



Still Time To Set Up Booth At Bicentennial

Preparations are underway for the Montgomery County Bicentennial Celebration, which will be held on Saturday, June 5, from 11 a.m., to 7 p.m., at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds in Butler. A rain date is scheduled for Sunday, June 6.

Local organizations, businesses and merchandise/craft vendors are welcome to set up during the celebration. Those with items that are made in Montgomery County are especially encouraged to participate. Space for booths is 10 ft., by 10 ft., and will be located outside. There is no fee for the space but you must provide your own tent, tables and equipment. Set up times are from 3 to 7:30 p.m., on Friday, June 4, and from 8:30 to 10 a.m., on Saturday, June 5.

Those interested in reserving a space for a food booth are instructed to call Donna Yeske at 217-556-3284 or Tim Fogle at 217-259-7609. To reserve a space to sell merchandise or crafts contact Patty Whitworth at 217-246-2806, Nancy Slepicka at 217-556-9449 or Jody Dunn at 217-254-3736. The deadline to reserve a booth space is Saturday, May 22.

Each municipality is encouraged to set up a table with photos and memorabilia depicting their town's history.

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Hillsboro Hiking Club Enjoys Local Trails

With beautiful spring weather and warm temperatures in the air, members of the Hillsboro Hiking Club have been out and about exploring local trails together. The group was started a couple of years ago by Don and Angie Karban of Hillsboro, and about 15 members take turns finding trails to explore. Anyone interested in joining them may contact one of the members. Pictured above, the group hiked a trail on Lake Lou Yeager in Litchfield on Thursday, May 13. From the left are Doug Johnson, Gail Ebeling, Jan Huber, Barb Mulch and Linda Belanger.

Raymond To Purchase Locator, Review Property

Members of the Raymond Village Board met for their second meeting of the month on Monday evening, May 17, at the village hall.

Following a motion made by Trustee Dan Hough and a second by Trustee Greg Bernhardt, minutes from the May 3 meeting, as well as the financial report, were approved.

As part of the streets and alleys update, Superintendent Mike Masten reported that work was completed on Springfield Road and oil will be put down at a later date. Several board members complimented the work.

According to Mayor Denny Held,

the village is waiting on a response from Hurst-Rosche to see what amount can be transferred over from the motor fuel tax (MFT) fund to the general fund. In addition, it was reported that there have been several grievances regarding tall grass in some areas within the community.

In water and sewer, Superintendent Rick Broaddus advised that there is a lifetime warranty of the water locator. A motion was made by Trustee Hough and seconded by Trustee Bill Krager to purchase the locator from Illinois Meter in the amount of \$4,648. All present voted in favor and the motion was carried.

Trustee Hough added that the map of utilities needs updated. The board discussed hosting an open house at the new well, and noted that a permit will be needed before it can go live.

A few village CDs are due, and board members discussed and compared past interest rates to current rates.

Trustee and Police Officer Matt Workman informed the board he is looking into purchasing some equipment.

As part of the Shoal Creek Golf Course update, Superintendent Nick Hornbuckle was complimented on his work as the tee boxes and greens

look favorable. It was noted that a tote sitting in the driveway of the golf course needs to be removed. Trustee Hough will fly a drone over the greens to compare current playing conditions to past images.

In economic development, the land that Trustee Kendall Snyder would like to move the burn pile to was discussed, and the landowner is agreeable to sell the land to the village. The mayor suggested Spears Title perform the land survey. Once the ground dries up, board members will look over the land.

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Gov Rescinds Mask Mandate For Vaccinated

by Sarah Mansur
Capitol News Illinois

Gov. JB Pritzker issued a new executive order Monday that allows fully vaccinated residents to not wear masks inside and outdoors.

The updated rules for mask wearing are nearly identical to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's updated guidance, which was released Thursday.

The CDC guidance permits fully vaccinated people to not wear masks or physically distance in any non-health care setting, "except where required by federal, state, local, tribal, or territorial laws, rules, and regulations, including local business and workplace guidance."

The CDC still recommends that fully vaccinated people wear masks in health care settings, as well as on planes, trains and other forms of public transportation.

The new executive order requires residents follow this recommendation regarding planes and public transportation. It also permits any entity to continue stricter masking requirements than are required by the state.

"(B)usinesses are encouraged to prioritize the health and safety of their workers and customers, and may continue to require face coverings and social distancing, even for those who are fully vaccinated," the order states.

Pritzker said it will be up to private businesses to decide if they want to require patrons to provide proof of vaccinations.

"We are relying on people to do the right thing," he said. "We are relying upon people to recognize that they don't want to go infect other unvaccinated people and they don't themselves want to get sick and so it's important for people to protect themselves and I think there's real motivation for people to go get that. We're not going to stop people and, you know, start checking a vaccine passport as part of some state mandate."

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Planning Commission Meets In Person

by Ron Deabenderfer

The Hillsboro Planning Commission was able to meet in person for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic began; Chairman Tom Gooding called Commissioners Barb Hewitt, Michelle Ondrey, Mike Ryan, Mark Osborn, Dave Booher, Don Karban and Rex Brown into session at 12:30 on Tuesday, May 18. The group, which meets monthly, had used the Zoom platform for over a year.

Hewitt gave the Imagine Hillsboro report. The volunteer committee has met twice recently to do good deeds for residents (like building a wheelchair ramp) and will do more when the weather clears. She was also enthusiastic about the response she had to a Facebook posting asking for donations to buy 30 geraniums for floral decorations for Lincoln Plaza. Five people from out of state who have

Hillsboro connections were among the respondents. She was also encouraged because several new people showed up to help with volunteer clean-up of ditches on lots around town.

Karban said work was progressing in the houses selected for the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) grant. He also said the Hillsboro Community Development Committee, of which he's a part, is still looking at building material costs, hoping they will become more reasonable, before beginning the planned duplex development on Oak and Hickory streets.

The Natural Resources Committee plans to resume meeting as soon as pandemic restrictions ease.

The other reports were the responsibility of Community Planner Jonathan Weyer, who said, in the segment devoted to vacant properties downtown, that the Fern Hill Bakery

should open by mid-summer, that the Coop (the building once home to the *Montgomery County News* and then Books and Moore) plans an open house in mid-June; that work on the former site of Gianni's Pizza, is underway to turning it into a specialty food outlet; and that the city has instituted court proceedings against the owner for the Corner Block Building (also known as Sherman's) so the owner will fix dangerous segments, like problems with the fire escape. According to Weyer, the owner has ninety days to comply before the building is condemned.

A new committee, to deal with future land use of city-owned properties, is meeting in working groups, one of which is charged with planning for uses for/marketing of the Eagle Zinc property, now owned by the city.

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Voluneers Work On Walshville Cake

Montgomery County Bicentennial Committee members Jeff Dunn (center) and Patty Whitworth (not pictured) helped the Walshville Village President Joy McDonald (right), Ruth Schmitt (left) and Ricky McDonald (not pictured) with their bicentennial cake on Sunday, May 16. In total, 19 of the 20 municipalities in Montgomery County have now completed bicentennial cakes in honor of the county's 200th anniversary.

Weather Report			
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May 17	74	59	.90
May 18	73	60	.40
May 19	78	63	----

See the current weather and forecast on www.thejournal-news.net

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Weather Forecast

Thu 20	82°/63°		Mostly Cloudy	11%
Fri 21	83°/61°		Mostly Cloudy	6%
Sat 22	85°/64°		Partly Cloudy	5%
Sun 23	87°/66°		Partly Cloudy	5%
Mon 24	87°/67°		Partly Cloudy	13%
Tue 25	84°/65°		PM Thunderstorms	40%
Wed 26	82°/62°		Scattered Thunderstorms	40%

County Final Multiplier Set At 1.0000 This Year

Montgomery County has been issued a final property assessment equalization factor of 1.0000, according to David Harris, director of the Illinois Department of Revenue.

The property assessment equalization factor, often called the “multiplier,” is the method used to achieve uniform property assessments among counties, as required by law. This equalization is particularly important because some of the state’s 6,600 local taxing districts overlap into two or more counties. If there were no equalization among counties, substantial inequities among taxpayers with comparable properties would result.

Under a law passed in 1975, property in Illinois should be assessed at one-third of its market value. Farm property is assessed differently, with farm homesites and dwellings subject to regular assessing and equalization procedures, but with farmland assessed at one-third of its agriculture economic value. Farmland is not subject to the state equalization factor.

Assessments in Montgomery County are at 32.84 percent of market value, based on sales of properties in 2017,

2018, and 2019.

The final assessment equalization factor was issued after a public hearing and is determined annually for each county by comparing the price of individual properties sold over the past three years to the assessed value placed on those properties by the county supervisor of assessments/county assessor.

If this three-year average level of assessment is one-third of the market value, the equalization factor will be one. If the average level of assessment is greater than one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be less than one. And if the average level of assessment is less than one-third of market value, the equalization factor will be greater than one.

A change in the equalization factor does not mean total property tax bills will increase or decrease. Tax bills are determined by local taxing bodies when they request money each year to provide services to local citizens. The assessed value of an individual property determines what portion of the tax burden a specific taxpayer will assume. That individual’s portion of tax responsibility is not changed by the multiplier.

Mask Mandate

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The mask mandate in Illinois took effect last May when Pritzker issued an executive order requiring anyone older than 2 years of age “to cover their nose and mouth with a face-covering when in a public place and unable to maintain a six-foot social distance.”

The governor’s new order rolling back the mask mandate came as the state is reporting 37.7 percent of the population, or more than 4.8 million people, are fully vaccinated.

About 57 percent of Illinoisans between ages 16 and 64 have received at least one dose of the vaccine, as have 81.3 percent of those 65 years of age or older.

The number of COVID-19 cases and hospitalizations reported are decreasing, as the state moved into the “bridge” phase on Friday, increasing capacity limits for various indoor and outdoor venues.

If COVID metrics remain stable, the state is set to fully reopen without limitations on capacity on June 11.

Panhandle School Board Wraps Up The School Year

It was business as usual for members of the Panhandle School Board as they met for their regular monthly meeting held Monday evening, May 17. Board member Scott Cowdrey was absent from the meeting.

Following approval of the consent agenda, board members reviewed the summer maintenance list, with board member Brett Slightom making a motion to approve and board member Linda Brown seconding it. The duo would also make a motion to approve the FY22 requisitions as presented.

The 2021-2022 school fees were passed in a 5 to 0 vote, which was moved by Slightom and seconded by board member Dana Pitchford. The board also approved the tentative FT21 amended budget.

In athletic news, both softball and baseball seasons will continue through the month of May. During a school news update, the school district celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week from May 3 to May 7. The board wishes to thank Sheena Wolfe and Dawn Germann for their hard work in showing support and appreciation for the district staff.

On May 12, a fire drill was completed, a success high school awards night was held, and students at Raymond Grade School participated in “Rockin’ Reading Razmatazz!”

End of the school year finals for grades nine to 11 will be held Thursday and Friday, May 20 and 21.

High school graduation will be held at 7 p.m. on May 21, outside once again, with the gym to be used if it rains. The ceremony will also be online via the NFHS streaming network. According to the board, the prom was a wonderful success for students.

To finish the school year, Raymond Grade School students will celebrate Friday, May 21, while the school-wide celebration will be held Monday, May 24.

Prior to entering into executive session, the Montgomery and Macoupin counties CTE MOU was approved. After closed session, the board approved the employment of Erica Watts as a special education teacher for the 2021 to 2022 school year, pending

finalization of all state and local requirements.

Administrative Reports

As part of her update, Farmersville Grade School Principal Jana Masten said the school celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week with daily lunches and prizes for teachers and staff. During that same week, the school completed Aimsweb testing for the year on all students. Additionally, the Lincolnwood FFA chapter assisted grade school students in planting flowers around the school grounds.

On Tuesday, May 11, the first grade class took a trip to Raymond Grade School, where they had lunch and were able to view the classrooms they will be in next year. Lastly, Miles to Smiles visited the school on Wednesday, May 12, allowing several students to see the dentist.

In his report, Lincolnwood Principal Ken Schuster advised that the reorganization committee continues to work to collect information in preparation for the presentations to the boards of education this fall. According to Schuster, this past month scheduling and contract subcommittees have met to discuss those areas in greater detail. Both sub-committees will meet again prior to the next reorganization committee meeting later this month.

The Egyptian Trust spring meeting was held virtually this year on Wednesday, May 12, and Schuster said he was able to participate and hear about the upcoming insurance changes and the financial health of the trust. He advised that the school district is expected to see a 10% decrease in premiums for the FY22 fiscal year.

In a few final notes, Schuster said the school held its annual safety meeting with emergency responders Monday, May 17, where they reviewed their drills for the school year and planned for next year’s drills. The final day of the 2020-2021 school year is scheduled for Thursday, May 27. The staff luncheon will take place in the Lincolnwood cafeteria at 12 p.m. Staff members are asked to RSVP with Bev if they can attend.

The board adjourned the meeting at 8:37 p.m.

Litchfield Seniors To Meet May 23

The Litchfield Senior Citizen Club will reopen for a potluck on Sunday, May 23, at 12:30 p.m. at the Litchfield Community and Senior Center.

Individuals are asked to

bring a covered dish or dessert and table service. Meat will be provided by the club. Individuals are invited to bring a friend to the meal. COVID-19 guidelines will be observed.



Concluding a story from last week’s newspapers, Cpl. Asa E. “Bud” Vance was laid to rest with full military honors in Camp Butler National Cemetery east of Springfield on Friday, May 14. Missing in action in Korea since 1950, his remains were identified in 2019 after they were finally returned to the United States in 2018, and a procession with the Illinois State Police and Patriot Guard escorted the hero from the airport in St. Louis and through Litchfield, Raymond, and Harvel on Monday, May 10, while throngs gathered to pay respects as he passed.

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Mental health therapist Ramona Wink of West Des Moines, IA, daughter of Tom and Mary Fran Paulding of Hillsboro, will be the guest speaker about brain health in the ag community at two Iowa events this month.

“Farmers are essential workers because they are the backbone of the country, and indeed the entire world,” Wink said in a May 11 feature in the *Calmer (IA) Courier*. “They show up day-in, day-out.” She will be speaking May 25 in Dubuque and May 26 in Calmer. Registration in the virtual seminar is free and available by calling 641-422-4258.

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The Coffeen Alumni Association will not hold their banquet in 2021, since COVID-19 is still going strong. Everyone is asked to tell their classmates. The association hopes to see everyone next year. If anyone has questions, call Jean Brown at 217-538-2361.

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Memorial Day Ceremonies Will Be Held In Hillsboro

Memorial Day will be observed in Hillsboro on Monday, May 31, at 10 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial Park in Hillsboro. In the event of rain, ceremonies will be moved to the Hillsboro High School gym.

The Joint Armed Forces Color Guard will begin the service with a presentation of Colors. Master of ceremonies will be Sheriff Rick Robbins, who will lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The national anthem will be led by Shaw Riggs.

The Ministerial Alliance will give the invocation. Sheriff Robbins will recognize the veterans and give the intro-

ductions. Mayor Don Downs is the guest speaker for the event, followed by Mia Sherer who will give the musical tribute with the song “God Bless America.”

Bob Fuehne will give the honor roll for those who were killed in action (KIA). The Daughters of the American Revolution and the American Legion Auxiliary will present the wreath.

In closing, the Ministerial Alliance will give the benediction, followed by a salute to the dead by the Joint Armed Forces Honor Guard. John Kieslar will perform Taps.

Raymond Village Board

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According to Mayor Held, guidelines for outdoor events were followed last year during the height of the pandemic and there were no issues. As a result, Trustee Hough made a motion, which was seconded by Trustee Snyder, to approve an extension for outdoor consumption of food and drink. Trustee Workman abstained

from the vote, while the rest of the board voted in favor.

Poogans Creamery, located at 201 South O’Bannon Street, is now open, and board members wish to welcome the owners to the community.

Those in attendance were Mayor Held and trustees Hough, Workman, Kragger, Snyder and Bernhardt. Trustee Bruce Poggenpohl was absent.

Bicentennial Booths

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These historical displays will be located inside the Arts and Crafts Building. The building will be locked overnight.

Tables for the historical displays are available - either eight ft., or six ft. - first come first serve for size. Tri-fold boards are an effective way to display photos but will not be provided. Set up and arrangement are the responsibility of

the individual municipalities. Set up times are from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 3; from 3 to 7:30 p.m., on Friday, June 4; and from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Saturday, June 5.

Towns interested in reserving a table to set up a display are asked to contact historicalsociety.mci@gmail.com, Janet Carlyle at 217-532-5642, Carol Calvert at 217-532-3170 or Jeff Dunn at 217-532-5000. Spaces must be reserved by Saturday, May 22.

Planning Commission

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Mayor Downs and the commissioners discussed needed sidewalk repairs around town, and mention was made of the length of terms for commissioners. Booher, the previous city clerk, said it’s his understanding that commissioners can be re-appointed or replaced at the mayor’s discretion on a three-year rotating basis.

Ryan and Gooding said they hoped the city council

would convince IDOT to make a left turn lane at the top of the hill on Hamilton Street as it enters town from the west on Rt. 16/127 because it’s extremely hazardous now when cars have to stop for oncoming traffic before turning onto Seward toward the Historic Courthouse. All present agreed it is a dangerous spot.

The commission next meets in regular session on Tuesday, June 15, at 12:30. The public is invited to attend.

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED

Hillsboro Mayor Don Downs, center, believes that family is everything, and to protect his family while helping get back to normal he urges everyone who is able to get their COVID vaccination.

“My grandson Drake and my dad John are just two of the many reasons we need to help stop the spread. If we all do our part, it will help us all return to ‘normal’ and truly enjoy our families and the great assets we have here in our community.”

Please step up and get your vaccination today!



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Grace Herschelman, 9**Loved By Family And Friends**

Grace Louise Herschelman, age nine, of Hillsboro, died at 9 a.m. on Wednesday morning, May 19, in her home, after a lifelong battle with INAD (infantile neuroaxonal dystrophy).

A memorial service will be held on Saturday morning, May 22, beginning at 10 a.m. at Hillsboro United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Mike Lawton and the Rev. Ralph Ward co-officiating. Burial will follow at Oak Grove Cemetery in Hillsboro. Bass Patton Dean Funeral Home in Hillsboro is

assisting the family.

Miss Herschelman was born on Sept. 7, 2011, at HSHS St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield to Kyle Randle and Mary Louise (Galer) Herschelman, and they survive.

Although her years were short, her memories were many. During her lifetime, she attended the Hillsboro United Methodist Church Preschool and Beckemeyer Elementary School. She loved reading books, Minnie Mouse, singing songs and most of all, spending time with her family and friends. Her smile could light up any room.

She enjoyed a Make-a-Wish trip to Hawaii with her family and swimming in the ocean. Loved by many, she helped to raise awareness and funding for INAD research.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by a sister, Charlotte Grace Herschelman; grandparents, John and Susie Galer of Hillsboro and Kim and Randy Herschelman of Raymond; aunts and uncles, John (Emily) Galer of Alexandria, VA, Daniel (Monica) Herschelman of Mukwonago, WI, Mikaela (Scott) Tabaka of Arnold, MO, and Shane Herschelman of Rolla, MO; cousins, Quincy Tabaka and Keelen and Kolston Herschelman; and great-grandmothers, Mary Herschelman of Raymond and Virginia Armour of Raymond.

She was preceded in death by great-grandparents, Harry Herschelman, Kenneth Armour, the Rev. Charles and Helen Hutson and Phillip and Nancy Galer.

Memorials may be made to Make-a-Wish or the INADCure Foundation.

Donald Brownback, 68**Coal Miner, Cubs Fan**

Donald "Donnie" Brownback, 68, of Nokomis, died on Wednesday, May 19, 2021, at 7:35 a.m. at HSHS St. John's Hospital in Springfield.

Visitation will be held Saturday, May 22, from 9 to 11 a.m. at Stiehl-Dawson Funeral Home in Nokomis. Funeral services will follow, beginning at 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Burial will be held at Bethany Cemetery in Moweaqua.

Mr. Brownback was born May 23, 1952, in Pana, to Harold Wayne and Emma Rose (Kraus) Brownback. He married Carol Ann Henry on Nov. 17, 1973, in Assumption, and she survives.

During his career, he served as a coal miner. He was a member of the UMWA and was a diehard Cubs fan.

In addition to his wife, Mr. Brownback is survived by his children, Michelle "Shelly" (Chad) Hill and Eric (Bonnie) Brownback, both of Nokomis; grandchildren, Hayden Brownback, Emma Rose Hill, Harli Jean Hill, Natalie, Dayne and Tinley Brownback; sister, Karen (Henry) Ohl of Assumption; brothers, John "Butch" Brownback of Catham, Mike Brownback of Pana and Steven Brownback of Assumption; and sisters-in-law, Robin Brownback of Assumption and Judy Brownback of Neoga.

He was preceded in death by his parents; and three brothers, David, Jim and Jerry Brownback.

Online condolences to the family may be left at www.stiehl-dawsonfh.com.

John C. Edwards, 85**Daughter In Litchfield**

John Calvin Edwards, 85, of Shipman, died Saturday, May 8, 2021, at his home.

Cremation rites have been accorded and entrusted to Anderson Family Funeral Home in Brighton. A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, June 26, from 2 to 7 p.m. at Southwestern Archery.

Mr. Edwards was born Sept. 27, 1935, in Modesto, to Robert and Helen (Bettis) Edwards. He married Sue Stanton on Aug. 2, 1956, in Medora, and she survives.

He owned and operated Edwards' Excavating, and was a local, well-respected heavy equipment operator for the last 50 years. He also founded Southwestern Archery, which is now a third generation family business. He was a member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Federation, the Macoupin Co. Whitetails, the Quail Federation and the National Wild Turkey Federation.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two children, Betty Lou Edwards of Litchfield and Calvin "Dale" (Becky) Edwards of Shipman; three grandchildren, Shayne (Michelle) Edwards, Blake (Kayla Jett) Edwards and Haley (Alex Silvester) Edwards; three great-grandchildren, with a fourth due in October; and one sister, Karen Gonzales.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by an infant grandchild, and his siblings, Paul Edwards and Peggy Suhling.

Memorials in his name may be made to the family for the education of his great-grandchildren. Online condolences may be left at www.andersonfamilyfuneral.com.

Charles R. File, 79**Litchfield Native**

Charles Ray File, 79, formerly of Litchfield, died on Saturday, April 24, 2021, at Mother Joseph Care Center in Olympia, WA.

A graveside service will be held at a later date at Cedar Ridge Cemetery in Honey Bend.

Mr. File was born on Oct. 12, 1941, in Litchfield.

He attended school in Litchfield and graduated with the class of 1960. After high school, he served in the U.S. Air Force.

Mr. File returned to Litchfield after his service and worked for the Kas Potato Chip Company until moving to Lacey, WA, where he worked for Kelly Clark Company until his retirement.

He enjoyed trapshooting and belonged to the Sportsman's clubs in Litchfield and Lacey, WA. He also enjoyed gardening and traveling, and coordinated Depression Anonymous classes for many years in Lacey, WA.

Mr. File is survived by his brother, Bill (Peggy) File of Camano Island, WA; several nieces and nephews; special friend, Joyce Gifford of Bement; Julie Wright and Mandie Lutz, who were like daughters to him; neighbors, Wally and Sofie Potter, who were always there for each other, and their son Jerry Potter, who gave Mr. File's dog, Emily, a loving home after his passing.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Hazel (Weatherford) File; sisters, Rachel Jarvis and Helen Holok.

Rosemarie Jones, 66**Waitress, Cashier**

Rosemarie Jones, 66, of Hillsboro, died on Thursday, May 13, 2021, at Hallmark Healthcare in Carlinville.

Visitation will be held Saturday, May 22, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Hough and Sons Funeral Home in Hillsboro. Funeral services will follow, beginning at 12 p.m. at the funeral home with the Rev. James Hayes officiating. Burial will be held at Crabtree Cemetery in Litchfield.

Mrs. Jones was born Oct. 22, 1954, in Gary, IN, to William and Ruth (McClellan) Speed.

She married Jessie Jones on Oct. 27, 1972, and he preceded her in death on Dec. 7, 2018.

During her career, she served as a waitress and cashier at truck stops in Gary, IN. She was of the Baptist faith.

Mrs. Jones is survived by her son, Jessie L. Jones of Hillsboro; daughter, Heidi Jones of Indiana; three grandchildren, Logan, Tyler and Alex Jones; great-granddaughter, Aleeyah Jones, plus one on the way; and siblings, Anna (Tim) Rose, Sam (Jan) Speed, both of Kentucky, Mary (Rex) Kahle of Litchfield, William (Mary Ellen) Speed and Kenneth Speed, both of Hillsboro.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her parents; and brother, Robert "Bob" Speed.

Memorials may be directed to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Online condolences to the family may be left at www.houghfuneralhome.com.

Anthony L. Perkins, Jr., Infant**Leaves Local Family**

Anthony L. Perkins, Jr., seven months, of Litchfield, died Saturday, May 15, 2021, at his home.

Private family funeral services will be held at a later date. Hough Funeral Home in Hillsboro is in charge of arrangements.

Anthony was born Oct. 22, 2020, in Litchfield, to Anthony L. Perkins, Sr., and Margarita Garcia.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his grandmother, Angela Schoate of Litchfield; grandfather, Ben Garcia, Jr. of Alton; great-grandmother, Pamela Schoate of Litchfield; four siblings, Aliannah, Cody, Jr., Noah and Jocelynn; seven aunts; nine uncles; and several cousins.

Memorials may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children. Online condolences may be left at www.houghfuneralhome.com.

Laura N. Sidwell Christian, 87**Sorento School Bus Driver**

Laura Nadine Sidwell Christian, 87, of Sorento, died on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, at her home with family by her side.

Visitation will be held Friday, May 21, from 4 to 7 p.m. at Perfetti-Assalley Funeral Home in Sorento. Funeral services will be conducted Saturday, May 22, beginning at 11 a.m. at the funeral home with the Rev. Frank Loskot, Jr. officiating. Interment will follow at Sunnyside Cemetery in Sorento.

Mrs. Christian was born Sept. 14, 1933, in Reno, to Carl and Ruth (Edwards) Smith.

Her father passed away when she was an infant; therefore, she was raised with love by her mother in the home of great-grandparents, Albert and Nancy Edwards.

She attended Reno Elementary, the three-year high school in Sorento, and graduated from Staunton High School in 1951. She went on to attend Hickey Business School in St. Louis.

After she and her husband Clifton were united in marriage, they moved briefly to Massachusetts when he was stationed there while serving in the Army. They raised "three good kids," and enjoyed over 30 happy years together before he passed away.

Following her marriage to Garold, Mrs. Christian joined him in operating Garold's Country Music Dancing in Irving until it closed. She was married over 30 wonderful years to this gentle, caring man. They loved dancing and traveling.

She was a lifetime member of Reno Southern Baptist Church, serving as secretary, treasurer, Sunday school teacher, and pianist for many years. She was a member of the Eastern Star. Her first job was at Sorento School as a secretary to Principal Charles V. Romani.

A farm wife, Mrs. Christian tended livestock and performed the multitude of other chores that go hand-in-hand with farm life. She was an early telemarketer selling lots for Goose Creek Lake, MO. A generation of Sorento kids best remember Nadine as a no-nonsense school bus driver.

In addition to her husband Garold, she is survived by her children, Stephen (Linda) Sidwell, Sharon (Eldon) Young and Stacey (Pam) Sidwell; grandchildren, Joni (John) Young Sanders, Danny (Andrea) Young, Tina (Nathan) Sidwell Elam, Michael Sidwell and Toni Sidwell; great-grandchildren, Gabrielle Young, Grace Young, Jay Sanders, Jillian Elam, Joey Sanders, Reece Elam, Jenna Sanders, Garrett Young, Cale Elam and Grayson Sidwell; cousins, Sandra Jordan, Dennis Tosh and Jeffery Bean; and sister-in-law, Christine Welch.

In addition to her husband Clifton, she was preceded in death by her father, Carl Smith; mother, Ruth Nessl; stepfather, Harold Nessl; grandmother, Bessie Bills; and aunt, June Bean.

Memorials may be directed to Shriners Hospitals for Children, 2900 Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607 or Reno Southern Baptist Church Building Fund, 661 16th Avenue, Greenville, IL 62246.

Online condolences to the family may be left at www.assalleyfuneralhomes.com.

Connie S. Twyman, 66**Brother In Litchfield**

Connie S. Kiel Twyman, 66, of Auburn, formerly of Carlinville, Thayer and Virden, died Friday, April 30, 2021, at her home, surrounded by her loving family.

At her request, cremation rites were accorded. A Celebration of Life was held Saturday, May 15, at the First Baptist Church in Virden with the Rev. Gerald Phillips officiating. Airsman and Calvert Funeral Home in Virden was in charge of arrangements.

Ms. Twyman was born Dec. 11, 1954, in Champaign, the daughter of John and Mona (Oakley) Kiel.

A 1973 graduate of Virden High School, she worked at Dicky-John in Auburn and Walmart in Carlinville.

She is survived by her daughter, Amber (Jason) Reynolds of Auburn; two grandsons, Austin Key and Joel Reynolds, both of Auburn; sisters, Linda Lau of Thayer, Wanda Samuelson of Chatham, Mary Wallace of Carrolton and Chris (Butch) Pierce of Auburn; brothers, Roy Kiel of Litchfield, Larry (Paula) Kiel of Auburn, Bernie (Cindy) Kiel of Virden and Rick (Beth) Kiel of Edwardsville; and numerous nieces, nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by sisters, Anna, Darlene and Ella Kiel; brother, Vernon Kiel; and brother-in-law, Dan Samuelson.

Memorials may be made to the National Pancreatic Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 1848, Longmont, CO 80502, and will be received by Airsman and Calvert Funeral Home in Virden.

Online condolences may be left at www.airsmancalvert.com.

Ronald L. Vidmar, 78**Computer Programmer**

Ronald L. Vidmar, 78, of Gillespie and Golden Eagle, died on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, in Gillespie.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Kravanya Funeral Home in Gillespie is assisting the family.

Mr. Vidmar was born April 5, 1943, in Litchfield, to Joseph and Leola (McKinney) Vidmar.

He was retired after having served as a computer programmer for McDonnell-Douglas. He was a member of the Litchfield

Moose and Buckeye Club.

Mr. Vidmar is survived by his sister, Linda Vidmar of Gillespie; brother, Neil (Joanne) Vidmar of Durham, NC; nephews, Mike Skeldon, Steve Skeldon, Mike Vidmar and Ben Vidmar; niece, Mikaela Vidmar-Perrins; and a considered stepdaughter, Gwen Tieman.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorials may be directed to the Illinois Coal Museum in Gillespie or Gillespie-Benld Area Ambulance Service.

Online condolences to the family may be left at www.kravanyafuneral.com.

**Gillespie Girl Scouts Enjoy Tour Of Bremer Sanctuary**

Junior Girl Scout Troop 6744 from Gillespie toured Bremer Sanctuary in Hillsboro on Tuesday, April 27. The girls were fulfilling requirements for their flowers badge. They had previously made seed bombs with the special "Bremer mix pollinator seeds" and were excited to launch them into one of the pollinator fields at Bremer. It was a very warm and breezy evening so the bombs went a ways out. They also enjoyed a scavenger hunt and were amazed at some of the new displays inside the barn.

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Thank You

The family of Darwin Matthews would like to express our deep appreciation for all the calls, cards, flowers, food, and memorials. Your love and support meant so much to us.

We would also like to thank Stiehl-Dawson Funeral Home and the pallbearers for their care and compassion, Pastors Chris Huff and Bill Ulrey for officiating, the Nokomis American Legion and the USMC for the military honors, and the Grace Baptist ladies for the funeral dinner.

Darwin had a smile for everyone and always left them laughing. He will be deeply missed by everyone who knew him.

**Brenda, Darren, Doug, and Dana
and families**



Sycamore Tree Continues To Root Local Descendants

Olin D. Clayton (above), of Raymond, stands in front of a 179 year old Sycamore tree that was planted by his great-great-great-grandparents Christopher and Elizabeth (Borror) Armentrout. The tree is located in the Witt area.

Bicentennial Fundraiser Will Benefit Local Family

JoAnna Marley of Capital A Creations is teaming up with Brandy Chausse and Camren's Causes to host a T-shirt fundraiser.

Proceeds from the T-shirt sales will be donated to Jesse and Cije "Sue" Sadiku, of Nokomis, whose building suffered a structural collapsed on Wednesday, April 14. The couple not only lost their home (an upstairs apartment) the extensive damage has forced them to temporarily close their popular restaurant, Demi's Diner. The T-shirt fundraiser is being held to help the Sadikus while they work with their insurance to rebuild.

Capital A Creations has created a Bicentennial T-Shirt celebrating the 200th birthday of Montgomery County. A small outline of the county surrounding the year it was founded, 1821, is featured on the front of the shirts, while the back of the shirts feature the print, "Made in Montgomery County, Illinois, 200 years of Montgomery County." The unisex T-shirts are dark grey, Bella+Canvas soft style and will be screen printed by Cubby Hole in Carlinville.

The shirts are set at \$18 apiece and all of the profits will be donated to the local family.



Screen printed T-shirts are being sold to celebrate the Bicentennial and raise money for a local family.

Orders may be placed online through the Capital A Creations website at www.capitalacreation.com. Paper order forms are available at Trendz in Nokomis. Marley will also be set up during the Montgomery County Bicentennial Celebration on Saturday, June 5, at the Butler Fairgrounds where T-shirts may be ordered.

Shirts should be ready for pick up by the end of June. Pickup locations will be announced at a later date. Buyers are encouraged to follow the Capital A Creations Insiders Facebook group for updates on pick-up details. Shipping can be arranged upon request.

Questions may be directed to JoAnna Marley at 217-313-5302 or Brandy Chausse at 217-502-4875.

Credit Union Awards Scholarship Recipients

Eight graduating seniors, two each from Hillsboro, Litchfield, Taylorville and Pana High Schools were recently awarded \$1,000 checks toward their continuing education in Taylorville Community Credit Union's seventh annual "Stop. Shop. VOTE!" scholarship promotion.

This year's local winners are Hillsboro High School seniors Nathan Bellaver and August Plunkett, and Litchfield High School seniors, Ian Hall and Brooke Pezold. Bellaver will pursue a nursing degree at the University of Illinois. Plunkett plans to earn an associates degree in liberal arts at Lincoln Land Community College before transferring to Greenville University. Hall will attend St. Louis University where he plans to major in education. Pezold plans to earn a degree in animal science at Illinois State University.

"We congratulate all of the students who plan to continue their education," says TCCU President, Will Perkins. "And we especially thank the dozens of local businesses and the hundreds of residents who continued to support the program throughout an unprecedented pandemic. Despite the periodic lockdowns and restrictions due to COVID-19, our local communities again

demonstrated their spirit in supporting a program that benefits our children. TCCU couldn't be prouder to be a part of this fantastic region."

Perkins added that with each succeeding year, the program grows in visibility, acceptance, and participation. He stated that he hopes to see even more students register in the program this coming 2021-22 school year.

Any graduating senior at the four high schools who plans to continue their education – whether at a trade school, 2-year community college or 4-year university – is eligible to participate in TCCU's scholarship program. Winners are determined by votes cast at participating businesses displaying the promotional posters and ballots.

"The program builds upon itself," Perkins said. "The more students who register and the more businesses that participate, the more incentive residents have to 'Stop. Shop. VOTE!' in our locally owned businesses. And that means more money spent in our communities."

Businesses that participated this year include the Briar Rose, Creative Flair, Gianni's Pizza, Gliks, K-9 and Cat Salon, My Formals, My Formals Boutique, Petal Pushers, Shoe Sensation,



Litchfield High School seniors Ian Hall (left) and Brooke Pezold (center) were awarded \$1,000 scholarships from Taylorville Community Credit Union. Litchfield Branch Manager Josh Maddaleno (right) presented the awards.

SnapFitness Litchfield, Sullivan's Drugs, WAM Computers and Wernsing's Appliance, all of Litchfield. Hillsboro-based businesses that participate include Blackboard Mercantile, Cozy Café, EVI Salon, Gianni's Pizza, The Hair Zone, The Holiday Shop, John's Medical Pharmacy, Moose Lodge 1377, Nzuri, Resale Station, Sage On Sage, Salvation Army Thrift Store, Sullivan's Drugs, Tan Lines Hair Designs and Tee-Shirts Ink.

Registration for the 2021-22 Scholarship Program will begin in August, following the

resumption of classes at the high schools. Students will be able to register through Friday, Oct. 8. To register, students simply provide TCCU with their name, a photo and a signed parental permission slip. The students' photos will be used on promotional posters. Anyone who has a student, or who knows a student, who will be a senior for the 2021-22 school year and plans to continue their education is encouraged to make sure that student registers with the new school year.



Hillsboro High School student Nathan Bellaver received a \$1,000 award as one of the top vote-getters in TCCU's annual "Stop. Shop. VOTE!" scholarship campaign.



August Plunkett (above) was one of the Hillsboro High School seniors to be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from Taylorville Community Credit Union.

Hillsboro Area Hospital To Host Blood Drive June 8

Hillsboro Area Hospital will host a community blood drive on Tuesday, June 8, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. inside Fusion Gym.

To ensure social distancing, all donors are required to schedule an appointment in advance. To make an appointment, please contact

Linda Weiss at 217-532-3896 or visit www.bloodcenterimpact.org and use code 60126 to locate the drive.

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, hundreds of blood drives have been canceled and the need for blood is constant. All blood types are needed. Donors will receive

a voucher for a \$10 gift card to Amazon, Dunkin Donuts, Lowe's, Target, Starbucks or Walmart.

Potential donors must be at least 17 years of age, or 16 with parental permission form available through www.bloodcenterimpact.org, and weigh more than 110 lbs. A photo I.D. is required to donate. For questions about eligibility, please call the Central Illinois Community Blood Center. Donors who last gave blood on or before April 13 are eligible to give

at this drive.

Blood donation is a safe, simple procedure that takes about 45 minutes to one hour. Individuals with diabetes or controlled high blood pressure may be accepted as eligible donors.

ImpactLife is the provider of blood and blood components to more than 100 hospitals in Illinois, Iowa, Missouri and Wisconsin. In the local area, ImpactLife is the exclusive provider to Hillsboro Area Hospital and HSHS St. Francis Hospital in Litchfield.

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Mary Brown
at 217-556-0662

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at plsstewart@gmail.com

Queen Kick-off to be announced.

Deadline to enter is May 26.



Brockmeyer Graduates This Spring

Raymond native Abby Brockmeyer graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale on Saturday, May 8.

Brockmeyer, who is a 2017 graduate of Lincolnwood High School in Raymond, is the daughter of Korey and Dana Brockmeyer of Raymond. She is the granddaughter of Terry and Ginny Brockmeyer and Phyllis and Jim Hannah.

During her time in college, Brockmeyer was part of the women's basketball team.

Following graduation, she plans to pursue her MAcc (master of accountancy with specialization in audit) and her CPA.



Boston-Denton Graduates From Xavier University

Claire Boston-Denton graduated from Xavier University in Cincinnati, OH, on Saturday, May 8. She graduated magna cum laude with a bachelor of science degree in biology and a minor in chemistry.

Boston-Denton is the daughter of Barbara Boston of Hillsboro and Roger Denton. She is the granddaughter of Bonnie and Bob Boston of Hillsboro and Judy and Bud Denton.

During her time at Xavier, she served as president of the Xavier Equestrian Club and was part of the University Scholars.

Following graduation, she plans to apply to the graduate program in physician assistant studies.

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Omicron Delta Installs Officers During Meeting

During the Omicron Delta meeting at Nokomis City Hall on Tuesday, May 11, members installed new officers, after reciting the mizpah. New officers are Jayne Fesser, president; Jane Johnson, vice president; Jill Quattlander, recording secretary; Kathy Gaffney, treasurer; Rosalind O'Malley, correspondence secretary; and Sharon Sanders, extension officer. There were ten members present, three absent and one on leave.

International sent correspondence, notifying members the theme for the new year is "90 Years to Shine." There was no other correspondence.

Secretary Jill Quattlander took roll call and read the minutes from the previous meeting. Treasurer Kathy Gaffney gave the treasurer's report, and members accepted the reports. The Executive Board did not meet.

The next meeting will be opening day, and members will be contacted by new President Jayne Fesser about the details.

There was no report from the Courtesy correspondent. Two \$500 scholarships will be given at the Nokomis High School Awards banquet.

Omicron Delta's vice president is working with Amber Wright in the pledging process, and Wright will

be inducted during the May meeting with other members progressing.

The Social committee reported that the Omicron Delta Founder's Day Banquet was held on Monday, May 3, at Town Pump Bowl in Nokomis. A happy hour was held prior to the meal. Lance Lehnen, his cook and waitresses did a great job serving a wonderful meal of prime rib and grilled chicken breasts. Each member was given a sugar cookie decorated for the sorority. Members had decided to purchase the officers' gifts for Founder's Day.

The Ways and Means reported that the ads for the book should have been in by Saturday, May 15, and members should follow up with anyone they have not heard from.

Under old business, members wanted to thank everyone who cleaned, planted plants and mulched the entry way to the Nokomis Memorial Park.

Under new business, member decided to have a cleanup day on Wednesday, May 26, at 10 a.m. to wash the War Memorial, sweep, blow away the maple seeds and trim the bushes. Members are asked to bring rags, buckets, rakes, blowers and trimmers. Quattlander will bring two trash bags for debris.

Tri-County Beauty Academy Students Make Honor Roll

Tri-County Beauty Academy in Litchfield has announced high honor roll and honor roll for trimester one, which ran from Jan. 1 to April 23, 2021.

High Honor Roll (100–94)

Taylor Brown of Plainview
Honor Roll (93.9–86)
Kailea Dobrinich of Litchfield, Kylie Johnston of

Plainview and Kendra Elliott of Brighton

All students are accepting clients, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Basic cosmetology is the study of hair, skin and nails. The students complete the 1,500 hour program, thanks to the experience that clients give through clinical practice and textbook theory.



Fourth hour students, in front, from the left are Sally Mattson, AJ Pollard, Allie Krummel and Saul Quiroz. In the second row are Izac Adams, Ava Schulz, Kyle Butler, Layne Rupert, Kennedy Dyer, Kamryn Kiper and Jasmine Lane. Not pictured are Alex McDowell and Graceyn Young.

Topper Sophomores Read 100,000 Pages

Students in second and fourth hour Advanced English 2 at Hillsboro High School marked an incredible accomplishment in May. All together, these 29 sophomores completed 100,000 pages of independent reading.

"We allocate just ten minutes a day four days a week to independent reading, so this incredible total reflects a lot on them prioritizing reading in their own time," said HHS English teacher Matt Vaughn.

These sophomores make use of their classroom library, and they are some of HHS Librarian Patsy Beasley's most faithful patrons. They frequently recommend books to one another. Others, like sophomore Alexander Sticha, are motivated by the classroom's 20 genre and author challenges, which he completed at the beginning of May.

"The link between choice reading and academic achievement is well-established, and that's the real goal: to supplement their as-



Second hour students, in front, from the left are Sophia Hernandez, Alex Frailey, Allie Kuhns and Alexander Sticha. In the second row are Emilee Roemelin, Isabella White, Gracie Brink, Peyton Colwell and Emily Maguire. In back are Sierra Compton and Aurelie Granito. Not pictured are Audrey Hempen, Madelyn Eickhoff and Summer Smith.

signed readings with the immersive reading that makes them grow as learners," said Vaughn.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS FIRST NATIONAL BANK of NOKOMIS, a banking corporation,

Plaintiff,

v.

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Defendants.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered by this Court on January 20, 2021, in the above-entitled cause, the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

A. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Steven Johnson, First National Bank of Nokomis, 122 West State Street, P.O. Box 190, Nokomis, Illinois 62075-1657, Phone: (217) 563-8311.

B. The common address or other common description, if any, of the real estate is as follows:
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C. The legal description of the real estate is as follows:
Lots Two (2), Three (3), Four (4), Five (5) and the West Half of Lot Six (6) in Block Eight (8) of Miller and Young's Addition to Nokomis, situated in the City of Nokomis, Montgomery County, Illinois. (PIN: 08-23-204-014; 515 Miller St., Nokomis Township, Nokomis, IL)

D. The tract of land is improved with a residential home.

E. The real estate may be inspected prior to sale by contacting Steven Johnson, First National Bank of Nokomis, 122 West State Street, P.O. Box 190, Nokomis, Illinois 62075-1657, Phone: (217) 563-8311, by appointment only.

F. The time and place of sale are as follows: Wednesday June 9, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., Montgomery County Courthouse, Main Floor, 120 N. Main St. Hillsboro, Illinois 62049

G. The terms of sale are:

1. Ten percent of the bid price shall be paid at the time of the sale and the balance of the bid price shall be paid immediately following the entry of an Order confirming the sale. All payments shall be in cash or cash equivalent.

2. Any announcements by the Sheriff at the sale shall be binding and shall take precedence over all prior announcements including announcements contained herein.

3. The sale is subject to confirmation by the Court.

H. Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, and special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions of record.

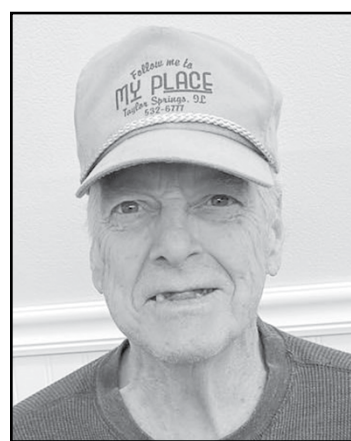
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Charles White



Angela Harvey

strawberry ice cream and the occasional cold beer.

Angela Harvey

Angela Harvey has been named employee of the month at Montgomery Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for May. Harvey is a CNA at the Home with Heart. She lives in Hillsboro and is the mother of six beautiful humans. Harvey is

a crafting entrepreneur who loves to spend time with her children and family.

Harvey stated, "Caring for the elderly is my passion. I treat everyone like my extended family. I truly love the career field I have chosen for myself." Her peers agree that she is a happy lady who truly enjoys caring for her residents.

Litchfield Senior Citizens Club Re-opening for a Potluck

Sunday, May 23 • 12:30 p.m.
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Hillsboro Seniors Earn \$1.7 Million In Awards

Hillsboro High School Principal Patti Heyen welcomed seniors and their families to the annual awards night, held Thursday evening, May 13, in the HHS Gym.

This year, including local awards as well as college and university scholarships, Hiltopper seniors earned a total of \$1.7 million in awards.

To open the program, Principal Heyen announced the 2021 Illinois State Scholars, including Nathan Bellaver, Vanessa Compton, Allyson DeVore, Maria Hernandez, Sarah Huber, Catherine Leible, Rylee Morford, Brook Ozier, Kylee Pastrovich and Ella Pfeifer.

To close the program, students who earned scholarships through individual colleges and universities were asked to stand and be recognized.

Those recipients include Michelle Byrd from Blackburn College, Natasha Mizera from Carthage College, Caitlyn Howard and Brook Ozier from Eastern Illinois University, Vanessa Compton, Meghan Garmon and Lucas Nowlan from Greenville University.

Also, Nathan Bellaver, Sarah Huber and Layla May from Illinois State University, Nikya Harston and Haley Major from Kaskaskia College, Torrence Clark from Lincoln Christian University.

Also, Brianna Guinn, August Plunkett and Madelyn Rupert from Lincoln Land Community College, Thomas DeVore from Lindenwood University, Griffin Wright from Michigan Technological University, David Anderson, Clayton Eddington, Faith Holtz and Travis Kane from Midwest Technical Institute (MTI), Tad Daniels and Ian Livesay from Millikin University, Madison DeVore from Missouri State University, Kelsey Holtgrave from Monmouth College.

Also, Jude Bertolino from St. Louis University, Cooper Holcomb and Jace Tuetken from Southeast Missouri State University, Madison Brown, Pacey Collins, Reagan Devaisher, Emma Kenny, Kyla Kuhl, Kaden Mateer, Rylee Morford, Ben Taylor, Aaron Wille and Andrew Willman from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

Also, Maria Hernandez from Texas A&M University, Olivia Hefley from the University of Health Sciences and Pharmacy STL, Madison Klump and Claire Tester from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Kylee Pastrovich from the University of Kentucky, Allyson DeVore from the University of Missouri in Columbia and Shaw Riggs from the University of Nebraska in Lincoln.



Recipients of the Selma J. Hartke Scholarship, in front, from the left are Nathan Bellaver, Jude Bertolino, Pacey Collins, Reagan Devaisher, Brianna Guinn and Olivia Hefley. In the second row are Maria Hernandez, Cooper Holcomb, Cayden Huber, Sarah Huber, Haley Major, Benjamin Taylor and Emma Kenny. In back are Natasha Mizera, Rylee Morford, Lucas Nowlan, Brook Ozier, Francis Passariello, Kylee Pastrovich and August Plunkett. Not present for the photo was Michelle Byrd.

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Recipients of the Mormino Foundation Scholarship, in front, from the left are Nathan Bellaver, Reagan Devaisher, Nikya Harston, Olivia Hefley, Maria Hernandez, Faith Holtz, Cayden Huber and Sarah Huber. In the second row are Emma Kenny, Evan Kershaw, Kyla Kuhl, Haley Major, Kaden Mateer, Layla May, Natasha Mizera and presenter Sue White. In back are Brook Ozier, Kylee Pastrovich, Ella Pfeifer, Shaw Riggs, Isaac Sheldon, Aaron Wille and Griffin Wright.



Roger Myers, at right, presented the Krupabai D. Mekala Memorial Scholarship to Kylee Pastrovich.



Nicholas Pretnar, at right, presented the Albert and Mary Ann Bernardini Pretnar Scholarship to Natasha Mizera.



Ron Lawler, at right, presented the Jessie Goldsmith Memorial Scholarship to recipients, from the left, Isaac Sheldon, Pacey Collins, Faith Holtz and Madison Brown.



Master Sergeant Jeremy Walk of the Illinois State Police, in back, presented the Bob Price Memorial Scholarship to recipients, from the left, Pacey Collins, Kylee Flack and Shaw Riggs.



Terri Miller, at right, presented the Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce Danial Miller Memorial Scholarship to Maria Hernandez.



Jason Miller, at right, presented the Bank of Hillsboro Business Scholarship to Colin Woods-Butler.



Carol Schluckebier, at right, presented the Charles William Schluckebier Memorial Scholarship to Maria Hernandez, at left, and Madelyn Rupert, center.



Pam Dawson, at right, presented the Precise Specialties Corporation Scholarship to recipients, from the left, August Plunkett, Colin Woods-Butler, Lucas Nowlan and Natasha Mizera.



Pam Dawson, at right, presented the Anita T. and John F. Rundquist \$1,000 Scholarship to Maria Hernandez.



Pam Dawson, at right, presented the Patricia Fuehne Academic Scholarship to Sarah Huber.



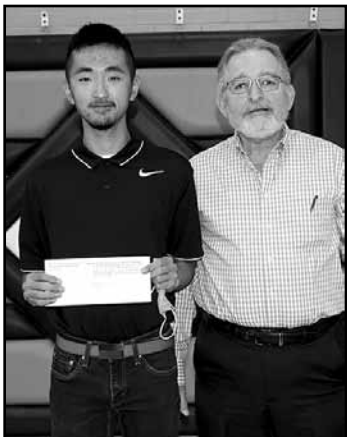
Kaitlyn Fath, at right, presented the Hillsboro-Litchfield Chambers of Commerce Food and Agribusiness Scholarship to Claire Tester, at left, and Maria Hernandez, center.



Rylee Morford was the recipient of the Andy and Debbie Schum and Paws Care of Montgomery County Scholarship. From the left are Andy and Debbie Schum, Riley Morford and presenter Florence Rozmisowicz. Recipient Kylie Williams not present for photo.



Gene White, at right, presented the Jan Young Memorial Scholarship to Alecia Miller.



Gene White, at right, presented the Leanne R. Harpole Memorial Scholarship to Tad Daniels.



Randy McFarlin, center, presented the First Community Bank David B. White Scholarship to Ella Pfeifer, at left, and Layla May, at right.



Russell Greenwood, center, presented the Hillsboro Sertoma Scholarship to Pacey Collins, at left, and Maria Hernandez, at right.



Melissa Caldwell, at right, presented the CNB Bank and Trust Senior of the Month and Senior of the Year awards. From the left are Sarah Huber (February), Alecia Miller (March), Maria Hernandez (November), Catherine Leible (April), Shaw Riggs (December) and Vanessa Compton (January). Riggs was also named the Senior of the Year recipient.



Pam Dawson, at right, presented the Hillsboro Educational Foundation Scholarship to recipients, from the left, Rylee Morford, Sarah Huber, Ella Pfeifer, Madison Brown and Brianna Guinn.



Teacher Matt Vaughn, at right, presented the Hillsboro Unit Education Association Scholarship to recipients, from the left, Jace Tuetken, Meghan Garmon, Claire Tester, Tad Daniels and Rylee Morford.



Katie Wilson, at right, presented the Montgomery County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship to recipients, Claire Tester, at left, and Madelyn Rupert, center.



The family of Lamoine Reeves presented the Lamoine Reeves Memorial Teacher Education Scholarship. From the left are presenter Geoff Reeves, recipients Maria Hernandez and Tad Daniels and presenters Paige Farmer and Payton Reeves.



Shelby and Rik Denicke, at right, presented the Rik and Shelby Denicke Scholarship to Brook Ozier.



Gene White, center, presented the Bledsaw Family Memorial Scholarship to Lucas Nowlan and Reagan Devaisher.



Gene White, in back, presented the Bettie and Ida Bauman Nursing Scholarship to recipients, from the left, Kyla Kuhl, Nathan Bellaver and Emma Kenny.



Gene White, second from the left, presented the Rose Mormino Teacher Education Scholarship to recipients, from the left, Vanessa Compton, Caitlyn Howard and August Plunkett.



Gene White, center, presented the Kiefer Brothers Memorial Scholarship to Pacey Collins, at left, and Francis Passariello.



Gene White, center, presented the Ellen J. McGurty Scholarship to Maria Hernandez, at left, and Ella Pfeifer.



Pam Dawson, at right, presented the James and Cecilia Hayes Scholarship to Maria Hernandez, at left, and Jude Bertolino, center.



Mike Rappe, center, presented the Joan and Bernard Rappe Memorial Scholarship to August Plunkett, at left, and the Bonnie Ireland Scholarship to Nathan Bellaver.



Diane and Randy Singler, at right, presented the Miranda Singler Memorial Scholarship to Madison Klump.



August Plunkett, second from the left, was the recipient of the Eunice May Russell Democratic Scholarship. From the left are presenter Judy Dalhaus, August Plunkett and presenters Deborah Russell and Charles Napier.



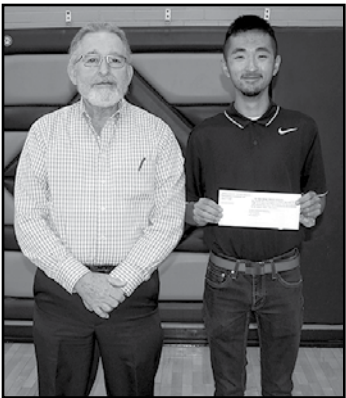
Pastor Matt Ferguson, at right, presented the Helen Skinn Scholarship to Catherine Leible and Ella Pfeifer (in front), and the Hillsboro Ministerial Alliance Scholarship to August Plunkett and Maria Hernandez (in back).



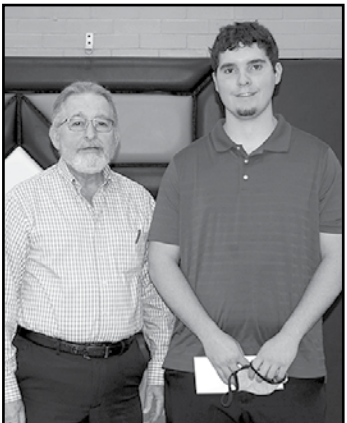
Kendra Wright presented the Christiana Tillson Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Award to Sarah Huber.



Steve Held presented three scholarships to the University of Nebraska at Lincoln to Shaw Riggs. He was awarded the George Beadle Academic Scholarship, the College of Agricultural Science Scholarship and the We Are Nebraska Scholarship.



Gene White, at left, presented the Donna Springer Memorial Scholarship to Tad Daniels.



Gene White, at left, presented the Aldeane Wills Family Scholarship to Aaron Wille



Dustin Jones, at right, presented the CTI Scholarship to Kylee Pastrovich.



Josh Huber and Gabe Osborn presented the FFA Alumni Scholarship and the Hillsboro High School FFA Scholarship. Each student pictured won both scholarships. From the left are presenter Josh Huber, recipients Claire Tester, Kaden Mateer, Maria Hernandez and Madison Malloy and Gabe Osborn.



Gene White, at right, presented the Edward A. Goyak Scholarship to Pacey Collins.



Gene White, at left, presented the Jacqueline and Mel Heselov Scholarship to Layla May.



Shannon Daniels, at right, presented the Nellie Mackey Teacher Education Scholarship to recipients, from the left, August Plunkett, Tad Daniels and Vanessa Compton.



Katie Mondin and John Mondin, at right, presented the Holly Harvey Memorial Scholarship to Maria Hernandez.



Gene White, at right, presented the Erik Paul Westerman Memorial Scholarship to Rylee Morford.



Gene White, at left, presented the H.E. "Woody" and Catherine Woodruff Family Memorial Scholarship to Jace Tuetken.



Tisha Miller, at right, presented three scholarships to Lincoln Land Community College. In front, August Plunkett and Madelyn Rupert received the Rosemary and Peter Patton Scholarship. Plunkett also received the Hillsboro Kiwanis Scholarship. In back Brianna Guinn, at left, received the Leland W. and Ruth Busby Memorial Scholarship and Rylee Morford received a scholarship to Lincoln Land as well



Zach Wygal, in back, presented the Montgomery County Cancer Association Scholarship to recipients, from the left, Brianna Guinn, Pacey Collins and Madelyn Rupert.



Susan White, at right, presented the Roy L. Hertel Memorial Scholarship to Lucas Nowlan.



Gene White, at right, presented the Mercedes V. Lessman Memorial Scholarship to Madison Klump



Griffin Wright, center, was the recipient of the Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie and Auxiliary of Litchfield Scholarship, presented by Mike and Gail Niehaus.



Jeff Martin, at left, presented the MTI Vocational Scholarship to Faith Holtz, center, and Clayton Eddington. Not present for the photo were David Anderson and Travis Kane.



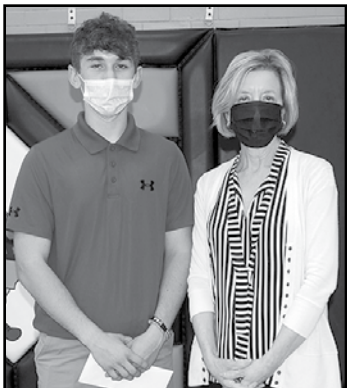
Gene White, at right, presented the Lavina Whitlock Bertram Scholarship to Brook Ozier.



Gene White, at left, presented the Dusty Cameron Memorial Scholarship to Emma Kenny.



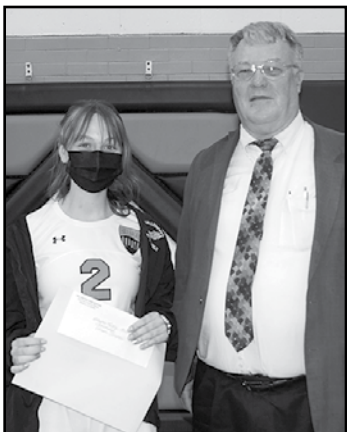
Pam Dawson, at right, presented the Leona and Louis Huber Memorial Scholarship to Sarah Huber.



Pam Dawson, at right, presented the Dale Stretch Vocational Scholarship to Evan Kershaw.



Emily Zimmerman, at right, presented the Robert and Helen Zimmerman Memorial Scholarship to Colin Woods-Butler.



Steve Cullison, at right, presented the Hillsboro Rotary Club Scholarship to Vanessa Compton.

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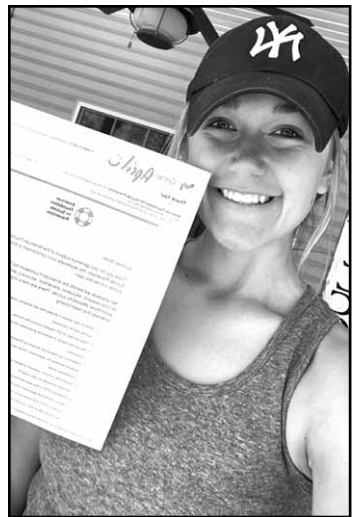
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Tucker Seeks Nostalgic Games For Bicentennial

Judy Tucker is in search of "old time" games for a booth that will be set up at the Montgomery County Bicentennial Celebration at Butler Fairgrounds on Saturday, June 5.

Tucker is looking for games such as jacks, checkers, marbles, dominoes, chess, tiddly-winks, chinese checkers, yoyos and more. She asks that those willing to loan games bring them to the Butler Fairgrounds the day of the event. The old-time game station will be set up in the senior section at the fairgrounds.

She hopes that young and old alike will enjoy a chance to play the nostalgic games.

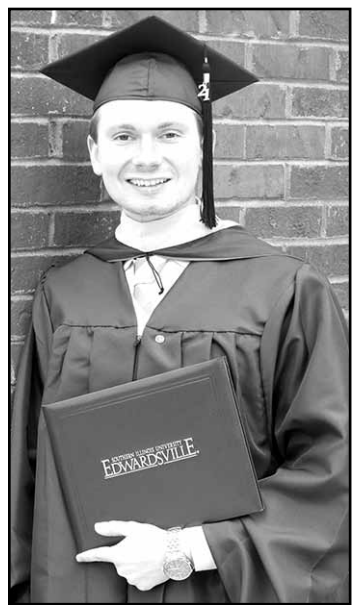


Smith Makes April Donation

Summer Smith of One Life Apparel, pictured above, submitted her April donation to the National Suicide Prevention Foundation on Friday, April 30.

The young girl sells custom-made and boutique items from her home-based business. All funds raised go to the prevention foundation each month as part of her efforts to combat suicide and raise awareness in honor of her late uncle and cousin.

For more information about her mission and to find her items, visit her Facebook page at www.facebook.com/OneLifeApparel21, Etsy at www.etsy.me/2M6DCai and on Instagram @OneLifeApparelCo.



Tristan Sanford Graduates From SIU Edwardsville

Tristan C. Sanford graduated from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville with a master of science in chemistry on Saturday, May 8.

Sanford is the son of Bruce and Joie Sanford of Hillsboro, and is a 2015 graduate of Hillsboro High School. Sanford plans to continue his education, pursuing a Ph.D in biomedical sciences at the University of Oklahoma in Oklahoma City, OK, this fall.



Pictured above is Plummer Funeral Services in Litchfield. The funeral home won the Exemplary Service Award on April 29.

Plummer Funeral Services Wins Special Service Award

The Order of the Golden Rule (OGR) awarded Plummer Funeral Services of Litchfield with the Exemplary Service Award at its inaugural Golden Circle Celebration virtual awards ceremony on Thursday, April 29.

The Exemplary Service Award recognizes member firms for the outstanding customer service they provided to families during their time of loss. Winners are selected based on professional excellence as evidenced by feedback from client families who respond to OGR's proprietary Family Contact Program surveys.

The comment that led to Plummer's selection was one from a patron who described how funeral director Terry Plummer took care of the family after a mother died. "Terry Plummer was very helpful and personally took one of my family members to the funeral home for the

service. Terry Plummer communicated with me many times before and since the funeral to ensure that I am personally doing okay."

The patron went on to say, "Nothing else could have been done differently. The staff made sure every detail was carried through excellently. Plummer Funeral Services is the best."

"The service that Plummer Funeral Services provided is just one example of why they received an Exemplary Service Award," said OGR Executive Director Wendy King. "We are proud that our member firms practice the basis on which we were founded, the Golden Rule."

Three Exemplary Service awards are given out each year. Joining Plummer in 2021 were Freitag Funeral Home in Bridgeton, NJ, and Montgomery and Steward Funeral Directors, Inc., in Pueblo, CO.

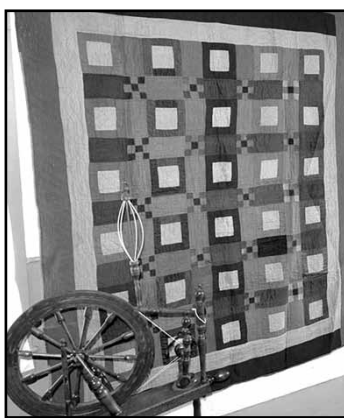
Amish Heritage Center Open For Guided Tours

The Illinois Amish Heritage Center (IAHC), located three miles east of Arthur on Route 133, will be open to the public for guided tours and walk-throughs on Fridays and Saturdays this summer. Hours will be 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., starting Friday, June 4.

Guided tours will take visitors through four historic Amish buildings: the 1882 Daniel Schrock House, the 1866 Moses Yoder house and workshop and the 1920 Miller Amish German School. Exhibits are being developed in all the historic buildings.

The Schrock house will include exhibits on Amish history and religion, Amish quilts and coverlets, Amish clothing and culture, as well as the historic features of the 1882 house. The 1866 Moses Yoder house is the oldest Amish house in Illinois. It is still under restoration and visitors will be able to see the structural research and restoration process. Exhibit panels will describe elements of the original house as it was built in 1866 by Moses Yoder. The Yoder workshop will include an exhibit on historic Amish barns.

The 1920 Miller Amish German School was originally located four miles west of Arthur on Route 133 and was moved to the IAHC in April of this year. The school served as a German school where Amish youth, after graduating from eighth grade, went to learn the German language.



Amish quilts like the one pictured above are on display at the Illinois Amish Heritage Center.

This is important because Amish church services were conducted in German.

The school is in pristine historical condition with original paint still on the walls. The student desks, teacher's desk and wood stove are still in place. Even the original granite basin is still on the shelf in the rear of the room. The German alphabet and daily schedule may be seen written on the chalk board in front of the room. Exhibit panels will talk about the school and Amish education.

Advanced reservation for tours is recommended. To make an appointment call 217-268-3043. Cost for those 12 and older is \$5 for the walk-through and \$10 for a guided tour. More information on the Illinois Amish Heritage Center may be found online at www.illinoisamish.org.

Jennifer Seth Initiated Into Phi Beta Kapa Honor Society

Jennifer Seth of Coffeen was one of 102 Iowa State students with a major in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) who were initiated into the prestigious Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

this May.

Phi Beta Kappa recognizes students for outstanding academic achievement in a broad curriculum in the liberal arts and sciences.

HAH Employees Enjoy Specialty Coffee

Their lack of an official building isn't stopping Ground To Grounds Coffee (GTGC) from serving the community.

On Friday, May 14, GTGC owner, Kayla Brauer and her sister Amanda Wayman, of Litchfield, were invited to serve specialty coffee drinks at Hillsboro Area Hospital to culminate employee appreciation week.

"We were very excited to be a part of their day," Brauer stated. "A big thank you to all health care workers. This hasn't been an easy year and your hard work and dedication hasn't gone unnoticed. Our hearts go out to all the health care workers who have faced COVID-19 head on; not all super heroes wear a cape."

Ground To Grounds Coffee served around 50 iced and hot coffees. Hillsboro Area Hospital employees were presented with a variety of options including americanos, caramel macchiatos, white chocolate mochas and hazelnut, caramel, salted caramel, vanilla or cinnamon-vanilla flavored lattes. GTGC also showcased three of their specialty coffee drinks during the appreciation event, the Leo (hazelnut and caramel), Oma (butter pecan and white chocolate) and Bull9 (vanilla and caramel).

Brauer stated that her favorite part of the day was the smiles they received in return. "Even masked we could see them smiling. Ground to Grounds Coffee is anxiously



Above, Kayla Brauer, owner of Ground To Grounds Coffee, prepares specialty drinks for health care workers as part of Hillsboro Area Hospital's employee appreciation week. Not pictured is fellow barista Amanda Wayman.

awaiting our next step to bring our service to our community."

Already a supporter of their fellow local businesses,

GTGC's shirts and cup labels were made by AJ Banners print shop in Hillsboro.



CEO Class Tours Precision Manufacturing

Students in the Montgomery County CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) program toured Precision Manufacturing in Coalton with Jeff Howell on Thursday, May 6. APM manufactures parts for companies who require specially designed and fabricated parts for their products, which are then created for the end-user. As an ODM (originally designed manufacturing company), APM has engineers who review customer's needs to create the exacting parts and then manufacturers efficiently and in quantity. One of their engineers which is a CEO alumnus from the first year's team, Lucas Brookshire.

The team also learned about precision in the work, meeting quotas and teamwork. APM reflects the process of how a business begins with a design and creates a part that is packaged and shipped and invoiced to a customer for a fair and profitable price.



Litchfield KC Donates To Litchfield Police

On Wednesday, May 12, the Knights of Columbus, Litchfield Council #699, presented a check in the amount of \$1,000 to the Litchfield Police Department (LPD). The donation will aid in the purchase of advanced personal protective equipment for LPD's member in Illinois Law Enforcement Alarm System (ILEAS), which is the law enforcement mutual aid system. Pictured above, from left to right are Detective Brian Reid, KC members, Richard Weiss, Dale Hughes, John Jurgena and Ted Elizondo; Chief Kenny Ryker, officers, Tylor Knisley and Andrew Wakefield, and KC member Bill Borklund.



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Pictured above, from left to right are Jack Evans, president of Sertoma and Nancy and Bruce Redman, volunteers of Bremer Santuary.

Redmans Speak During Sertoma Club Meeting

Nancy and Bruce Redman, volunteers of Bremer Santuary spoke to members of the Sertoma Club.

Nancy writes the Bremer newsletter and monitors the bluebird trail, and Bruce is the building coordinator at Bremer.

The Redmans told Sertoma members about all of the activities at Bremer. The barn was renovated during the pandemic when all the edu-

cational activities had to be suspended. A new kitchen was added and all of the displays have been updated.

The stewards at Bremer are surprised at the number of hikers, picnickers, photographers and families who have taken advantage of the beautiful grounds during this past year. Program, educational workshops and many more events have been planned for 2021.

Guinn Earns Spring Degree At Greenville

Courtney Faye Guinn of Nokomis graduated *cum laude* from Greenville University on Saturday, May 8, with a degree in social work.

A graduate of Nokomis High School in 2013, she is the daughter of Steve Guinn and Christy Guinn. She is the granddaughter of Ed and Donna Voils, Lois Guinn and Larry and Lynn Guinn.

Guinn did her practicum at Almira Manor in Greenville and plans to work at an assisted/senior living facility.



AFSCME Hosts Speakers At Zoom Meeting In May

by Joyce Shelton

On Monday, May 10, the AFSCME Sub-Chapter #87 retirees held a Zoom conference for current members, new members and retired seniors.

President David Spinner welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Louis Goseland for being the Zoom host.

The *Pledge of Allegiance* was given by Alan Holman, a retired member living in Colorado. Holman, a former Hillsboro resident and dedicated union member, worked for the Department of Transportation highway and bridge construction for 33 and a half years before retiring.

Spinner announced that the group needed to pay tribute and reflect in a moment of silence upon the loss of member, Joe Cerny who recently passed away. Cerny attended all the rallies and was an exceptionally active member.

Spinner introduced Zoom speaker Dr. Thomas Tursich from Bozeman, MT. Tursich gave a presentation on "How to Keep the Golden Years Golden." He started out by saying the last years of one's life are supposed to be "golden" and you should consider yourself as an "honored citizen."

He added you need to be loyal to your country, have a good sense of humor, live passionately, love completely and learn humbly. Continue to honor the veterans who served our country in previous generations. To help you with the aging process you

can subscribe to AARP, read books and magazines and communicate with people.

Tursich stated that everyone must have something to contribute to society, a purpose in mind to motivate and keep you going. He went on to say that you could volunteer your services, such as helping the Red Cross with blood drives, serving the church and assisting people who are caretakers. Also you definitely need to have a connection with the young people. Help your grandchildren and serve the younger generation. Find a true passion and work it.

Tursich commented that you should live life with no regrets. Avoid isolation and loneliness during this time of pandemic. There are 42 million Americans over the age of 65 and one out of five people (60 percent) are classified as lonely. Social interaction will help you with mental and personal health problems. Keep your body in motion physically and mentally active in everything you do. At this time golf is the hottest sport for people of our age and exercise is the key to a productive future as you advance into your golden years.

Next, Spinner introduced Louis Goseland, executive director with the Illinois Alliance for Retired Americans, to bring everyone up to date on legislation that affects Seniors. Goseland said this month is "Older American Month" and we need to celebrate.

Goseland stated that The Illinois Alliance for Retired Americans strongly opposes

the Trust Act. The Trust Act bill paves the way to cuts in Social Security and Medicare. Retirees have earned their Social Security and Medicare benefits over a lifetime of work. The benefits ensure older Americans receive the health care they need, and they provide necessary income for more than 60 million Americans. These benefits are critical and should not be cut.

He said they are working to build support and pushing funding for home and community based services and home care workers.

The Trust Act does create rescue committees with checks and balances. The committees can consider dramatic changes to Social Security and Medicare that could dismantle essential programs such as benefit cuts, changing the eligibility age, means testing benefits, or raising taxes on working Americans. To oppose the Trust Act you may call your representatives at 1-866-838-4162. The website to stop the Trust Act and protect Social Security is tinyurl.com/stoptrustact.

On the federal level regarding COVID vaccinations that are free now, Goseland explained when the CDC removes "pandemic" and, in the future, when boosters are required, they can put a price wherever they want to.

President Spinner spoke with regard to the Census Bureau information released about recent census data that determines federal and state legislative seats. Illinois lost 18,124 residents over the last ten years and

Illinois will lose one congressional House seat.

Spinner told the group that according to US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) about 43 percent of the population has received at least one dose of the vaccine, while 30 percent have been fully vaccinated.

The problem is that the US is now hitting a plateau in the number of people getting vaccinated. Experts estimate that at least 80 percent of people need to be immune to reach the herd immunity threshold. He strongly urged members to get the vaccine.

There were over 30 people, some of whom, were first-time members in attendance for the Zoom meeting.

The Zoom meetings continue to be most effective in keeping retired union people or any retired senior informed and updated on current state and federal issues. Members join in either by phone or internet.

AFSCME Retiree Subchapter #87 is the leader in virtual attendance in the state and this is a great tribute to the sub-chapter members.

The Next Sub-Chapter #87 retirees meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 14, at 1 p.m. via Zoom. The guest speaker is Maria Britton Sipe, retiree program coordinator for AFSCME Chapter 31.

To register for the upcoming meeting, you may either call President David Spinner at 217-324-2018 or email him at Bspinner@consolidated.net to get the sign-in information.

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THURSDAY EVENING

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST	ABC Station 19 (TV14) (N)	NBC Young (TV14) (N)	Grey's Anatomy (N)	(01) Mom (TV14) (N)	(01) Rebel (N)	Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline		
CBS	Manifest (TV14) (N)	The United	(01) Mom (TV14) (N)	B Positive	Clarice: "Ghosts of"	Local	(35) Late Show (TV14)	Corden		
FOX	Family Guy (TV14) (N)	Let's Be	Law & Order: SVU	Organized Crime (N)	Local Programs (TV14)	Local	Tonight Show (TV14)	Late Night		
ION	Chicago P.D. (TV14)	Chicago P.D. (TV14)	Chicago P.D. (TV14)	Chicago P.D. (TV14)	Chicago P.D. (TV14)	Chicago P.D. (TV14)	Local Programs (TV14)	Local Programs (TV14)		
CABLE	A&E The First 48: "Tracked"	The First 48 (TV14) (N)	Nightwatch (TV14) (N)				The First 48 (TV14)	The First 48: "Tracked"		
AMC	Tombstone (93, R) ★★★½ Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer.						Tombstone (93, R) ★★★½ Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer.			
ANIMAL	Lone Star Law: Uncuffed: "Red-Handed" (N)		Louisiana Law				Lone Star Law (TV14)	Lone Star Law (TV14)		
BET	(5:00) Movie	Movie					Martin	Martin		
BRAVO	Top Chef (TV14) (N)	Million Dollar Listing (N)	Watch What	Million Dollar	Listing (N)	Below Deck (TV14)	Below	Below		
CARTOON	Dad (TV14) (N)	Dad (TV14) (N)	Burgers	Burgers	Rick Morty	Family Guy	Family Guy	Boondocks	Robot	
CMT	Movie									
CNN	Anderson Cooper 360°	Cuomo Prime Time (N)	CNN Tonight (N)				Anderson Cooper 360°			
COMEDY	The Office: "Recall"	The Office (TV14) (N)	The Office (TV14) (N)	The Office (TV14) (N)	The Office (TV14) (N)	The Office (TV14) (N)	S. Park	S. Park		
DISCOVERY	Homestead (TV14) (N)	Building Off the Grid: "Mountain" (TV G) (N)	Building Off the Grid	BUNK'D	BUNK'D	Sydney	Raven	Raven		
DISNEY	Jessie (TV14) (N)	Jessie (TV14) (N)	Jessie (TV14) (N)	Jessie (TV14) (N)	Jessie (TV14) (N)	Jessie (TV14) (N)	Jessie (TV14) (N)	Jessie (TV14) (N)		
E!	Kardashians (TV14) (N)	Overserved	Botched (TV14)	Kardashians (TV14)	Nightly (N)	Kardashians (TV14)				
ESPN	Stephen A	Daily	NBA Champions (Live)	NBA (Live)	The Jump	SportsCenter	SportsCenter	SportsCenter		
ESPN2	State of Blood	Blood	Flashback							
FOOD	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Restaurant: Impossible: "Turning Anger" (N)	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby		
FREEFORM	10 Things I Hate About You (93, PG-13) ★★★		Everything	Everything	Everything	Everything	Everything	Everything		
FX	Bohemian Rhapsody (18, PG-13) Rami Malek.		Bohemian Rhapsody (18, PG-13) ★★★½ Rami Malek, Lucy Boynton.							
HGTV	No Demo Reno (N)	Flip/Flop	Flip/Flop	Hunters	Hunters	Hunters	Flip/Flop	Flip/Flop		
HISTORY	Swamp People (TV14) (N)	Swamp People (TV14) (N)	Swamp People (TV14) (N)	Swamp People (TV14) (N)	Swamp People (TV14) (N)	Swamp People (TV14) (N)	Swamp People (TV14) (N)	Swamp People (TV14) (N)		
LIFETIME	Rizzoli & Isles	Married at First Sight: "Australia: S6" (TV14) (N)	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles	Rizzoli & Isles		
MTV	Flavorama Shore (N)	Flavorama Shore (N)	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous	Ridiculous		
NEWSNAT	NewsNationPrime	NewsNationPrime	Barfield	The Donlon Report	NewsNationPrime					
NICK	Alvin and the Chipmunks (07, PG) ★★	Jason Lee	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends		
PARMT	Movie									
SYFY	London Fallen (16) ★★★	Olympus Has Fallen (13, R) ★★	Gerard Butler				Leatherface (17, R) Stephen Dorff.			
TBS	Bang (TV14) (N)	Wipeout (TV14) (N)	Conan (N)	Conan (N)	Conan (N)	Conan (N)	Conan (N)	Conan (N)		
TCM	Monty Python (68, NR) ★★★½	The Sandpiper (65, NR) ★★	Elizabeth Taylor				(45) San Francisco (36, NR) ★★★½			
TLC	My 600-lb Life: "Supersized" (TV14) (N)		My 600-lb Life: "Tanisha's Story" (TV14)				My 600-lb Life (TV14)			
TNT	Taken 3 (15, PG-13) ★★★½ Liam Neeson.		(15) Non-Stop (14, PG-13) Liam Neeson, Julianne Moore.				Taken 3			
TRAVEL	Paranormal (TV14) (N)	Paranormal (TV14) (N)	True Paranormal (N)	Paranormal (TV14) (N)	Paranormal (TV14) (N)	Paranormal (TV14) (N)	Paranormal (TV14) (N)	Paranormal (TV14) (N)		
TV LAND	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Loves Ray.	Queens	Queens	Queens	Queens		
USA	(6:00) 2021 Stanley Cup Playoffs	2021 Stanley Cup Playoffs					SVU: "Next Chapter"			
VH1	White Chicks (04, PG-13) ★★	Shawn Wayans.	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story (04) ★★				Malibu's Most (03) ★★			
HBO	The Bee Gees: How Can You (20) Barry Gibb.		The Nevers: "True"	Mare of Easttown	Dark Knight Rises (12)					
MAX	Ready or Not (19, R) ★★	(37) Death at a Funeral (07, R) ★★	(09) The Brady Bunch Movie (95)	Horrible						
SHOW	House at End (12) ★★	The Blackcoat's Daughter (17) ★★½	(35) The Exorcist (73, R) ★★★½	Ellen Burstyn.			City Hill			

SATURDAY EVENING

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
BROADCAST	ABC NBA (Live)	2021 NBA Playoffs (Live)					Local Programs (TV14)	Local Programs (TV14)		
CBS	NCIS: Los Angeles	NCIS: New Orleans	48 Hours (TV14)				Local Programs (TV14)	Local Programs (TV14)		
NBC	2021 Stanley Cup Playoffs (Live)						Local	Saturday Night Live (TV14)		
FOX	(6:00) MLB Baseball: "Reg'l Coverage" (Live)		Local Programs (TV14)				Name That Tune	Local Programs (TV14)		
ION	SVU: "Penetration"	SVU: "Gray" (TV14)	SVU: "Rescue" (TV14)				SVU: "Pop" (TV14)	SVU: "Possessed"		
CABLE	A&E Biography: Shawn Michaels (TV14)		(01) Biography: "Rowdy" Roddy Piper (TV14)				Shawn Michaels (TV14)			
AMC	Twister (96, PG-13) ★★★½ Helen Hunt, Bill Paxton.		Deep Impact (98, PG-13) ★★½ Tea Leoni, Morgan Freeman.							
ANIMAL	Pit Bulls & Parolees	Pit Bulls & Parolees: "Change on the" (N)					Pit Bulls & Parolees	Pit Bulls & Parolees		
BET	To Be Announced	Movie								
BRAVO	Pretty Woman (90) ★★★	Sweet Home Alabama (02, PG-13) ★★½ Reese Witherspoon.					Sweet Home Alabama (02) ★★½			
CARTOON	Dad (TV14) (N)	Dad (TV14) (N)	Rick Morty	Space (N)	Family Guy	Family Guy	Dragon	Academia		
CMT	(5:00) Movie	Movie								
CNN	CNN Newsroom (N)	CNN Special Report	United Shades	United Shades	The Story of Late Night					
COMEDY	Fist Fight (17, R) ★★½ Ice Cube, Charlie Day.		Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story (04) ★★				Crank	S. Park		
DISCOVERY	Street Outlaws: "Stick Moves" (TV14)	Street Outlaws: "We Meet Again" (TV14)	Street Outlaws (TV14)				Street Outlaws (TV14)			
DISNEY	Amphibia	Big City	Big City	Big City	BUNK'D	BUNK'D	Jessie	Jessie		
E!	Couples Retreat (09) ★★	Bridesmaids (11, R) ★★	Kristen Wiig, Maya Rudolph.				Just Wright (10, PG) ★★			
ESPN	2021 NBA P	Top Rank Boxing: "Jose Ramirez vs. Josh Taylor" (Live)					SportsCenter	SportsCenter		
ESPN2	2021 NCAA Softball Championship: "Regionals"		2021 NCAA Softball Championship: "Regionals"				UFC Unleashed (TV14)			
FOOD	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners		
FREEFORM	(6:50) Shrek 2 (04, PG) ★★★ Mike Myers.		(55) Shrek Forever After (10, PG) Mike Myers.				Gnomeo & Juliet (11)			
FX	Deadpool 2 (18, R) ★★★½ Ryan Reynolds, Josh Brolin.		Deadpool (16, R) ★★★½ Ryan Reynolds, Morena Baccarin.							
HGTV	Escape to the Chateau	\$50K Three	\$50K Three	\$50K Three Ways	\$50K Three	\$50K Three	\$50K Three	\$50K Three		
HISTORY	American Pickers	(02) American Pickers	(03) American Pickers	(03) American Pickers	(03) American Pickers	(03) American Pickers	(03) American Pickers	(03) American Pickers		
LIFETIME	A Predator Returns (21) Houston Stevenson.	(03) Dangerous Medicine (21) Leann Van Mol.					(01) A Predator (21)			
MTV	(6:00) Next Friday (00)	Friday After Next (02, R) ★★	Ice Cube, Mike Epps.				Friday (96, R) ★★	Ice Cube, Chris Tucker.		
NEWSNAT	NewsNationPrime	Barfield	Barfield	NewsNationPrime	NewsNationPrime					
NICK	Hustle (N)	Drama Club (TV G) (N)	Dylan	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends		
PARMT	Movie									
SYFY	Bourne Identity (02)	The Bourne Supremacy (04, PG-13) ★★★½ Matt Damon.					Futurama	Futurama		
TBS	Bang	Bang	Bang	Bang	Chad	Wipeout (TV14)				
TCM	Will Success Spoil Rock Hunter? (57, NR) ★★	The Brass Bottle (64, NR) Tony Randall.					The Brothers Rico (57)			
TLC	Extreme Sisters (N)	Extreme Sisters (N)	Extreme Sisters (N)	Extreme Sisters (N)	Extreme Sisters (N)	Extreme Sisters (N)	Extreme Sisters (N)	Extreme Sisters (N)		
TNT	The Replacements (00, PG-13) ★★½ Keanu Reeves.	Uncle Drew (18, PG-13) ★★½ Kyrie Irving.					Replacemnt			
TRAVEL	Kindred Spirits (TV14)	Kindred Spirits (N)	Witness (TV14)				Kindred Spirits (TV14)			
TV LAND	(10) Men	(45) Men	Two and a Half Men	(55) Men	Men	Men	Men	Men		
USA	John Wick: Chapter 3 - Parabellum (19, R) Keanu Reeves.		John Wick: Chapter 3 - Parabellum (19, R) Keanu Reeves.							
VH1	Future III	Coming to America (88, R) ★★	Eddie Murphy, Arsenio Hall.				Diary of a Mad Black Woman (05, PG-13) ★★½			
HBO	Wonder Woman 1984 (20, PG-13) ★★½ Gal Gadot.		Hacks	The Nevers: "True"	(10) Mare of Easttown					
MAX	A Perfect Murder (98, R) ★★	(49) Dead Man Walking (96, R) ★★½ Susan Sarandon.	(53) Doctor Sleep (19)							
SHOW	Black Mon.	Black Mon.	Dreamland (20, R) Margot Robbie.	(45) Lawless (12, R) Shia LaBeouf, Tom Hardy.			City Hill			

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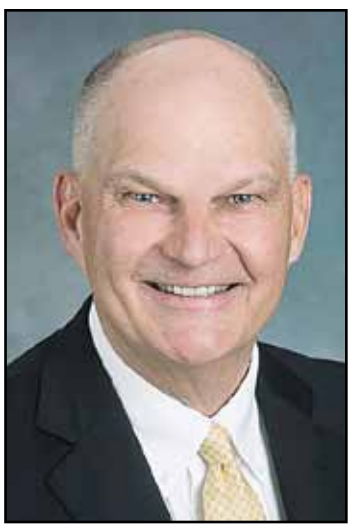
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BROADCAST	ABC	Shark Tank (TVPG) (N)		(01) 20/20			Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live		Nightline
	CBS	To Be Announced		Magnum P.I. (TV14)	Blue Bloods (TV14)		Local	(35) Late Show (TV14)		Corden
	NBC	The Blacklist (TV14) (N)		Dateline NBC (N)			Local	Tonight Show (TV14)		Late Night
	FOX	WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live)			Local Programs (TV14)			Local Programs (TV14)		
CABLE	ION	Hawaii Five-0 (TV14)		Hawaii Five-0 (TV14)		Hawaii Five-0 (TV14)		Hawaii Five-0 (TV14)		
	A&E	The First 48 (TV14)		The First 48: "Monster"		The First 48 (TV14)		The First 48 (TV14)		
	AMC	The Breakfast Club (85, R) ★★★½ Emilio Estevez.		(15) Sixteen Candles (84, PG)		Molly Ringwald.		Fear the Walking Dead		
	ANIMAL	River Monsters: Deadliest Man-eaters (N)		River Monsters (TVPG)		River Monsters (TVPG)		River Monsters (N)		
	BET	Movie				Tyler Perry's The Oval		American Soul (TV14)		
	BRAVO	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Pretty Woman (90, R) ★★★	Richard Gere.	
	CARTOON	Dad	Dad	Dad	Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick Morty	Robot
	CMT	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom	Mom
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360°		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Special Report		Anderson Cooper 360°
	COMEDY	Se Us Unite for Change (N)				The Office		The Office		Schitt's
	DISCOVERY	Gold Rush (TVPG) (N)		(08) Bering Sea Gold: "Ship of Fools" (TV14) (N)				(09) Bering Sea Gold		Gold Rush: "Winter's"
	DISNEY	Raven (N)	Home (21)	Raven	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Raven	Raven	Big City
	E!	Family	Family	Family	Family	Family	Family	Family	Family	Coyote Ugly (00) ★★★½
	ESPN	NBA Countdown (Live)		ESPN Original		2021 NBA Playoffs: "Play-In Game" (Live)				Sports
	ESPN2	2021 NCAA Softball Championship: "Regionals"				2021 NCAA Softball Championship: "Regionals"				PGA Champ (Tapod)
	FOOD	Diners	Diners	Diners (N)	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners	Diners
FREEFORM	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	The 700 Club (TV G)	Simpsons	Simpsons	
FX	PRIDE (TVMA) (N)		PRIDE (TVMA) (N)		PRIDE (TVMA) (N)		PRIDE (TVMA)		PRIDE (TVMA)	
HGTV	My Lottery		Wherever		Clipped: "Gating to Know Yew" (N)		My Lottery		My Lottery	
HISTORY	Ancient Aliens (TVPG)		Ancient Aliens (TVPG)		Ancient Aliens (TVPG)		Ancient Aliens (TVPG)		Ancient Aliens (TVPG)	
LIFETIME	Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection (12, PG-13) ★★		Tyler Perry.		(03) Madea's Family Reunion (06, PG-13) ★★					
MTV	Se Us Unite for Change (N)				Ridiculous		Ridiculousness: "Grand Storing"		Ridiculous	
NEWSNAT	NewsNationPrime		NewsNationPrime		Banfield		The Donlon Report		NewsNationPrime	
NICK	Se Us Unite for Change (N)				Friends		Friends		Friends	
PARMT	Movie				Movie					
SYFY	(635) Death Wish (18, R) ★★★ Bruce Willis.				Van Helsing (TV14) (N)		Futurama		Futurama	
TBS	Central Intelligence (16, PG-13) ★★★ Kevin Hart.				(15) Rampage (18, PG-13) Dwayne Johnson, Naomie Harris.		Futurama		Pacific	
TCM	Flower Drum Song (61, NR) ★★★ Nancy Kwan, Jack Soo.				The Crimson Kimono (59, NR) ★★				Eat a Bowl of Tea (89)	
TCL	90 Day Fiancé: Happily Ever After? (TV14) (N)				90 Day (N)		90 Day		90 Day Fiancé (TV14)	
TNT	NBA Basketball (Live)				Inside the NBA		NBA Basketball (Replay)			
TRAVEL	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures: "Ghosts Calling" (TVPG) (N)				Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures	
TV LAND	Se Us Unite for Change (N)				Loves Ray.		Loves Ray.		Queens	
USA	John Wick: Chapter 3 - Parabellum (19, R) ★★★½ Keanu Reeves.				Back to the Future (85, PG) ★★★★★		Chicago P.D. (TV14)		Chicago P.D. (TV14)	
VH1	Se Us Unite for Change (N)				Reels to the Future (85, PG) ★★		Michael J. Fox.		Future II	
PREM	HBO	(525) Tenet (20, PG-13) ★★★½ Pause (N)		Pause		Real Time Maher (N)		Sketch (N)		Real Time (TVMA)
	MAX	Just Mercy (20, PG-13) ★★ Michael B. Jordan.				(18) Above the Rim (94, R) Duane Martin, Leon.		Stand and Deliver (88)		
	SHOW	61.001 Pelham T23 (09)		Boltar MMA: "259g: Gylson vs. Smith" (2 Live)				City on a Hill (TVMA)		ZIWE

Elmore And Rosenthal Recognized

The Lincoln Land Community College Board of Trustees elected new officers during their April meeting on Wednesday evening, April 28.

Ken Elmore of Waggoner, president of First National Bank of Litchfield, was elected chair after serving two years as vice chair. Gordon Gates of Springfield, partner at Gates, Wise, Schlosser and Goebel, was elected vice-chair, after serving two years as board secretary, and Craig Findley of Jacksonville, chair of the Illinois Prisoner Review Board and former LLCC board chair, was elected secretary of the board.

Elmore presented a plaque of recognition to Wayne Rosenthal of Morrisonville for his two years as board chair, thanking him for his outstanding leadership, espe-



Ken Elmore

cially during the challenging times of the COVID-19 pandemic. Rosenthal, a former member of the Illinois House of Representatives and former director of the Illinois Depart-

ment of Natural Resources, remains on the board as a trustee.

Prior to turning the gavel over to Elmore, Rosenthal read a resolution in honor of Julian Marvel of Waggoner, who completed his term as the 2020-2021 student trustee. He is graduating from LLCC with an associate in arts degree and plans to pursue a degree in anthropology at Illinois State University.

Other trustees continuing their terms on the LLCC board are Dr. Vicki Davis of Riverton, operational excellence manager for the State of Illinois; Jeff Fulgenzi of Sherman, owner of Fulgenzi Consulting; and Samantha Raymond of Springfield, programs communications associate at Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education.



Pictured above are Julian Marvel (left), 2020-2021 LLCC student trustee and Wayne Rosenthal, member of the LLCC Board of Trustees. Both were honored at the April meeting of the college's Board of Trustees.

Nokomis Plans Memorial Day Ceremonies

The Nokomis American Legion Post 94 will host the 2021 Memorial Day and Dedication Service on Monday, May 31, at 10 a.m. at the Nokomis Memorial Park.

Everyone will meet in front of the F-4 Phantom jet, where they will welcome and recognize the Mark Hoehn family for their donation of the jet to the Nokomis community.

Guest speaker will be Ret. Air National Guard General Wayne Rosenthal of Morrisonville.

In case of rain, everyone will meet in the park house.

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Amanda Payne Earns Bachelor's

Amanda Payne of Witt earned her bachelor of science degree with a major in organizational leadership from Greenville University on Saturday, May 8.

A 1999 graduate of Nokomis High School, she is the daughter of David and Rebecca Schweizer of Witt and granddaughter of Charles Schweizer of Nokomis and the late Winona Schweizer and the late Claude and Elizabeth Armstrong. Payne and her husband, Chris, have four children, Madelyn, age 12, Tucker, age ten, Taelyn, age seven, and John, age four.

After graduation from Nokomis High School, Payne earned her associate's degree in 2002 in applied sciences with a certificate in respiratory therapy from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

She has been employed at Hillsboro Area Hospital since 2002, and furthered her education by earning her EMT paramedic in 2006 from Lincoln Land Community College. Payne passed her CPXP (certified patient experience professional) test in October 2019, which she



Amanda Payne of Witt graduated with a bachelor of science degree from Greenville University this spring. She is pictured above with her proud children. From the left are John Payne, Taelyn Payne, Amanda Payne, Madelyn Payne and Tucker Payne.

obtained to help improve the patient experience.

This spring, she earned her bachelor's degree in organizational leadership from Greenville University.

"This will help me to bet-

ter lead others in change and process improvement," Payne said. "My goal is to complete a masters degree program in something similar further helping me to be a better leader."

Brielle Marten Earns Nursing Degree

Brielle Marten, 21, of Litchfield graduated this May from the University of Illinois Chicago College of Nursing with her bachelor of science in nursing degree.

Upon taking her licensure exam this summer, she has accepted a new grad RN position at Memorial Medical Center in Springfield on the Burn and Trauma ICU. She plans to continue her education in earning her critical care and wound nurse certifications before obtaining a masters degree in Health Care Administration.

A true, "Trauma Queen," she's been a local reigning queen throughout her entire college career while also working as a patient care tech at Memorial Medical Center. She was crowned Miss Litchfield Chamber of Commerce in July 2017 and retired in September 2018. In 2019, she was crowned Miss Montgomery County Fair Queen.

COVID brought her two years of listening to lectures and changing out of scrubs while getting ready and driving to pageant events.

"In these four years, I've attended hundreds of parades and pageants, participated in a number of community service projects, made it a mission to deliver Christmas cards and treats to nursing home residents with both sets of my littles, racked up a bounty of memories and pictures, but most of all, had the experience of a lifetime representing my



home county," Marten said. "However, I could not have succeeded in queening and in my BSN program without the support of my parents, Jeff and Brandi Marten; grandparents, Tony and Paulette Marten; significant other Blake Middleton; little brothers Jayden, Keagan, Kamden and Brylan; directors, Ashley Vinyard and Katy Pederson; sponsor MyFormals of Litchfield; the Montgomery County Fair Board, and especially the help of my Junior Miss Morgan Hampton and Little Miss Tilly Fergusson and their amazing families. I will always be forever thankful for the relationships and opportunities the crown of Miss Montgomery County blessed me with. My pageant days are

no where near over in terms of involvement."

Since the end of her Miss Litchfield reign in 2018, Marten became a member of the Litchfield Chamber pageant committee as a choreographer and stage coach while also helping with the Black Diamonds Day pageant in Gillespie.

Alongside Katy Pederson, they have big plans and fun changes prepared for this year's 2021 Montgomery County Fair Queen Pageant that they hope to continue and modify in years to come to be an opportunity for Montgomery County girls of all ages to expand their interview skills, stage presence, self-confidence, make new friends, and love for Montgomery County hometowns.



CEO Students Meet In May

Students in both the Montgomery County and Macoupin County CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) program shared a combined meeting at Cross Church in Carlinville on Friday, May 7. The teams discussed their class businesses, their personal businesses and some of the challenges and lessons they have experienced as being a part of CEO.

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Hillsboro Band, Choir Students Awarded

Hillsboro High School choir and band students earned awards during the annual Spring Concert on Tuesday, May 18, in the gym.

Choir awards, above, presented by director Amy Lemons, went to, front row from the left, Outstanding Freshman Lily Churchwell, Operetta Award winner Vanessa Compton, Most Improved Kaylee Lawson, Outstanding Freshman Annabelle Wright. Back row: Student Director Award winner Sarah Huber, Director's Award winner Caitlyn Howard, Operetta Award winner Isaiah Gates, Most Improved Addison Pollard, National Choral Award winner Shaw Riggs, Arion Award winner Tad Daniels, Director's Award winner Owen Draper. Not present for photo: Student Director Award winner Tressie Clinard.



Band awards, above, presented by director Daniel Drake (center) were Patrick S. Gilmore Award winner August Plunkett (left) and John Philip Sousa Award winner Sarah Huber (right) *Journal-News Photos*

Truck And Tractor Pulls Return To Fair

by Don Walker

Hello everyone, the 35th Montgomery County Fair will take place Wednesday, June 23, through Sunday, June 27 and like all county fairs we are hoping for a great year. Now to the next part of this story, the Truck and Tractor Pulls will return at noon on Sunday, June 27.

We are trying some new events this year to accommodate some local pullers starting with tractors. Call Matt Belusko at 217-851-1805 for further guidance. Thanks to the Belusko boys we will have three antique classes. There will be three antique classes, 4,500-5,000-5,500 pounds, 18-4-38 tire limit, four mile-per-hour, top cut tires permitted, \$20 entry fee with an 85 percent payback to four places.

Coming up next is another group of new weight classes, 7,000-7,500-8,000 pounds, 16-9-38 tire limit, cost wheels, no cut tires, no blower, 5 miles-per-hour. Hopefully this will bring up the Clinton County, Bond County and Effingham County pullers, as well as many other counties. These classes were chosen because the pullers from Clinton County said these were the most popular. Once again, there will be a \$20 entry fee with an 85 percent payback to four places. This statement goes for all tractor and truck classes, "you police your own groups. Don't come to me to settle any problems and get it done immediately as we will have 11 tractor classes." Coming up, will be two

classes from Illinois Stock Pullers Club having a 10,000 and 12,000 pound class, and to all you old timers we have some tractors for you to see, so be in the pits and grandstands.

Then we will have a 10,700-12,000 pound, N.A., with a six mile-per-hour limit, which will have its own guidelines. Last, but not least will be the "Freedom Class." That means there is no speed limit, no R.P.M. limit, no ITPA tractors, no cut tires and a weight limit of 12,000 pounds. Just sit in your seat, we'll have toilet paper available if you need it at the end of the pull.

Next comes the famous Butler area truck pulls. As in the past 40 years in this area, Montgomery County has had many successful truck pullers that went onto the much high classes of truck pulling. I can't forget several men whom started at Butler Homecoming in the 1970's and went on to become State Champions and some to the national level at tractor of pulling.

Now to truck classes, which will start after all the tractor classes sometime between 4 to 5 p.m., depending on the tractor pull turnout. The truck pull will begin with the "Honesty Class" or "Daily Drivers Class," 4X4 gas, traction bars allowed, no weight brackets, drive shift loops, 26 inch hitch height, 7,000 pounds, which should allow four-door trucks.

Up next will be the two classes of CITP, 4X4, gas trucks with weights of 5,800 and 6,200 pounds. Then one class of CITP, two-wheel drive, either 5,800 pounds or 6,200

pounds, whichever the pullers choose. Your choice not mine.

Next is the 8,500 pound, diesel 4X4, daily driver. No CITP trucks are allowed in this class. Then the 8,500 pound, 4X4 diesel, CITP trucks will pull. Entry fees for trucks is set at \$20 with an 85 percent payback to four places.

If agreeable with the diesel CITP pullers, the boys or men in the stock diesel want to pull with the CITP trucks that will be allowed. All that has to happen is to tell me your wishes.

There are no Montgomery County Fair rules in relation to pullers so participants are asked to police themselves. Pit passes have been lowered to \$15 and \$5 for grandstand. We will have food and drinks for sale and would appreciate it if you ate at our food stand because our payout is one of the best you will find, thanks to our many sponsors who help make the pulls possible.

Volunteers are needed to help run the pulls, particularly those with knowledge regarding tractor scrapers, roller tractors, hooking and flagmen. Volunteers are also needed at the sign-in booth and to help with announcements. Montgomery County this is your fair, so be willing to help make it a place that pullers want to come to. I know that there are many boys and men sharper than me to man this pull and sure hope that you will volunteer.

Those interested in helping may contact Don Walker at 618-708-1952.

Kayla Pennock Graduates From Greenville

Kayla Rosenthal Pennock graduated from Greenville University with her master's degree in reading on Saturday, May 8. Pennock graduated in 2020, but was able to walk this year. She is a 2006 Lincolnwood High School graduate, and she has her bachelor's degree in elementary education from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville in 2012. Pennock has been teaching at JD Colt Elementary School in Litchfield for the past five years, and will continue to teach next year. She is the daughter of Nathan Foiles and the late Tom and Vicki Rosenthal, and the granddaughter of Shirlen Rosenthal of Raymond. She is married to Adam Pennock and they have two children, Jace and Josie Pennock.



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Dylan Hayes, Nokomis

Sunshine's Story Fit For The Silver Screen

by Kyle Herschelmann

Football movies are meant to make you feel good. There is hard-hitting action, tearful moments of bonding and usually a story line or two about overcoming adversity to achieve dreams you never thought possible. As much fun as they are, Nokomis senior Dylan Hayes doesn't need to watch these movies. He's lived them.

The last three years of Hayes' life have been plucked straight from a Hollywood script. From moving from California to a small farm town in rural Illinois, which earned him the moniker of "Sunshine," in honor of another Cali transplant, Ronnie Bass in *Remember the Titans*, to making the decision to live with his head coach rather than go with his family back west (ala *The Blindside*), and during a pandemic no less, to earning the opportunity to play college football, everything about Hayes' life has had a surreal feel to it.

But despite the challenges that he faced over the last few years, Hayes has been able to do what he loves with the people that he cares the most for.

"It was pure enjoyment," Hayes said about the Nokomis football team's 2021 season in which the Redskins were undefeated in an odd, COVID-shortened, spring season. "Toward the end, it was kind of anger, because I knew it was coming to an end, but just being able to play was... I wish

I could do it again."

While he won't get to play in front of the Nokomis faithful next year, the next chapter in Hayes' story will keep him on the gridiron for the next four years, while keeping him close to his adoptive home of Nokomis.

"I chose IC because it's closer to family. I didn't want to move to another state and the other college I looked at was in Arkansas," Hayes said about his decision to play football at Illinois College next year. "I wanted to be closer to family and friends. It seems like a smaller kind of school, like Nokomis is, and that's the kind of school that I like to be at."

That desire to be close to family and friends is what led Hayes on his journey. From the start, Nokomis felt like home to the young linebacker, both on the football field and off of it.

"After the first year of being here, I bonded with everyone on the team and it felt like I was becoming friends with almost everyone at the school," Hayes explained. "It's a small school, so you're close to everyone. I just wanted to stay and be close to everyone I liked."

But when his mom made the decision to move back to California, Hayes was forced to make a choice: uproot his newfound comfort and go with her or stay behind, with a less certain living situation.

"It was a tough decision, but my family was also going through some things in California and I wanted to stay away from the drama and stay where I was comfortable," Hayes said on his decision to stay in Nokomis. "The restrictions in California are

more stringent with football and COVID. I definitely got lucky playing six games here. I don't know if I'd be playing there or not."

After a couple living arrangements that proved to be bad fits, Hayes went to live with Nokomis Head Football Coach Paul Watson and his family. Two weeks later, the country went into lockdown as COVID-19 overtook the world.

"It was an adjustment, being on lock down and home schooling, basically," said Watson, who discussed Hayes' situation with his wife Cassie and their two youngest children Jake and Libby, before inviting Hayes to stay.

Adjustment or not, it's been a positive change for all of those involved.

"He's like a son. He's part of the family," Watson said. "We told him, when he comes back here, his room's still there."

There will be another adjustment in store for Hayes when he sets foot on the turf at Illinois College in the fall too, but if anything, the young man has shown that he can overcome adversity.

In his first year at Nokomis, Hayes was an honorable mention all-conference selection as an offensive lineman and recorded 28 tackles as a linebacker. The following season, he was a second team lineman all-conference pick and an honorable mention at linebacker, where he added on 28 more tackles and was part of a hard-hitting, aggressive defense that helped the Redskins to a playoff appearance.

Hayes' senior year was the pinnacle of his football career to this point. One of four seniors on the roster, Hayes was a first team all-conference pick at both positions and led



From California to Nokomis, from family by blood to family by choice, Dylan Hayes' journey to signing to play football for Illinois College has been anything but uneventful. For the signing in March, Hayes was joined by Nokomis Head Coach Paul Watson (standing, left), Assistant Coach Ben Tarter (standing, right), and Cassie Watson, Paul's wife, who welcomed the Nokomis senior into their family's home after Hayes' family made the decision to move back to California.

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Nokomis in tackles with 40 in just six games.

He also had two interceptions, but even more important, was a steady, focus-driven presence on a team loaded with talent.

"I definitely thought it was something we could do," Hayes said about the Redskins going 6-0 this past year. "Next year I think they have a chance at it again, but they'll definitely make the playoffs. It would have been nice to go to the playoffs this year, but next year I'll definitely be supporting them from the sidelines."

And the Nokomis football family will be supporting him,

too, just as they have since day one.

"One of the things we first talked about when he moved in was, 'what do you want to do? Where do you see yourself?' Watson said. "And that was a goal he had, to play college football. We told him that can definitely happen and we'll see what we can do to make it happen."

Watson said he believes that either Illinois College or Hayes' other choice, Lyons College in Arkansas, would have both been good fits due to the family atmosphere at both schools, but thinks Hayes will thrive as a Blueboy.

"Illinois College is close, it's

a great college with a great football tradition and he'll do good there," said Watson, who mentioned that former Redskins Adam Singler, Bryant Wright and Lankston Brummett also played at IC. "It's a close knit community. There are so many activities and things they do together. And they support each other. The basketball team supports the football team. The football team supports the baseball team. And on and on."

It sounds pretty similar to the support Hayes has experienced at Nokomis and hopefully, his time at Illinois College will have the same feel-good Hollywood ending.



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Krager, Jenkins Named Athletes Of The Year At Lincolnwood

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Krager, the daughter of Mark and Jill Krager, lettered in basketball, volleyball and softball at Lincolnwood

and was also named female athlete of the year in 2019 and 2020.

Jenkins, the son of Dave and Debbie Jenkins, lettered in four sports in 2021, playing golf, basketball, soccer and baseball.

Lincolnwood Athletes Of The Year

Year	Female	Male
2020-2021	Cassie Krager	Will Jenkins
2019-2020	Cassie Krager	Evan Hopper/Sam Herman
2018-2019	Cassie Krager	Dade Pitchford
2017-2018	Callie Krager	Tanner Millburg
2016-2017	Abby Brockmeyer	Reese Snyder
2015-2016	Abby Brockmeyer	Bryan Graham
2014-2015	Abby Brockmeyer	Bryan Graham
2013-2014	Abby Brockmeyer	Tate Snyder
2012-2013	Anne Riemann	Tate Snyder
2011-2012	Anne Riemann/Sheree Turner	Michael Stephenson
2010-2011	Ellie Riggs	Cameron Snyder
2009-2010	Ellie Riggs	Shane Convery
2008-2009	Taylor Wernsing	Kyle Snyder
2007-2008	Taylor Wernsing	Kyle Snyder

Journal-News On The Line:

by Kyle Herschelmann

Litchfield High School senior Jordan Ramey knows that it's going to be tough when her soccer career at LHS is over.

"We're pretty much family," Ramey said of the bond with her teammates, both past and present. "I miss the seniors from last year and my sophomore year. I'm just going to miss spending time with the team."

Fortunately for Ramey, she's already made a similar connection with her future teammates at Lincoln Land Community College as well.

"They came to our club team practices and they were really the first coaches to contact me," Ramey said of LLCC Coach Drew Lenhardt, who was on hand for her signing on Friday, May 14. "I was on an indoor league in Springfield and I heard someone call my name and it was a bunch of their players. They had me play with their college team, so I got to know a lot of them. I'm pretty much part of the family already."

That family is pretty young itself as the Lincoln Land women's program was added in November 2019, making the 2021 season their first as a program. The Loggers went 0-8 in their inaugural campaign, but showed improvement as they lost their last game by just one goal to Parkland College in the National Junior College Association of America Region 24 playoff game.

Coach Lenhardt believes that Ramey will be a good fit

Journal-News On The Line:

Jordan Ramey, Litchfield



Litchfield High School senior Jordan Ramey made her decision to play soccer at Lincoln Land Community College official on Friday, May 14, at a signing in Simmons Gymnasium. Ramey was joined by her father, Greg Ramey (left), Lincoln Land Head Coach Coach Drew Lenhardt (right) and Litchfield Girls Soccer Assistant Coach Chris Bates.

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for the club, which is dotted with talent from the Springfield area.

A starter since a freshman, Ramey has played a big part in the Panthers' defensive game plan, which yielded 1.5 goals per game in 2018 and 2019. This year, the defense has been even better as they've yielded just eight goals in seven games, with no team scoring more than two goals in a game against them.

"She's fast, aggressive and fearless - my type of player," said Coach Lenhardt, whose

team yielded 26 goals in their first five games, but slowed that pace down to just nine in their final three contests.

Ramey hopes that she's another coach's type of player in two years, too, as she hopes to continue with her playing career at a four-year school. If not, Ramey says that she is considering the military as an option after her soccer days are done.

Regardless of where her journey takes her, Ramey won't soon forget her time at Litchfield, where she has

played in 43 of the Panthers' 47 games the last four years, with a few more still to go in 2021.

"Coach (Dominique) Byots has had a huge impact on me. The seniors are her babies, because we were the first group she had," Ramey said. "We've all kind of grown together. She's taught us stuff and we've taught her stuff."

The lessons were well learned and, hopefully, they'll be put to good use for the next four years as well.

Hillsboro Baseball Rain-Out Games Rescheduled

by Ron Deabenderfer

The two conference baseball games rained out thus far have been rescheduled; the

Toppers will host Carlinville next Tuesday, May 25, and Vandalia on Wednesday, June 2. If the game at Greenville scheduled for tonight (Thurs-

day, May 20) can't be played because of field conditions, it will be played on Tuesday, June 8th.

Weather permitting, Hill-

sboro will host Riverton tomorrow, May 21, at 4:30 (non-conference) and Nokomis for a double header at 11 a.m. Saturday, May 22.

Trapshooting

Litchfield Sportsman's Club Trapshoot May 13, 2021
First Place: Pat Jarnagin - 48.
Second Place: Alex Joyce - 47.
29 Shooters Competed
May 6, 2021
First Place: John Phefley - 47.
Second Place: Mike Rhodes and Dave Swain.
28+ Shooters Competed
April 29, 2021
First Place: Kevin White - 47.
Second Place: Les Hadley - 46.
38 Shooters Competed
Litchfield Sportsman's Cowboy Action Shoot April 24, 2021
Results: 1. Burn Through 116.85; 2. Jean Duke 131.83; 3. Boben Weev 138.32; 4. West Longer

160.35; 5. Sterling Silver 173.66; 6. Manasseh Jones 174.08*; 7. Miss Weev 179.84; 8. Lefty Lindy 182.09; 9. Molly May Hem 195.53; 10. Bushy Cap 204.24; 11. Roger the Dog 220.86; 12. Bullsinner 226.30; 13. Marshal Duncan 228.31; 14. Hassayampa John Mossman 231.16; 15. Prescott Butch 243.14; 16. Mae B. Trouble 269.92; 17. Fat Chance Bucko 670.63; 18. Springboard 953.33.
**No Misses*
Schedule: Trapshoots every Thursday at 6:30 p.m.; Trap Derby third Sunday at 12 p.m.; Asprin shoots second Sunday at 8 a.m.; Cowboy Action Shoots fourth Saturday at 9 a.m.; Pistol fun shoots fourth Sunday at 11 a.m. More information at www.facebook.com/litchfieldsportsmansclub.

Fly Showdown Series Has Fatherly Feel For Racers

Mother's Day was just a week away, but the second round of the Fly Racing Showdown Series definitely had more of a Father's Day feel to it on Sunday, May 2.
Among the two dozen local riders to hit the track at Lincoln Trail Motorsports Park in Casey were four dads who got to race at the same event as their sons, who raced in classes ranging from 4-to-6 years old to 12-to-16 years of age.
Two of those fathers would have two boys carrying on the family tradition, Hillsboro's Robby Noyes and Adam Wright.
Wade Noyes finished 19th in the 50cc Senior (7-8) class, while his older brother Wyatt was 13th in the 85cc Junior (9-11) class and 15th in the Super Mini (12-16) class. Robby Noyes would compete in the Open C class, placing 31st.
Holden Wright ran two classes, taking third in the 50cc Junior (4-6) class and fourth in the 50cc Pee Wee (4-8) class, while older brother Hudson was ninth in the 65cc Junior (7-9) class and 23rd in the 85cc Junior (9-11) class. Adam Wright would also have a good day at the track, placing fourth in the 30+ A class.
Chris Short of Litchfield joined Wright in the 30+ A class, taking third in the class, while his young son Grayson was 10th in the 50cc Pee Wee (4-8) class and 12th in the 50cc Shaft/Shifter Beginner (4-8) class.
The Durbins would also make the trip from Hillsboro to Casey for round two. Huntley Durbin ran in two classes, placing 12th in the 50cc Junior (4-6) class and 21st in the 50cc Open (4-8) class, while his dad, Jon, was fourth in the Throwback division.
In addition to the patriarchal proteges, three other

young riders from the area also competed in the Fly Racing Showdown Series youth division.
Trenton Kimbro came home with a 12th place finish in Super Mini (12-16) and was 22nd and 23rd in the 85cc Senior (12-15) and 85cc Open (9-15) classes, despite competing in just the first of the two motos.
Hill climb national champion Camron Bone of Litchfield ran in the 65cc class, placing 13th in Junior (7-9) and 23rd in Open (7-11).
Like Kimbro, Morrisonville's Corbin Durbin ran in three classes, posting top 10 finishes in all three. Durbin was second in the 85cc Junior (9-11) class, third in the 65cc Senior (10-11) class and 10th in the 85cc Open (9-15) class.
In the adult ranks, Derek Birkenkamp of Litchfield was fifth in the 30+ A class, coming in just behind Short and Wright in the final standings, while three other area riders ran in the Open A class. Morrisonville's Blake Copeland, who was second in the 25+ A class, ran third in Open A, while brothers Ethan and Dawson Chesnut of Sorento were ninth and 12th respectively.
Irving's Ryan Petroski ran 17th in the Open C class and 21st in the 250 C, with Litchfield's Tyler Rakey taking 14th in the Open C class.
Rounding out the area competitors were five in the Open Beginner division, with Witt's Christopher Furlow leading the way with a seventh place finish. After that it was Ty White of Taylor Springs in 11th, James Komor of Litchfield in 16th, Kevin Young of Litchfield in 18th and Brawly Jacobs of Litchfield in 20th.
Round three of the Fly Racing Showdown Series is on Sunday, May 30.

Cruthis Racing Competes At Crossroads In Casey

Panama's Case Cruthis and Gideon Cruthis were in Casey on May 8, for the Crossroads Cross Country Series stop at Lincoln Trail Motorsports Park.
The two cousins competed in the 4-Stroke class in the Intermediate Bikes division, with Case finishing second and Gideon finishing 11th. Case would complete five laps in a time of 48:10, less than two minutes behind the class winner, Alex Scherzinger of Boonville, IN, while Gideon completed two laps in a time of 52:49.
In the overall Intermediate results, Case would finish 10th, while Gideon was 26th. In the season points standings, Gideon is eighth with

23 points, while Case, who missed the first round, is tenth with 19 points.
In the adult division, Dawson Chesnut of Sorento was 10th in the pro class and 23rd overall in PM Bikes, while his brother Ethan was 11th in pro and 37th in PM Bikes. Both of the brothers completed five laps, with Dawson running a time of 1:58:46.527 and Ethan running a time of 2:13:12.244.
Also in the PM Bikes division, Lake Plowman of Waverly finished ninth overall with a first place finish in the 250 A class in a time of 2:08:27.662 for six laps.
Round three of the series, which runs from March until October, will be on May 29-31 at Bar P in Springfield, IN.

Griffins Clip Redskins In Glen Carbon

While most of the area's baseball games were cancelled, the Nokomis Redskins were able to get on the field on Monday, May 17, as they traveled to the brand new home of the Father McGivney Griffins in Glen Carbon.
The game would be close in the early going, but a five-run fifth inning proved to be the difference in the Griffins' 10-5 win over the Redskins.
A walk and two fielder's choices would put Landon Engelman on first base in the opening inning when Cooper Bertolino doubled off McGivney starter Jackson Rodgers, allowing Engelman to score from first.
The 1-0 advantage only lasted three outs as McGivney scored on a pair of doubles by Matthew Grierer and Austin Callovini and a sacrifice fly by Gabe Smith to take a one-run lead.
Nokomis put two runners on in the second on a hit batsman and a walk, but weren't able to bring any around to score. McGivney would add another run in the second when Luke Deakos singled, took second on an error and scored on a base hit by A.J. Sutberry.
With the top of the order back up in the third, Nokomis rallied to tie the game after Benny Clavin singled and Matthew Ulrici stroked a 1-2 pitch over the left field fence.
Again, Father McGivney wasted little time in coming back. Two doubles, a triple and a walk led to two more runs as the Griffins retook the lead at 5-2.
After a scoreless top of the fourth in which the Redskins went down in order, Nokomis starter Hunter Broers would start his fourth inning of work off with two strikeouts. The sophomore would last two more batters, a hit by a pitch and a single, before yielding the way to Karter Lipe, who got the final out to keep the deficit at two runs.
Nokomis would try to cut into that margin in the fifth, but only managed a walk against Rodgers, who hadn't allowed a hit since Ulrici's two-out homer in the third.
In the bottom of the third, McGivney gave the sophomore hurler some breathing room as they scored five times on four hits and a pair of walks to make it 10-3.
Nokomis would threaten in the top of the sixth, getting

two runners on due to base on balls issued by reliever Ryker Keller, but Keller got out of the inning to keep it a seven-run ball game.
After a scoreless inning of relief by Cade Johnson, who came on for the final two batters of the fifth, Nokomis launched one last salvo against the Griffins.
A one-out single by Benny Clavin and a walk to Landon Engelman would put runners in scoring position for Cooper Bertolino, with both runners moving up on stolen bases.
Clavin scored when Bertolino grounded to second for the second out of the inning, with Engelman finding home in the next at-bat on a wild pitch.
Down five now, Nokomis put two more runners on with a single by Matthew Ulrici and a line drive by Ryan Eisenbarth that was mishandled by the Griffins, but the rally was snuffed out when Keller coaxed a fly ball to center out of Broers for the final out of the game.
The Griffins would outhit the Redskins 15-7 in the game, with Benny Clavin leading Nokomis with a 3-for-3 day. Clavin also reached on a walk and scored two of Nokomis'

five runs.
Matthew Ulrici also had a pair of hits for Nokomis and drove in two runs, while Cooper Bertolino and Landon Engelman had the other two hits. Bertolino also had two RBIs, while Engelman had two runs scored.
Nokomis will be on the road to end the week as they play at Taylorville on May 20 and at Hillsboro in a doubleheader on May 22.
May 17 at Glen Carbon
Nokomis 102 000 2--5 7 1
Fr. McGivney 212 050 x-10 15 1
Pitching Statistics

Nokomis	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB
Broers	3.2	5	5	9	2	2
K. Lipe	1	5	5	0	1	
Johnson	1.1	1	0	0	1	1

**Broers 1 HBP*

McGivney	IP	R	ER	H	K	BB
Rodgers	5	3	3	5	11	3
Keller	2	2	2	2	2	3

Batting Statistics
Multiple Hits: Nokomis - Benny Clavin 3-3, Matthew Ulrici 2-4; Father McGivney - Matthew Grierer 2-3, Drew Sowerwine 2-3, Luke Deakos 2-3, Jacob McKee 2-4, Jackson Rodgers 2-4, Austin Callovini 2-5. **2B:** Nokomis - Cooper Bertolino 1; Father McGivney - Jacob McKee 2, Drew Sowerwine 2, Matthew Grierer 1, Austin Callovini 1, Gabe Smith 1. **3B:** Father McGivney - Daniel Grierer 1. **HR:** Nokomis - Matthew Ulrici 1.
Record: Hillsboro (2-6, 0-3); Pana (7-2, 3-1).

Alvarado 32.1; 3. Briley Kester 33.6
400: 1. Kendall Stewart 1:04.6
800: 1. Emma Dively 2:44.9; 3. Emma Hughes 3:35
1600: 1. Kylee Eiting 6:38
100HH: 1. Carson Lemon 18.1
300IH: 1. Carson Lemon 56.9
4x100: 1. Litchfield 54.6
4x200: 1. Litchfield 1:54.3
4x400: 1. Litchfield 4:43.3
Shot Put: 2. Emma Hughes 6.31m
Discus: 2. Emma Hughes 17.70m
High Jump: 1. Carly Guinn 1.52m; 4. Lily Braasch 1.17m
Pole Vault: 1. Carson Lemon 2.6m
Long Jump: 1. Sarah Yakana 4.85m; 3. Kate Komor 3.99m; 5. Madison Alvarado 3.33m

Lady Panthers Collect 13 Wins At Home Meet

The Litchfield girls track team picked up 13 wins and 82 team points on Friday, May 14, as they hosted Vandalia and Southwestern at Lloyd Hill Field.
The Panthers would sweep the three relays they entered, running a 54.6 in the 4x100, a 1:54.3 in the 4x200 and a 4:43.3 in the 4x400.
Senior Carson Lemon won both hurdles events, clocking in at 18.1 in the 100 and 56.9 in the 300, and also took first

in the pole vault with a mark of 2.6 meters.
Lily Braasch would collect two victories for LHS as well, winning the 100 in a time of 14.2 and the 200 in a time of 29.9. Kendall Stewart (1:04.6 in the 400), Emma Dively (2:44.9 in the 800) and Kylee Eiting (6:38 in the 1600) also collected wins on the track.
In the jumps, Carly Guinn cleared 1.52 meters, which equals the state qualifying height, to win the high jump,

while Sarah Yakana leapt 4.85 meters in the long jump for another win.
Litchfield will be in Staunton for a meet on May 24, followed by the South Central Conference meet on Thursday, May 27, at Roxana.
May 14 at Litchfield
Girls Team Results: 1. Litchfield 82, 2. Vandalia 28, 3. Southwestern 15.
Litchfield Girls Results
100: 1. Lily Braasch 14.2; 3. Madison Alvarado 15.2; 4. Briley Kester 15.7
200: 1. Lily Braasch 29.9; 2. Madison

Alvarado 32.1; 3. Briley Kester 33.6
400: 1. Kendall Stewart 1:04.6
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Faith Bible Students Recognized At Awards Chapel

Faith Bible Christian Academy held the Junior/Senior High Awards Chapel on Friday, May 14, in Rosamond.
Junior/Senior Awards
Christy Cutler presented awards to Cordilia Hill for the highest grade-point average (GPA) in world studies; Cera Shuler for the most improved grade in world studies; and Sophie Wade and Lainee Loskot for the highest GPA in personal finance.
Don Beetem presented the following awards to eighth grader Ayanna Jeffrey for the highest GPA in Bible, and El-louise Hill, Sophie Wade, Noah Bailey, Grace Kessler, Lainee Loskot and Isabella Dailey for the highest GPA in Bible. A cross pin was given to Ellouise Hill, Sophie Wade and Lainee Loskot for their exceptional work in Bible.
Nancy Hill presented awards to sixth grader Caleb Shuler for the highest GPA in math and Cordilia Hill for the highest GPA in intermediate math.
Angie Fry presented awards to seventh grader Elayna Bailey for the highest GPA in keyboarding, as well as the highest GPA in English/literature; Lainee Loskot for the highest GPA in speech and Grace Jeffrey for the highest GPA in family consumer science.
David Nance presented awards to Nicole Jannink and Ayanna Jeffrey for the highest GPA in earth science; Gabrielle Vallelonga, Will Boehler and Malachi Truax for the highest GPA in biology; and Grace Kessler and Lainee Loskot for the highest GPA in anatomy and physiology.
Elizabeth Wheeler presented awards to Malachi Truax for the highest GPA in geometry, Noah Bailey for the highest GPA in advanced math, tenth grader Gabrielle Vallelonga and eleventh grader Grace Kessler for the highest GPA in American

history; eighth grader Noah Vallelonga and ninth grader Micah Dianne Beetem for the highest GPA in Spanish 1 and Gabrielle Vallelonga for the highest GPA in Spanish 2; Gabrielle Vallelonga and eleventh grader Lainee Loskot for the highest GPA in American literature; and eighth grader Noah Vallelonga and ninth grader Natalee Jernigan for the highest GPA in classical literature.
Matt Houser presented the Cultural Geography Award to Natalee Jernigan for being an international prayer warrior.
Exceptional Honors
Junior/senior honor roll certificates went to students with all A's. Students were Elayna Bailey, Noah Bailey and Nicholas Fry.
High Honors
Students receiving certificates for high honors for A/A-average were Will Boehler, Isabella Dailey, Ellouise Hill, Claire Hunt, Grace Kessler, Lainee Loskot, Gabrielle Vallelonga and Sophie Wade.
Valedictorian for the class of 2021 was Nathan Bailey and the salutatorian for the class of 2021 was Nicholas Fry.
Preschool/Fifth Grade
The preschool through fifth grade awards were also presented on Friday, May 14.
Kim Blakley presented the following awards to preschool students. Caralyn Wheeler received the Creativity Award, learned to count to 100 and learned the ABCs forward and backward. Carter Snow received the Miraculous Memorizer Award, learned to count to ten, learned ABCs forward and backward and accepted Jesus into his heart. Elena Houser received the Prayerful Award and learned the ABCs forward and backward. Ellie Newton received the Kindness Award, and Felicia Houser received the Perseverance Award. Jack Kessler received the Compas-

sion Award and accepted Jesus into his heart. Jerrichia Moon received the Friendship Award, learned ABCs forward and backward, learned to count to 100 and accepted Jesus into her heart.
Also, Lily Vallelonga received the Honesty Award and accepted Jesus into her heart. Macee Bailey received the Servant's Heart Award and accepted Jesus into her heart. Maddux Warner received the Determination Award, learned ABCs forward and backward and learned to count to 100. Natalyn Hadley received the Fearless Award and accepted Jesus into her heart. Ryder Thomas received the Patience Award, learned to count to 100 and accepted Jesus into his heart. Waylon Lamb received the Faithful Award, learned ABCs forward and backward and accepted Jesus into his heart. Xander Jernigan received the Humble Award and received Jesus into his heart.
Kindergarten/First Grade
Kelli Kessler presented the following awards to kindergarten and first grade students. Ellie Adams received the Super Reader, Phonics Hero, Penmanship Hero and Homework Hero awards, and a certificate of salvation. Abigail Boehler received the Project Super Hero, Independent Seatwork Hero, Most Improved Reader and Homework Hero awards. Beau Coss received the Super Friend, Super Reader, Penmanship Hero and Homework Hero awards, and a certificate of salvation. Daniel Jernigan received the Math Super Hero, Hugging Hero, Technology Hero Homework Hero awards, and a certificate of salvation.
Also, Mackenzie Bailey received the Math Super Hero, Most Improved Cursive Penmanship, Helpful Hand Hero and Homework Hero awards, and certificate of salvation.

Josie Clayton received the Super Problem Solver Hero, Future Public Speaker Hero, Math Super Hero and Super Friend awards. Adeline Houser received the Super Reader, Super Citizen, Super Student, Math Super Hero, Cursive Penmanship and Creative Writing Hero, Homework Hero awards, and a certificate of salvation. Seth Vallelonga received the Tender-Hearted Hero, Most Improved Cursive Penmanship, Storytelling Hero awards, and a certificate of salvation.
Fourth Graders
Dana Beetem presented the following awards to fourth graders.
Caleb Beetem received the Character Trait Award for thoroughness, Elijah Beetem received the Character Trait Award for creativity and fourth grader Josiah Houser received the Character Trait award for attentiveness.
Ian Jeffrey received an award in history for an A-average, as well as the Character Trait Award for diligence.
Samuel Kessler received several awards, including the Character Trait Award for diligence, language for an A-average, math for A-average, science for an A+ average, spelling for a B+ average and reading for an A average.
Greyson Layton received the Character Trait Award for enthusiasm.
Brianna Vallelonga received the Character Trait Award for orderliness, and award for an A+ average in Bible and the Writing Award for an A.
Fifth Graders
Dana Beetem also presented awards to the following fifth graders. Ricky Beetem received the Character Trait Award for dependability.
Grayson Christer received a the Honor Roll-Honors certificate for a B+ average, the Character Trait award for alertness and an award for an A average in history.
Sofia Vallelonga received the Honor Roll High Honors certificate for an A/A-average, the Character Trait Award for determination, an award for A+ average in Bible, B average in language, B+ in math, A average in science, as well as reading, and the Writing Award for an A.
Sixth Graders
Dana Beetem presented awards to sixth graders.
Caedmon Jeffrey received the Character Trait Award for thoroughness, Highest A+ average in Bible and highest A+ average in history.
Caleb Shuler received the Character Trait Award for initiative and for an A+ average in science.



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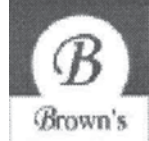
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...the other campers in our groups.

Kids: color stuff in!

Camp has so many new activities to try!

Are **you** going to any summer camp? If so, what kind of camp?

Off to Summer Camp!

Chitter and Chatter are going to go to day camp. Forest and I are going to overnight camp for two weeks. Chitter and Chatter only need to bring their lunches each day, but Forest and I must pack more stuff.

Look at Forest on the zip line!

Read the clues to fill in the puzzle with the names of different kinds of camps:

- stunts, cheers, competitions
- kitchen safety, recipes, pans
- defense exercises, sparring practice
- canoeing, hiking, fishing
- lessons, practice, recitals
- study, singing, praying
- programming, gaming, web site building
- brainstorming, stories, editing
- flight simulation, mock launches
- swimming, basketball, soccer
- ballet, hip hop, jazz
- costumes, acting, shows
- horses, riding, shows
- experiments, rockets, robots
- drawing, comics, animations

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Writing

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Cooking
Dance

Do you see the glow from that tent?

I love to read comics by flashlight!

What?
I can do the dog paddle, but this is fun.

I'm trying something new!

How many fireflies are on this page?

Fill in the blanks below to help Forest and Glade make their list of things to bring to camp:

- __ oo __ hbrush
- sh __ __ ts
- fla __ __ ight
- hair __ __ __ __
- t __ __ __ ls
- so __ __ s
- pill __ __
- __ tamp __
- j __ ck __ t
- h __ __

w s s c t
u b o e r
r h l a k
e o w t a
t s o h s

Hey guys! Pull harder!
Forest is as strong as a bear!

Eeeek! Look out for me. !!!

No kidding!

Ugh!

Hi Mom and Dad,
I love camp! I have made lots of friends. We are so busy all the time swimming, making crafts and learning new activities. I even made you a puzzle. **Can you find and circle all of these activities that I have tried this year?**
I can't wait to see you!
Love, Forest

- Capture the Flag
- Playing Cards
- Horseback Riding
- Scrapbooking
- Model Rockets
- Catching Fireflies
- Spooky Stories
- Roasting Marshmallows
- First Aid Class

Hey! When did you find time to write home?

- Magic Tricks
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P A S R O I G Q W P O Y T S A A M A Z M Z P A
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C I G G Y S E I O P S E I R O T S Y K O O P S
B M Z A O P S T P Q A Z X S W P L M N J I X A

Ready For Fun at Camp!

When you show up for your next class, the camp counselor has the equipment ready. What activity are you going to do? **Draw a line from each equipment list to the activity it is for:**

- plastic lacing, popsicle sticks, buttons and glue, macaroni
- tennis racket, baseball bat, soccer ball, basketball hoop
- script, stage, spotlight, curtain
- bows, arrows, wrist guards, targets
- keyboard, monitor, mouse, software

A.) Theater

B.) Computer

C.) Crafts

D.) Sports

E.) Archery

- kickboards, diving toys, whistle
- bowls, spoons, ingredients, pans
- rocks, fossils, volcano models
- canoes, kayaks, safety vests
- fingerprinting, magnifying glass

A.) Water Adventure

B.) Detectives

C.) Swim

D.) Earth Science

E.) Cooking

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Dated May 4, 2021
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ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on May 7, 2021, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Montgomery County, Illinois setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS - GRAPHICS & DESIGNS located at 223 NORTH STATE STREET in the city of LITCH-FIELD and state of IL.
Dated May 7, 2021
Sandy Leitheiser,
County Clerk
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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS Case No. 2018TX1 16, JICTB, Inc.
To: Karl Elvin Mullen; Occupants of; Integrity Investment Fund, LLC; Lynda Segneri Montgomery County Clerk; and all other persons/entities UNKNOWN having or claiming any right, interest or title in the following described real estate:
Lots Forty-Seven (47) and Forty-Eight (48) in J. L. Traylor's Addition to the Town, now City of Coffeen, situated in the City of Coffeen, Montgomery County, Illinois, excepting any coal and mineral rights previously severed from the surface, situated in Montgomery County, Illinois.
Permanent Index No. 17-35-360-004
On April 8, 2021, JICTB, Inc. filed a Petition for Order of Tax Deed. The object of the plaintiff's petition is to foreclose on the Tax Sale Certificate No. 2017-00048 for the delinquent taxes on real estate described above which was issued by the Montgomery County Treasurer on October 29, 2018. The taxes due under the certificate are for the 2017 tax year. The petition asks the court to direct the county clerk to issue a tax deed if the property is not redeemed from the sale on or before October 6, 2021, and that Petitioner, as grantee of tax deed be put in possession of said parcel of real estate. The Petition for Order of Tax Deed will be brought before the Montgomery County Circuit Court on October 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2. If you fail to redeem, the court may enter a judgment for the relief demanded in the petition.
JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
Stuart E. Morgenstern, #6275553 Attorney for Petitioner 1 W. Laurel Street Pinckneyville, Illinois 62274 (618)357-5315 102-3tT

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS Case No. 2018TX1 15, JICTB, Inc.
To: Heirs and Legatees of Lila D. Warren, a/k/a Lila Dean Warren; Occupants of; State of Illinois Dept. of Healthcare and Family Services; Madeline King; Joan Subhan; Cathy Riddle; Eddie King; Montgomery County Clerk; and all other persons/entities UNKNOWN having or claiming any right, interest or title in the following described real estate:
Lots Ten (10) and Eleven (11) in Block Three (3) in J. J. Frey's Subdivision to the Village (now City) of Coffeen, Montgomery County, Illinois.
Permanent Index No. 17-35-303-004
On April 8, 2021, JICTB, Inc. filed a Petition for Order of Tax Deed. The object of the plaintiff's petition is to foreclose on the Tax Sale Certificate No. 2017-00037 for the delinquent taxes on real estate described above which was issued by the Montgomery County Treasurer on October 29, 2018. The taxes due under the certificate are for the 2017 tax year. The petition asks the court to direct the county clerk to issue a tax deed if the property is not redeemed from the sale on or before October 6, 2021, and that Petitioner, as grantee of tax deed be put in possession of said parcel of real estate. The Petition for Order of Tax Deed will be brought before the Montgomery County Circuit Court on October 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2. If you fail to redeem, the court may enter a judgment for the relief demanded in the petition.
JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS Case No. 2018TX1 20, JICTB, Inc.
To: Heirs and Legatees of Rubye Shipman; Occupants of; City of Hillsboro; State of Illinois Dept. Healthcare and Family Services; Helen Faye Bergmann; Montgomery County Clerk; and all other persons/entities UNKNOWN having or claiming any right, interest or title in the following described real estate:
Lot Three (3) in Laura Bowles First Addition to Hillsboro, situated in the City of Hillsboro; coal and mineral rights excepted as previously reserved or conveyed, situated in Montgomery County, Illinois.
Permanent Index No. 16-01-335-005
On April 8, 2021, JICTB, Inc. filed a Petition for Order of Tax Deed. The object of the plaintiff's petition is to foreclose on the Tax Sale Certificate No. 2017-00102 for the delinquent taxes on real estate described above which was issued by the Montgomery County Treasurer on October 29, 2018. The taxes due under the certificate are for the 2017 tax year. The petition asks the court to direct the county clerk to issue a tax deed if the property is not redeemed from the sale on or before October 6, 2021, and that Petitioner, as grantee of tax deed be put in possession of said parcel of real estate. The Petition for Order of Tax Deed will be brought before the Montgomery County Circuit Court on October 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2. If you fail to redeem, the court may enter a judgment for the relief demanded in the petition.
JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS Case No. 2018TX1 13, JICTB, Inc.
To: Stephen J. Logue; Occupants of; Montgomery County Trustee; Montgomery County Clerk; and all other persons/entities UNKNOWN having or claiming any right, interest or title in the following described real estate:
E PT LOT 1 & PT NE NE LOTS IN OHLMAN 10-1-938 & 937-2 S5 T 10 R1, Montgomery County, Illinois.
Permanent Index No. 09-05-226-009
On April 8, 2021, JICTB, Inc. filed a Petition for Order of Tax Deed. The object of the plaintiff's petition is to foreclose on the Tax Sale Certificate No. 2017-00001 for the delinquent taxes on real estate described above which was issued by the Montgomery County Treasurer on October 29, 2018. The taxes due under the certificate are for the 2017 tax year. The petition asks the court to direct the county clerk to issue a tax deed if the property is not redeemed from the sale on or before October 6, 2021, and that Petitioner, as grantee of tax deed be put in possession of said parcel of real estate. The Petition for Order of Tax Deed will be brought before the Montgomery County Circuit Court on October 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2. If you fail to redeem, the court may enter a judgment for the relief demanded in the petition.
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PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS Case No. 2018TX1 18, JICTB, Inc.
To: William Albrow; Occupants of; Montgomery County Clerk; and all other persons/entities UNKNOWN having or claiming any right, interest or title in the following described real estate:
Lot One (1) in McCullough's Addition to the Town, now Village of Donnellson, situated in Village of Donnellson, Montgomery County, Illinois, excepting any coal or mineral rights previously severed from the surface.
Permanent Index No. 21-19-351-001
On April 8, 2021, JICTB, Inc. filed a Petition for Order of Tax Deed. The object of the plaintiff's petition is to foreclose on the Tax Sale Certificate No. 2017-00061 for the delinquent taxes on real estate described above which was issued by the Montgomery County Treasurer on October 29, 2018. The taxes due under the certificate are for the 2017 tax year. The petition asks the court to direct the county clerk to issue a tax deed if the property is not redeemed from the sale on or before October 6, 2021, and that Petitioner, as grantee of tax deed be put in possession of said parcel of real estate. The Petition for Order of Tax Deed will be brought before the Montgomery County Circuit Court on October 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2. If you fail to redeem, the court may enter a judgment for the relief demanded in the petition.
JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
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PUBLIC NOTICE

FARMERSVILLE, IL 1350200 ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2020

Consumer Confidence Report

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

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Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2020

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water.

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Source of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immunocompromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

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Regulated Contaminants Detected

Lead and Copper

Definitions:

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	08/30/2019	1.3	1.3	0.209	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.

Water Quality Test Results								
Definitions: Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples. Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system. Level 2 Assessment: A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions. Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology. Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. na: not applicable. mrem: millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body) ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water. ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water. Treatment Technique or TT: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.								
Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	12/31/2020	0.6	0.5 - 0.8	MRDLG = 4	MRDL = 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	09/21/2018	0.0668	0.0668 - 0.0668	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	09/21/2018	0.347	0.347 - 0.347	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Manganese	09/21/2018	304	304 - 304	150	150	ppb	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate [measured as Nitrogen]	2020	2	1.68 - 1.68	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium	09/21/2018	39.1	39.1 - 39.1			ppm	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits. Used in water softener regeneration.



PUBLIC NOTICE

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
CIRCUIT COURT
MONTGOMERY COUNTY
Case Number 2021-MR-11
PUBLICATION NOTICE OF
COURT DATE FOR REQUEST
FOR NAME CHANGE (ADULT)**

Request of:
Ryan Joe George
There will be a court date on my request to change my name from:
Ryan Joe George
to the new name of:
Ryan Joe Bergman
The court date will be held: on June 11, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the Montgomery County Courthouse, 120 N. Main St., Hillsboro, Montgomery County, IL.
/s/ Ryan George
Signature
Ryan George
Current Name
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PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE
Notice is hereby given by the Governing Board of Mid-State Special Education in the county of Christian, and State of Illinois, that the FY22 proposed budget for said special education cooperative, will be on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the Mid-State Special Education Office, 202 Prairie, Morrisonville, Illinois.
Notice is hereby given that a public hearing on said budget will be held on the 25th day of August, 2021, at 6:30 p.m. at Mid-State Special Education, 202 Prairie, Morrisonville, Illinois.
Dated this 19th day of May, 2021.
Mid-State Special Education
Joint Agreement
By: Angela K. Armour, Director
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**TAKE NOTICE
CERTIFICATE NO:
2017-00371**
TO: David Sisson; Illinois Healthcare and Family Services; Montgomery County Treasurer; Montgomery County Clerk; Occupants
And unknown owners or parties interested and non-record claimants. A Petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of MONTGOMERY County, Illinois as Case No. 2018-TX-1-37.
The real estate is described as:
Lots 1 and 2 in Block

76 of P.C. Huggin's Addition to the City of Litchfield. Situated in the County of Montgomery and the State of Illinois Parcel #: 15-04-226-019
Said property was sold on October 29, 2018 for the General Taxes for the year 2017. The period of redemption will expire on September 10, 2021. On October 4, 2021, the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.
P & N Properties, Inc. Petitioner
104-3tT

PUBLIC NOTICE

**TAKE NOTICE
CERTIFICATE NO:
2017-00081**
TO: Penelope Casey; Cindy Casey; Ricky J. Brewer; Montgomery County Clerk; Occupants
And unknown owners or parties interested and non-record claimants. A Petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of MONTGOMERY County, Illinois as Case No. 2018-TX-1-38.
The real estate is described as:
Lots 324 and 325 in Block 20 of Panama First Addition. Excepting the

coal, oil, gas and other minerals underlying the premises. Situated in the Village of Panama, County of Montgomery and the State of Illinois Parcel #: 20-22-302-029
Said property was sold on October 29, 2018 for the General Taxes for the year 2017. The period of redemption will expire on September 10, 2021. On October 4, 2021, the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.
P & N Properties, Inc. Petitioner
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**TAKE NOTICE
CERTIFICATE NO:
2017-00331**
TO: Thomas Price; Wilma Embrey; Montgomery County Clerk; Occupants
And unknown owners or parties interested and non-record claimants. A Petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of MONTGOMERY County, Illinois as Case No. 2018-TX-1-39.
The real estate is described as:
The North 14 ½ feet of Lot 4 in Block 29 in the Original Town, now City of Litchfield. Excepting

the coal, oil, gas and other minerals underlying the premises. Situated in the City of Litchfield, County of Montgomery and the State of Illinois Parcel #: 03-28-201-002
Said property was sold on October 29, 2018 for the General Taxes for the year 2017. The period of redemption will expire on September 10, 2021. On October 4, 2021, the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.
P & N Properties, Inc. Petitioner
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**TAKE NOTICE
CERTIFICATE NO:
2017-00228**
TO: Dustin William Johnson; Nokomis Savings Bank; Montgomery County Clerk; Occupants
And unknown owners or parties interested and non-record claimants. A Petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of MONTGOMERY County, Illinois as Case No. 2018-TX-1-40.
The real estate is described as:
The North ½ of Lot 47 and all of Lot 46 in "Kettlekamp's Addition to Nokomis, Montgom-

ery County, Illinois." Excepting the coal and other minerals underlying said premises. Situated in the County of Montgomery and the State of Illinois Parcel #: 08-14-360-003
Said property was sold on October 29, 2018 for the General Taxes for the year 2017. The period of redemption will expire on September 10, 2021. On October 4, 2021, the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.
P & N Properties, Inc. Petitioner
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Section 17-40 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/17-40), the percentage to be added to the assessed valuation of locally assessed property other than that assessed under Sections 10-110 through 10-140 and 10-170 through 10-200 of the Property Tax Code (35 ILCS 200/10-110 through

10-140 and 10-170 through 10-200) in Montgomery County as certified by the Department of Revenue for the assessment year 2020 is 0.00% by the application of an equalization factor of 1.0000.

David Harris
Director of Revenue
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ACCEPTING SEALED BIDS

The City of Nokomis is accepting sealed bids for HVAC work at the City Complex at Nokomis City Hall, 22 S. Cedar, Nokomis, IL 62075
Bid packets may be picked up at Nokomis City Hall

The scope of work needed includes removal of existing soffit/ductwork, insulation of new lined ductwork, installation of new soffit, painting

Sealed bids will need to be turned into City Hall by May 21, 2021, no later than 4 p.m. For questions call City Hall at (217) 563-2514

PUBLIC NOTICE

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
FOURTH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT
MONTGOMERY COUNTY
IN THE MATTER OF
THE ESTATE OF:
HAROLD FAHL,
Deceased.
No. 2021-P-23
CLAIM NOTICE**

Notice is given of the death of Harold Fahl of Raymond, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on April 13, 2021, to Jeffery K. Keith, 6065 North 24th Ave., Raymond, IL 62560, as Executor, whose attorney is Erik Hyam of Silver Lake Group, Ltd. of Litchfield, IL 62056.
Claims may be filed within six (6) months from the date

of publication and any claim not filed within that period is barred as to the estate which is inventoried within that period.
Claims must be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at the Montgomery County Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois, and copies mailed or delivered to the Administrator and to his attorney.
**Erik Hyam
IL Reg. No. 6311090
Attorney for Executor
Silver Lake Group, Ltd.
314 N. Monroe, P.O. Box 98
Litchfield, IL 62056
Phone: (217) 324-6147
erik@silverlakelaw.com**
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE FOURTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
MONTGOMERY
COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Case No. 2018TX1 21,
JICTB, Inc.**

To: Ronald G. Christian; Occupants of; Montgomery County Trustee; Joe Christian; Montgomery County Clerk; and all other persons/entities UNKNOWN having or claiming any right, interest or title in the following described real estate:
Lots Four (4), Five (5) and Six (6) in Block Thirty-Eight (38) in the Village of Irving, excepting the coal underlying said lots as the same has heretofore been conveyed, situated in Montgomery County, Illinois.

Permanent Index No. 12-22-403-005
On April 8, 2021, JICTB, Inc. filed a Petition for Order of Tax Deed. The object of the plaintiff's petition is to foreclose on the Tax Sale Certificate No. 2017-00199

for the delinquent taxes on real estate described above which was issued by the Montgomery County Treasurer on October 29, 2018. The taxes due under the certificate are for the 2017 tax year. The petition asks the court to direct the county clerk to issue a tax deed if the property is not redeemed from the sale on or before October 6, 2021, and that Petitioner, as grantee of tax deed be put in possession of said parcel of real estate. The Petition for Order of Tax Deed will be brought before the Montgomery County Circuit Court on October 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2. If you fail to redeem, the court may enter a judgment for the relief demanded in the petition.

JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
**Stuart E. Morgenstern,
#6275553
Attorney for Petitioner
1 W. Laurel Street
Pinckneyville, Illinois 62274
(618)357-5315**
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE FOURTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
MONTGOMERY
COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Case No. 2018TX1 14,
JICTB, Inc.**

To: Jodi Jones; Jodi L. Turner; Occupants of; Village of Schram City; Montgomery County Clerk; and all other persons/entities UNKNOWN having or claiming any right, interest or title in the following described real estate:

The West 1/2 of Lot 5 and all of Lot 6 in Block 7 in Hardebeck's Subdivision of part of the North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 7, Township 8 North, Range 3 West of the Third Principal Meridian, situated in the Village of Schram City, Montgomery County, Illinois.

Permanent Index No. 17-07-129-023
On April 8, 2021, JICTB, Inc. filed a Petition for Order of Tax Deed. The object of the plaintiff's petition is to foreclose on the Tax Sale Certificate No. 2017-00030

for the delinquent taxes on real estate described above which was issued by the Montgomery County Treasurer on October 29, 2018. The taxes due under the certificate are for the 2017 tax year. The petition asks the court to direct the county clerk to issue a tax deed if the property is not redeemed from the sale on or before October 6, 2021, and that Petitioner, as grantee of tax deed be put in possession of said parcel of real estate. The Petition for Order of Tax Deed will be brought before the Montgomery County Circuit Court on October 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2. If you fail to redeem, the court may enter a judgment for the relief demanded in the petition.

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(618)357-5315**
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**TAKE NOTICE
CERTIFICATE NO:
2017-00312**
TO: Robert J. Noe; Heather Bell; Montgomery County Clerk; Occupants
And unknown owners or parties interested and non-record claimants. A Petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of MONTGOMERY County, Illinois as Case No. 2018-TX-1-36.
The real estate is described as:
The North 14 ½ feet of Lot 4 in Block 29 in the Original Town, now City of Litchfield. Excepting

the coal, oil, gas and other minerals underlying the premises. Situated in the City of Litchfield, County of Montgomery and the State of Illinois Parcel #: 10-33-388-004
Said property was sold on October 29, 2018 for the General Taxes for the year 2017. The period of redemption will expire on September 10, 2021. On October 4, 2021, the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.
P & N Properties, Inc. Petitioner
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**TAKE NOTICE
CERTIFICATE NO:
2017-00261 & 2017-00262**
TO: Edith E. Stokes; Montgomery County Clerk; Occupants
And unknown owners or parties interested and non-record claimants. A Petition for Tax Deed on premises described below has been filed in the Circuit Court of MONTGOMERY County, Illinois as Case No. 2018-TX-1-35.
The real estate is described as:
The North ½ of Lot 9 in Block 1 in Spruill's Subdivision of a part of the Northwest ¼ of the Southeast ¼ of Section 23 Township 10 North Range 2 West of the 3rd Principal Meridian. Situated in the City of Nokomis, County of Montgomery and the State of Illinois Parcel #: 08-23-404-001
And,
A part of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section Twenty Three (23), Township Ten (10) North, Range Two (West) of the Third Principal Meridian, more particularly described as follows: Beginning thirty-seven and one-

half (37 ½) rods South and ten (10) rod and forty eight (48) feet East of the Northwest Corner of the Northwest Quarter (NW ¼) of the Southeast Quarter (SE ¼) of Section Twenty Three (23) aforesaid, and running thence East ten (10) rods; thence South eight (8) rods; thence West ten (1) rods; thence North eight (8) rods to the place of beginning, the same being the South Half (S ½) of Lot Nine (9) as the plat laid out by George W Spruill on the West side of a forty (40) acre tract, situated in the City of Nokomis, Montgomery County and the State of Illinois, subject to coal and mining rights previously conveyed Parcel #: 08-23-404-002
Said property was sold on October 29, 2018 for the General Taxes for the year 2017. The period of redemption will expire on September 10, 2021. On October 4, 2021, the petitioner will make application to such court in said County for an order for Tax Deed should the real estate not be redeemed.
P & N Properties, Inc. Petitioner
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PUBLIC NOTICE

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE FOURTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MONTGOMERY COUNTY,
ILLINOIS**
FIRST NATIONAL BANK of NOKOMIS, a banking corporation,
Plaintiff,
v.
VIRGIL M. WRIGHT, JR.,
JAMIE L. WRIGHT, UNKNOWN OWNERS, and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants.
**2020-CH-20
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to a Judgment entered by this Court on January 20, 2021, in the above-entitled cause, the property hereinafter described or so much thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy said Judgment, will be sold to the highest bidder.

A. The name, address and telephone number of the person to contact for information regarding the real estate is: Steven Johnson, First National Bank of Nokomis, 122 West State Street, P.O. Box 190, Nokomis, Illinois 62075-1657, Phone: (217) 563-8311.

B. The common address or other common description, if any, of the real estate is as follows:
**515 Miller St.
Nokomis, IL 62075**

C. The legal description of the real estate is as follows:
Lots Two (2), Three (3), Four (4), Five (5) and the West Half of Lot Six (6) in Block Eight (8) of Miller and Young's Addition to Nokomis, situated in the City of Nokomis, Montgomery County, Illinois. (PIN: 08-23-204-014; 515 Miller St., Nokomis Township, Nokomis, IL)

D. The tract of land is improved with a residential home.
E. The real estate may be inspected prior to sale

by contacting Steven Johnson, First National Bank of Nokomis, 122 West State Street, P.O. Box 190, Nokomis, Illinois 62075-1657, Phone: (217) 563-8311, by appointment only.
F. The time and place of sale are as follows: Wednesday June 9, 2021, at 10:00 a.m., Montgomery County Courthouse, Main Floor, 120 N. Main St. Hillsboro, Illinois 62049
G. The terms of sale are:

1. Ten percent of the bid price shall be paid at the time of the sale and the balance of the bid price shall be paid immediately following the entry of an Order confirming the sale. All payments shall be in cash or cash equivalent.

2. Any announcements by the Sheriff at the sale shall be binding and shall take precedence over all prior announcements including announcements contained herein.

3. The sale is subject to confirmation by the Court.

H. Title will be conveyed subject to all general real estate taxes which are a lien upon the real estate, and special assessments, if any, and easements and restrictions of record.

Plaintiff, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NOKOMIS, a banking corporation, by its attorneys, Beavers, Calvert, Brotherton & Frisch
By: /s/ Beth E. Brotherton
BETH E. BROTHERTON

**BETH E. BROTHERTON
BEAVERS, CALVERT,
BROTHERTON & FRISCH
Attorneys for Plaintiff
221 West Main Cross
P.O. Box 320
Taylorville, IL 62568
Phone: (217) 824-3341
Fax: (217) 824-3842**
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Hospitals And Clinics Continue Mask Policies

The CDC announced on Thursday, May 13, that people fully vaccinated against COVID-19 can go without masks indoors and outdoors. However, health care facilities and other high-risk settings are excluded from this guidance.

In alignment with the CDC, HSHS Illinois, HSHS

Medical Group and Prairie Cardiovascular will continue to require masking and social distancing at all hospitals and clinics to protect the safety and well-being of the patients, visitors and the communities they serve. HSHS colleagues who work in the hospitals and clinics will also continue masking.

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, ILLINOIS Case No. 2018TX1 17, JICTB, Inc.

To: Harli Lynn Frank a/k/a Harli Lynn Frank McFadden; Occupants of; Montgomery County Clerk; and all other persons/entities UNKNOWN having or claiming any right, interest or title in the following described real estate:

South Half of Lot 6 in J. W. Whitlock's Addition to the Town, now City of Coffeen, excepting the title to the coal underlying said premises with mining rights thereto, as the same were conveyed and/or reserved, situated in Montgomery County, Illinois.

Permanent Index No. 17-35-456-005

On April 8, 2021, JICTB, Inc. filed a Petition for Order of Tax Deed. The object of the plaintiff's petition is to foreclose on the Tax Sale Certificate No. 2017-00053

for the delinquent taxes on real estate described above which was issued by the Montgomery County Treasurer on October 29, 2018. The taxes due under the certificate are for the 2017 tax year. The petition asks the court to direct the county clerk to issue a tax deed if the property is not redeemed from the sale on or before October 6, 2021, and that Petitioner, as grantee of tax deed be put in possession of said parcel of real estate. The Petition for Order of Tax Deed will be brought before the Montgomery County Circuit Court on October 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. in Courtroom 2. If you fail to redeem, the court may enter a judgment for the relief demanded in the petition.

JICTB, Inc., Petitioner

Stuart E. Morgenstern, #6275553

Attorney for Petitioner 1 W. Laurel Street Pinckneyville, Illinois 62274 (618)357-5315

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF COFFEEN 6:55 P.M., MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2021 AT COFFEEN CITY HALL

A Public Hearing will take place on Monday, June 7, 2021 at 6:55 p.m. at the Coffeen City Hall to consider vacating the alley west of West 3rd Street and Orchard Street.

All of the alleyway running east and west, which has a width of 60' (+/-) and length of 147'

PUBLIC NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FOURTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, JUVENILE DIVISION

In The Interest of **K.L. SECURED**, a minor **2017-JA-33**

NOTICE BY PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN TO YOU DAVID A. LUCYKOW and UNKNOWN FATHERS, respondents, and to all whom it may concern, that on **August 15, 2017**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by the State's Attorney's Office in this court and that in the courtroom of presiding Judge in Montgomery County Courthouse, Hillsboro, Illinois, on **July 7, 2021, 9:00 A.M. A Termination Hearing/Status** will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under that Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

(+/-), extending west of West 3rd Street at Orchard Street and bordered on the south by lots 81 and 82 (P.I.N. 17-35-355-001) and bordered on the north by lots 83, 84, 85, 86 and 87 (P.I.N. 17-35-351-002) J.L. Traylor Orchard Place Addition, located in the City of Coffeen, Montgomery County, Illinois.

The public is invited to attend and comment on this proposal to vacate said alley.

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UNLESS YOU appear via Zoom the hearing and show cause to the contrary, AN ORDER OF JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT MAY BE ENTERED AGAINST YOU FOR THE RELIEF ASKED IN THE PETITION.

May 7, 2021
Holly Lemons,
Clerk of the Court
/s/ Amy Taylor,
Deputy Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Village of Schram City - 1350600

Water Quality Report For 2020

FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31, 2020

This year as in past, your water met all USEPA and State drinking water standards. Hillsboro treats and monitors all of our drinking water. Their system vigilantly safeguards its supply. Their plant is operated 24 hrs. a day 365 days a year. We are proud to say that the Village of Schram City supply had no violations of a contaminant level or any other water quality standard in the past year. This report summarizes the quality of the water that we provided last year, including details about where your water comes from, what it contains and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

If you have any questions about this report concerning your water system, please contact Marcia Eller at 217-532-3449. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel free to attend any one of our regularly scheduled Village meetings held the 2nd Monday of every month at 6:00 P.M. The Village of Schram City Consumer Confidence Report will not be mailed out to everyone this year. A copy is available upon request at 510 22nd Street or by calling 217-532-3449.

Our Community purchases water from Hillsboro. Hillsboro uses surface water supplied by their two lakes, Glenn Shoals and Hillsboro Lake. Both of these lakes are located to the north of town.

The Illinois EPA is in the process of obtaining approved source water assessments from the USEPA. When this assessment has been completed you will be notified where a copy can be obtained.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS, other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. USEPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791). Drinking water, including bottled water,

may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants indicating that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling USEPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

The source of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) includes rivers, lakes, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it can dissolve naturally-occurring minerals and radioactive materials, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.

- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.

- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

- Radioactive contaminants, which may be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, USEPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

If you would be interested in a copy of this report, one can be picked up at the Village Hall (510 22nd St.). In addition to the informational section of the Water Quality Report, we have included, for your review, several tables, to show you a better picture of the contaminants that were detected.

SCHRAM CITY
IL1350600

Annual Water Quality Report for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2020

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water.

The source of drinking water used by SCHRAM CITY is Purchased Surface Water

For more information regarding this report contact:
ROGER FATH
Phone **217-532-3449**

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

Source of Drinking Water

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:
• Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
• Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
• Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
• Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.
• Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Source Water Information

Source Water Name	Type of Water	Report Status	Location
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Source Water Assessment

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by City Hall or call our water operator at 217-532-3449. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wep/wep-fact-sheets.pl>.

Source of Water: HILLSBORO Illinois EPA considers all surface water sources of public water supply to be susceptible to potential pollution problems. Hence the reason for mandatory treatment of all public water supplies in Illinois. Mandatory treatment includes coagulation, sedimentation, filtration and disinfection. Primary sources of pollution in Illinois lakes can include agricultural runoff, land disposal (septic systems) and shoreline erosion.

2020 Regulated Contaminants Detected

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation.

Avg: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples.

Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system.

Level 2 Assessment: A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.

Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

Water Quality Test Results

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Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRL:	The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRLG:	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
na:	not applicable.
mrem:	millirems per year (a measure of radiation absorbed by the body)
ppb:	micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.
ppm:	milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.
Treatment Technique or TT:	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chloramines	12/31/2020	1.6	1.2 - 2	MRLG = 4	MRL = 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Haloacetic Acids (HAAs)	2020	34	19 - 42	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2020	56	23 - 56.5	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Hillsboro

		2020 Regulated Contaminants Detected						
Lead and Copper								
Definitions: Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety. Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.								
Lead and Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	09/13/2019	1.3	1.3	0.12	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	09/13/2019	0	15	4	1	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

Water Quality Test Results

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Treatment Technique or TT:	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chloramines	12/31/2020	2	1.7 - 2.5	MRLG = 4	MRL = 4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes.
Haloacetic Acids (HAAs)	2020	63	17.3 - 77.5	No goal for the total	60	ppb	Y	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2020	54	28.2 - 56	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	2020	0.056	0.056 - 0.056	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	2020	0.3	0.336 - 0.336	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Manganese	2020	7	6.8 - 6.8	150	150	ppb	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	2020	2	2.4 - 2.4	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Sodium	2020	29	29 - 29			ppm	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits. Used in water softener regeneration.
Zinc	2020	0.018	0.018 - 0.018	5	5	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Naturally occurring; discharge from metal
Synthetic organic contaminants including pesticides and herbicides	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Atrazine	2020	0.52	0 - 0.52	3	3	ppb	N	Runoff from herbicide used on row crops.

Turbidity

	Limit (Treatment Technique)	Level Detected	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Highest single measurement	1 NTU	0.45 NTU	N	Soil runoff.
Lowest monthly 1 meeting limit	0.3 NTU	96%	N	Soil runoff.

Information Statement: Turbidity is a measurement of the cloudiness of the water caused by suspended particles. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of water quality and the effectiveness of our filtration system and disinfectants.

Total Organic Carbon

The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal was measured each month and the system met all TOC removal requirements set, unless a TOC violation is noted in the violations section.

Violations Table

Haloacetic Acids (HAAs)			
Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.			
Violation Type	Violation Begin	Violation End	Violation Explanation
MCL, LRAA	01/01/2020	03/31/2020	Water samples showed that the amount of this contaminant in our drinking water was above its standard (called a maximum contaminant level and abbreviated MCL) for the period indicated.

To address these violations, the system conducted a free chlorine burn, flushed water mains to remove any excess organic buildup, and evaluated treatment processes to optimize removal at the plant. System has returned to compliance, beginning in May 2020.

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Merchandise

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NEW 36" SS apron sink, still in box. 217-502-9103 for price.

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VACANCY NOTICE

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3

Position: HHS Assistant Football Coach
Certification: IHSA Certification
Starting Date: 2021/2022 Football Season
Salary: Extra Curricular Salary Schedule B
Send employee application (available at the district's website), and résumé to: Patricia Heyen, HHS Principal; Hillsboro High School; 522 E. Tremont St.; Hillsboro, IL 62049; 217-532-2841; email to pheyen@hillsboroschools.net
Due By: June 2, 2021

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Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3

Position: HHS Head Football Coach
Certification: IHSA Certification
Starting Date: 2021/2022 Football Season
Salary: Extra Curricular Salary Schedule B
Send employee application (available at the district's website), and résumé to: Patricia Heyen, HHS Principal; Hillsboro High School; 522 E. Tremont St.; Hillsboro, IL 62049; 217-532-2841; email to pheyen@hillsboroschools.net
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VACANCY NOTICE

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3

Position: Pre-K Teacher Aide (1 FTE) at HCCDC
Certification: Para Professional Certification
Job Description: Working with Prekindergarten Students
Starting Date: Beginning of the 2021-2022 School Year
Salary: To be determined by the Board of Education
Send employee application (available at the District's website), résumé, 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; Email to: mgutierrez@hillsboroschools.net; phone 217-532-7822
Due By: June 30, 2021

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VACANCY NOTICE

Hillsboro Community Unit School District #3

Position: Part-Time Food Service Secretary
Qualifications: High School diploma, clean background check, previous secretarial experience, competency in the use of computer technology and software programs, good organizational skills, strong people and phone skills
Salary: To be determined
Start Date: August 2021
Submit Application/Résumé/Letters to: (Application found at hillsboroschools.net, click on Human Resources) Kristin Gregory, Food Service Director; Hillsboro High School; 522 E. Tremont St.; Hillsboro, IL 62049; 217-532-2841; email to: kgregory@hillsboroschools.net
Due By: May 28, 2021

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Position: (2) Junior High Special Education Teacher
Certificate: Illinois Professional Educators License with appropriate subject matter endorsements
Job Description: Provide direct instruction to students in 6th-8th grades in special education. This individual will be responsible for writing IEPs and coordinating meetings throughout the course of the school year along with duties as required by the district
Starting Date: August 2021
Salary: Teachers Salary Schedule/Labor Contract with HUEA
Submit: Résumé/Transcripts/Certificates/Letters to: Donald VanGiesen, Principal; Hillsboro Junior High School; 909 Rountree Street; Hillsboro, IL 62049; email to: dvangiesen@hillsboroschools.net
Due By: May 28, 2021

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First Responders Treated To Baked Goods Donation

Members of the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office and Hillsboro Volunteer Fire Department were treated to some tasty treats on Friday, April 30, as part of a baked goods drive hosted by Summer Smith of One Life Apparel. Pictured above, from the left, are Montgomery County Sheriff Rick Robbins, Summer Smith and Chief Deputy Bruce Sanford.

For more information about One Life Apparel, visit their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/OneLifeApparel21, Etsy at www.etsy.me/2M6DCai and on Instagram @OneLifeApparelCo.

Court

• An order of "nolle prosequi" was entered on Friday, April 30, in a felony charge of theft filed in June 2020 against Jacob R. Elkins, 32, of Hillsboro.

• Charges from December 2020 of criminal trespass to vehicles against Cody P. Jurgens, 24, of Nokomis, were dismissed on Friday, April 30.

• An order of "nolle prosequi" was entered on Friday, April 30, in a misdemeanor charge of domestic battery filed in May 2020 against Brycen W. Watkins, 20, of Hillsboro.

• Ronald D. Malisia, 41, of Sorento, faces felony charges of predatory criminal sexual assault of a child and aggravated criminal sexual abuse on Feb. 18, 2020.

• James P. Frank, 45, of Litchfield, faces a felony charge of forger on Monday, April 26.

• Liam D. Dugan, 20, of Hillsboro, was charged with consumption of alcohol by a minor on Thursday, April 29.

• David A. Lintzenich, Jr., 24, of Belleville, was charged with violation of a regulation or order on Wednesday, May 5.

• Shakuan D. Brown, 25, of Carol Stream, faces a felony charge of unlawful possession of a weapon by a felon and a misdemeanor charge of possession of a firearm without a valid FOID on Friday, May 7.

• Aaron J. Krieger, 45, of Collinsville, faces a felony charge of armed robbery and a misdemeanor charge of aggravated assault on Friday, May 7.

• Baylee J. Moore, 19, of Pana, was charged with consumption of alcohol by a minor on Saturday, May 8.

• An order of "nolle prosequi" was entered on Monday, May 10, in a misdemeanor charge of domestic battery filed in May 2020 against Renee M. Middleton, 28, of Witt.

• An order of "nolle prosequi" was entered on Monday, May 10, in a felony charge of driving on a revoked or suspended license filed in June 2020 against Joshua L. Downs, 34, of Nokomis.

• Darren M. Melchi, 31, of Virden, faces two felony charges of aggravated unlawful use of a weapon on Tuesday, May 11.

• An order of "nolle prosequi" was entered on Tuesday, May 11, in an amended misdemeanor charge of domestic battery filed in May against Ashley L. Obrian, 30, of Litchfield.

• An order of "nolle prosequi" was entered on Tuesday, May 11, in a misdemeanor charge of disorderly conduct filed in August 2020 against Matthew A. McDowell, 24, of Hillsboro.

• Claire D. Painter, 23, of Litchfield, pleaded guilty to criminal damage to property on Wednesday, May 12, and was sentenced to one year of supervision, restitution, fined \$75, plus court costs.

• Juan R. Martinez, 22, of Sandoval, pleaded guilty to theft on Wednesday, May 12, and was sentenced to 32 days in jail with a credit of 16 days served, fined \$100, plus court costs.

• An order of "nolle prosequi" was entered on Thursday, May 13, in a misdemeanor charge of criminal damage to property filed in October 2020 against David A. Dykes, 52, of Hillsboro.

• Angie M. Headlee, 37, of Hillsboro, pleaded guilty to an amended felony charge of manufacturing or delivering cannabis on Thursday, May 13, and was sentenced to 24 months of probation, two days in jail with a credit of one day served, 30 hours of public service, fined \$75, plus court costs.



Morrisonville Ag Students Discuss Population Density

Freshman ag students at Morrisonville High School visited the farm of Ethan Brown on Monday, May 3. He taught students how to properly determine population density inside a bean field. The class also discussed topics such as the phases the bean are in, chemical application, and modern farming with an iPad.

Students Encouraged To Register For Summer Fun

Lincoln Land Community College is offering a variety of online College for Kids classes and Black Rocket Technology camps, as well as in-person culinary experiences for youth this summer. Registration is now open.

College for Kids' online classes offer activities from June 29 to Aug. 3 for students who have completed grades preK to 12. Students may register for one or more classes each week. Each course includes instructional videos and accompanying supply

kits. For those who want to share in the experience with family or friends, "Crew Kits" are also available for groups of five or ten.

The popular virtual Black Rocket Technology camps are available during June and July for ages eight to 14.

Youth in-person culinary experiences are available for students who have completed grades fourth to 12. Visit www.llccc.edu/youth-programs or call 217-786-2432 for more information on classes, pricing and registration.

Crop Condition

There were 4.2 days suitable for field work during the week ending Sunday, May 16.

Statewide, the average temperature was 52.3 degrees, 9.7 degrees below normal. Precipitation averaged .40 inches, .54 inches below normal.

Topsoil moisture supply was rated 1 percent very short, 10 percent short, 69 percent adequate, and 20 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated 2 percent very short, 13 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 11 percent surplus.

Corn planted reached 86 percent, compared to the five-year average of 71 percent. Corn emerged reached 59 percent, compared to the five-year average of 48 percent. Soybeans planted reached 71 percent, compared to the five-year average of 40 percent.

Soybeans emerged reached 40 percent, compared to the five-year average of 16 percent. Winter wheat headed was 85 percent, compared to the five-year average of 69 percent. Winter wheat condition was rated 4 percent poor, 13 percent fair, 61 percent good, and 22 percent excellent.



Hillsboro FFA Competes In Judging

On Monday, May 3, members of the Hillsboro High School FFA traveled to Christian County Fairgrounds for Lincoln Land Community College's livestock judging competition. They evaluated several classes of hogs, sheep, goats and cattle. In the Section 19 event, Hillsboro placed fifth overall. Ian Anderson placed third overall out of 50 competitors. Pictured above, in front, from the left are Meadow Miller, Paitynn Wilson, Olivia Gent and Chloe Kenney. In back are Kylee Jarman, Maressa Tarver, Landon Reincke, Ian Anderson, Ryan Meyer and Ethan Blackburn.

Photo courtesy of Maria Hernandez/Hillsboro FFA Reporter

Title Transfers

April 5
Gregory D. Holcomb, Jodi E. Holcomb, Jodi E. Janssen to N.P. Dodge Jr. Tr., National Equity, N.P. Dodge III Tr., WD, Sec. 1, Hillsboro Twp.

N.P. Dodge Jr. Tr., N.P. Dodge III Tr., National Equity to Matthew D. Reitz, Tiffany M. Reitz, Trustee Deed, Sec. 1, Hillsboro Twp.

April 6
Beverly A. Creel, Barb A. Vogel to Karen J. Boehme, WD, Lots 1-2, E/2 Lots 1 and 2, Fairview Subdn.

April 7
Lindsey M. Mueller Benning, Lindsey M. Mueller Benning, Cody R. Buckley, Aaron Benning to Brian White, Barbara White, WD, Lot 61, E/2 vacated alley, Lot 63, E/2 vacated alley, Latimers Addn. Janet Childers to Nicholas Reeder, WD, Lots 8-9, Holtzclaw Subdn.

Matthew K. Martin to Damon E. Lee, WD, Lots 1-2, Blk. 1, Witts 4th Addn.

Becky R. Wright to Wright Investments, QCD, Lot 1, Central Addn.

Wright Investments to Taylorville Community Credit Union, Corp. WD, Lot 1,

Central Addn.; Sec. 12, Pt. NW, Hillsboro Twp.; Lot 0, Blk. 1, Southeast Hillsboro.

April 8
Lee G. Lankutis to Sandra Lankutis, QCD, Sec. 35, Pt. NE/SE, Zanesville Twp.

Alena V. Stewart to Tony L. Renfro, Dalton Leroy Renfro, WD, Lots 6-7, Blk. 8, Donnell and Hamptons Addn.

Andrea L. Wood to Brian A. Wood, QCD, Lot 7, Parkview Addn.; Sec. 7, Pt. SE/SE, Raymond Twp.

Andrea L. Wood to Brian A. Wood Tr., QCD, Sec. 18, Sec. 18, Lot 1, N/2 Lot 1, Harvel Twp.

Andrea L. Wood to Brian A. Wood Tr., QCD, Sec. 21, 2 Pts. W/2 NE, Raymond Twp.

Danny L. Fenton, Jeanette M. Fenton to Christopher Lawson, Jenna Lawson, WD, Sec. 35; Sec. 35, Pt. SW/SE, situated in the city of Coffeen.

Aby K. Elliott to Carl William Phoenix, QCD, Lot 7, Blk. 24; Lots 1-2, Blk. 24, Hammonds 1st Addn.

April 9
Jeffrey K. Keith Tr., Harold H. Fahl Family Trust, Alice M. Fahl Family Trust to Jeffrey K. Keith, Trustee Deed, Sec.

31, SW/SW, Pitman Twp.; Sec. 6, Raymond Twp.

Pamela Brueggemann Admin., Doris L. Pickel Estate to Teri Schenck, Admin. Deed, Sec. 9, Pt. SE/NW, Sec. 9, Pt. NE/NW, easement only, South Fillmore Twp.

Ronald S. Boucher to Heather Boucher, WD, Sec. 7, Pt. SW/NW, Hillsboro Twp.

Vitale Caldwell Enterprises to Greenhouse Compass, WD, Lot 10, Blk. 10, Beelers 4th Addn.

Rick A. Angel, Regina M. Angel to Cameron N. Dunn, Nicholas A. Dunn, WD, Lot 9, Blk. 56, E/2 E/2 Lot 9, Huggins PC Addn.

Law Enterprises, Rodney Law to Gary Birkenkamp, Laurie Birkenkamp, WD, Lot 3, Blk. 11, Arco Park Addn.

Emily C. Varela, Emily C. Brummet, Lankston A. Brummet to Donald Atteberry, WD, Lots 1-2, Blk. 29, Irving Original Twp.

April 12
Steven W. Schweizer, Jana M. Schweizer to Steven W. Schweizer Tr., Jana M. Schweizer Tr., Steven W. Sch-

weizer Trust, QCD, Sec. 18, with easement, Sec. 18, Pt. SE/NE, easement only, Sec. 18, with easement, Rountree Twp.

Linda Clouse to Gary A. Clouse, Linda L. Clouse, QCD, Lots 3-6, Blk. 10, Lot 9, Blk. 10, Witt Original Twp.

April 13
Montgomery County Sheriff, Cornelia Bertha Alderman, United States of America, Pamela Jurkoshek, Patricia Armbruster, Dennis Alderman, Paula White, Peggy May, Michael Rep Diaz to U.S. Bank Tr., VRMTG Asset Trust, Sheriff Deed, Sec. 6, East Fork Twp.

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Accidents

Drives Off Roadway

Annabele M. Hammond, 19, of Livingston, was northbound on Bentlage Road in Walshville Township at 7:43 p.m. Tuesday, April 20, when the driver ran off the roadway into a lawn for unknown reasons.

Strikes Ditch, Waterway

Brandi N. Satterlee, 40, of Litchfield, was southbound on Old Litchfield Trail in South Litchfield Township at 10:21 p.m. Monday, April 26, when she approached the intersection of Traylor Trail near the curves.

Satterlee's vehicle continued straight into the ditch, striking the other side of the ditch and continuing east to the tree line. Her vehicle came to a rest once it hit a creek/waterway. Her vehicle sustained front end damage and was towed from the scene by Elam's Towing in Taylor Springs. Satterlee was cited for leaving the scene of an accident and operating an uninsured motor vehicle.

Deer Collision

Benjamin M. Huber, 17, of Hillsboro, was northbound on Lakecrest Trail in Hillsboro

at 7:39 p.m. Tuesday, May 4, when a deer entered the roadway.

The driver advised that he swerved to miss the deer and went off the roadway. He struck a fence and ditch before coming to a rest between two trees.

Huber's vehicle sustained front end and driver's side damage and was towed from the scene by Elam's Towing in Taylor Springs.

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John Wright gave a tour of the Red Rooster in Hillsboro to next year's class of CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) students on Wednesday, May 12.

Next Year's CEO Students Enjoy Tour With Wrights

Next year's students in the Montgomery County CEO (Creating Entrepreneurial Opportunities) program met with John and Kendra Wright and toured the Red Rooster in Hillsboro on Wednesday, May 12.

John Wright began the discussion, talking about his programming career at Apple, working to develop the iPhone. "What I didn't know was that two people told Steve it couldn't be done," Wright mused about being too stubborn to tell Steve Jobs that he couldn't do it. What ensued were days and nights of around-the-clock programming with his team to develop the original operating system for the first iPhone.

While it was a once in a

lifetime experience, Wright dove into several important elements of the success, that, "Apple was willing to take risks on developing new products," and the critical moments working with various teams to meet crucial deadlines.

One example was that the hardware team debated with the software developers on if the iPhone should look like the then popular iPod or something else. Looking at today's iPhone is evidence of that "something else."

Wright also explained his reasons for retirement and buying the Red Rooster and a destination brewery; a new passion that still demands a lot of hours, but not quite the fast-paced deadlines.

Organizations Team Up To Send Kids To Camp

More than 55 Gordon Food Service locations in the Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania area will raise money to help the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) send kids with muscular dystrophy and related neuromuscular diseases to a virtual Summer Camp experience.

The Summer Camp experience allows children ages eight to 17 to learn vital life skills, create life-long friendships, and gain independence—all at no cost to their families.

From Sunday, May 23 to Saturday, June 19, Gordon Food Service associates are selling pinups for a \$1, \$5 or a larger contribution to offer customers the opportunity to help send more than 100 local kids to virtual MDA

Summer Camp.

To learn more about how these funds support virtual MDA Summer Camp programming and activities, visit www.mda.org/press-releases/registration-opens-for-virtual-mda-summer-camp-for-children-with-neuromuscular-diseases.

Since first teaming up with MDA in 2019, Gordon Food Service and its customers have raised more than \$36,000 in support of MDA's shared mission to fund research, care, and advocacy for families living with neuromuscular diseases in our community.

To learn more about the MDA Summer Camp program and how to get involved, visit www.mda.org/services/mda-summer-camp.

Alissa Adams Receives \$16,000 Scholarship

Nokomis High School senior Alissa Adams has been accepted to the University of Illinois Springfield (UIS) for the fall 2021 semester and awarded a \$16,000 Lincoln Merit Scholarship for tuition. She plans to major in history.

The scholarship is awarded based on a student's grade-point average (GPA) in high school and may be renewed for a total of four years if the student maintains college GPA requirements.

"I picked UIS because of the hometown feel and academic excellence that it is known for," said Adams. "When I came for my tour of the campus, I just knew this was the school for me."

Following graduation, Adams plans to return to Nokomis to teach at Nokomis High School.

"The teachers in our community have inspired me more than they even know," Adams said.

All undergraduate first-year students are automatically eligible for Lincoln Merit Scholar-



Alissa Adams

ships. These scholarships are automatically applied upon admission and are based solely on high school GPA.

In order to receive \$16,000 over four years, the student must have an unweighted GPA of 3.40–3.59.

UIS is not requiring students to submit ACT or SAT scores for the 2021 through 2024 academic years.



Zion Lutheran Students Enjoy Show At Orpheum

The preschool through fourth grade students at Zion Lutheran School in Litchfield were invited to attend a special showing of "Ferdinand" on Friday, May 14. The children enjoyed their popcorn and soda treats, as well as the animated film. In front, from the left, are Paxton Logsdon, Timberleigh Everett, Lucas Amos, Delilah Cunningham and Gracie Polard. In back, from the left, are Cabot Magnuson, Matthew Helgen, Charli Komor, Azazel Clingan, Bennett Hyam, Reese Davis, Camryn Dambacher, Parker Grossenheider and Caroline Helgen. Behind the students, are teacher Liz Logsdon and aide Kayla Clelland.

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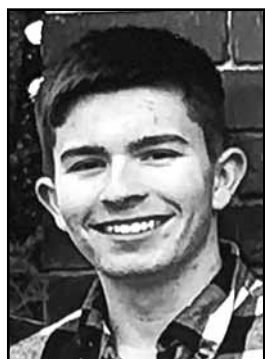
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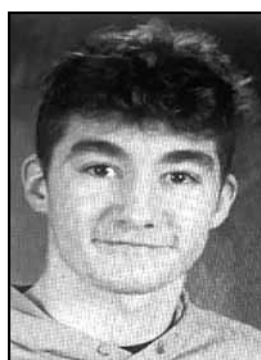
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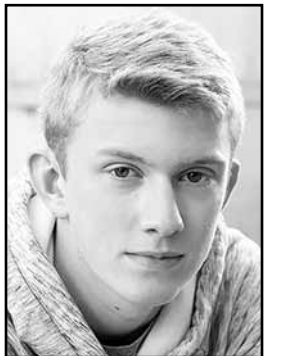
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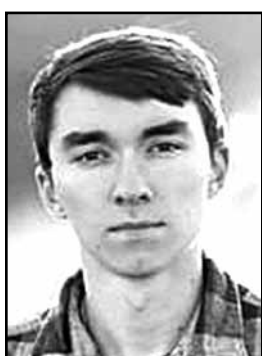
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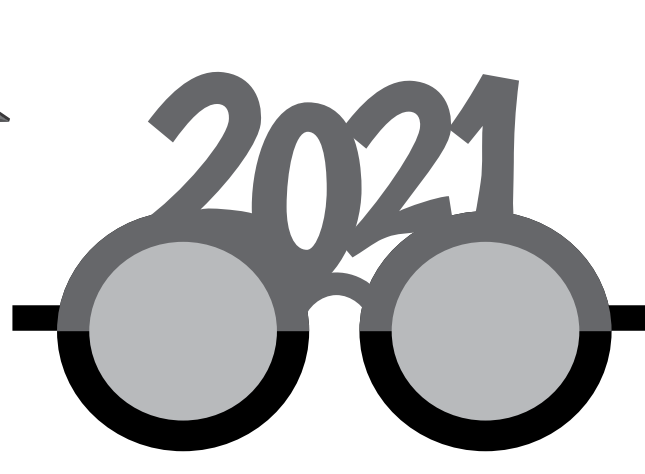


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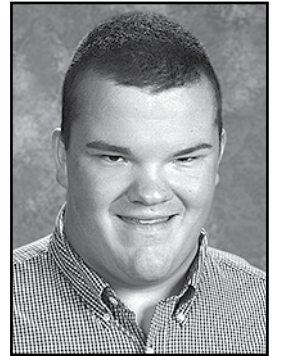
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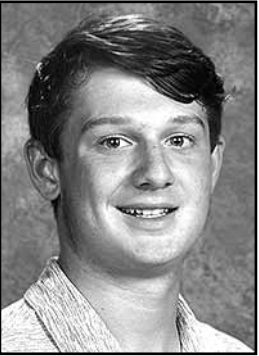
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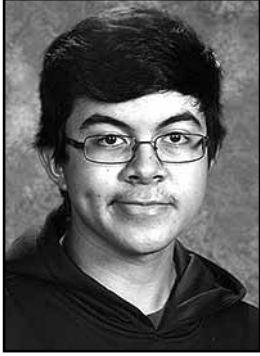
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Panhandle Appreciates Educators

The Panhandle School district celebrated teacher appreciation week at Lincolnwood Middle and High Schools, Raymond and Farmersville Grade Schools, Monday, May 3 through Friday, May 7.

Each of the district's 57 teachers and paraprofessionals received a small token of

appreciation, T-shirts, and were entered into a daily drawing for a chance to win a larger prize. Each day two names were drawn for gift packages totaling \$50, two names for gift packages totaling \$25 and seven names for gift packages totaling \$10. Packages included gift cards, gift baskets, Yeti mugs,

oil changes, lawn chairs, collapsible wagons and more.

The teachers and paraprofessionals were also treated to lunch throughout the week. On Monday, May 3, the Panhandle District Administration provided pulled pork from Sixth Street Market in Morrisonville; on Tuesday, May 4, Lincolnwood Student



The teachers and paraprofessionals at Lincolnwood and Raymond Grade School were celebrated during Teacher Appreciation Week. In front, from the left, are Erica Schoen, Judy Best, Ricki Castellanos and Becky Rands. Second row, from the left are Jan Jones, Carrie Huber, Sarah Weatherford, Jenny Burns and Crystal Hatley. Row three, from the left, are Robert Card, Wendy Cook, Sydney Schmidt, Maddy Harrison, Debbie Jenkins and Lexi Emerson. Row four, from the left, are Will Gunn, Landon Hayes, Matt Millburg, Shawn Andrews, Verne Pinkston and Daniel Bonnell.

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Council provided Subway; on Wednesday, May 5, the Panhandle School Board provided Mexican food; on Thursday, May 6, Lincolnwood's National Honor Society provided Italian beef; and on Friday, May 7, Lincolnwood's FFA chapter grilled pork patties for the educators.

The educators were asked to wear specially made t-shirts on Friday to culminate the week-long festivities. The T-shirts were sponsored by Bank and Trust and First National Bank. Additional sponsors included Borgic Farms, Brian's Tire and Auto, Browns Insurance Agency, Bruce Webb Insur-

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Congratulations to all of the seniors who were awarded scholarships last Thursday night at the Honors Night!

There is an open gym on Monday, May 24, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. in the HHS gym for anyone in grades nine to 11 who has any interest in joining the Topperettes Dance Team. The open gyms are not mandatory. Tryouts are tentatively scheduled for June 26 and June 27. If you are interested in trying out, you can sign up in the office. For any questions, contact Emily Rork/Shanna Connor at 217-494-5235.

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Registration for 2021 Old Settlers queen is now open! Applications are open to any female, freshman through senior, in the Hillsboro School District. The coronation will be on Wednesday, Aug. 4. For more information, you can email Lori Stewart at plsstewart@gmail.com or call Mary Brown at 217-556-0662 or Shawanna Rovey at 217-556-6177. Students can also register in the high school office.

If you are interested in purchasing a parking permit for the 2021-2022 school year, please turn in a completed vehicle registration form and

the payment by the last day of school, May 27. Permits for the gravel lot are \$30 and the paved lot is \$40. All current school fees must be paid in full in order to purchase a spot. Parking spots will be assigned through a randomized drawing in July.

The baseball team has three home games this coming week. They will host Riverton tomorrow, May 21, at 4:30 p.m. On Saturday, May 22, the team will host Nokomis at 11 a.m. On Monday, May 24, they will host Litchfield at 4:30 p.m.

Tomorrow, May 21, the softball team will host a 4:30 p.m. game against Nokomis. The team will travel to Williams-ville to play a 10 a.m. game against the host and then a 12 p.m. game against Quincy Notre Dame. On Monday, May 24, they will host Litchfield at 4:30 p.m. On Thursday, May 27, the varsity team will travel to Piasa for a 4:30 p.m. game.

The girls soccer team will travel to Riverton tomorrow for a 4:30 p.m. varsity-only game. On Saturday, May 22, they will host a varsity game against Taylorville at 11 a.m. The team will then travel to play Staunton in a 5 p.m. game on Monday, May 24. They will host Pleasant Plains on Wednesday, May 26, at 4:30 p.m. On Thursday, May 27, the varsity team will host a game against Carlinville at 5 p.m.

The track team will host a meet against Gillespie and Vandalia on Tuesday, May 24, at 4:30 p.m. On Thursday, May 27, they will travel to Roxana for the conference meet at 2 p.m.

Good luck to all of the teams on their upcoming games. Have a great week! "You are who you choose to be." –The Iron Giant

DRAGON BEAT • by Addison McLaughlin at HJHS Lady Dragons Volleyball Camp Is June 1-3



Hello, Dragons! Today is the 140th day of the year and there are only 32 days until the official first day of summer. There are five days left of the 2020-2021 school year. All district students will get out early on Thursday, May 27. At HJHS, we will be released at 11:45 a.m.

It's been a roller coaster school year and fortunately we were able to have choir and band classes. The culmination of all of their hard work this year will be showcased tonight at their year-end concert. The band portion should start around 5:45 p.m. and the choir concert should start soon after the band concert is over. Both band and choir students have been working hard on their pieces of music all year!

Just a reminder that any girl who signed up for cheer next year will need to get their parent permission slips in this week. Teacher evaluations, code of conduct and physicals are also due.

Any sixth or seventh grade girl interested in basketball next year can attend the open gyms on Tuesdays from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Any sixth or seventh grade boy who is also interested in playing basketball, your open gyms are Thursday, May 20 and May 27.

Any current eighth grader who is possibly interested in trying out for the Topperettes Dance Team is encouraged to attend the Monday, May 24 open gym from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at HHS. Girls can try out for both the Dance Team and Cheer this year. Tryouts are tentatively set for the week-end of June 26 and June 27.

There is a lady Dragons' volleyball camp on June 1 through June 3. Make sure you bump, set and spike, ladies!

Joke of the day: Did you hear about the two men who stole a calendar? They got six months each!

Today is National Rescue Dog Day! Rescue dogs often overcome extreme obstacles and yet provide comfort, security and friendship as family pets. With the training that they need, they contribute to the independence of people with disabilities as service animals. Approximately 3.3 million dogs enter shelters every year. There are a few ways that you can help! You can help a local animal shelter by donating blankets, treats, toys and food. You can help volunteer at an animal shelter or even look into fostering them!

Thank you for reading the final article of mine for the year! Always remember, "A person who never made a mistake never tried anything new." –Albert Einstein

Committees Will Meet At 11159 IL Rt. 185 In Hillsboro

The Montgomery County Finance Committee and the Building and Grounds Committee will meet at the new highway department, located at 11159 IL Route 185 in Hillsboro.

The Finance Committee meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, June 1, at 8:30 a.m.

The Buildings and Grounds Committee will meet Wednesday, June 2, at 8:30 a.m.

Baptist Church To Host Services

The Mt. Olive Baptist Church will celebrate "Pentecost Sunday" on May 23, in the 9:30 and 10:30 a.m. services, as well as the 5 p.m. service.

The event will feature special music, including *Welcome Holy Spirit*.

Everyone is welcome to attend. CDC guidelines will be followed and free packs of cloth masks will be available.

The church is located at 410 West 3rd North Street in Mt. Olive. For more information, call 217-299-0508.

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