale) by fall at 3:53; lost to Colton Linke (Morrison) by maj. dec. 16-5; lost to Hakeem Banks (Dixon) by dec. 9-3
132: Aaron Roach - lost to Deegan Eweland (Clinton) by tech fall 15-0; lost to Tyler Simmer (Dakota) by fall at 3:55
182: Dylan Maxwell - lost to Matt Kerr (Monticello) by fall at 3:30; lost to Brenden Steams (Morrison) by fall at 1:36
220: Jefferson Thomas - def. Cole Klauzer (PORTA) by fall at 2:41; lost to Peyton Lind (Byron) by fall at 3:42; lost to Brandon O'Brien (Ottawa) by fall at 1:31



With the current crop of Hiltoppers in front of them, more than 30 ex-Hillsboro basketball players and coaches hit the floor once again to celebrate the program's 1,500th win, which occurred last year against Ramsey.

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Toppers Celebrate A Night 113 Years In The Making

It was a night to celebrate 113 years of basketball history at Hillsboro High School on Friday, Jan. 10, as the Toppers, past and present, were recognized by the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association for reaching the 1,500-win plateau last season.

Ken Crawford, past president of the IBCA and a hall of fame coach at Teutopolis, presented a plaque to honor the program, with more than 40 Topper alumni, coaches and current players on hand to commemorate the occasion.

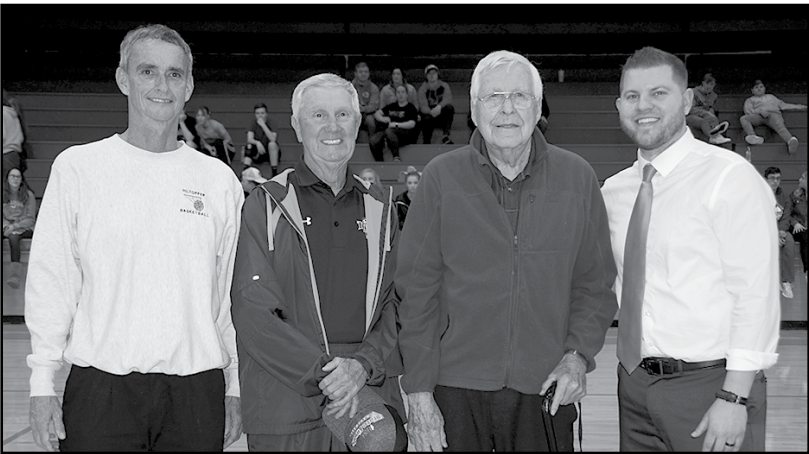
Among those in attendance were four of the five coaches with the most victories in the program's history. Stan Horst (168) Harlan Scheibal (138), Dyke Buerkett (226) and current head coach Joe

Vanzo (129) were all in attendance, with 661 of Hillsboro's 1,510 wins between them.

The only coach in the top five absent from the event was the late Joe Fearheiley, an IBCA hall of famer who won 365 games for the Toppers before moving on to Lawrenceville.

Also in attendance were two of the top five scorers in the program's history, 2015 grad Dylan Miller, who scored 1,520 points and 1974 grad Randy McCoy, who scored 1,478 points.

Since their first game in 1907, the Hiltoppers have won 22 district or regional titles, along with eight state title appearances that have produced one third, one second and one first place trophy.



The four coaches above, from the left, Dyke Buerkett, Harlan Scheibal, Stan Horst and Joe Vanzo have accounted for 661 of Hillsboro's 1,510 wins, with 51 years of coaching the Toppers between them.

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Turnovers Costly For Panthers Against Vandalia

Friday night's score was not a measuring tool of the effort Litchfield would put in their South Central Conference contest against Vandalia in Simmons Gym on Jan. 10. The Vandals would hand the Purple Panthers a 56-38 defeat, but not without a fight from Litchfield throughout the contest.

In the opening quarter Litchfield would find themselves in the ball game with a hot hand from behind the arc. The Purple Panthers would connect on three of the six three-point attempts as Blaine Stewart, with two, and Blake McGill connected on the three successful attempts.

Litchfield though, would not have any luck inside the arc as they would fail to connect on the five attempts they put up. Litchfield would also help the Vandals in the scoring column as the Vandals would score eight of their 12 first quarter points off of Purple Panther turnovers.

Even though Litchfield would commit eight first quarter turnovers they would remain in the contest as they would trail Vandalia 12-10 after one quarter.

After allowing the Purple Panthers to stay in the ball game, Vandalia would quickly increase their lead in the opening minutes of the second quarter. The Vandals would come out of the gate with a 6-2 run that would push their

two-point lead to 18-12.

The Purple Panthers, as they have all year, would not give up in this contest. A big three pointer by Blake McGill put a halt on the Vandalia run and would also narrow the Vandalia lead to three points. McGill's three pointer would be his second of the game and the fourth for the Purple Panthers.

The Vandals would put together a late quarter push that would give them their biggest lead of the night as they would lead the Purple Panthers 28-19 at the half.

Blake McGill would lead Litchfield in the scoring column as he connected on seven points. The Vandals, who put in eight points off of turnovers in the first quarter, would grab five more points off of turnovers in the second quarter. Vandalia would also find success at the charity stripe as they would earn 11 free throws, all coming in the second quarter, and would put in seven of those 11 attempts.

Coming out of the locker room Litchfield would look to narrow the Vandalia lead. Anthony Boston would get the half started on the right foot when he connected on the opening basket of the half. The Vandals would quickly respond with five straight points, giving them the first double digit lead of the evening, 33-21.

Litchfield again would not give up as Blake McGill and John Corso

would respond with two baskets, narrowing the Vandalia lead to 33-25. Again the Vandals would have an answer as they would connect on the next seven points before Blaine Stewart made the last basket of the quarter. The late run by the Vandals would give them a 40-27 lead after three quarters of action.

As the story of the game goes, the Purple Panthers would once again not give up as they would narrow the Vandalia lead once again. Litchfield would start the fourth quarter off with a 6-2 run that would narrow Vandalia's lead to 42-33 early in the quarter.

Anthony Boston again would get a quarter started off with an opening field goal. Blaine Stewart and Blake McGill would put the finishing touches on the early run. The nine point deficit would be the closest the Purple Panthers would get to the Vandalia lead as once again the Vandals would respond.

The Vandals would make a nine point deficit into a 17 point deficit with a 10-2 run that would give Vandalia a 52-35 lead late in the contest.

With two and a half minutes to play in the contest Blake McGill would end the Vandalia run as he connected on his 14th point of the contest on his third three pointer.

The Vandals would close the contest out with four more points

and would keep the Purple Panthers off the scoreboard as the they would walk away with a 56-38 South Central Conference victory.

The win would move the Vandals to 2-1 in the South Central Conference and 9-6 overall while Purple Panthers would drop to 1-2 in the conference and 7-9 overall.

The difference in the contest would come from points off turnovers as the Vandals would put in 25 points off of 27 turnovers while the Purple Panthers would put in 11 points off of 17 turnovers.

The Vandals would also get plenty chances to put points on the board as they would also connect on ten second chance points.

Blake McGill's 14 points would lead the Purple Panthers in scoring. Litchfield will look to put a stop to the two game slide as they travel to East Alton-Wood River on Tuesday, Jan. 14, and then North Mac on Friday, Jan. 18.

January 10 at Litchfield

Vandalia 12 16 12 16 ---- 56
Litchfield 10 9 8 11 ---- 38

Vandalia (56) - Garrett Austin 17, Case Goldsmith 13, Mitchell Casey 9, Carson Ruot 7, Gaige Beall 6, Matthew Wells 4. **Totals:** 21 13-19 56.

Litchfield (38) - Blake McGill 14, Blaine Stewart 10, John Corso 6, Anthony Boston 4, Chase Hires 2, Austin Niehaus 2. **Totals:** 15 3-5 38.

Three-point field goals: Vandalia 1 (Casey 1); Litchfield 5 (McGill 3, Stewart 2).

Records: Litchfield (7-9, 1-2); Vandalia (9-6, 2-1).

Lady Lancers Gain Experience In Busy Week

After a break for the holidays, this week brought a new challenge to the Lincolnwood High School girls basketball program. The Lady Lancers would play three games in four days, including their first two back-to-back games of the season.

On Wednesday, Jan. 8, the Lady Lancers took on a solid Greenfield-Northwestern team, who finished third at this year's Carlinville Holiday Tournament. The Tigers would jump out to an early 27-4 lead and would never look back as they won 59-18.

Greenfield-Northwestern would have ten field goals in the first quarter, two more than Lincolnwood would have for the game, as they led by 23 after the opening eight minutes. The pace would slow after that, but the Tigers still led 40-8 at halftime.

In the second half, Greenfield-Northwestern continued to hit from three-point range, adding three more treys to give themselves eight for the game. Going into the fourth, the Tigers led 57-15, with Lincolnwood outscoring the hosts 3-2 in the final frame to finish off the contest.

Kaitlyn Foiles would lead a balanced scoresheet for Greenfield-Northwestern with 13 points, while Maggie McClelland and Katelyn Payne led Lincolnwood with four each. Sydney Her-

man and Avery Pope each hit a three-pointer in the game for the Lancers, with Mary Anderson and Sophie Rainwater rounding out the scoring with two each.

Lincolnwood vs. Pawnee
The following night, the Lady Lancers were back on the road as they played at Pawnee on Thursday, Jan. 9. Lincolnwood would have their second highest point total of the season as they fell to the Indians 41-20.

The Lancers would hold an 8-7 lead after the first quarter, getting four points from both Cassie Krager and Katelyn Payne. Krager would follow with four more points in the second quarter, while Maggie McClelland added a pair of free throws for Lincolnwood. The Indians countered in the second with Abbey Specht and Paige Langheim, who combined for nine points and gave Pawnee a 21-14 lead at halftime.

Pawnee would continue to find ways to the basket in the third quarter, while holding the Lady Lancers to a basket by McClelland to make it 35-16 going into the fourth quarter.

Sydney Herman would net four points in the final frame, hitting a three and a free throw, but Pawnee finished off the 21-point win.

Cassie Krager would lead Lincolnwood with eight points, while Herman, Katelyn Payne

and Maggie McClelland all had four points apiece.

Lincolnwood vs. EAWR

In their final game to a busy end of the week, Lincolnwood hosted East Alton-Wood River on Saturday, Jan. 11. The Oilers came into the game winners of eight of their last nine and extended their current win streak to five games with a 53-10 victory over the Lady Lancers.

The visitors from the Metro-East outscored Lincolnwood 11-1 in the first quarter and led 21-5 at halftime. They would more than double their score in the third quarter, netting 26 points to make it a 47-6 contest after three. The abbreviated fourth quarter would be closer, with the Oilers only outscoring Lincolnwood 6-4 to end the contest.

Kayla Brantley would lead East Alton-Wood River with 16 points, 12 of which came off four three pointers. The Oilers would have eight threes as a team, accounting for 24 of their 53 points.

Lincolnwood was led by Katelyn Payne with five, followed by Haelee Damm and Avery Pope with two and Sophie Rainwater with one. Now 0-10 on the season, the Lady Lancers will travel to Springfield on Monday, Jan. 13, to face the Lutheran Crusaders. After that, they'll play South County at home on Friday, Jan. 17.

January 8 at Palmyra
Lincolnwood 4 4 7 3 ----- 18
Greenfield-NW 27 13 17 2 ----- 59

Lincolnwood (18) - Maggie McClelland 4, Katelyn Payne 4, Avery Pope 3, Sydney Herman 3 Mary Anderson 2, Sophie Rainwater 2. **Totals:** 8 0-0 18.

Greenfield-Northwestern (59) - Kaitlyn Foiles 13, Alexis Pohlman 10, Jessa Vetter 9, Aliyah Roberts 8, Michaela Theivagt 7, Jealee Clark 7, Taylor Smith 5. **Totals:** 24 3-6 59.

Three-point field goals: Lincolnwood 2 (Herman 1, Pope 1); Greenfield-Northwestern 8 (Pohlman 2, Foiles 2, Smith 1, Theivagt 1, Vetter 1, Clark 1).

Records: Greenfield-Northwestern (9-7).

January 9 at Pawnee

Lincolnwood 8 6 2 4 ----- 20
Pawnee 7 14 14 6 ----- 41

Lincolnwood (20) - Cassie Krager 8, Katelyn Payne 4, Maggie McClelland 4, Sydney Herman 4. **Totals:** 6 7-10 20.

Pawnee (41) - Olson 15, Specht 7, Meir 4, Langheim 4, Clarke 4, Wilson 3, Rodriguez 3, Eckert 1. **Totals:** 14 13-23 41.

Three-point field goals: Lincolnwood 1 (Herman 1); Pawnee 0.

Records: Pawnee (1-14).

January 11 at Raymond

EAWR 11 10 26 6 ----- 53
Lincolnwood 1 4 1 4 ----- 10

East Alton-Wood River (53) - Kayla Brantley 16, Taylor Parmenter 9, Aubrey Robinson 7, Hannah Allen 7, Samantha Shimchick 6, Mallory Martin 3, Karli Withers 2, Leighanne Notke 1, Ray 1, Adrianna Ulrich 1. **Totals:** 20 5-10 53.

Lincolnwood (10) - Katelyn Payne 5, Haelee Damm 2, Avery Pope 2, Sophie Rainwater 1. **Totals:** 4 2-6 10.

Three-point field goals: East Alton-Wood River 8 (Brantley 4, Shimchick 2, Robinson 1, Martin 1); Lincolnwood 0.

Records: East Alton-Wood River (11-4); Lincolnwood (0-10).



As time winds down, Nokomis' Jake Johnson puts up a shot and is fouled by Sam Herman of Lincolnwood in the fourth quarter of their game on Friday, Jan. 10, in Nokomis. For just the ninth time in 70 meetings, the Lancers came up on the better end of the scoreboard against Coach Steve Kimbro's Redskins as they defeated Nokomis 50-44 in Nokomis.

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Lancers Get Rare Win Over Redskins

by Kyle Herschelmann

Of Coach Steve Kimbro's 822 wins at Nokomis, just over seven percent have come against one of their closest neighbors, the Lancers of Lincolnwood.

Going into Friday's game in Nokomis between the two county rivals, Kimbro's record against the Lancers was 61-8, with his Redskins having won each of the last four meetings by an average of 21 points.

Meeting number 70 between the Lancers and Redskins in Kimbro's regime won't be one the legendary coach remembers fondly though, as Lincolnwood scored a 50-44 victory on the Skins' home court.

The Lancers would hold a 14-7 advantage after the opening eight minutes, mounting a late charge as they outscored Nokomis 7-3 over the last four minutes thanks to four free throws by Sam Herman and a three from Cole Sidwell.

Nokomis' Carter Sabol also had a three in the quarter as he and Alex Tosetti accounted for all seven Nokomis points (five for Sabol and two for Tosetti).

Sabol would start the second quarter on the bench though, after picking up his second foul on a charge with 1:28 to play in the first quarter. Lincolnwood would go down low to Devin Brown for four quick points, before Sabol returned and sparked a 6-0 run for the Redskins that cut the Lincolnwood lead to 18-13.

Tosetti would get Nokomis even closer with a three-pointer, but Will Jenkins countered for the Lancers with a three of his own to boost the lead back to 21-16 with 1:47 to play in the half.

Sabol would score the only two points of the final 100 seconds as Nokomis trailed by just three, 21-18, at the break.

Neither team would get off to a fast start in the second half, but Nokomis would be the first to score as Sabol netted four points to make it 22-21 with 4:25 to play,

giving the Redskins their first lead since the 6:18 mark of the first quarter.

Again, Jenkins was there with an answer, hitting his third three of the game as Lincolnwood regained the lead. The Lancers would outscore the Redskins 7-2 in the final three minutes of the quarter, going 3-for-3 from the free-throw line in the stretch to take a 29-26 advantage.

In the fourth, Jenkins would come up big again, hitting his fourth three to make it 32-26 in Lincolnwood's favor. A two from Alex Tosetti would cut the lead to four, but a basket by Sam Herman and an old fashioned three-point play from Shawn Goebel boosted the margin back up to nine.

Despite Lincolnwood's momentum building up, Nokomis refused to go away as they matched the Lancers basket for basket. Sabol hit another three and then a two with 2:30 left to play and the score was within five, with Lincolnwood leading 41-36.

If history was to repeat itself, this was the point when the Redskins would pull ahead, leaving Lincolnwood scratching their heads and wondering what might have been. But this time, the Lancers answered.

Evan Hopper hit a drive to the lane to make it 43-36, followed by a Nokomis turnover and two free throws by Shawn Goebel and one from Will Jenkins to make it a ten point game with 1:05 to play.

Nokomis would try to make a run in the final minute, getting a three from Sabol and a two from Evan Herpstreith, but Lincolnwood went 4-for-4 from the free-throw line to salt the game away.

Nokomis would get three free throws in the final ten seconds, but couldn't cut further into the Lancer lead as the visitors picked up a six-point win, their first in Nokomis since Jan. 10, 2014, and just their third in the last 37 years.

The Lancers would spread 50 points amongst seven different players, with Will Jenkins and

Sam Herman leading the way with 13 apiece. Shawn Goebel would chip in nine, going 5-of-5 from the free-throw line in the fourth quarter, while Cole Sidwell had seven, with a perfect 4-for-4 performance from the charity stripe.

Devin Brown (four points), Jhadyn Walker (two points) and Evan Hopper (two points) finished out the scoring for Lincolnwood.

The Lancers had no answer for Sabol on defense as the 6'8" forward scored 29 points against defenders six to eight inches shorter than him. The Lincolnwood defense did well against the rest of line-up though, hounding the Nokomis guards and holding Alex Tosetti and Evan Herpstreith to seven and four points respectively. Kendall Knodle and Jake Johnson would have the other four points for Nokomis, each getting two from the free-throw line.

Lincolnwood's performance at the charity stripe was also a big factor as they went 17-of-20 from the free-throw line, compared to 6-14 for the Redskins.

The win improved Lincolnwood's record to 9-7 on the season, while Nokomis moved to 6-6. The good news for the Redskins is that they won't have to wait long for a shot at revenge as the two are scheduled to meet in the finale of the Morrisonville Mohawk Classic on Saturday, Jan. 18.

The bad news for the Lancers is that no Lincolnwood team has ever beaten Kimbro's Redskins twice in the same season, with the Lancers' only back-to-back wins over Nokomis coming a year apart on Jan. 9, 2004 and Jan. 7, 2005.

As an added bonus, the 71st meeting in the Kimbro era between the two clubs will likely be the last as the two teams are not only in separate regionals, but in separate super-sectional complexes, meaning the earliest they could meet would be the IHSA State Tournament.

January 10 at Nokomis

Lincolnwood 14 7 98 21 ---- 50
Nokomis 7 11 8 18 ---- 44
Lincolnwood (50) - Will Jenkins 13, Sam Herman 13, Shawn Goebel 9, Cole Sidwell 7, Devin Brown 4, Jhadyn Walker 2, Evan Hopper 2. **Totals:** 14 17-20 50.

Nokomis (44) - Carter Sabol 29, Alex Tosetti 7, Evan Herpstreith 4, Kendall Knodle 2, Jake Johnson 2. **Totals:** 17 6-14 44.

Three-point field goals: Lincolnwood 5 (Jenkins 4, Sidwell 1); Nokomis 4 (Sabol 3, Tosetti 1).

Records: Lincolnwood (9-7); Nokomis (6-6).



The trio of Keegan Murray, Tanner Clayton and Jonah Harkins won championships at the Ron Ryan Invitational in Mt. Olive on Saturday, Jan. 11, at 106, 132 and 160 pounds respectively. Despite missing some wrestlers due to illness, the Toppers would finish fifth overall in the 11-team event.



Hiltopper Trio Wins At Mt. Olive

It was a productive weekend for the Hillsboro High School wrestling team as they participated in the Ron Ryan Invitational in Mt. Olive on Jan. 10-11.

Despite illness taking its toll on the line-up, the Toppers would take the title in three weight classes at Mt. Olive, with seven other wrestlers medaling at the event.

The championships would come at 106, 132 and 160 pounds from Keegan Murray, Tanner Clayton and Jonah Harkins respectively. Murray would have the easiest path to the title, beating Blake Dickerson in his first and only match, by fall, in 33 seconds.

Clayton would go 3-0 at Mt. Olive to earn the title at 132 pounds. After beating Mitchell Fleming of Red Bud by fall in 26 seconds, Clayton scored a major decision victory over teammate Curtis Segrest, who wrestled as part of the Hillsboro JV squad. Clayton would then pin Tyler Jones of Mt. Olive at the 3:04 mark to place first. Segrest, who had beaten Xavier Wilson of Sparta in his first match, pinned Ethan Williams of Carlyle in the third place match to give the Toppers two wrestlers on the podium.

Like Clayton, Harkins also went 3-0 at 160 pounds. The Topper senior needed just three minutes and 41 seconds to collect three pins and the championship as he defeated Lucas Owens of Sparta in 45 seconds, Marton Davis of Gateway Science in 60 seconds and Evan Morris of Mt. Olive at the 1:56 mark of the first period.

Zinnen Kenney would take second at 182 pounds, beating Matt Shapiro of Chaminade before falling to Isaac Evans of Sparta in the championship, by fall at the 2:37 mark.

In addition to the champions and Segrest's third place finish, Jackson Hamby would also win his last match at Mt. Olive. Hamby would pin Austin Dall of Carlyle in one minute in his fifth place match at 170 pounds, one spot behind teammate Jaben Compton, who was fourth after going 1-2, with his win also coming against Dall.

Zain Kenney and Kenny Ray Moses would also place fourth at 285 and 120 pounds respectively, while Reese Morford was fifth. Matt Page (138) and Trey Snyder (145) also wrestled for the Toppers at Mt. Olive.

The success at Mt. Olive underscores the progress the team has made throughout the season, progress that the Toppers built on Thursday night with a 63-16 loss to Jerseyville.

"The score may not show it but we are continuing to get better," Coach Garrett Young said after the Jerseyville match. "It was an exciting night for wrestling even though it didn't end in our favor."

In that match, Hillsboro picked up three wins and only forfeited one weight class to the Panthers. Keegan Murray pinned Logan Czaia at 106 pounds in 1:17, while Matt Page also picked up a win by fall, pinning Logan Kahl at the 3:26 mark in the 138 pound match. Magnus Wells took the other victory, beating Hunter Burris at 220 pounds in a 13-4 major decision.

Outside of the varsity matches, Brendan Milanos and Reese Morford also earned JV wins, both of which came by fall.

Hillsboro will start off the week on the road as they face Shelbyville and Robinson on the Rams' home mats on Monday, Jan. 13. On Friday, Jan. 17, the Toppers have their first home match of the season as they welcome Carlinville and Pittsfield to town.

Ron Ryan Invitational

January 10-11 at Mt. Olive

Team Results: 1. Sparta 132; 2. Mt. Olive 126; 3. Chaminade 119; 4. Carlinville 108; 5. Hillsboro 106; 6. Pinckneyville 88; 7. Red Bud 71; 8. Metro-East Lutheran 63; 9. Carlyle 59; 10. St. Thomas More 34; 11. Gateway Science 21.

Hillsboro Results

106: Keegan Murray - def. Blake Dickerson (Mt. Olive) by fall at 0:33 to place first

120: Kenny Ray Moses - lost to Riley Maxey (Pinckneyville) by fall at 0:58; lost to Colin Leonard (Carlinville) by fall to place fourth

132: Tanner Clayton - def. Mitchell Fleming (Red Bud) by fall at 0:26; def. Curtis Segrest (Hillsboro JV) by maj. dec. 14-5; def. Tyler Jones (Mt. Olive) by fall at 3:04 to place first

132: Curtis Segrest - def. Xavier Wilson (Sparta) by fall at 1:43; lost to Tanner

Clayton (Hillsboro) by maj. dec. 14-5; def. Ethan Williams (Carlyle) by fall at 4:25 to place third

138: Matt Page - lost to Travis Clayton (Carlyle) by fall at 3:13; lost to Chase Ward (Red Bud) by fall at :30

145: Trey Snyder - lost to Jakob Schroeder (Metro-East Lutheran) by fall at :43; lost to Mason Patton (Carlinville) by fall at 2:38

152: Cole Spensberger - lost to Garrett Dickerson (Mt. Olive) by fall at 1:35; lost to Mitter Hanson (Chaminade) by fall at 3:02

160: Jonah Harkins - def. Lucas Owens (Sparta) by fall at :45; def. Marton Davis (Gateway Science) by fall at 1:00; def. Evan Morris (Mt. Olive) by fall at 1:56 to place first

170: Jackson Hamby - lost to Braden Leuchtfeld (Chaminade) by fall at 1:41; def. Austin Dall (Carlyle) by fall at 1:00 to place fifth

170: Jaben Compton - def. Austin Dall (Carlyle) by fall at 3:17; lost to Chase Michaelis (Carlinville) by fall at 1:00; lost to Braden Leuchtfeld (Chaminade) by fall at 1:34 to place fourth

182: Zinnen Kenney - def. Matt Shapiro (Chaminade) by dec. 3-0; lost to Isaac Evans (Sparta) by fall at 2:37 to place second

182: Reese Morford - lost to Evan Bethard by fall at 1:46 to place fifth

285: Zain Kenney - lost to Kael Souter (Mt. Olive) by fall at 2:46; lost to Eli Cooper (Sparta) by fall at :41 to place fourth

January 9 at Jerseyville
Jerseyville 63, Hillsboro 16

106: Keegan Murray (H) def. Logan Czaia (J) by fall 1:17

113: Masen Turner (J) def. Shelby Ozier (H) by fall 2:55

120: Kendall Angel (J) def. Kenny Ray Moses (H) by fall 0:26

126: Hillsboro Forfeit

132: Ryan Heitzig (J) def. Curtis Segrest (H) by dec. 10-13

138: Matt Page (H) def. Logan Kahl (J) by fall 3:26

145: Trevor Cox (J) def. Trey Snyder (H) by fall 1:13

152: Marcus Freeman (J) def. Cole Spensberger (H) by fall 1:16

160: Zeke Waltz (J) def. Jonah Harkins (H) by fall 1:15

170: Conor Pegram (J) def. Jackson Hamby (H) by fall 2:50

182: Jacob Stocks (J) def. Zinnen Kenney (H) by fall 2:31

195: Isaac Herrera (J) def. Carsen Madelino (H) by fall 1:45

220: Magnus Wells (H) def. Hunter Burris (J) by Maj Dec. 13-4

285: Wyatt Daniels (J) def. Zain Kenney (H) by fall 1:03

JV: Liam McGuire (J) def. Brendan Milanos (H) by fall 5:00

JV: Brendan Milanos (H) def. Ethan Porter (J) by fall 1:26

JV: Cal Gorman (J) def. Jaben Compton (H) by fall 3:02

JV: Reese Morford (H) def. Colin Jones (J) by fall 2:46

Mohawk Classic Begins Monday

The 42nd edition of the Morrisonville Mohawk Classic will begin on Monday, Jan. 13, at Morrisonville High School, with five teams playing in this year's event.

On Monday, 26-time champion Nokomis will play Mulberry Grove in the opening game, followed by Edinburg taking on Lincolnwood.

On Tuesday, Jan. 14, the tournament changes venues to Edinburg and Carlinville, where the Wildcats will face Nokomis and the Cavaliers will take on Lincolnwood, with JV games preceding the varsity contests.

On Thursday, Jan. 16, Carlinville and Edinburg play the 6 p.m. tilt, followed by Mulberry Grove and Lincolnwood at 7:15. On Friday, Jan. 17, Mulberry Grove plays

Edinburg at 6 p.m., followed by Carlinville and Nokomis at 7:15.

On the final day of the tournament on Jan. 18, Carlinville faces Mulberry Grove at 6 p.m., with a rematch of Lincolnwood and Nokomis at 7:15 p.m.

42nd Mohawk Classic at Morrisonville High School

Monday, January 13
6 p.m. - Mulberry Grove vs. Nokomis
7:15 p.m. - Edinburg vs. Lincolnwood

Tuesday, January 14 (JV/V)
6 p.m. - Nokomis at Edinburg
6 p.m. - Lincolnwood at Carlinville

Thursday, January 16
6 p.m. - Carlinville vs. Edinburg
7:15 p.m. - Mulberry Grove vs. Lincolnwood

Friday, January 17
6 p.m. - Mulberry Grove vs. Edinburg
7:15 p.m. - Carlinville vs. Nokomis

Saturday, January 18
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7:15 p.m. - Lincolnwood vs. Nokomis

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Hillsboro Makes Most Out Of Charity Chances

Claire Tester turned in a season-best 17 points to lead Hillsboro to a 56-52 victory over Gillespie on Saturday, Jan. 11, on the Miners' home court.

Tester would do damage at the free-throw line for the Toppers, especially in the fourth quarter as she went 6-for-6 in the period and 9-for-10 for the game.

Those charity tosses helped the Toppers outscore Gillespie 16-11 in the final frame to secure their fourth South Central Conference win of the season.

Up to that point, the game had been back and forth, with Hillsboro leading 12-9 after one and 27-24 at halftime. Gillespie would have their most successful offensive quarter after the break, outscoring Hillsboro 17-13 in the third to take a 41-40 lead into the final frame. The Toppers would have the last laugh though, as they improved to 11-10 on the season and 4-1 in the South Central.

In addition to Tester's 17 points, Hillsboro also got ten each

from Nikya Harston and Shelby Houchlei. Houchlei's output was also a season best, surpassing the nine she scored in the win over Carlyle on Dec. 19.

Layne Rupert would add in nine points, with Haley Major and Emily Reynolds rounding out the scoring with six and four points respectively.

The Toppers will take on Trenton Wesclin on Monday, Jan. 13, in a varsity only clash at 7 p.m., with another SCC bout awaiting on Thursday, Jan. 16, at home against Vandalia.

January 11 at Gillespie
Hillsboro 12 15 13 16 ---- 56
Gillespie 9 15 17 11 ---- 52
Hillsboro (56) - Claire Tester 17, Nikya Harston 10, Shelby Houchlei 10, Layne Rupert 9, Haley Major 6, Emily Reynolds 4. **Totals:** 19 16-24 56.
Gillespie (52) - Shelby Taylor 17, Grace Bertolino 15, McKenzie Mix 6, Madison Niemeyer 6, Hannah Barrett 4, Keaton Link 4. **Totals:** 23 3-5 52.
Three-point field goals: Hillsboro 2 (Rupert 1, Major 1);
Records: Hillsboro (11-10, 4-1); Gillespie (11-5, 2-2).

Comets Claim Conference Win Over Purple Panthers

Senior Rylee Pickett poured in 15 points from beyond the arc to help the Greenville Lady Comets post their fourth South Central Conference win Saturday, Jan. 11, by virtue of a 41-25 decision over Litchfield.

The home court win was their 15 of the season and their 4-1 conference record matches that of Hillsboro, however Pana sits atop the SCC with a 5-1 mark. Ironically, the Comets only loss was at Pana on Dec. 5 in a 48-46 nail-biter that went by way of the Panthers.

In their 16-point win over Litchfield, Picket netted three of her five treys in the first quarter as the Comets built an 11-4 lead, a lead that would be challenged in the second when junior Cara Pence hit a three to draw the Panthers to within three at 14-11.

Turnovers would hamper Litchfield's comeback effort and the Comets went on to build a 22-14 halftime lead. In addition to Picket's three ball in the quarter, Megan Halleman, the Comets' 6'4" center, would score four points from the post position and Natalie Iberg found her way to the bucket for four.

Litchfield enjoyed their largest point total in the second period as Pence and Becky Painter both nailed threes and Emily Senjan and Carly Boden would add two point field goals.

Trailing the Comets by eight, Litchfield had four looks at the basket early in the third period and Senjan's toss was the only one to fall through. In addition, the Panthers lost the services of their 5'10" post player, senior Carly Boden, who picked up her fourth foul at 5:56 and was forced to the bench.

After Senjan's basket and Boden's exit, freshman Laura Boston's inside layup would be the last points the Panthers would score as Greenville's offense came alive with 15 third quarter points from Danielle Brand, Hannah Simpson, Pickett, Iberg and Halleman.

Boden would reenter the game at the start of the fourth quarter as the Panthers faced a 22-point deficit, however she picked up her fifth personal foul at 4:19.

Greenville was also forced to alter their starting lineup as Pickett went down with what appeared to be an ankle sprain and did not return to the game. The Panther fourth quarter offense belonged to Senjan, who bucketed a three and a free throw, and Painter, who also hit a three early in the period. Gwyn Mitchell capped off the Comet scoring with four points.

Picket led all scorers with her 15 points while Senjan and Painter shared scoring honors for Litchfield with eight apiece.

The junior Lady Comets defeated the Lady Panthers 29-25. The Panthers are idle until Thursday, Jan. 16, when they host the Pana Panthers, while Greenville takes to the road for a match-up with Okawville on Tuesday.

January 11 at Greenville
Greenville 11 11 15 9 ---- 41
Litchfield 4 10 4 7 ---- 25
Greenville (41) - Rylee Pickett 15, Natalie Iberg 9, Megan Halleman 8, Abby Sussenbach 4, Danielle Brand 4, Hannah Simpson 1. **Totals:** 15-5-8-41.
Litchfield (25) - Emily Senjan 8, Becky Painter 8, Carly Boden 4, Cara Pence 3, Laura Boston 2. **Totals:** 6 (Pickett 5, Iberg 1; Litchfield 4 (Painter 2, Pence 1, Senjan 1).
Records: Litchfield (11-10, 2-3); Greenville (15-6, 4-1).

Sports Calendar

Hillsboro Hiltoppers
Monday, January 13
6 p.m. - Wrestling at Shelbyville with Robinson
7 p.m. - Girls Basketball hosts Wesclin (Varsity only)
Tuesday, January 14
6 p.m. - Boys Basketball hosts North Mac
Wednesday, January 15
7:15 p.m. - Freshman Boys Basketball at Hillsboro

Litchfield Purple Panthers
Tuesday, January 14
4:45 p.m. - Boys Basketball at East Alton-Wood River (Freshman/JV/Varsity)
6 p.m. - Wrestling hosts Taylorville, Decatur MacArthur

Nokomis Redskins
Monday, January 13
6 p.m. - Girls Basketball at South Fork
6 p.m. - Boys Basketball vs. Mulberry Grove at Morrisonville Tournament
Tuesday, January 14
6 p.m. - Boys Basketball at Edinburg (part of Morrisonville Tournament)
Wednesday, January 15
6 p.m. - Girls Basketball hosts Pawnee

Lincolnwood Lancers
Monday, January 13
6 p.m. - Girls Basketball at Springfield Lutheran
7:15 p.m. - Boys Basketball vs. Edinburg at Morrisonville Tournament
Tuesday, January 14
6 p.m. - Boys Basketball at Carlinville (part of Morrisonville Tournament)

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Jan. 8 at Hillsboro Bowl
Week 17 of 28

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Men's Handicap Game: Bill 234; Will 229; Jaime 216
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Hillsboro's Emily Reynolds puts a shot up over the outstretched hand of Litchfield's Carly Boden during the South Central Conference game between the two rivals on Jan. 9. The two seniors would lead their respective clubs in scoring, with Boden netting a game-high 14 points and Reynolds putting in 12 in the Toppers' 54-36 victory over the Lady Panthers.

Journal-News/Kyle Herschelmann

Scoring Run Pushes Toppers Past Panthers

by Kyle Herschelmann

An 18-0 run that stretched from the first to the second quarter quelled any hopes of Litchfield avenging their earlier loss to Hillsboro on Thursday, Jan. 9, as the Lady Hiltoppers defeated the Purple Panthers 54-36.

The game was back and forth to start, with both teams holding a two point lead at some point before Hillsboro tied the contest at 6-6 on two Claire Tester free throws with 3:39 to play in the first.

The Toppers would make the first move to pull away though, getting a pair of threes in the final 2:40 from Layne Rupert and Haley Major to take a 12-6 lead going into the second quarter.

The Hillsboro defense continued to put the brakes on the Panthers in the second quarter, holding them scoreless for the first six minutes and 15 seconds. During that stretch, the Toppers built on their lead, getting baskets down low from Nikya Harston and Emily Reynolds and from behind the arc by Vanessa Compton.

By the time Carly Boden scored

Litchfield's first points since the 3:35 mark of the first quarter, there was just 1:45 left in the half and the Lady Panthers were down 24-8.

Reynolds and Shelby Houchlei would add to that margin with two more baskets in the final minute as Hillsboro carried a 28-8 lead into halftime, thanks to a 16-2 second quarter advantage.

The first half throttlng kept Litchfield from making up much ground on the Toppers in the second half, although they did outscore Hillsboro 28-26 in the final two quarters.

The Panthers would get as close as 15 after Emily Senjan completed an old fashioned three-point play to make it 35-20, but Hillsboro went on a 7-0 run in the final two minutes of the third quarter to make it a 42-20 ball game.

Hillsboro's lead would grow to 23 in the first two minutes of the fourth quarter, but a basket by Carly Boden and back-to-back threes by Becky Painter and Emily Senjan made it a 15 point game once again, 47-32.

Any hopes of a rally were quickly snuffed out on the other

end though, as Haley Major hit her third three of the game immediately after Senjan's triple for the nail in the coffin.

The two teams would score four points each after that as Hillsboro improved to 4-1 in the South Central Conference, while Litchfield fell to 2-2.

Emily Reynolds led a balanced Hillsboro offense with 12 points, eight coming in the first half, as Coach Bret Tuetken's team saw nine different players score in the win.

Haley Major would add nine points, followed by Nikya Harston and Claire Tester with eight and seven respectively. Layne Rupert (six), Vanessa Compton (five), Shelby Houchlei (three), Emma Miller (three) and Alex Frailey (one) rounded out the scoring for HHS.

Carly Boden would have a big game despite the presence of Harston and Tester in the post for Hillsboro. Boden led all scorers with 14 points, ten of which came in the second half.

Emily Senjan would add eight points for Litchfield, followed by

Becky Painter with five, Cara Pence with four, Carson Jackson with three and Laura Boston with two.

Turnovers would be a big problem for the Panthers, who gave up 19 points off of 20 turnovers, most caused by the defensive pressure of the Hillsboro guards.

Hillsboro will be back in action on Monday, Jan. 13, as they take on Wesclin at 7 p.m. in a varsity only contest. Litchfield will be off until Thursday, Jan. 16, when they face conference leader Pana at Simmons Gym in Litchfield.

January 9 at Hillsboro
Litchfield 6 2 12 16 ----- 36
Hillsboro 12 16 14 12 ----- 54
Litchfield (36) - Carly Boden 14, Emily Senjan 8, Becky Painter 5, Cara Pence 4, Carson Jackson 3, Laura Boston 2. **Totals:** 14-39 5-7 36.
Hillsboro (54) - Emily Reynolds 12, Haley Major 9, Nikya Harston 8, Claire Tester 7, Layne Rupert 6, Vanessa Compton 5, Shelby Houchlei 3, Emma Miller 3, Alex Frailey 1. **Totals:** 20 9-17 54.
Three-point field goals: Litchfield 3 (Senjan 1, Jackson 1, Painter 1); Hillsboro 5 (Major 3, Rupert 1, Compton 1).
Records: Hillsboro (10-10, 4-1); Litchfield (11-9, 2-2).

Lady Redskins Lose A Nail Biter In Bethany

by Macee Eisenbarth

To start their weekend off the Nokomis Lady Redskins traveled to Okaw Valley on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 11.

Relieved that the tough round of games were behind them, they knew they still had to give it their all while facing the Timberwolves of Okaw Valley.

To start off the game, the Timberwolves captured the tip ball and took it aggressively to the basket, resulting in a foul and two free throws. They proved they were there to battle and they weren't going to make it easy for the Lady Redskins.

As the first quarter went on, the Redskins fed it to the posts multiple times, which resulted in made baskets and free throws. Going into the second quarter the Lady Redskins barely held onto a 6-4 lead.

During the second quarter, the refs were not as generous and the Skins were not sneaky about fouling, ultimately sending the Timberwolves to the line to shoot for free. As half time approached, the game was tied 15 to 15.

Needing to take the lead and extend it, the Skins came out aggressively at half to regain their

advantage.

Unfortunately, the Timberwolves had an answer and soon made it a close game once again. It was 24 to 23, the Timberwolves with the lead, going into the final minutes.

There was a slow start to the fourth quarter, with neither team scoring any points.

Eventually, the Lady Redskins took the lead with a few minutes left and held onto it until seconds left in the game.

Unfortunately, with a wide open shot from the free-throw line, the Timberwolves took the lead by one and defeated the Redskins 29-28.

Audrey Sabol had 11 points and 12 rebounds and Addison Dangbar added nine points herself.

Nokomis vs. Marquette
Prior to the close call with Okaw Valley, the Lady Redskins were on the road Thursday night, Jan. 9, to battle the Alton Marquette Explorers.

They knew they were getting ready to face a tough Explorer squad that was aggressive and skilled. As play started it was made obvious early on that it was going to be another difficult game for the Lady Redskins.

Despite getting the ball into the post, the Redskins were having a

difficult time on the offensive end. They were outscored by Marquette 17-9 after the first quarter.

Things didn't seem to look up for the Lady Redskins in the second quarter either. The Explorers took advantage of the missteps on defense and scored 16 more points in the second quarter, making it 33 to 16 heading into the locker room.

During the second half, things didn't change for the Redskins. Marquette kept the large lead and ran with it. The Redskins were unfortunately defeated by Marquette 61-27. Despite the low score on the Redskins side, they were led by Audrey Sabol with 19 points and eight rebounds.

Next week will be a busy one for Nokomis as they are set to play four games in six days. The first of those games is on Monday, Jan. 13, at South Fork High School in Kincaid, followed by home games against Pawnee and Bunker Hill

on Jan. 15 and 16 and a road trip to East Alton-Wood River on Saturday, Jan. 18.

January 9 at Alton
Nokomis 9 7 4 7 ----- 27
Marquette 17 16 19 9 ----- 61
Nokomis (27) - Audrey Sabol 19, Jayme Johnson 4, Natalie Engelmann 2, Emma Sneddon 1, Emma Keller 1. **Totals:** 8-29 11-17 27.
Marquette (61) - Adrenna Snipes 24, Aftiera Merriweather 8, Abby Williams 7, Emma Nicholson 6, Hayley Porter 6, Nia Ballinger 5, Carli Foersterling 3, Megan Meyer 2. **Totals:** 24-52-8-1661.
Three-point field goals: Nokomis 0-5; Marquette 5-22 (Snipes 3, Nicholson 2).
Records: Nokomis (6-13); Marquette (15-5).
January 11 at Bethany
Nokomis 6 9 8 5 ----- 28
Okaw Valley 4 11 9 5 ----- 29
Nokomis (28) - Audrey Sabol 11, Addison Dangbar 9, Emma Sneddon 3, Jayme Johnson 3, Mia Fesser 2. **Totals:** 12-44 1-6 28.
Three-point field goals: Nokomis 3-11 (Sneddon 1, Dangbar 1, Johnson 1).
Records: Nokomis (6-14); Okaw Valley (5-12).

Redskins' Second Quarter Surge Proves To Be Too Much For EAWR

A strong second quarter gave Nokomis enough momentum to win big at East Alton-Wood River, 59-24, on Wednesday, Jan. 8.

The Redskins came out flat to begin the game, allowing East Alton-Wood River to take a 4-0 lead, but the visitors would rally and lead 10-7 at the end of the opening eight minutes.

In the second quarter, the Skins would catch fire as they outscored the Oilers 22-6, with senior Alex Tosetti knocking down a pair of threes in the big offensive frame. Tosetti would finish the game with three triples, accounting for nine of his game-high 23 points.

Up 32-13 at the half, Nokomis continued the blitz in the third and fourth quarters, where they outscored the home team 16-6 and 11-5 to walk away with a 35-point win, their sixth in 11 games this season.

In addition to Tosetti, Carter

Sabol added 16 points for the Redskins, while Evan Herpstreith finished with six. Jake Johnson would add five points, followed by Nick Mascher with four, Seth Johnson with three and Cooper Bertolino with two.

The victory improved Nokomis' season record to 6-5 and was their fifth straight victory going into the match-up with Lincolnwood on Jan. 10.

January 8 at Wood River
Nokomis 10 22 16 11 ---- 59
EAWR 7 6 6 5 ---- 24
Nokomis (59) - Alex Tosetti 23, Carter Sabol 16, Evan Herpstreith 6, Jake Johnson 5, Nick Mascher 4, Seth Johnson 3, Cooper Bertolino 2. **Totals:** 26 3-7 59.
East Alton-Wood River (24) - Jake Wells 11, Antonio Hardin 6, Ahmad Allen 3, Ryan Dawson 2, Spencer Slayden 2. **Totals:** 10 1-1 24.
Three-point field goals: Nokomis 4 (Tosetti 3, Johnson 1); East Alton-Wood River 3 (Wells 1, Hardin 1, Allen 1).
Records: Nokomis (6-5); East Alton-Wood River (4-12).

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January 1953 Begins In California



Grandma saved several items in her 1953 diary. She listed the top stories of the past year. Number 1–Eisenhower’s election as the first Republican president in 20 years. Number 2 cites the United States first successful H-bomb test. Next is the unsuccessful peace talks that mean the Korean Conflict enters its third year. Number 4 is the Supreme Court’s ruling that the seizure of the steel plants is illegal. Elizabeth II becoming the British queen upon the death of her father, King George VI ranks number 5. I admit I have no idea what the next event’s importance is. Captain Carlsen makes a heroic stand on the Flying Enterprise. Time for a little Google research. Number 7 notes a plane crash that closes the Newark airport. Iran breaking all ties with Britain comes in at number 8. Number 9 is prison riots throughout the U.S. The tenth event that resonated world wide is King Farouk ouster from the Egyptian throne. Grandma also notes that a meteor “streaked across the sky over the San Francisco Bay . . . and plunged into the ocean causing a shock wave that residents within a 100 mile area reported feeling an earthquake.”

Thursday, Jan. 1, 1953–Clear in Rolling Hills, CA. Wayne, Geraldine, Larry and Albert went to the Rose Parade. They left home before 6 a.m. Parade started at 9 a.m. Linda stayed with the rest of us, and we made her dolly a dress. They got back at 12:30 and were ready to leave for home by 1:40. They got to Indio that night.

Saturday, Jan. 3, 1953–Another nice day. Albert mowed their yard. Got his hair cut for \$1.50. Billy’s bicycle has had a flat tire. Albert got it fixed. We went shopping late. Wayne got to Pecos, TX. Drove 497 miles. Stopped at Fort Bliss to see Darrell Joyce (Howy’s hired hand in 1951)

Monday, Jan. 5, 1953–Very nice wash day. Alberta has an immense umbrella type clothes line. Albert went to work. We went to the market. Wayne’s got home at 8:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1953–Cost Wayne’s \$23.80 for each of two whole tickets and two one-half ones for their trip to Palo Alto. Had a fog early but cleared later. Alberta called TWA and made reservations for Monday, Jan. 19, for us to leave L.A. at 8:20 a.m., arrive in St. Louis at 5:45 p.m. DeLuxe plane full fare \$119.54, half fare \$59.77. We must go on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday for this fare to be effective. Dad got cash at Lomita, \$225.

Friday, Jan. 9, 1953–We went to the airport and paid for our tickets. Just had .69 left our of nine \$20 bills.

Sunday, Jan. 11, 1953–A 60-foot boat had been washed up on the beach. We rode through fog into sunshine, then vice versa (to see the boat). Came back over Route 104; farmland. High tide at Redondo beach. All the buildings along the ocean front have been wrecked except one home. A wide sidewalk was washed out. Officials are alarmed for the water main may wash out. Albert took us to San Juan Capistrano, an old mission. We saw oil wells so thick they overlapped. They were at Huntington Beach. Water had been three feet deep over road.

Monday, Jan. 12, 1953–Foggy. Alberta washed but no drying day. Rain at times. We brought in what was dry about 3 p.m. At 9 p.m. Albert closed the garage and reported the rest of the clothes were dry, something unheard of in Illinois.

Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1953–Carl and I climbed the hill farther up than Albert’s house. There are six houses south and 10 north of them. She says there are to be 60 new houses to be built farther up the hill.

Sunday, Jan. 18, 1953–We went to Long Beach for the noon meal. Dad set ‘em up to us. Billy almost always orders hamburger and Coke. Carl and I packed everything but our night clothes. Alberta had to go after bread after dark, so she got me a bit of succulent vine which grows there so much–sort of a moss-like plant.

Monday, Jan. 19, 1953–Left Alberta’s at 8:20 a.m. for airport. Mostly fog or clouds. Flew 17,000 feet up. We did see Grand Canyon. Pikes Peak off to left. Landed in Kansas City 1:20 L.A. time. Airport closed on account of heavy fog. Had to ride Wabash train to St. Louis. Left K.C. at 4:30 p.m. got to St. Louis at 10:10. Merle, Margie and Connie met us. Connie was very glad to see us.

Tuesday, Jan. 20, 1953–Inauguration Day for Eisenhower. We listened to a part of the parade. Mr. Campbell came as soon as we got home. Everything seems to be all right. Corky (the pup) is fat. Mr. Campbell had 135 more eggs sold, more than enough to pay him \$2 a day for 38 days he stayed here.

Wednesday, Jan. 21, 1953–I baked an angel food cake and fried a chicken, and we went to Merle’s birthday supper. Wayne’s there also. Frank Keith’s called. Carl and I took 30 dozen eggs to Litchfield, Grade A, 44 cents.

Friday, Jan. 23, 1953–Rained about all day. I planned to go quilt, but Eliza and Florence called it off. I sure am not getting anything done but cook and wash dishes.

Saturday, Jan. 24, 1953–A little sunshine. We went to the hospital to see Jesse (Newport). Dr. Telfer says he is critically ill. About now I got three geranium slips potted I brought from California, also an ivy plant.

Sunday, Jan. 25, 1953–Merle took Carl to the St. Louis airport to get a refund on our plane tickets, \$26.60. All but Carole of Merle’s family ate dinner with us. Connie ate blackberries. Carl and I went to see Harley’s. He has boils or something worse on his left cheek.

Monday, Jan. 26, 1953–More sunshine today than all put together last week. I had a big washing. Irene Knodle called and wanted me to go sit with Jesse from 3-7. I did so. He still doesn’t know me. His pneumonia is about gone. Wayne Knodle is still bedfast with the flu.

Thursday, Jan. 29, 1953–Clear. Again I went to sit with Jesse. He knows Irene and I. Henry Eckhoff entered the hospital. Dropsy, I guess.

Carole (Best) Brown of Golconda provides Journal-News readers with this glimpse of the past from her grandmother, Mary Edith (Neuport) Best, Butler farm wife. Carole may be reached at rosebudbooks@gmail.com.

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CBS	Neighbor.				Bull: "Labor Days"		Local	Late Show (TV14) (N)	Corden (N)	
NBC	America's Got Talent: The Champions (N)				Manifest (TVPG) (N)		Local	(.35) Tonight Show (N)	Late Night	
FOX	9-1-1: "Fallout" (TV14)	Prodigal Son (TV14)			Local Programs				Local Programs	
ION	Criminal Minds (TV14)	Criminal Minds: "Coda"			Criminal Minds (TV14)		Criminal Minds (TV14)	Criminal Minds (TV14)		
CABLE	A&E Live PD	Live PD	Live Rescue: "01.13.20" (TV14) (N)				America's Top Dog	Live PD	Live PD	
AMC	Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen ('09, PG-13)	★½ Shia LaBeouf, Megan Fox.					The Punisher ('04, R)	Thomas Jane.		
ANIMAL	Alaska: Last (TV14) (N)	Alaska: Last (TV14) (N)	(.01) Alaskan Bush (N)		(.01) Alaskan Bush (N)		Alaska: Last (TV14) (N)			
BET	(5:00) Soul Plane ('04)	White Chicks ('04, PG-13)	★★ Shawn Wayans, Marlon Wayans.				Martin	Martin		
BRAVO	Below Deck (TV14) (N)	Below Deck (TV14) (N)	Watch What		Below Deck (TV14)		Housewives			
CARTOON	Dad	Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick/Morty	Robot	Tyson	MomName
CMT	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Hot 20 Decade (TVPG)	
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360°		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)	Anderson Cooper 360°		
COMEDY	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Daily (N)	Lights Out	South Park	South Park
DISCOVERY	Street Outlaws: "Fastest of the Fast" (TV14) (N)						Twin Turbos (TV14) (N)	Street Outlaws (TV14)		
DISNEY	BUNK'D	Sydney	Raven	Just Roll	Coop & Cami	Sydney	Unsitatable	Just Roll	Raven	Raven
E!	Botched: "Face" (TV14)	Botched (TV14) (N)			Meet (N)	Meet (N)	Nightly (N)	Botched (TV14)		Meet
ESPN	2020 CFP National Championship: Clemson Tigers vs LSU Tigers (Live)						Pre/Post	(.55) SportsCenter		
ESPN2	(.15) 2020 CFP National Championship: "Field Pass": Clemson Tigers vs LSU Tigers						(.45) College Football Final (Live)			
FOOD	Kids Baking (TV G) (N)	Kids Baking (TV G) (N)			Food Challenge (N)		Food Challenge (TV G)	Kids Baking (TV G)		
FREEFORM	Hook ('91, PG)	★★★ Robin Williams, Dustin Hoffman.					The 700 Club (TV G)	Viva Rock Vegas ('00)		
FX	Kingsman: The Golden Circle ('17, R)	★★★ Taron Egerton, Colin Firth.					Kingsman: The Golden Circle ('17, R)	★★★		
HGTV	Love It or List It (TV G)	Love It or List It (N)			Love It or List It (TV G)		Love It or List It (TV G)	Love It or List It (TV G)		
HISTORY	American Pickers	Pick Bonus Buys (N)	(.05) American Pickers		(.05) American Pickers		American Pickers	(.03) American Pickers		
LIFETIME	50 First Dates ('04, PG-13)	★★★ Adam Sandler.	(.03) The Ugly Truth ('09, R)		★½ Katherine Heigl.		(.01) 50 First Dates ('04)			
MTV	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous
NICK	Danger	Casagrande	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
PARMT	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops (N)	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops
SYFY	(6:30) Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince ('09, PG)	Daniel Radcliffe.			Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama	Futurama
TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Dad	Dad	Conan (N)	Miracle	Miracle	Conan	
TCM	The Search ('48, NR)	★★★ Montgomery Clift.			The Diary of Anne Frank ('59, NR)	★★★ Millie Perkins, Joseph Schildkraut.				
TLC	90 Day Fiancé: Watch Party (TV14) (N)				90 Day Fiancé: "Choose Me" (TV14)			90 Day Fiancé (TV14)		
TNT	Suicide Squad ('16, PG-13)	★★★ Will Smith, Jared Leto.			Suicide Squad ('16, PG-13)	★★★ Will Smith, Jared Leto.				
TRAVEL	Unexplained (TV14)		Unexplained (TV14)		Beyond the Unknown		Strange Evidence	Unexplained (TV14)		
TV LAND	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	(TVPG)		Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	WWE Monday Night Raw:	from Rupp Arena in Lexington, Ky. (Live)					Family	Family	Family	Family
VH1	Love & Hip Hop (N)	Love & Hip Hop Miami			Love & Hip Hop (TV14)		Love & Hip Hop Miami	Love & Hip Hop (TV14)		
WGN	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Man	Married	Married
PREM	HBO (5:45) Fast Five ('11)★★★	The New Pope (N)			The New Pope (TVMA)		The Outsider (TVMA)	The Outsider (TVMA)		
MAX	The Big Year ('11, PG) Jack Black.	(.40) A Good Year ('06, PG-13) Russell Crowe.					(.40) Can't Buy Me Love ('87, PG)			
SHOW	Shameless (TVMA)	God: "Birthday Party"			Generation Q (TVMA)		Ray Donovan: "Bugs"	Shameless (TVMA)		

TUESDAY EVENING

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST	ABC JEOPARDY! The (N)	mixed-ish	black-ish		Emergence (N)		Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline	
CBS	NCIS: "Flight Plan" (N)	FBI (TV14) (N)			FBI: Most Wanted (N)		Local	Late Show (TV14) (N)	Corden (N)	
NBC	Game of Games (N)	This Is Us (TV14) (N)			New Amsterdam (N)		Local	(.35) Tonight Show (N)	Late Night	
FOX	The Resident (N)	Gordon Ramsay's (N)			Local Programs				Local Programs	
ION	Criminal Minds (TV14)	Criminal Minds (TV14)			Criminal Minds (TV14)		Criminal Minds: "Hope"	Criminal Minds (TV14)		
CABLE	A&E The First 48 (TV14)		The First 48: "Chain of Death" (TV14)				The First 48: "Deadly"	The First 48 (TV14)		
AMC	Home Alone ('90, PG)	★★★ Macaulay Culkin, Joe Pesci.			Home Alone 2: Lost in New York ('92, PG)	Macaulay Culkin.				
ANIMAL	Treehouse Masters: Branched Out (TVPG) (N)		Barnwood Builders		Barnwood Builders		Treehouse (TVPG)			
BET	Are We There ('05) ★★	The Best Man Holiday ('13, R)	★★★ Morris Chestnut, Taye Diggs.				Martin	Martin		
BRAVO	Vanderpump Rules	Vanderpump Rules (N)	Watch What		Vanderpump Rules (N)		Housewives (TV14)	Vanderpump		
CARTOON	Dad	Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy (TV14)		Rick/Morty	Robot	Tyson	MomName
CMT	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	To Be Announced	
CNN	CNN Debate Pre-Show		CNN Democratic Debate: Des Moines				(.15) CNN Debate Post Analysis: Des Moines			
COMEDY	The Office	The Office	Drunk Hist	Drunk Hist	Drunk Hist	Daily (N)	Lights Out	South Park	South Park	
DISCOVERY	Moonshiners (TV14) (N)	Moonshiners (TV14) (N)	Guardians Glade (N)			Moonshiners (TV14)	Moonshiners (TV14)			
DISNEY	BUNK'D	Sydney	Raven	Just Roll	Coop & Cami	Sydney	Unsitatable	Just Roll	Raven	Raven
E!	He's Not Into You ('09)		He's Just Not That Into You ('09, PG-13)	★★½ Ben Affleck.			Nightly (N)	Meet	Meet	
ESPN	(6:00) College Bball	College Basketball: Kansas vs Oklahoma (Live)					SportsCenter	SportsCenter		
ESPN2	(6:00) College Bball	College Basketball: Maryland vs Wisconsin					College Basketball (Live)			
FOOD	Chopped (TV G)	Chopped (TV G) (N)	Chopped (TV G)		Chopped (TV G)		Chopped (TV G)			
FREEFORM	The DUFF	Grown Ups ('10, PG-13)	★★½ Adam Sandler, Kevin James.				The 700 Club (TV G)	The BoxTrolls ('14) ★★		
FX	Transformers: The Last Knight ('17, PG-13)	★★ Mark Wahlberg, Gemma Chan.					Transformers: The Last Knight ('17)			
HGTV	Home Town (TV G)	Fixer to Fabulous (N)			Move and Improve (N)		Hunters	Hunters	Fixer to Fabulous	
HISTORY	Oak Island (TVPG) (N)	Oak Island (TVPG) (N)	(.03) Kings of Pain (N)		(.06) Kings of Pain (N)		Oak Island: "Triptych"			
LIFETIME	Madex's Family Reunion	('06, PG-13) ★★	Hopelessly in Love: "Faith Evans and" (TVPG)				Family Reunion ('06) ★★			
MTV	Siesta Key (TVPG) (N)	Teen Mom: Young (N)	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous
NICK	SpongeBob	SpongeBob	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
PARMT	(6:00) White House Down ('13, PG-13)	★★½	Ink Master (TV14)		White House Down ('13, PG-13)	★★½				
SYFY	Harry Potter & Hallows 2 ('11) Daniel Radcliffe.		Captain America: Civil War ('16, PG-13)	★★★★ Chris Evans.						
TBS	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	Conan (N)	Miracle	Miracle	Conan	
TCM	The Day the Earth Stood Still ('51)	(.45) Week-End with Father ('51) ★★				(.15) The Breaking Point ('50, NR) John Garfield.				
TLC	My Big Fat Fabulous Life: "Whit's New Man" (N)		Hot & Heavy (TV14) (N)			I Am Jazz (TVPG)		My Fat Fab Life (TV14)		
TNT	Identity Thief ('13, R)	★★½ Jason Bateman, Melissa McCarthy.	27 Dresses ('08, PG-13)	★★½ Katherine Heigl, Brian Kerwin.						
TRAVEL	The Dead Files (TVPG)	The Dead Files (TVPG)	Famously Afraid (N)		Kindred Spirits (TVPG)		The Dead Files (TVPG)			
TV LAND	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens
USA	SVU: "Military" (TV14)	SVU: "Psycho" (TV14)	SVU: "Wednesdays"		SVU: "Gridiron" (TV14)		SVU: "Downloaded"			
VH1	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out	Wild N Out
WGN	Jurassic Park III ('01)	Jurassic Park III ('01, PG-13)	★★½ Sam Neill.		Married	Married	Married	Married		
PREM	HBO The Outsider (TVMA)	The Outsider (TVMA)	The Town ('10, R)	★★★ Ben Affleck, Rebecca Hall.		The New Pope (TVMA)				
MAX	The Mask ('94, PG-13) Jim Carrey.	(.45) A Fantastic Fear of Everything ('12, R) ★★½			The Ruins ('08, R) Jonathan Tucker.					
SHOW	Ray Donovan: "Bugs"	Inside the NFL (N)	Shameless (TVMA)		Inside the NFL (TVPG)		Ray Donovan: "Bugs"			

WEDNESDAY EVENING

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
BROADCAST	ABC	JEOPARDY! The (N)	Family (N)	Single (N)	Stumptown (N)		Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live		Nightline	
	CBS	Undercover Boss (N)	Criminal Minds (N)		S.W.A.T. (TV14) (N)		Local	Late Show (TV14) (N)		Corden (N)	
	NBC	Chicago Med (TV14) (N)	Chicago Fire (TV14) (N)		Chicago P.D. (TV14) (N)		Local	Tonight Show (TV14)		Late Night	
	FOX	Flirty Dancing (N)	Almost Family (N)		Local Programs				Local Programs		
	ION	Blue Bloods (TV14)	Blue Bloods (TV14)		Blue Bloods (TV14)		Blue Bloods (TV14)		Blue Bloods (TV14)		
CABLE	A&E	Live PD: "Live PD" (N)	America's Top Dog (N)		Live PD: "Live PD" (N)		(.10) Live PD: Rewind		Live PD: "Live PD"		
	AMC	Ghostbusters ('84, PG)	★★★★ Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd.		Ghostbusters II ('89, PG)		★★★★ Bill Murray, Dan Aykroyd.				
	ANIMAL	I Was Prey: Under Attack: "Vacation Horror" (N)			I Was Prey: "Vacation"		I Was Prey (TVPG)		I Was Prey (TVPG)		
	BET	(5:00) Best Man 2 ('13)	Tyler Perry's The Oval		Tyler Perry's Sistat (N)		Tyler Perry's The Oval		Tyler Perry's Sistat		
	BRAVO	Real Housewives (N)	Watch What Housewives (TV14)		Housewives (TV14)		Housewives (TV14)		Watch What		
	CARTOON	Dad	Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick/Morty	Robot	Tyson	MomName
	CMT	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Terminator 2 ('91)★★★★	
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360°		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Anderson Cooper 360°	
	COMEDY	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	Daily (N)	Lights Out	(.05) South Park ('08)	
	DISCOVERY	Alaskan Bush People	(.01) Naked and Afraid: Alone: Uncensored (N)				(.01) Naked and Afraid		Naked & Afraid		
	DISNEY	BUNK'D	Sydney	Raven	Just Roll	Coop & Cami	Sydney	Unsitatable	Just Roll	Raven	Raven
	E!	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Meet	Meet	Nightly (N)	Very Cavallari (TV14)	
	ESPN	(6:00) NBA Basketball (Live)		NBA Basketball: Portland vs Houston (Live)							
	ESPN2	(6:00) College Bball		College Basketball: Auburn vs Alabama (Live)				SportsCenter			
	FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games		Guy's Grocery Games	
FREEFORM	(5:30) Growth Ups ('10)		Party of Five (TV14) (N)		Good Trouble (N)		The 700 Club (TV G)		Ice Age: Drift ('12) ★★★		
FX	Despicable Me 3 ('17, PG)		★★★ Steve Carell.		Despicable Me 3 ('17, PG)		★★★ Steve Carell.		The Emoji Movie ('17) ★		
HGTV	Property (TV G)		Property Brothers (N)		Hunters		Hunters		Property (TV G)		
HISTORY	Forged in Fire (N)		Forged in Fire (N)		Vikings (TV14) (N)		Forged in Fire (TVPG)		Forged in Fire (TVPG)		
LIFETIME	Married at First Sight: "Married a" (TV14) (N)		Supernanny (TVPG) (N)		Supernanny (TVPG) (N)		Married at First Sight		Married at First Sight		
MTV	Catfish: The TV Show		(.01) True Life Crime (N)		Ridiculous		Ridiculous		Ridiculous		
NICK	SpongeBob		SpongeBob		Friends		Friends		Friends		
PARMT	John Wick: Chapter 2 ('17, R) Keanu Reeves.		68 Whiskey (TVMA) (N)		The Magicians (N)		The Magicians: Chapter 2 ('17, R) Keanu Reeves.		(C09) Gamer ('09, R) ★★		
SYFY	(6:08) Captain America: Civil War ('16, PG-13)		The Magicians (N)				The Magicians (TVMA)		(C09) Gamer ('09, R) ★★		
TBS	Bang		Bang		Bang		Conan (N)		Miracle		
TCLM	The Wet Parade ('32, NR) ★★★ Dorothy Jordan.				(15) Once Upon a Time in America ('84, R) ★★★★		Robert De Niro.		My 600-lb Life (TV14)		
TCM	My 600-lb Life "Bethany's Story" (TV14) (N)				100-lb Sisters (N)		My Feet Are Killing Me		My 600-lb Life (TV14)		
TNT	All Elite Wrestling: Dynamite				Pain & Gain ('13, R) ★★★		Mark Wahlberg, Dwayne Johnson.		Cop Out		
TRAVEL	Paranormal (TVPG)		Paranormal (TVPG) (N)		Paranormal (TVPG) (N)		Paranormal (TVPG)		Paranormal (TVPG)		
TV LAND	Loves Ray. Loves Ray.		Loves Ray. Loves Ray.		Queens		Queens		Queens		
USA	WWE NXT Developmental WWE organization.				Miz & Mrs		Miz & Mrs		SVU: "Competence"		
VH1	Black Ink Crew (N)		Potluck		Black Ink Crew (TV14)		Love & Hip Hop Miami		Hop (TV14)		
WGN	Cops		Cops		Cops		Cops		Married		
PREM	HBO	The New Pope (TVMA)		(C05) John Wick: Chapter 3 - Parabellum ('19, R)		The Outsider (TVMA)		Rock the Kasbah ('15)			
	MAX	Crash Rich Asians ('18, PG-13) Gemma Chan.		(C05) The Hot Chick ('02, PG-13) ★★★		(C50) Black Knight ('01, PG-13) ★★					
SHOW	Hunt for Red Oct. ('90)		Platoon ('86, R) ★★★ Tom Berenger.				Jarhead ('05, R) ★★★ Jake Gyllenhaal.				

Employment

General Help

ARE YOU looking for a new job? South Central FS in Greenville has multiple full time positions open for custom applicators. We offer health insurance, company paid pension, 401K and paid holidays and sick time. Please email contact number or resume to beckemeyer@southcentralfs.com

QUALIFIED INTELLECTUAL Disability Professional: Full-time position needed to work with developmentally disabled adults to develop individual service plans. Position based out of our Vandalia work site. Position requires 1) bachelor's degree in related field, 2) one year of experience with individuals with developmental disabilities, 3) be at least 21 years old, and 4) have a valid driver's license and a good driving record. Previous supervisory and computer experience a plus. Excellent fringe benefits. Equal Opportunity Employer. An application can be completed at 1313 Sunset Drive in Vandalia or 2112 Schram Ave. in Hillsboro or send resume with 3 personal references to FAYCO Enterprises, Inc., Attn: HR, P.O. Box 277, Vandalia, IL 62471.

Employment

General Help

ENJOY HELPING someone meet their goals? Want to have a positive impact? Assist adults with developmental disabilities by: transporting individuals to community events & activities, helping to maintain mental alertness through creativity & entertainment, encouraging movement & mobility, assisting with daily living skills & ensuring comfort and safety. Residential Direct Care positions available. Morning, evening, midnight, weekend and holiday shifts are needed in small residential group homes in Montgomery, Fayette and Bond Counties. Must be at least 21 years old, have a valid driver's license, a good driving record, reliable transportation, high school diploma or equivalent & be able to lift. \$9.50 to \$10.75 hr. depending on shifts and responsibilities. Paid training. A \$250 bonus may apply. Benefit package offered. Equal Opportunity Employer. Accepting applications daily. Applications can be completed at 1313 Sunset Drive in Vandalia, or 2112 Schram Avenue in Hillsboro. Or send resume to FAYCO Enterprises, Inc., P.O. Box 277, Vandalia, IL 62471. Attention HR.

Employment

Medical, Dental, Professional

RN/ NURSE TRAINER: Based out of our Vandalia site. Be part of a nursing team to meet medication administration needs and to monitor health issues for adults with disabilities. Selected individual will: Pass medications, complete annual nursing assessments and train agency staff regarding medication administration & health & safety issues. Minimum qualifications: 1) have & maintain a current unencumbered IL RN license with necessary malpractice insurance, 2) possess 1 yr. of clinical RN experience within the last 5 years, preferably in developmental disabilities 3) be at least 21 years of age, 4) have a valid driver's license, 5) have a demonstrated ability to relate to individuals with developmental disabilities. Full-time employment, 40+ hrs. per wk. Typically M-F with shared on-call duties. Excellent benefit package. Equal Opportunity Employer. Complete application at 1313 Sunset Drive, Vandalia or send resume with 3 references to FAYCO Enterprises, Inc., Attention: HR, P.O. Box 277, Vandalia, IL 62471.

Employment

Medical, Dental, Professional

LPN/RN: BE part of a nursing team to meet medication administration needs and monitor health issues for adults with disabilities. Someone needed to do noon med pass, Monday - Friday only (3-4 hrs. daily) at workshops in Vandalia and Hillsboro on a PRN basis. Requirements: 1) have and maintain a current IL LPN or RN license with necessary malpractice insurance (we do reimburse for insurance), 2) be at least 21 years of age, 3) have a valid driver's license, 4) have a demonstrated ability to relate to individuals with developmental disabilities. Benefit package available. Equal Opportunity Employer. An application can be completed at 1313 Sunset Drive in Vandalia or 2112 Schram Ave. in Hillsboro or send resume with 3 personal references to FAYCO Enterprises, Inc., P.O. Box 277, Vandalia, IL 62471.

For Rent

Apartments

APARTMENT TAYLOR Springs: Large 1 bedroom, utilities included, references required. Rent \$600 per mo. 217-820-4886

For Rent

Apartments

1 AND 2 bedroom apartments in Litchfield. Call for availability. 217-324-3283

MONTGOMERY COUNTY Section 8: Large 2 bedroom, 1 bath apartment, tenant pays electric only, Farmersville. 217-899-7470

Bus., Office Rentals

FOR RENT: Downtown office space available at 419 S. Main, Hillsboro. Call 217-710-6384 or 217-710-7319 for more info.

Houses

FOR RENT: 2 bedroom home, Hillsboro. \$600. No pets, no smoking. 217-532-5962

NICE 3 bedroom, 657 Virginia St., Hillsboro. No smoking. \$600 rent, \$600 deposit. Call 217-710-7318

FOR RENT: Country living on Glenn Shoals lake, 2 bedroom home, exterior recently updated, includes lake lot. 618-406-0218

Merchandise

Appliances

USED APPLIANCES for sale: Maytag natural gas dryers \$180 and \$145; Maytag washer \$230; 217-324-3636. L&W across from Litchfield Walmart.

Merchandise

Firewood

FIREWOOD. \$75. 217-313-3692

Furniture

FOR SALE Mattresses twin \$139, full \$169, queen \$239. New in factory plastic. Mattress Direct across from Litchfield Walmart. 217-324-3636

Transportation

Pickups & 4x4s

FOR SALE: 2002 Silverado 4x4 camper shell, runs great. \$4500. 618-635-2323

1720 FORD diesel tractor with turf tires, 72" finish mower. Has done yard work only. 217-652-2796

Court

- Grant A. Allen, 22, of Pana, faces felony charges of burglary and theft on Sunday, Dec. 1.
- Joseph C. Faulkner, 31, of Staunton, was charged with a child restraint violation on Friday, Dec. 20.
- Diana D. Logan, 33, of Hillsboro, was charged with disorderly conduct on Friday, Dec. 27.

Fire Calls

Ground Fire
Six members of the Shoal Creek Volunteer Fire Department responded for mutual aid for New Douglas at approximately 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 8. The firefighters were battling a ground fire.
Shoal Creek responders returned to service after 10 to 15 minutes on scene.

FOR RENT

Main Street Office Space in Downtown Hillsboro

Call John or Susie at 217-532-3933

Diamond Trailer Sales is hiring to fill positions in the service department. Full-time or part-time. Previous experience helpful, but not necessary.

Applications may be filled out at:
Diamond Trailer Sales
1117 N. Old Route 66
Litchfield, IL

NO PHONE CALLS. PLEASE

SEEKING SEALED BIDS

The City of Witt is taking sealed bids for the complete demolition of three properties located at the following addresses within the City of Witt:
118 W. Broadway
819 N. Talmadge
521 N. Third

Sealed bids should be submitted no later than 12:00 noon, January 14th, 2020 to City of Witt, P.O. Box 374, Witt, IL 62094. Bid specifications may be picked up at Witt City Hall, 106A W. Broadway, Monday thru Friday from 8 a.m. to 12:00 noon.

 ONLINE AUCTION ENDING THURSDAY, JANUARY 23 AT 7 P.M.

Two homes are up for auction in Nokomis, IL and Oconee, IL.



20293 N 23rd Ave, Nokomis, IL



202 W South 4th St, Oconee, IL

Open House Inspection:
Wednesday, January 15th 2pm - 4pm.

View information and bid at www.aumannauctions.com
888.282.8648



10% buyer's premium added to winning bid to determine total purchase price

HELP WANTED

Local business is currently looking for a Manager/Service Writer

Experience in auto repair and tires helpful. All aspects of customer service including quoting tires and auto repair jobs as well as ordering parts in a fast-paced environment. Benefits include: vacation, insurance and retirement. All applications kept in strict confidence. Please apply in person or send a résumé to: Taylor Tire and Auto, Inc., 1301A West Eilerman Ave., Litchfield, IL 62056.

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Litchfield

SALES/DINING ROOM MANAGER

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GO TO WWW.JUBELTS.COM FOR DETAILS
APPLY IN PERSON OR THRU INDEED.COM

FOR RENT

Village Apartments of Hillsboro now accepting applications for wait list on 1 & 2 bedroom apartments. Please call Lora at 217-532-3501.

 This institution is an equal opportunity provider. 

NOTICE

As waitlists are currently low, Montgomery County Housing Authority is currently accepting applications for all MCHA-owned properties, except The Hills (formerly Long Avenue) and Brown Shoe Loft Apartments.

Applications may be picked up at the office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed noon-1 p.m.). Applications may also be downloaded from our website montgomeryhousing.org.

Montgomery County Housing Authority
216 Shelbyville Road
Hillsboro, IL 62049
Phone: 217-532-3672

--- VACANCY NOTICE ---

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3 • Jan. 10, 2020
The following position in Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3 is available for the 2019-2020 school year in the Hillsboro Early Childhood Programs.
Position: Half-time Early Childhood Special Education Teacher (.5 FTE), half-time K-2 resource
Certification: Illinois Professional Educator's Licensure with LBS1 Endorsement, ECSE approval required.
Job Description: Teaching Pre Kindergarten Special Education Students in an inclusive setting. Strong interpersonal skills to collaborate with Pre-K teachers and related service providers is required. Additionally, teacher will manage a caseload and develop effective IEPs for students. Teaching K-5 resource students, managing caseload, and developing effective IEPs for students.
Starting Date: February 2020
Salary: Teacher's Salary Schedule/Labor Contract
Send employee applications (available at the District's website), resumé, copies of transcripts and certificates, and 3 letters of reference to: Marci Gutierrez, Pre-K Director, Coffeen Elementary School
200 School St., Coffeen, IL 62017 or
Fax to: #217-534-6088 or
E-mail to: mgutierrez@hillsboroschools.net
Phone 217-534-2314
Due By: January 24, 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

Central Illinois Storage will be holding a public auction of property being sold to satisfy a landlord's lien. **SALE WILL TAKE PLACE AT www.storage-treasures.com.** Property being sold includes all contents in units of the following:
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PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Defendants.
**No. 19-CH-49
NOTICE TO HEIRS
AND LEGATEES**

BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MORTGAGE ASSETS MANAGEMENT SERIES I TRUST,

Plaintiff,
v.
ANGELINA ELAINE BLOOME; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA - DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF BRENDA EVANS; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; MICHAEL DIAZ, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR BRENDA EVANS (DECEASED),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO YOU: Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Brenda Evans, that on December 12, 2019, an Order was entered by the Court naming Michael J. Diaz, 102 E. Main St., Greenville, IL 62246, Telephone No. (618) 664-1872, as the Special Representative of the above named decedent under 735 ILCS 5/13-209 (Death of a Party). The cause of action is for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage upon the premises commonly known as 1110 Walnut Street, Litchfield, IL 62056.

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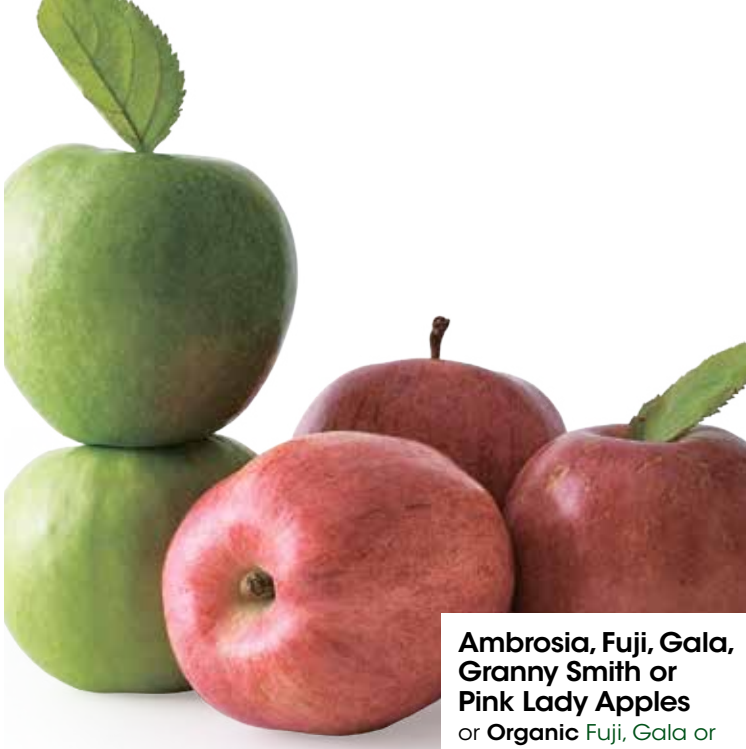
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Hillsboro Police

- Aaron J. Bennett, 20, of Hillsboro, was cited for driving on a suspended license at 10:14 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, and depositing material on the road along Smith Road and Lakecrest Trail.
- Tickets for no valid driver's license and no valid registration were issued to Aaron M. Groetecke, 22, of Taylor Springs, at 5:45 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1, on South Main Street at School Street in Hillsboro.
- Matthew T. Green, 34, of Litchfield, was cited for speeding 41 in a 25 mph zone at 5:44 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, on Hamilton Street at Water Street in Hillsboro.

Litchfield Police

- Michael L. Gleason, 44, of Wood River, was cited for an expired registration and for operating an uninsured vehicle at 11:05 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18, at Corvette and Rt. 16.
- Leslie A. Pingel, 35, of Loami, was cited for operating a vehicle with an expired registration sticker at 8:20 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, at Rt. 16 and Ohren.
- John R. Ubben, 69, of Carlinville, was cited for disobeying a

stop sign at 1:55 p.m. Friday, Dec. 20, at four-lane Rt. 66 and Tyler.

- William S. Anglin, 52, of Litchfield, was cited for a Montgomery County warrant at 5:05 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, at the Litchfield Police Department.
- Gabrielle M. Hale, 19, of Litchfield, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 8:20 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 21, at State and Corwin.
- George W. Miller, 18, of Litchfield, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 8:53 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 22, at Tyler and Jefferson.
- Edward B. Dunn, 51, of Bethalto, was jailed for a Montgomery County warrant, for operating an uninsured vehicle and for no valid driver's license at 12:43 a.m. Monday, Dec. 23, at Corvette and Thunderbolt.
- Amy S. Odle, 45, of Staunton, was jailed for possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia at 3:20 a.m. Monday, Dec. 23, at four-lane Rt. 66 and Airport Trail.
- Ruth Y. Crays, 76, of Carlinville, was cited for failure to reduce speed at 5:15 p.m. Monday, Dec.

23, at Union and Jackson.

- James Hudson, 65, of St. Louis, MO, was cited for driving while suspended at 11:23 p.m. Monday, Dec. 23, at Rt. 16 and Corvette.
- Casey A. Matthews, 38, of Hillsboro, was jailed for retail theft and possession of methamphetamine at 1:06 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 24, at Walmart.
- Aaron M. Groetecke, 21, of Litchfield, was cited for operating a vehicle with an expired registration sticker at 2:23 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, at Union and St. Francis Way.
- Nicholas A. Byrd, 40, of Litchfield, was cited for battery at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, at the 800 block of Old Rt. 66 South.
- Montez A. Walton, 38, of Carlinville, was jailed for possession of methamphetamine and unlawful use of a weapon at 6:20 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, at Illinois and St. John.
- Roleda J. Pfeifer, 62, of Hillsboro, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 11:40 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, at State and Tyler.
- Kelli A. Gearing, 45, of Wood

River, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 11:49 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 25, at Jefferson and Union.

- Bobby H. LeMaster, 38, of Litchfield, was jailed for a Macoupin County warrant and a Montgomery County warrant at 1:53 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 26, at Adams and South.
- Katherine R. Atteberry, 31, of Litchfield, was cited for operating a vehicle with an expired registration sticker and for operating an uninsured vehicle at 12:42 a.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at Ferdon and four-lane Rt. 66.
- Brian R. Buckley, 30, of Donnellson, was jailed for an Adams County warrant at 1:24 p.m. Friday, Dec. 27, at Jackson and Jones.
- Timothy G. Brackett, 29, of Litchfield, was cited for a violation of traffic law (wrong lane on a bike) at 3:05 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, at two-lane Rt. 66 and Sargent.
- Thomas J. Perkins, 20, of Litchfield, was jailed for a Montgomery County warrant, possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia at 9:54 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 28, at the 200 block of West Water.

- Brayden M. Bolyard, was cited for operating a vehicle with an expired registration sticker at 10:38 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 29, at Ferdon and four-lane Rt. 66.
- Mitchell R. Hancock, 33, of Litchfield, was jailed for resisting a peace officer and for three warrants from Montgomery, Macoupin and Sangamon counties at 12:47 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, at Edwards and Adams.
- Joann I. Voyles, 88, of Litchfield, was cited for disobeying a stop sign at 2:17 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, at State and Tyler.
- Heather M. Fricke, 40, of Litchfield, was jailed for a Montgomery County warrant at 10:17 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 31, at the 900 block of West Sargent.
- Alexander A. Taylor, 31, of Kewanee, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 12:16 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, at Adams and Tyler.
- Taylor M. Costello, 18, of Mt. Olive, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 12:17 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1, at Rt. 16 and Ohren Lane.
- Amanda K. Longwell, 37, of Litchfield, was jailed for a Montgomery County warrant at 8:25 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1, at the 300 block of Corlew.
- Shannon L. Massey, 39, of Litchfield, was jailed for a Macon County warrant and an Alton Police Department warrant at 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 1, at the 200 block of Ohren Lane.
- Donald D. Marit, 55, of Litchfield, was jailed for a Montgomery County warrant and a Macoupin County warrant at 6:04 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, at the 1200 block of South Franklin. Marit was also cited for open burning at 8:11 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 7.
- Sara A. Smith, 43, of Litchfield, was jailed for a Montgomery County warrant at 8:55 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, at the 200 block of South Douglas.
- Brett M. Brakenhoff, 19, of Litchfield, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 11:19 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 2, at Rt. 16 and Corvette Drive.
- Karl T. Lueschen, 28, of Springfield, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 10:51 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, at 4 Corvette

Drive.

- Aaron M. Groetecke, 21, of Litchfield, was cited for no valid registration and operating an uninsured vehicle at 10:32 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 4, at Ferdon and Rt. 66.
- Gregory L. Riley, 28, of Cahokia, was cited for no valid driver's license and for driving without lights when required at 12:49 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at Corvette and Rt. 16.
- Kimberly L. Ashmore, 50, of Gillespie, was jailed for possession of a controlled substance at 1:07 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at Walmart.
- Kelly E. Lyons, 54, of Benld, was jailed for resisting a peace officer and obstructing justice at 1:07 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at Walmart.
- Danielle L. Frank, 28, of Litchfield, was cited for criminal trespass to real property at 4:12 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at Walmart.
- Charles E. Malloy, 47, of Litchfield, was jailed for disorderly conduct at 6:09 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at the 200 block of East Buchanan.
- Chaz A. McKinzie, 20, of Litchfield, was jailed for a Montgomery County warrant at 6:55 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 5, at the 200 block of South State.
- Kimberly S. Gutierrez, 36, of Litchfield, was jailed for possession of methamphetamine and possession of drug paraphernalia at 1:52 a.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at Buchanan and two-lane Rt. 66.
- James E. Davis, 32, of Litchfield, was jailed for driving while license suspended at 9:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at Tyler and Jackson.
- Aaron M. Groetecke, 21, of Litchfield, was jailed for retail theft at 2:30 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at the 100 block of East Corwin.
- Richard W. Wendel, 30, of Litchfield, was jailed for possession of a controlled substance and for a Sangamon County warrant at 9:29 p.m. Monday, Jan. 6, at two-lane Rt. 66 and Kruse Road.
- Maggie J. Rhodes, 34, of Gillespie, was cited for retail theft at 3:41 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, at Walmart.
- Todd E. May, 43, of Mt. Olive, was cited for operating an uninsured vehicle at 8:50 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 7, at Tyler and Adams.



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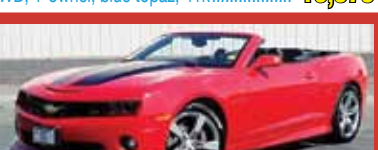
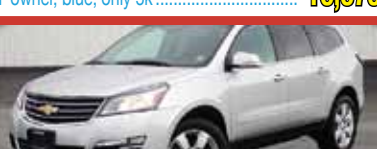
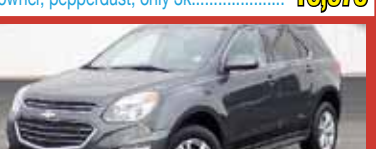
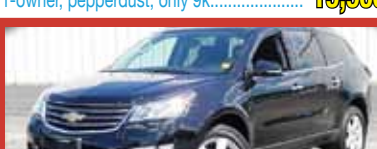
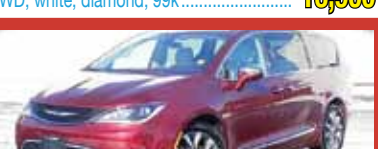
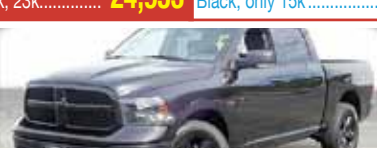
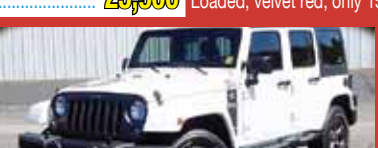
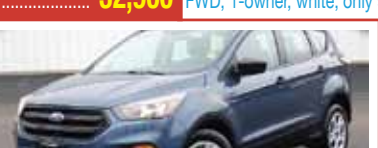
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Wyatt A. Beeler, 24, of Litchfield, was southbound on Crabtree Trail, approximately one half of a mile south of North 9th Avenue, in South Litchfield Township at 11:31 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 30, when the driver ran off the roadway.

Beeler's vehicle slid down the ditch and came to a rest on the passenger side. He advised that he was not familiar with the roadway and slid into the ditch due to rain. His vehicle sustained total damage and was towed from the scene by Curt's Towing of Litchfield.

Deer Collision

A deer ran into the road and collided with a vehicle driven by Dean M. Broers, 54, of Nokomis, while the driver was northbound on Taylorville Road in Nokomis at 11:09 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 7. His vehicle sustained front end damage and was towed from the scene by Jachino's Towing of Nokomis.

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