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**IN HONOR OF** her son, fallen Pontiac Police patrol officer Casey Kohlmeier and his canine partner, Draco, Keri Jo Schmidt has established the Casey Kohlmeier Memorial Foundation to spread awareness to the impact of drunk driving and to encourage people of all ages to follow her son's lead to achieve their dreams.

## Casey's story

BY ANN GILL  
EDITOR

Casey Kohlmeier aspired to a life in law enforcement, an objective achieved the day he was hired as a patrol officer with the Pontiac Police Department.

As his mother recalls, Kohlmeier had bigger career plans and was on track to join the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) as a special agent.

"From a small age, he knew he wanted to be a police officer and then go to the FBI, I knew he could do it, he had that drive," Keri Jo Schmidt said of her oldest child.

Not long after receiving a conditional offer from the FBI, Kohlmeier's dream was shattered in seconds.

Leading up to that point, Kohlmeier did everything he could to ensure that his career goals were met. After graduating from Pontiac High School he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, earning honor grad status during basic training. He went on to technical school, again earning accolades for his work and was honored as Airman of the Year.

Even with all of his success in the military, Schmidt said her son, "couldn't wait to come home and be a police man."

Following his discharge from the Air Force, Kohlmeier returned to Pontiac and the next year he was sworn in as the city's newest police officer.

Always striving to do more, Kohlmeier took on the added responsibility of being a canine officer. Schmidt reports that the officer and his canine partner, Draco, did a number of demonstrations and participated in the county's drug policy program.

The officer was well known in the city of Pontiac and respected for his work in the community.

"His goal was to make everyone happy and safe. He did everything right and was trying to make the world a better place. Most of the criminals even liked him," Schmidt said.

Kohlmeier's watch over the community ended in the late hours of Oct. 30, 2013. The officer and his canine partner were working the street when a call came in reporting a reckless driver on Interstate 55. The two headed out on the call.

A short time later, Livingston County dispatch was notified that a Pontiac Police squad car had been struck on the interstate. Attempts to reach the officer went unanswered.

Witnesses reported a southbound pickup truck crossed the median and slammed into passenger side of the officer's sport utility vehicle, pushing it into a ditch. Schmidt reports the ruts in the grass are still evident.

"At 10:17 p.m., I got a phone call that no mom wants to hear," Schmidt said of the notification that her son had been in crash and was en route to the hospital. When she arrived a long line of police officers were already in the emergency room.

"The first thing I asked was where's Draco and they told me he didn't make it and my heart just stopped," Schmidt said.

Unable to see her son, Schmidt walked the hospital hallways. At 10:42 p.m. she was informed that despite every attempt, her 29-year-old son had died.

"He was my world, my days revolved around him," she said, recalling how she fell to the floor having heard the doctor's words.

She would later learn the driver of the pickup truck had spent the previous five hours drinking in a Bloomington bar. He was arrested and charged in the death of her son.

"I never thought I'd feel that (pain) and no mother should feel that," Schmidt said.

In honor of her son and with the goal of putting an end to impaired driving, Schmidt established the Casey

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## New beginnings

Habitat for Humanity breaks ground in Coal City

BY ANN GILL  
EDITOR

It was several months in the making, but from the smiles on the faces of Samantha and Robert Hill as they pierced the ground with the tips of their golden shovels, it appears it has been worth the wait.

Robert and Samantha and their parents Glen and Beth Hill have a few more months of waiting ahead of them, but last week's groundbreaking marked a new beginning for the family selected by Grundy-Three Rivers Habitat for Humanity to become the owners of the organization's 13th project home.

"This is a really special groundbreaking for us, it's our first time in Coal City and we are really excited to be working with this community," said Julie Wilkinson, president of Grundy-Three Rivers Habitat for Humanity's board of directors.

Habitat leaders say the village's support was instrumental in the organization moving forward with the project in Coal City. The Hill's new home is being constructed at 655 E. Fourth St.



Photo by Ann Gill

**GRUNDY-THREE RIVERS** Habitat for Humanity broke ground for its 13th project house and first in Coal City on Thursday, May 4. The Hill Family — Samantha, Robert, Beth and Glen — will assume ownership of the home upon its completion. The Hill's new home is being built by volunteers at 655 E. Fourth St. and is expected to be completed in the fall.

Wilkinson commended the village for its willingness to work with the organization. Town officials agreed to waive a portion of the customary building fees and approved a variance to allow the selected home plan to be constructed on the site.

"Matt Fritz (Coal City

village administrator) has been a driving force behind this, he's been wanting us in Coal City," Wilkinson said.

She further commended local attorney Larry Wharrie for his pro bono work on the legal side of the project, as well as residents Larry and Sue Tarman who

sold the property to the organization for \$5,000.

"A steal of a deal," Wilkinson noted.

The Hill Home will be a three-bedroom, two-bath-ranch structure with a crawlspace.

Construction will be  
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Photo by Ann Gill

**LUKE ROGERS** has climbed to the head of the class and has been named valedictorian of the Coal City High School class of 2017. Rogers (top) leads the class academically, along with co-salutatorians Logan Schoen and Alexandra Michalak. As the class prepares for commencement, the school has announced the students earning recognition as the top 10 percent of the class. Recognized are (front from left): Allison Norris, Melanie Smith and Deanna Huston-Blevins. In the middle row are Alisha Malovski, Julie Mahfeldt, Leah Campos, Kenady Clayburn and Mackenzie Bugg. Joe Fatigante, Hunter Reeves, Schoen, Kyle Cowherd, Michalak, Reid Scott and Macallister Smolik are in the back row.

## At the top of the class

Coaler graduates achieve academic success

BY ANN GILL  
EDITOR

"The price of victory is high, but so are the rewards."

The statement made by legendary college football coach Paul "Bear" Bryant accurately describes this year's valedictorian and salutatorians at Coal City High School.

The trio—Luke Rogers, Logan Schoen and Alexandra Michalak—acknowledge that the time and effort put into their studies led to academic success in high school.

"The countless hours studying, doing homework, and doing projects paid off," said Rogers, who stands at the head of the class having earned valedictorian honors.

Schoen and Michalak are co-salutatorians.

"I am so excited and proud of myself for this accomplishment. All the hard work that I have put

### The Coaler Top 10

During its commencement ceremony on May 14, the Coal City High School class of 2017 will recognize the academic achievement of the top 10 percent of its graduating class.

Valedictorian Luke Rogers will be honored, as will salutatorians Alexandra Michalak and Logan Schoen.

Also to be recognized, listed in order of class rank are: Joseph Fatigante, Macallister Smolik, Hunter Reeves, Kenady Clayburn, Julie Mahfeldt, Allison Norris, Reid Scott, Deanna Huston-Blevins, Leah Campos, Melanie Smith, Kyle Cowherd, Mackenzie Bugg and Alisha Malovski.

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into school has finally paid off," said Michalak.

The three students will be honored for their academic success during the school's commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 14.

Rogers, the son of Steve and Amy Rogers, finishes his high school career with a 4.8 grade point average. He will

attend Central Michigan University to major in mechanical engineering.

Schoen, the son of Todd and Laura Schoen, finishes high school with a 4.6 gpa. He will continue his studies at the University of Wisconsin—Madison double majoring in finance and international studies.

Michalak, the daughter

of John and Janine Michalak, finishes with a 4.6 gpa. She will major in psychology with a minor in history at the University of Louisville.

All three students are Illinois State Scholars and members of the school's chapter of the National Honor Society.

During high school, Rogers has also participated in band, scholastic bowl, math team, appeared in school plays and musicals and served on the prom committee. Additionally, he was named Interstate Eight All Conference for scholastic bowl.

Rogers reports that some of the positives about attending CCHS, "the theater and music programs are some of the best around and

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# Grundy County real estate taxes due June 8

Grundy County tax bills will be mailed May 5th, 2017 with the first installment of real estate taxes due Thursday June 8, 2017. Payments may be mailed directly to the Grundy County Treasurer's Office at PO Box 689. Allow approximately 5 days prior to the due date to ensure the payment is received by the due date.

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payments may be made at various Grundy County Financial Institutions. A list of the participating banks can be found on the reverse side of your tax bill. Electronic payments are accepted and can be accessed for payment on line at [www.grundyco.org](http://www.grundyco.org) Convenience fee of 2.7 percent for credit transactions will apply, and \$3.95 fee for each E-check transaction.



AS THE CLASS of 2016 prepares for commencement, they are led by valedictorian Luke Rogers (center) and co-salutatorians Alexandra Michalak (left) and Logan Schoen (right).

## Habitat

overseen by John Lattimer, the organization's long-time construction manager. The home will be built by volunteers and is expected to take six to nine months to complete.

"This is home for our family," Beth Hill said. The Hill Family was selected last August from one dozen applicants. In order to be selected applicants must meet three criteria: An ability to pay, a willingness to partner with the organization and the need for a home. The Hills met all the requirements and were willing to move to a new community. They currently reside in Morris.

Three of the four family members have some type of health concern. Glen is an amputee having lost his left leg in a hit and run accident, Beth is a diabetic and suffers from seizures and 14-year-old Samantha has scoliosis and has undergone several surgeries. The new home will be constructed in a manner that will support their health and mobility.

"I am so excited for you," Wilkinson told the family. Samantha told those gathered for the groundbreaking how much this new home means to both her and her brother.

"This will be our house in the future, and I hope we won't fight over it in the future," she said.

The construction cost of the home is dependent upon donations, but on average Habitat spends \$80,000 to \$90,000 for a home with a value of \$100,000 to \$150,000. To offset the final cost the organization looks to secure monetary donations, as well as time, material and services.

In the hours leading up to the groundbreaking, Grundy-Three Rivers Habitat teamed with WCSJ Radio in Morris on a Radio-A-Thon. The 13-hour event raised \$20,640 that will be used to construct the Hill's new home.

"It's totally awesome and unbelievable," Glen Hill said. "This is so much more than putting up homes, its about bringing people together," Wilkinson said.

## Success

It was an honor to participate in them. Also, CCHS has one of the most student-oriented staff of teachers available."

If there was one thing he could do over, Rogers said he wouldn't have waited until his junior year to participate in a school musical.

"It was my favorite activity and I wish I had done it earlier," Rogers said. Schoen served as a student ambassador and link leader and has been involved in the school's chapter of Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), math team, scholastic bowl, student council and varsity club. He represented the school at the Interstate Eight Leadership Conference and received FBLA's Points Award.

He played basketball, golf and tennis for the Coalers and earned both All Conference and Academic All Conference honors in

golf and was Academic All Conference in tennis.

Looking back on his time at CCHS, Schoen said he would have participated in the school's fine arts programs.

During her four years at CCHS, Michalak participated in speech team, yearbook, math team, scholastic bowl and varsity club. She also played volleyball for the Lady Coalers.

When it comes to the positives of CCHS, Michalak said, "Coal City High School has fantastic school spirit, a wide variety of clubs and activities to get involved in, and a helpful and dedicated staff."

If she could change anything about her time at the school, Michalak said it would be to become better friends with some of her classmates and to appreciate every school activity a bit more.

The students note that they were guided along the way by the district's dedicated teachers and staff.

Rogers said his fourth grade teacher, Betsy

Cowherd, pushed him to reach his full potential.

"She showed me what I was capable of and advised me to always give everything I have. Her advice has helped me throughout every facet of my life," he said.

Schoen said his most inspiring teacher has been his high school English instructor Greg Wills.

"Not only is Mr. Wills a great teacher, but he is very personable as well. He is a very intelligent man especially when it comes to pondering deep questions about life. Through Mr. Wills own personal quotes hanging on his back wall I gained daily motivation and life inspiration," Schoen said.

Each of the students names someone different and for Michalak, Emily Johnston fills that role.

Although Michalak never filled a seat in Johnston's classroom, she came to know the English instructor through her involvement in volleyball.

"She has taught me to always be positive and to

always look on the bright side. She always pushes me to be my best and always motivates me. Miss J also has taught me that being your true self is one of the most important things to do," Michalak said.

As the students reach the final days of high school, they are focused on what's ahead of them.

Schoen sees himself as an investment banker, Michalak in a successful job and Rogers anticipates that by the time the class reunites for its 10th reunion he'll be working for Disney as an imagineer. If he follows his own advice to work hard for what you want, he'll be designing theme parks one day.

The school's commencement ceremony is scheduled for 2 p.m. in the competition gymnasium. The procession begins at 1:50 p.m. and remarks will be provided by the valedictorian, co-salutatorians, and class officers Lucas Riley, Leah Campos and Joe Fatigante.

## Top 10

Fatigante, the son of Tom and Cathy Fatigante, is ranked fourth in his class of 156 students. He finishes high school with a 4.611 grade point average (gpa) and plans to study musical theater. He will begin his college studies at Joliet Junior College in the fall.

Smolik, the son of Monty and Natalie Smolik, has earned a 4.607 gpa ranking him fifth in the class. He will study biomedical engineering/pre-med at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis where he has received a Chancellor's Scholarship.

Reeves, the son of Richard A. Reeves and Nanette Gladbach, is sixth in the class having earned a 4.585 gpa. He will attend the University of Florida to study physics and computer science.

Clayburn, the daughter of Warren and Dawn Clayburn, finished her high school career with a 4.559 gpa ranking her seventh in the class. She will study biology/pre-med at the University of Illinois Springfield where she has received the CAP Honors Scholarship.

Mahlfeldt, the daughter of Keith and Janet Mahlfeldt, is eighth in her graduating class with a gpa of 4.551. She will major in biochemistry at Arizona State University and minor in Spanish.

Norris, the daughter of Joe and René Norris, has achieved a 4.541 gpa ranking her ninth in the class. She will study speech language pathology at Southern Illinois University Edwardsville where she has been awarded a Provost Scholarship.

Scott, the son of Mike and Colette Scott, finishes high school with a 4.461 gpa ranking him 10th in the class. He will major in operations management information systems at Northern Illinois University

where he has received a NIU Scholars Award and a scholarship through the Dean's Scholar Program.

Hudson, the daughter of Francesca Nantz, has achieved a 4.443 gpa ranking her 11th in the class. She will study substance abuse counseling at the University of St. Francis where she has been awarded a Presidential Scholarship, a Duns Scotus Honors Program Scholarship and a university housing scholarship.

Campos, the daughter of Ray and Debbie Campos, has earned a 4.435 gpa ranking her 12th in the class of 2017. She will study forensic science and Spanish at Wartburg College where she has been awarded an academic scholarship. She has also received the college's Cedar Valley Science Symposium Scholarship.

Smith, the daughter of Jason and Tricia Smith, is ranked 13th in the class having achieved a 4.405 gpa. She has been awarded a Black and Gold Scholarship at the

University of Iowa where she will major in psychology with minors in English and music. Cowherd, the son of Tom and Betsy Cowherd, has achieved a 4.394 gpa ranking him 14th in the class. He will study entrepreneurship at Northern Illinois University where he has been awarded an NIU Academic Merit Award, an NIU Executive Leadership Forum Scholarship and is an NIU Dean's Scholar.

Bugg, the daughter of Dr. Kent and Debbie Bugg, finishes high school with a 4.38 gpa ranking her 15th in the class of 2017. She will attend the University of Wisconsin—Madison with a major in biology and minor in Spanish.

Malovski, the daughter of Neel and Fatmira Malovski, completes her high school career with a 4.361 gpa ranking her 16th in the class. She will attend Joliet Junior College to study operations engineering.

## Casey

Kohlmeier Memorial Foundation. The non-profit, all volunteer organization is focused on providing awareness of the impact drunk and impaired driving has on families and communities.

Despite the pain she feels with the loss of her son, Schmidt said she draws strength from him to spread the foundation's message and to encourage young people to, like Casey, follow their dreams.

"I owe it to Casey and Draco," she said. So, Schmidt travels around the state speaking to organizations and with students. She recently addressed criminal justice students in Jeff Hanley's Grundy Area Vocational Center class.

Through her involvement with Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) she was invited to address the Chicago Bears 2016 rookie class.

She said it has taken her a long time to share Casey's story, but it gives her purpose and method for encouraging individuals to be make responsible decisions and to understand that anything is possible when you follow your dreams.

"(Casey) had his whole life ahead of him and that all stopped because one person chose to drink and get behind the wheel. It destroyed my hopes and dreams for my son. I want to end this and I need your help," Schmidt told the students. "I can't stop this by myself, so if you see someone doing wrong be the bigger person, be the responsible person and step up."

The man behind the wheel of the pickup truck that night was Jason Collins. He was convicted on charges of reckless homicide and aggravated DUI and sentenced to serve 12 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections. Now 36-years-old, Collins is housed at Graham Correctional Center.

"I got a life sentence and Casey got a death sentence for doing his job," said Schmidt, who notes she

doesn't hate the man who killed her son, rather what he did.

"Hating people sucks too much energy out of you," she said. Schmidt said she would forgive Collins' actions that night, if in moving forward he did something to make a difference. And, he's promised he will do just that.

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KERI JO SCHMIDT addresses students in Jeff Hanley's Criminal Justice class at Coal City High School. Schmidt is the mother of fallen Pontiac Police patrol officer Casey Kohlmeier and founder of the Casey Kohlmeier Memorial Foundation

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# Coaler musicians taking a California trip

BY ANN GILL  
EDITOR

Coal City High School's music department is heading to the West Coast next summer on a four-day performance tour. This is the first time the biennial music trip is venturing west, specifically, Los Angeles, CA. In the past student musicians have traveled to Florida, Louisiana, Tennessee and New York, they've even crossed the border into Canada and taken a cruise to the Bahamas.

Another first for the trip is the students will be flying to their destination. Previously transportation was by motor coach, but it was decided that a 30-plus hour road trip wasn't the best option for the planned tour.

The tour scheduled for June 18 to 21, 2018, was approved by the Unit 1 Board of Education at its meeting on May 3.

Bonnie McDowell, the school's vocal music director, informed the board that after

considering several locations the Los Angeles trip was the best proposal to bring before the board as it provided performance and educational opportunities, and would be an enriching trip for the students.

The trip is being organized by McDowell and Cameron Kotovsky, the school's director of bands.

Based on a tentative itinerary, participants will fly from Chicago to Los Angeles on a Monday. Upon arrival the group is scheduled to take a Hollywood behind-the-scenes tour and visit TCL Chinese Theater, also known as Grauman's Chinese Theater located on Hollywood Boulevard. The day also includes viewing the more than 2,600 stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame and if the group chooses, a bit of shopping.

The second day of the tour is slated to begin with a VIP tour of Warner Brothers Studio in Burbank. The group will view film and television sets, as well as the studio's backlot and have an opportunity to see original

props, costumes and vehicles used in film and television.

At the conclusion of the tour, the group will head to the historic Santa Monica Pier for an afternoon of site seeing. That evening the group will either attend a Broadway show or take in a concert at the Walt Disney Performance Hall, home to the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

Day three has yet to be finalized, but it will either include a day at Universal Studios Hollywood or Disneyland California. Both locations offer the students an opportunity to perform for the theme park's guests.

On the fourth and final day, the student musicians will attend clinics at California State University. The day also includes a visit to the Hollywood Bowl, an outdoor concert venue that has been in operation since 1922. And, before heading to the airport to fly home, the students will perform at a currently undecided venue.

McDowell noted that a number of

details about the trip should be finalized in the coming months.

The estimated cost per traveler is \$1,399 to \$1,599 and includes travel, lodging, select meals, admission to the various attractions, tour director and evening security. McDowell said the final cost of the trip will be based on the number of participants.

Since the school does not fund the trip, the cost to participate is on the students. As in the past, McDowell said a number of fundraisers are scheduled to help the students cover the cost.

Board president Ken P. Miller said he wants to be sure that any student who would like to participate has the ability to, no matter their financial situation.

The trip is open to all students involved in the school's music department during the 2017-2018 school year. Further details on the trip will be presented to the students and their families in the near future.

## McTeacher's Night fun for CCES

Coal City Elementary School District #1 held its first annual McTeacher's Night at Coal City McDonald's on Broadway Street in Coal City on Wednesday, May 5. The event is organized to help raise money for local schools by having teachers work at McDonald's and then giving a percentage of the night's sales to the local school.

On Wednesday, the restaurant was taken over by teachers excited to serve freshly prepared meals to students and their families. The students and families were excited to see their teachers behind the counter and throughout the restaurant as well as their Principal, Mr. Spencer, dressed in a pie costume.

Many teachers worked from the school. The McTeacher's jobs included greeting guests, cleaning the lobby, working the front counter, ice



Courtesy photos  
**CHRIS ADKINS, teacher and Maddie Regan are all smiles having fun at McTeacher's Night at Coal City McDonald's.**

cream, working drive-thru and even dressing in a pie costume where pies are sold for donations. All duties were executed with

great enthusiasm and huge smiles on everyone's faces. Special appreciation goes to Principal Christopher Spencer, who organized the entire event as well as everyone that worked and attended this exciting and memorable evening.

Coal City Elementary School held this McTeacher's Night to raise money for a local sixth-grade student, Jacob Zickefoose, who is battling cancer and currently undergoing chemotherapy treatments. Thanks to an amazing group of teachers, the school was able to raise \$925.50 for Jacob.

AIVA TOURNIGNY and her brother, Caiden were being silly at McTeacher's Night held May 5 at Coal City McDonald's.



**DONNA BUSAYTIS (from left), Sharon Gilchrist and Lorraine Pierard were among 100 ladies who attended the Coal City Public Library's Ladies Night Out Tea held May 3.**

## Library hosts Ladies Night Out Tea

Coal City Public Library District's second annual Ladies Night Out Tea held May 3 was a marvelous success. There were 100 ladies in attendance at the vintage tea and everyone enjoyed the delicious scones and finger sandwiches, fabulous tea and great conversation.

The library greatly

appreciates New Hope Presbyterian Church for their gracious use of their gathering room so that more guests could be accommodated. Everyone was delighted with the entertainment provided by Rita Wise's piano and Marla O'Keefe's singing. Vendors included Young

Living Essential Oils, Bobbi Anderson; Avon, Jewel Anderson; The Birds and the Teas, Lorraine Morris; Mary Kay, Judi Tapella; Pampered Chef, Heather Shouse and Naked Sun, Mary Glagola. Beautiful hanging plant door prizes were also given away. Planning is already underway for the third annual tea.

## Summer school dates set

BY ANN GILL  
EDITOR

As the school year comes to a close, the Unit 1 Board of Education is looking ahead to the summer session.

Learning. Courses in English, math and science will be offered at the high school from 8 a.m. to noon with the first session May 31 to June 21 and the second session being held July 5 to 26. The cost is \$75 per course. The district will also offer summer drivers education at a cost of \$125 per student.

students a headstart on a new school year, the district will offer a late summer program for children in kindergarten to fifth grade.

Summer school will be offered to students at all grade levels with a single session for those in kindergarten to fifth grade and two sessions for middle and high school students.

Unit 1 Superintendent Dr. Kent Bugg pointed out, "the district is one of very few who still provide summer school for sixth to 12th grade students."

Classes will be held from 8 a.m. to noon from July 24 to Aug. 4 at a cost of \$40 for kindergarten to fourth grade and \$60 for fifth grade students. Instruction for kindergarten and first grade will be at the early childhood center, second and third grade at the elementary school and fourth and fifth grades at the intermediate school.

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**RANDI MCLUCKIE (left) enjoyed the Ladies Night Out Tea at the Coal City Public Library along with her sister, Renee McLuckie and mother, Avis Brancato.**

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Adult exercise, 9 a.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday. Low impact aerobic workout designed for adults of all ages held in the library meeting room.

Thursday, May 11-Teens Mother's Day card making, 4 p.m. Come by the teen office after school and make a lovely card just to let mom know how much she means to you.

All Scouts meeting, 6 p.m. Drop In English and Reading Help, 17 and older, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, May 12-Euchre at the Library, 1 p.m. Adults enjoy an afternoon of friendly euchre with prizes and refreshments.

Saturday, May 13-Will-Grundy Genealogical Society meeting, 10 a.m. Visitors always welcome, refreshments are served. Officer's meeting is before members meeting.

Monday, May 15-Sew Good Friends, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

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May 8-14, 2017



# Students of the Week



**NOLAN BERGER** was nominated by Jim Hitchcock to be Student of the Week at Coal City Middle School for the week of May 8.



Courtesy photos  
**FIFTH GRADE** Students of the Week at Coal City Intermediate School for the week of May 8 are (row one, from left) Gavin Edmonds, Brooklyn Pontanini, Michael Smith, Kyle Scheer, Janneth Bobadilla and Malcolm Johnson. Fourth graders in row two include Kara Huddleston, Natalie Leone, Peyton Hairald, Tori Connor, Sophia Morris, Sebastian Anderson and Mackenzie Greenan.

# Warriors pick up win in final home meet

The Coal City Middle School seventh and eighth grade track teams had their final home meet of the year against Peotone and Saratoga on Thursday.

The seventh grade boys scores were Coal City 68, Saratoga 30 and Peotone 35.

First place finishers for Coal City included Abraham Wills - hurdles and long jump; the 4x200 relay team (Wills, Gavin Chernesky, Jacob Echevarria and Alex Baudino); Ean Sears - 400; Baudino - 200; the 4x400 relay team (Sears, Luke Hawkins, Braiden Young and Echevarria); Nick Latta - shot put; and Cason Headley - discus.

In second place were Derek Carlson - hurdles; Wills 100; the 4x100 relay team (Thomas Gifford, Tyler Jackson, Christian Micetich and Anthony Powers); Hawkins 400; Caleb Kuhel 800; and Latta - discus.

Finishing in third place were Kuhel - mile; Gifford - shot put; and Kyle Cirrencione - high jump.

Fourth place finishers were Aydan Murphey - 100; Steven Aldridge - 800; Headley - shot put; and Hawkins - long jump.

The eighth grade boys' scores were Coal City 80, Saratoga 11 and Peotone 42.

Taking first place were Asa Cooper

- hurdles, 100 and long jump; the 4x100 relay team (Cooper, Griffin Johnson, Ethan Knutson and Connor Gass); Gass - 400; Johnson - 200; AJ Rodriguez - 800; the 4x400 relay team (Nate Sebbly TJ Understahl, Zander Posey and DeKotah Rueger); Logan Miller - shot put; and Ethan Knutson - high jump.

Placing second were Johnson - hurdles; the 4x200 relay team (Rodriguez, Rueger, Aaron Mumm and Ethan Longest); Knutson - 400; Drake Bruns - shot put; Miller - discus; and Rodriguez - high jump.

Third place finishers were Knutson 100; Gabe Ludes - mile; Noah Blair - discus; and Understahl - long jump.

Finishing in fourth place were Gavin Chernesky - mile; Rueger 200; Sebbly 800; and Caden Hennessy shot put.

The seventh grade girls team won scoring 73 points.

Finishing in first were Audrey Cooper - 400m; Stephanie Seminic - high jump; Shaela O'Keefe - 800m; Sophiya Williams - discus and shot put; the 4x100m relay team (Trinity Barrus, Carly Ford, Baylee Barnhill and Jocie Widlowski); the 4x200m relay team (Anna Vella, Ali Hausman, Addyson Walicek and Gwen Wharrie); and the 4x400m relay team (Regan Ullrich, Barrus, Lynzie Norris and Maci

Baldauf).  
Second place finishers were Alyssa Bowles - hurdles; Cooper - 100m, 200m and long jump; Regan Ullrich - 400m; Ana Flores - 1600m; Lauren Ferrari - discus; and Mia Rodriguez - shot put.

Taking third were Beth Greene - hurdles; Barrus - 100m; and Molly Stiles - shot put and discus.

Placing fourth was Addyson Mellen - 800m.

The eighth grade girls team won scoring 72 points.

In first place were Hayleigh Roach - hurdles and long jump; Maci Baldauf - 400m; Colleen Feeney - 200m; the 4x200m relay team (Feeney, Hailey Jenke, Dianna Sterba and Katie Hiles); the 4x100m relay team (Emma Chiarappa, Natalie Teague, Roach and Sam Moore); the 4x400m relay team (Brianna Kosek, Heather Kroeger, Emma Hir and Azra Malovski); Abby Payton - discus; Elli Vaccaro - high jump; and Grace Howell - shot put.

Finishing second were Natalie Teague - 100m; Malovski - 400m; Howell - discus; and Tessa Brancato - high jump.

Placing third were Gabby Babcock - hurdles; Chiarappa - 100m; Ella Davy 800m; and Cara Planeta - 1600m.

Taking fourth were Mia Ratajczak-1600m; and Chiarappa - 200m.

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY**

*With guidance and patience, my mother has always been by my side. Experiencing life with her support, she has become my best friend, mentor and confidant. Finding the words to show her how much she means to me is daunting only because nothing I can say will give justice to how amazing she truly is. Shouting from the mountain tops, Happy Mother's Day Shelby Murrell!*

Love, Angela

**Attorney Mancuso files notice of Ness name change petition**

**Attorney Black files estate claim notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT GRUNDY COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
17 MR 53

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GRUNDY COUNTY - IN PROBATE  
No. 17 P 34

In the Matter of the Petition of )  
CARTER MICHAEL NESS, )  
A Minor by Parent or Guardian )

In the Matter of the Estate of )  
Dennis Wills, )  
Deceased )

REBECCA L. MCNELIS, )  
For Change of Name, )  
Petitioners, )

**CLAIM NOTICE**  
NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of Dennis Wills. Letters of office as Independent Co-Executors were issued to Tracy Wills, 105 Green Acres Dr., Morris, Illinois 60450 and Jennier Savoia, 1715 Kingtree, Morris, IL 60450, whose attorney is FRANK J. BLACK, BLACK & BLACK, 201 Liberty Street, Suite 211, Morris, Illinois 60450.

vs. )  
TYLER S. NESS, )  
And all unknown fathers, )  
Respondent )

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Grundy County Courthouse, 111 E. Washington St., Morris, IL 60450, with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or, if mailing or delivery of a notice is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

**NOTICE BY PUBLICATION**  
In the matter of the Petition for Change of Name of CARTER MICHAEL NESS, a male child. TYLER S. NESS, take notice that a Petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Grundy County, Illinois for the change of name of a child named CARTER MICHAEL NESS.

**TRACY WILLS**  
**JENNIFER SAVOIA**  
**INDEPENDENT**  
**CO-EXECUTORS**

Now, therefore, unless you TYLER S. NESS, and all whom it may concern, file your answer to the Petition in the actin or otherwise file our Appearance, therein, in the said Circuit Court of Grundy County, 111 E. Washington Street, Morris, IL 60450, on or before the 28th day of June, 2017, a default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition.

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Published in the Coal City Court on April 26, May 3 and May 10, 2017.

**Sheriff's sale of 27000 W. Cypress Rd.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 13TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GRUNDY COUNTY - MORRIS, ILLINOIS

WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/B/A CHRISTIANA TRUST, AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF THE RESIDENTIAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES TRUST III Plaintiff, v.- EDWIN CARDONA, DAWN M. CARDONA, AMBERLEIGH ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, EDWIN CARDONA AND DAWN M. CARDONA Defendant 12 CH 191

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 23, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 9:00 AM on June 2, 2017, at the Grundy County Courthouse, 111 East Washington Street front door entrance, MORRIS, IL, 60450, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

LOT 131 IN SOUTHERN CROSSINGS UNIT 1, A PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 24, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED OCTOBER 15, 2003 AS DOCUMENT #425565 AND FILED IN PLAT CABINET H, SLIDE 43, IN GRUNDY COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

Commonly known as 27000 W. CYPRESS ROAD, Channahon, IL 60410 Property Index No. 03-24-181-002.

The real estate is improved with a single family residence. The judgment amount was \$317,335.65. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale. The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in AS IS condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court.

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

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

If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605/18.5(g)-1.

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

You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales.

For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite #1125, Chicago, IL 60606, (312) 541-9710. Please refer to file number 12-2336.

**Attorney Fisher files McClean estate notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
STATE OF ILLINOIS  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWELFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT WILL COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
IN PROBATE

In the Matter of the Estate of James E. McClean, Deceased. Case No. 17 P 33

**CLAIM NOTICE**  
Notice is given of the death of James E. McClean of Braceville, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on April 19, 2017 to Valerie Carter as Independent Executor.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Will County Court House, 14 West Jefferson Street, Joliet, Illinois 60432, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the first publication date of this Notice, which is on or before October 26, 2017 or if mailing or delivery of this notice from the personal representative is required by Sec. 18.3 of the Probate Act of 1995, the date stated in that Notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated: April 19, 2017  
Valerie Carter, Independent Executor  
Jeffrey L. Fisher, Attorney at Law, 06184265, 207 S. Water Street, Wilmington, IL 60481. 815-476-7635  
Published in the Coal City Court on Wednesday, April 26, and May 3 and 10, 2017.

**Gypsy Soul files as new business**

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Assumed Name  
Publication Notice

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 9, A.D. 2017, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Grundy County, Illinois, setting forth names and post-office addresses of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as Gypsy Soul, located at 216 Liberty St., Morris, IL 60450.

Dated this 9th day of May, A.D. 2017.  
Kay T. Olson, Grundy County Clerk  
Published in the Coal City Court on May 10, 17 and 24, 2017.

**CAD Professionals Company files as new business**

**LEGAL NOTICE**  
Assumed Name  
Publication Notice

Public Notice is hereby given that on May 5th A.D. 2017, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Grundy County, Illinois, setting forth names and post-office addresses of all persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as CAD Professionals Company, located at 1802 N. Division St., Ste. 109, Morris, IL 60450.

Dated this 5th day of May, A.D. 2017.  
Kay T Olson, Grundy County Clerk  
Published in the Coal City Court on May 10, 17 & 24, 2017

# Movie night in the park

Coal City Area Youth Baseball and Softball Association is holding its first movie night on the field, and the community is invited to participate.

The baseball-themed movie, "The Sandlot" will premier on the bronco field at Lions Park beginning at 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 13.

The concession stand will be open with a full menu from 6:30 to 10 p.m.

Players and coaches encourage community members to bring a blanket or chair and join them for a night at the movies.

# Coalers drop three in a row

The Coal City varsity tennis team had a rough week, suffered three losses in a row.

The Coalers wound up getting shutout earlier in the week, as they fell to Morris in Yorkville, both with scores of 5-0.

The closest match of the week came on Monday, with Coal City falling to Pontiac, 4-3.

Each singles team for the Coalers wound up losing during the meet, but the doubles teams shined on the day, as they all picked up wins.

No. 1 doubles team, Logan Schoen and Joey Fatigante defeated their Pontiac opponents in two, 6-1, 7-5.

In the No. 2 double spot, Logan Barrus and Christian Overton kept the momentum rolling, as they won in a three-set battle with Pontiac. Barrus and Overton

dropped the first set, 6-2, but wound up battling back with a win in the second, 7-6, and another win in the third, 10-6.

The No. 3 doubles match also went into three sets, as Nick Kosek and DJ Livingston battled back for the win.

They dropped the first one, 6-2, but fought back in the second set to dominate their opponents, 6-1.

Kosek and Livingston continued to play well in the third set with a 10-5 win.

The Coalers only have a handful of matches left before entering their Sectional on Friday, May 19th.

Coal City will enter the Joliet Catholic Academy Sectional, which will host seven other teams.

The Coalers will compete against JCA, Kankakee, Lemont, Morris, Providence Catholic and Tinley Park.

**Foreclosure of 1429 Plantain Dr.**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 13TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GRUNDY COUNTY-MORRIS, ILLINOIS

FEDERAL NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION (FANNIE MAE), A CORPORATION ORGANIZED AND EXISTING UNDER THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, PLAINTIFF vs. KIMBERLY PETERSON; A+ HOME REMODELING CO. D/B/A A+ ROOFING; LAKEWOOD TRAILS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, DEFENDANTS 17CH 3

**PUBLICATION NOTICE**  
The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, KIMBERLY PETERSON and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants in the above entitled suit, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the 13th Judicial Circuit, Grundy County, Illinois by the plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows to wit:

LOT 126 IN LAKEWOOD TRAILS UNIT 1, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 13 AND THE SOUTH 250.00 FEET OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 12, ALL IN TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 8 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN THE VILLAGE OF MINOOKA, AUX SABLE TOWNSHIP, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED APRIL 30, 2003 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 417002 AND AMENDED BY CERTIFICATES OF CORRECTION RECORDED JULY 24, 2003 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 421156, AND SEPTEMBER 3, 2003 AS DOCUMENT NUMBER 423288, EXCEPT THAT PART DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE MOST SOUTHERLY CORNER OF SAID LOT 126; THENCE NORTH 73 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 18 SECONDS WEST, 125.81 FEET; THENCE NORTH 30 DEGREES 30 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST, 47.75 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 67 DEGREES 16 MINUTES 09 SECONDS EAST, 116.90 FEET TO A POINT ON A CURVE; THENCE SOUTHERLY ALONG A CURVE NOT TANGENT TO THE LAST DESCRIBED LINE BEING CONCAVE EASTERLY HAVING A RADIUS OF 333.00 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING OF SOUTH 19 DEGREES 46 MINUTES 17 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 34.40 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, IN GRUNDY COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

COMMON ADDRESS: 1429 Plantain Drive, Minooka, IL 60447  
P.I.N.: 03-13-105-015; 03-13-105-015S  
and which said mortgage was signed by KIMBERLY PETERSON, mortgagor, to LHI Mortgage, Inc., as Mortgagee, and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Grundy County as Document No. 441122; and for such other relief prayed; that summons was duly issued out of the Circuit Court of Grundy County against you as provided by law, and that the said suit is now pending.

YOU MAY STILL BE ABLE TO SAVE YOUR HOME. DO NOT IGNORE THIS DOCUMENT.

By order of the Chief Judge of the Circuit Court of the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit, this case is set for Mandatory Mediation on June 16th, 2017 at 10:00 am at the Grundy County Courthouse, 111E. Washington St., Morris, IL 60450. A lender representative will be present along with a court appointed mediator to discuss options that you may have and to pre-screen you for a potential mortgage modification. For further information on the mediation process, please see the attached NOTICE OF MANDATORY MEDIATION.

YOU MUST APPEAR ON THE MEDIATION DATE GIVEN OR YOUR RIGHT TO MEDIATION WILL TERMINATE.

NOW THEREFORE, UNLESS YOU, the said above defendants, file your answer to the Complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of this Court in Grundy County in Room Rm. 30 at P.O. Box 707, Morris, IL 60450 on or before the May 26, 2017, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint.

Circuit Clerk  
Johnson, Blumberg, & Associates, LLC  
230 W. Monroe Street, Suite 1125  
Chicago, Illinois 60606  
Email: lpleadings@johnsonblumberg.com  
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**Attorney Black files estate claim notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GRUNDY COUNTY - IN PROBATE  
No. 17 P 32

In the Matter of the Estate of Sharon K. Tondini, Deceased

**CLAIM NOTICE**  
NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of Sharon K. Tondini. Letters of office as Independent Executors were issued to Julie Limbach, 8406 N., 49th Dr., Glendale, AZ 85302, whose attorney is FRANK J. BLACK, BLACK & BLACK, 201 Liberty Street, Suite 211, Morris, Illinois 60450.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Grundy County Courthouse, 111 E. Washington St., Morris, IL 60450, with the representative, or both, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice or, if mailing or delivery of a notice is required by Section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

The designated registered agent for the Executor is Frank J. Black, P.O. Box 148, 201 Liberty St., Suite 211, Morris, IL 60450.

JULIE LIMBACH  
INDEPENDENT  
EXECUTOR

Frank J. Black  
Black & Black  
201 Liberty Street  
Suite 211  
P.O. Box 148  
Morris, IL 60450  
815-942-0594  
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**Rodriguez estate claim notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GRUNDY COUNTY - IN PROBATE  
No. 17 P 35

In the Matter of the Estate of Emanuel F. Rodriguez, Deceased

**CLAIM NOTICE**  
NOTICE is given to creditors of the death of Emanuel F. Rodriguez. Letters of office were issued to Timothy A. Rodriguez, whose address is 5175 South Filman Road, Gardner, IL 60424, as Independent Representative whose attorney is HYNDS, YOHNKA, BZDILL & McInerney, LLC, 105 W. Main St., Morris, IL 60450.

The estate will be administered without court supervision, unless under Section 28-4 of the Probate Act of 1975 any interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the Clerk.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the Circuit Clerk's Office, Room 30, Grundy County Courthouse, 111 E. Washington St., Morris, Illinois, or with the representative, or both, on or before the 3rd day of November, 2017 or if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by Section 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the claimant to the representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Hyns, Yohnka, Bzdill & McInerney, LLC  
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105 W. Main Street  
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Morris, IL 60450  
815-942-0049

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# Coal City High School Class of 2017



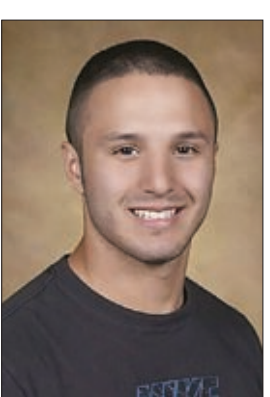
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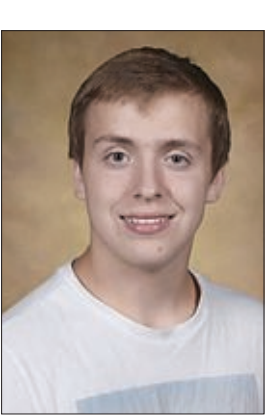
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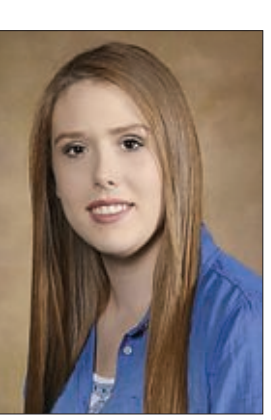
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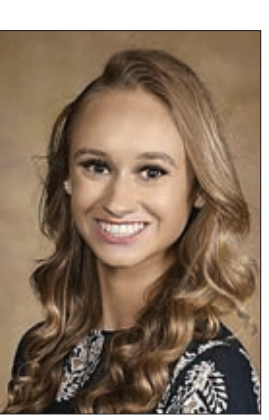
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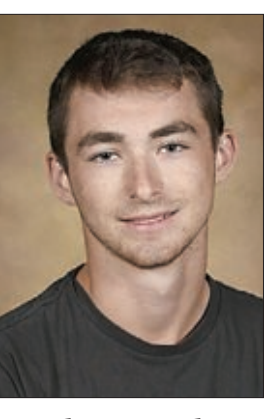
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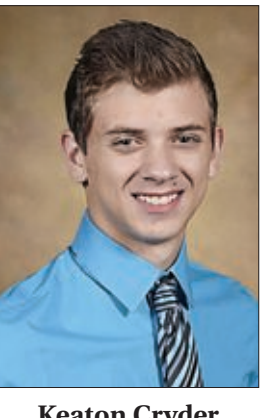
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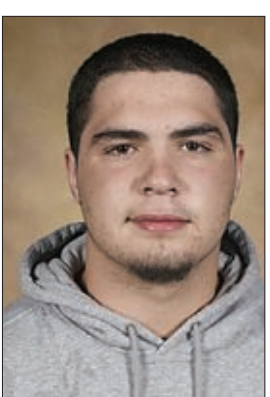
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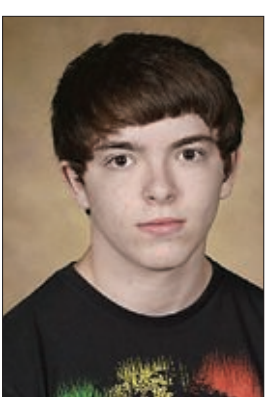
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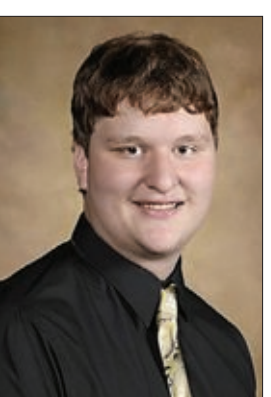
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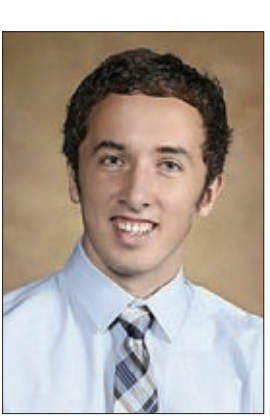
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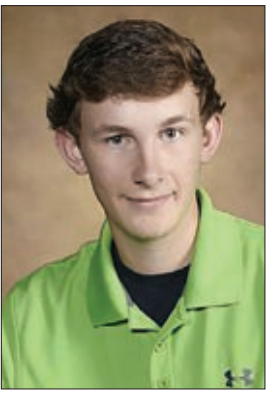
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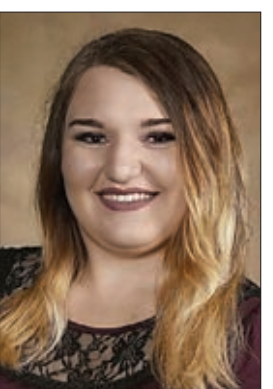
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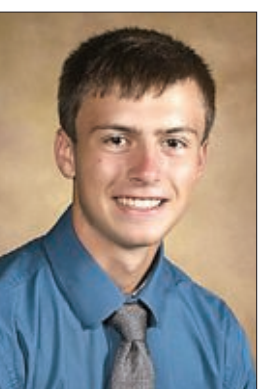
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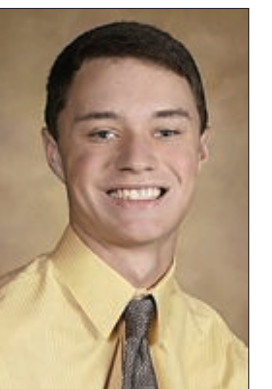
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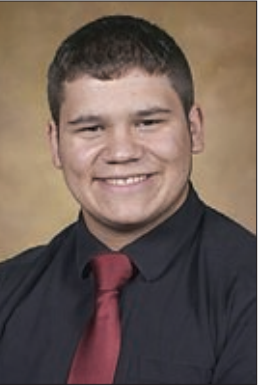
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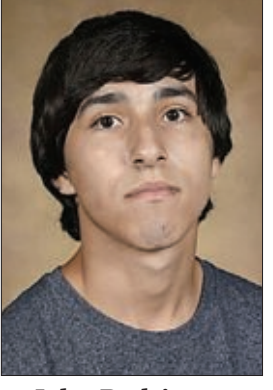
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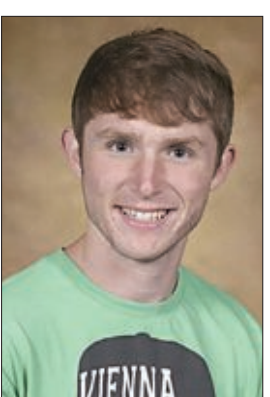
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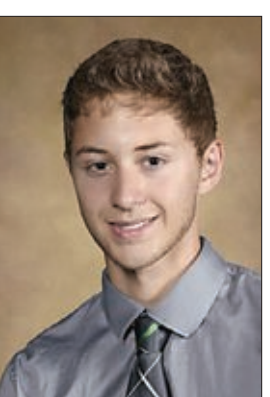
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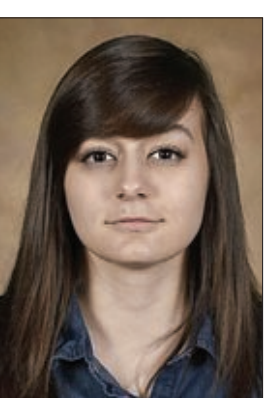
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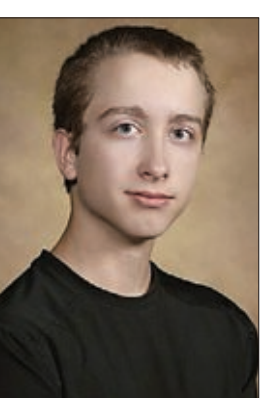
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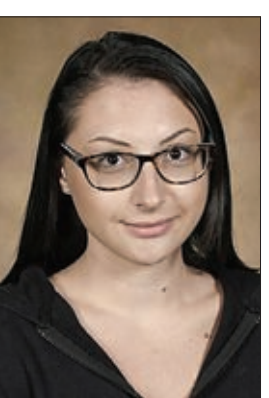
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# COALER SPORTS

## Elrod and Best do the hitting, Hutchings fans 12

The Coal City varsity baseball team rallied late Monday for their 14th straight win, defeating Plano, 3-1.

The Coalers (23-5 overall, 13-1 conference) bounced back after trailing by one run in the fourth inning.

Coal City came back with some clutch hitting from their eight and nine hitters. Cody Elrod and Connor Best came up with three big hits, and all three runs scored.

Elrod had a double to start the rally in the fifth, going 2-for-2 on the day with one run. Best added one hit with two runs scored.

Austin Friddle also chipped in with a double.

Payton Hutchings was dominant on the mound, as he went the distance to earn his sixth win of the season.

He let up just one earned run off three hits, walked none and struck out 12.

"Payton is a model of consistency right now, and

we are playing really well," said head coach Jerry McDowell.

The Coalers will travel to Wilmington on Friday for another conference match-up, as they look to continue their winning streak into the postseason.

### Coal City 4, Streator 0

The Coalers silenced the Bulldogs on Thursday, behind the throwing accuracy of Blake Harseim and Beau Wills who combined for the victory.

Wills improved to 4-0 on the season, as he threw 4.1 innings, allowing only two hits, and striking out two.

Harseim threw for 2.2 innings, surrendering just one hit and one walk, while striking out four.

"Harseim and Wills did a great job of keeping the ball down and inducing a lot of ground balls," McDowell said. "We are playing really well right now."

At the plate, Coal City registered just five hits, but were able to make them count.

Sean Micetich and Jake Brnca both had one hit for one RBI and one run scored, while Zack Nolan also added a hit.

Carter Copes wound up crossing the plate twice.

"It was a tough hitting day with the cold and wind blowing in," McDowell added. "We executed on offense with some good bunts and base running."

### Coal City 8,

### Westmont 5

The Coalers picked up another conference win on Wednesday, as they defeated Westmont, earning their 12th straight on the season.

"It was the same story, good pitching from Keegan Gagliardo, and only one error on defense," said McDowell. "We did a nice job today of clutch hitting with two strikes."

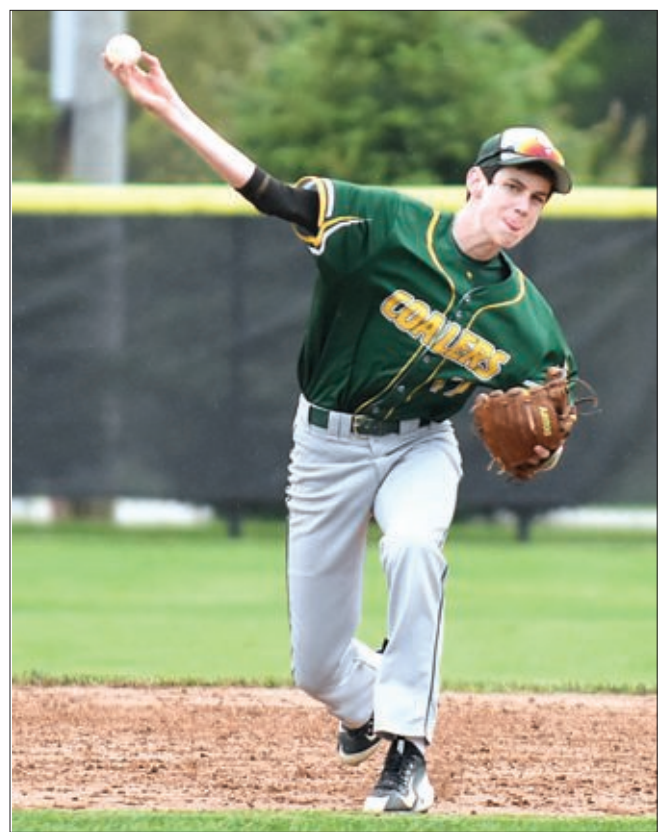
Gagliardo picked up the win on the mound, extending his record to 4-0 after putting in six innings of work. He let up five runs (four earned) off seven hits, walked none and struck out five.

Harseim hurled the final inning, walking one.

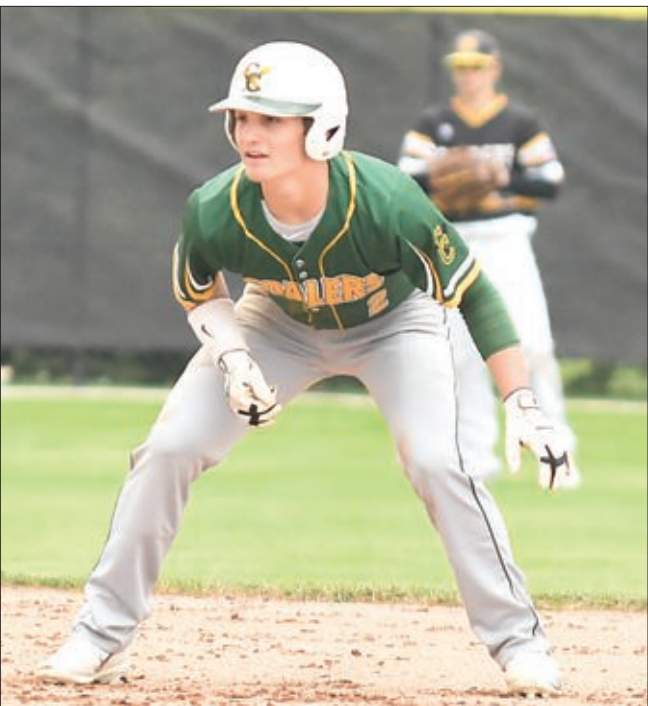
Gagliardo was also electric at the plate, going 2-for-2 with two RBIs and two runs scored, while Kaleb Spreitzer followed suit, also going 2-for-2.

Spreitzer's hits were both doubles, adding one RBI and one run scored.

Brnca chipped in with two hits for one run, and Nolan went 1-for-1 with two RBIs and one run.



SEAN MICETICH fires a ball over to first base for an out during a recent Coal City game. The Coalers have won 14 games in a row, and improved to 13-1 in conference this past week.



JAKE BRNCA moves his way off second base with his eye on the pitcher. Brnca recorded a run in Coal City's win over Streator on Thursday.

## Coaler anglers compete in Sectional, place fourth, fifth

The Coal City bass fishing team hosted the Sectional at Heidecke Lake Monday, where they faced teams for the opportunity to travel to Carlyle Lake for the State Final.

The Coalers wound up just missing the mark, as No. 2 team of Austin Planeta and Bret Blecha finished in fourth.

They qualify only as an alternate, but will have to wait and see if a team drops out before they are able to go to state.

The no. 2 team, which was captained by Chad Planeta, wound up with a total catch of 2 lbs. 15 oz., as they finished just outside the top three teams.

"For the lake we were at, we fished pretty good," said Coaler coach Tim Hanley. "We just couldn't beat Minooka.

Heidecke Lake, that is a tough lake to fish right now."

Minooka took the first and second spot, finishing with totals of 7 lbs. - 12 oz. for first, and 6 lbs. - 11 oz. for second.

Plainfield South took third with 3 lbs-5 oz.

Coal City's first team, consisting of Ryan Probehl and Austin Bergland finished just behind their teammates in fifth with 2 lbs, 14 oz., just one ounce shy of the No. 2 team.

Their boat was captained by Rich McLukie.

"They are a bunch of good fishermen, and they all are good kids," Hanley added. "It was just a tough day fishing."



MIKAYLA NORRIS turns the ball towards the offensive side of the field during Coal City's game against Reed-Custer on Thursday. The Lady Coalers won the game, 6-0.

## Lady Coalers close regular season, prepare for Reed-Custer Regional

The Coal City varsity girls soccer team built some steam heading into Regional action this week, as they earned a win over Reed-Custer, and secured a tie against Ottawa.

Against Ottawa, the match was scoreless through the first half, but it only took 30 seconds for the Lady Coalers to score in the second half.

Sophomore forward Lauren Phillips scored off an assist from senior midfielder Ashley Matusiak.

Ottawa wound up tying the game up midway through the second half, and was able to keep Coal City off the scoreboard.

Goalkeeper Miranda Ramirez was strong in net, earning 13 saves on the day.

Coal City heads to Reed-Custer on Wednesday to compete in the IHSA Regional, where they will face Joliet Catholic Academy at 4:30 p.m.

The Lady Coalers enter the postseason as the No. 5 seed, with JCA holding the fourth spot.

The winner of that game will advance to face Manteno (1) or Reed-Custer (7), with that game being held on Friday in Braidwood at 4:30 p.m.

### Coal City 6, Reed-Custer 0

After struggling on the road this past week, the Lady Coalers rebounded nicely with a shutout victory over Reed-Custer on Thursday.

The win meant a little more, given that it was Coal City's senior night.

Six different players registered goals in the match,



LEAH HILES traps the ball in the offensive side of the field. She finished the game against Reed-Custer with one goal.

including four of the six seniors that were honored on the night.

The Lady Coalers never faltered in their goal of winning, as they recorded three goals in each half.

Maggie Cochran opened up the scoring with an assist from Hannah Flint. Flint recorded her second assist of the night by connecting with Katelyn Cullom for the game's second goal.

Leah Hiles finished off

the first half scoring with an unassisted goal.

In the second half, Philips kickstarted the offense again, scoring off an assist from Matusiak.

Midway into the second, Matusiak tallied a goal, and just minutes later, Flint finished off the scoring with another unassisted goal.

Ramirez and Breanna Ray combined in goal for the shutout, finishing with four and one save, respectively.

The Coal City junior varsity baseball team simply dominated Plano Monday night when they ended the contest early by a 10-0 margin.

Coal City's Austin Pullara commanded the mound, pitching all six innings for the shutout win, allowing just two hits and two walks, while striking out 10.

Offensively, the Coalers scattered six hits for 10 runs, with Cade Mueller leading the way, going 2-for-2 with one RBI and one run scored.

Jack Bunton and Mason Mulcahy both added doubles on the day. Bunton had one RBI and one run, while Mulcahy crossed the plate once.

Pullara added one hit for two runs, and Ethan Wendler chipped in with a single for one RBI and one run.

### Streator 7, Coal City 6

Coal City's 11-game win streak came to an end on Thursday, when they lost a thriller to Streator.

The Coalers took a 4-3 lead after the second inning, scoring four runs in the frame thanks to an RBI single from Dean Moir, a two-run single from Wendler and an RBI double from Bunton.

Danny Caruso, Mueller, Moir and Wendler would score the runs in the inning.

The remained unchanged until the Bulldogs tacked on three runs in the sixth to reclaim the lead, 6-4.

In the seventh, the Coalers tied the game back up at six runs each, with Caruso earning an RBI single off an error, scoring Bunton.

Connor Best scored the tying run off a balk from the pitcher right before Jake Formenti grounded out.

Unfortunately, with two outs in the bottom of the seventh, Streator was able to squeak a runner through on a double to earn the walk-off win.

Best threw great from the mound, as he put in 5.2 innings of work. Unfortunately, the defense committed seven errors in the game, not giving him much help in support.

## Pullara has stellar day for JV Coalers

Best surrendered six runs (one earned) off six hits, walked none and struck out seven.

Bunton suffered the loss, pitching the final inning. He surrendered one earned run off three hits.

### Coal City 4, 3, Westmont 1, 1

Making up for terrible weather earlier in the week, the Coalers played two five-inning games on Wednesday in a double-header with Westmont.

Coal City wound up sweeping the Sentinels to only two runs between the games.

In the first game, Westmont got on the board first with one run, but the Coalers responded quickly, tacking on three in the bottom of the first, and adding one more in the second.

Coal City managed just one hit, but that was all they needed, as they took advantage of a struggling pitcher.

Three batters were hit

by pitches along with three walks to add to the scoreboard.

Pullara contributed the only hit of the game with one RBI and one run scored, while Bunton, Mickey McDowell and Best each added one run.

Pullara also picked up the win on the hill, hurling all five innings. He let up one unearned run off two hits, walked two and struck out five.

In the second game, the Coalers belted out nine hits en route to their 3-1 win.

Pullara, Best, Gavin Elrod, Caruso, Moir, Mulcahy and Formenti each had hits in the game.

Best scored two runs, Josh Michalek recorded one, and Caruso had an RBI.

Cameron Lander picked up the win after pitching all five innings. He let up one unearned run in the fifth, allowed three hits, walked one and struck out six.





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# COALER SPORTS

## Lady Coalers still battling for top spot in the I-8

The Coal City varsity softball team picked up a shutout win on Monday, as they defeated Plano 10-0 in six innings.

The win keeps the Lady Coalers tied at the top of the I-8 Conference North Division. They remain even with Seneca, as both teams

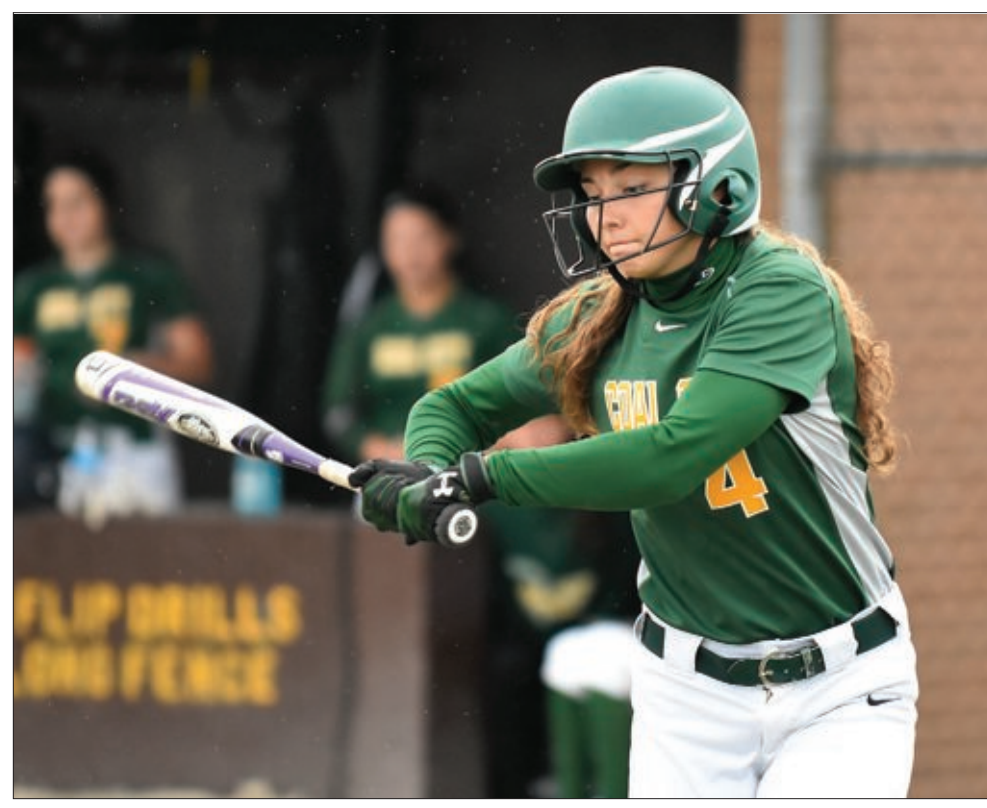
hold conference records of 10-4.

Leslie Youskevitch, along with her defense behind her, earned the win. Youskevitch pitched all six innings without letting up a run, allowing just three hits, three walks, and striking out nine.

Madison Emerson got

Coal City started, driving in one off an RBI single in the first, scoring Cali Caruso. That was followed with Abbie Cullick stealing home for another run.

The Lady Coalers went untested, recording one run in the third, four in the fourth, and three more in the sixth.



**CALI CARUSO** takes a few cuts before stepping into the box. Caruso led the offense on Monday, going 2-for-3 with three RBIs and three runs scored, as the Lady Coalers defeated Plano, 10-0.

Caruso led the offense on the day, going 2-for-3 with three RBIs and three runs scored. She also had a triple.

Cullick recorded a home run in the game for her only hit, driving in three RBIs. She also scored three runs down the stretch.

Anna Bach, Emerson, Leah Campos and Alivia Phelps added the other hits on the day, with Campos recording a triple.

The Lady Coalers will be back in action on Wednesday, when they travel to Morris, and will resume conference play on Friday, when they travel to Wilmington.

### Providence 10, Coal City 8

The Lady Coalers threw all they could at Providence Catholic but walked away in defeat Friday.

Coal City relished a short-lived lead in the first inning, as Leah Campos picked up an RBI single to give Coal City a 1-0 advantage.

Providence answered back, recording four runs in the bottom of the frame, and two more in the second to take a 6-1 lead.

The Lady Coalers tallied one run in the third, and three more in the fifth, but still found themselves trailing 10-5 heading into the seventh.

Emerson earned an RBI single in the third, driving in Caruso.

She also picked up two more RBIs in the fifth inning, reaching on an error, and scoring Makenna Crater and Caruso.

Abby Spesia also secured an RBI double in the fifth for the other run.

In the seventh, the Lady Coalers faced a five run deficit, and while they were able to close the gap, they were never able to secure the lead.

Campos slapped an RBI single to score Caruso, and

Phelps recorded a two-run hit off an error, scoring Emerson and Campos.

In the circle, Youskevitch suffered the loss, letting up six runs (five earned) off eight hits through two innings. She walked two and struck out one.

Phelps threw the remaining four innings, surrendering four earned runs off seven hits, walking four and striking out five.

### Streator 6, Coal City 2

Streator showed why they are the top team in the I-8 South Division, as they ended the Lady Coalers' three-game win streak on Thursday.

The Bulldogs were ahead 4-0 by the second inning, and Coal City was unable to recover.

The Lady Coalers added two runs between the fourth and fifth innings, but that was the only offense they could produce, as they finished with only three hits.

Cullick, Spesia and Kristyn Daigger each had one hit for the team, with Spesia having a double for an RBI.

Campos and Sam Olsen scored the runs for Coal City.

Youskevitch wound up with the loss in the circle, as she pitched all seven innings.

Youskevitch surrendered six earned runs off seven hits, walked four and struck out five.

### Coal City 16, 6, Westmont 1, 3

The Lady Coalers completed a conference sweep over Westmont on Tuesday and Wednesday.

In the first game, Coal City wound up winning in five innings, as they amassed seven runs in the second, and nine more in the third to run away with the lead.

They scored 16 runs off eight hits in the game, taking advantage of a struggling pitcher that walked 11 batters.

Spesia and Olsen both had two hits in the game, with Spesia earning three RBIs and one run scored, while Olsen added one RBI and two runs.

Cullick had one hit for four RBIs and two runs, Madison Emerson added one with two runs scored, and Elaina Bach chipped in a

single.

Caruso also added a triple on the day for three RBIs and two runs.

Youskevitch picked up the five-inning win, as she allowed just one earned run off one hit, walked one and struck out 10.

In the second game, Coal City's scoring slowed down a little, but they continued the hitting as they defeated the opposition, 6-3.

The Lady Coalers belted out 12 hits down the stretch, led by Campos, Spesia and Alivia Phelps with three hits each.

Campos scored three runs, Spesia had one hit for a double along with two RBIs, and Phelps added one RBI.

Olsen had two hits, including a double, for one RBI and one run, and Madison Emerson chipped in with a single.

Phelps secured the win, as she pitched five innings. She let up three earned runs off eight hits, walked two and struck out seven.

Youskevitch picked up the save, closing the remaining two innings. She let up just one hit, walked one and struck out one.

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## I-8 meet a prelude to Sectional

Coal City's varsity track team headed to Seneca this past week to compete in the conference meet.

The Lady Coalers took the best placement for the program, earning eighth place with 34 team points, edging out Reed-Custer (33), but falling just behind Herscher (37).

On the boys side, Coal City placed ninth with 32 points, finishing ahead of Westmont, Peotone and Wilmington.

Seneca won first in the boys and girls events, while Sandwich and Plano were second and third for the girls, and Plano and Manteno took second and third for the boys.

For the boys, Coalers, Miranda Rohder helped carry some points for the team, as she placed in three events.

Rohder had her best performance in the 200 meter dash, earning first with a time of 27.23. She also took third in the 400 (1:04.42) and fifth in the

100 meter dash (13.49).

In the field events, Abigail Charles took the best finish, securing fourth in long jump (14' 11.5").

Lizzie Easton and Kyran Benson finished fifth and sixth, respectively, in shot put, earning distances of 30' 3" and 30' .25".

Jessica Winslow rounded out the placers, taking seventh in the discus, with a distance of 86' 11".

On the boys side, Cal Smolik picked up the pace by placing in two events.

He earned second in the 100 meter dash with a time of 11.57, and followed that up with fourth in the 200 meter dash (23.41).

Brendan Cullick earned fourth in the 1600 meter with a time of 4:55.44, while Connor Ullrich rounded out the running events, claiming fifth in the 3200.

Ullrich finished with a time of 11:05.74.

The only other individual was Aaron McMurtrey, who earned second place

in shot put with a distance of 45' 6.5".

The track teams will now prepare for their Sectional competition.

The girls team will head to Mendota for the 16-team Sectional, which will also host I-8 teams like Herscher, Reed-Custer, Plano, Sandwich, Streator and Wilmington.

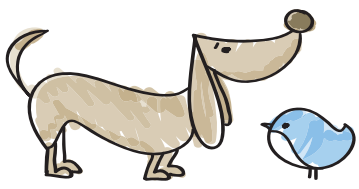
The Sectional will be held this Friday, with the field events starting at 3:30 p.m., running events at 4 p.m.

The boy's sectional will be held the following Friday, on May 19, at Plano.

The Sectional will comprise of 15 teams, including many of the same I-8 teams, minus Herscher.

Field events will start at 4:30 p.m., with the running events starting one hour later at 5:30.





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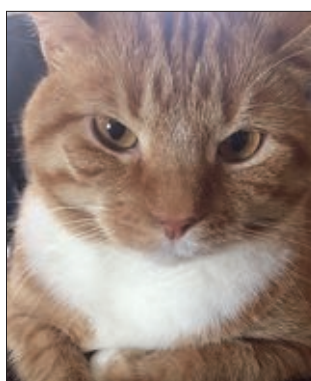
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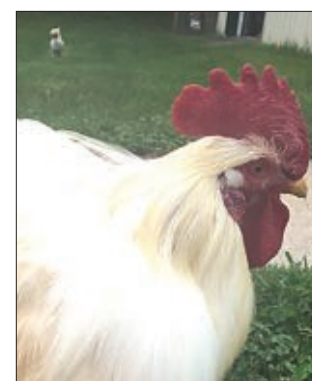




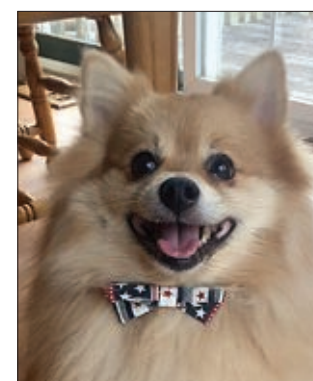
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Pomernian, age 6 years  
Katelyn Abderhalden,  
Wilmington  
Just being cute.



**Max**  
Age 4 years  
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Being cute.



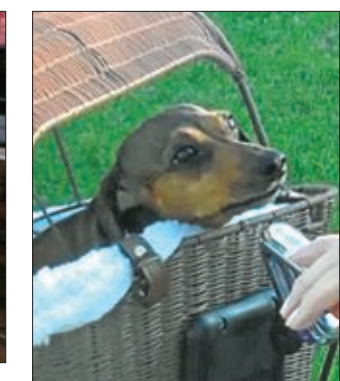
**The Gimp**  
Age 4 years  
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Being cute.



**Les**  
Pomeranian, age 6 years  
Katelyn Abderhalden,  
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Showing off his charm.



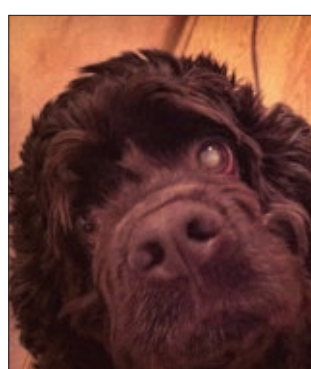
**Sadie**  
Akita, age 7 years  
Cheri Alexander,  
Wilmington  
Shades on and ready to  
go for a car ride.



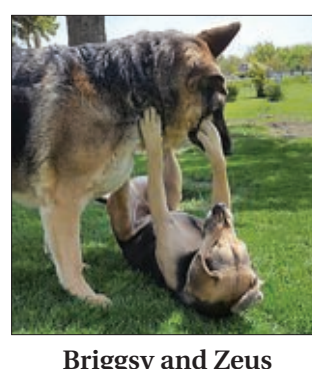
**Winnie**  
Age 7 years  
Michael and Linda  
Bailey, Wilmington  
She loves her bike ride.



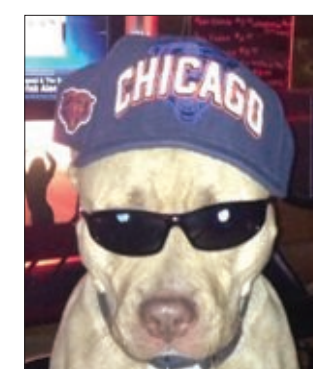
**Bella**  
Medium hair domestic,  
age 2 years  
Hannah Basinger,  
Wilmington  
Hanging out and getting  
comfy with her best  
friend.



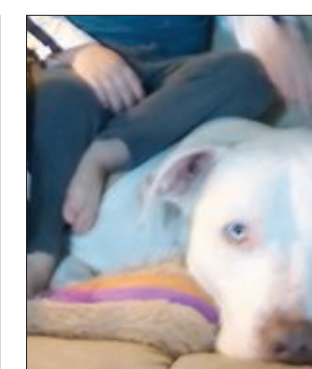
**Cocoa**  
Cocker Spaniel, age 10  
years  
Charlie Boyd, Braidwood  
Being his adorable self.



**Briggsy and Zeus**  
German Shepherd, age  
11 years  
German Shepherd and  
Beagle, age 2 years  
Heidi Childeis,  
Braidwood  
I got you now!



**Cain**  
Pitbull, age 7 years  
Jake and Jacky,  
Wilmington  
Cain is relaxing and  
hanging out with  
friends.



**Buddy**  
Pitbull Terrier, age 3  
years  
Amy Castillo,  
Wilmington  
Relaxing.



**Hank**  
American Bulldog mix,  
age 10 years  
Kristie Chapman,  
Braidwood  
His is always smiling. He  
was rescued  
from a shelter in  
Georgia.



**Cory**  
Age 8 years  
Kevin and Brenda  
Cherveney, Wilmington



**Augustus Wayne Day**  
Age 1 year  
Marissa Day,  
Wilmington



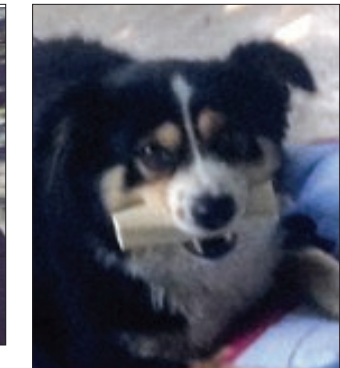
**Maverick Wayne Day**  
Age 6 years  
Rachel Day, Wilmington



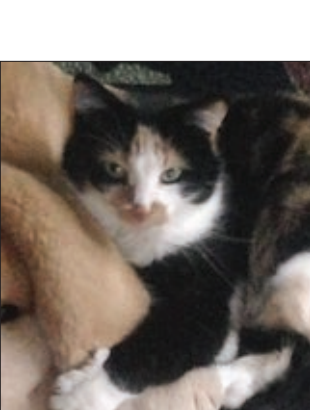
**Trevor Wayne Day**  
Age 7 years  
Alex Day, Wilmington



**Phil and Panda**  
Bulldog mix, age 11  
months  
Marcus Dunkin,  
Wilmington  
Hitching a ride on the  
wagon.



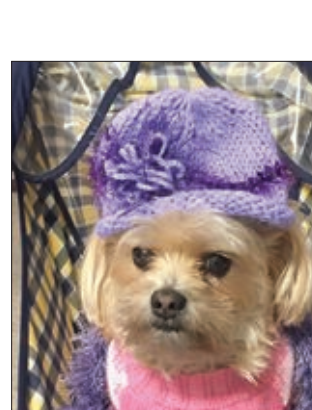
**Lola**  
Mini Australian  
Shepherd, age 5.5 years  
Eric and Janet Fisher,  
Wilmington  
Our protector.



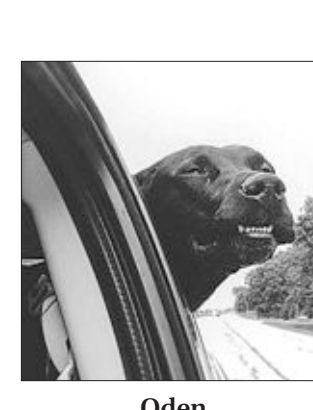
**Pixie**  
Calico kitty, age 6.5 years  
Eric and Janet Fisher,  
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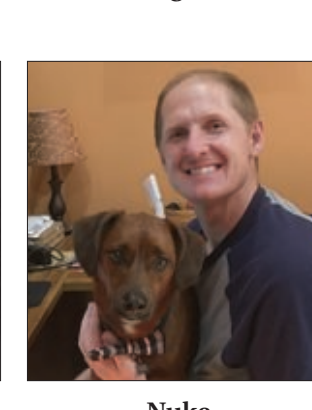
**KaLynn**  
Havana Silk/Toy Poodle,  
age 8 months  
Roger and Cindy  
Hileman, Shorewood  
KaLynn is playing on  
playground equipment  
in the park.



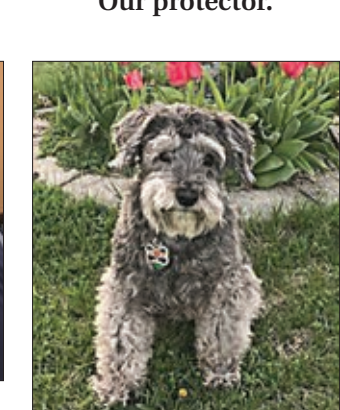
**Lilly**  
Morkie, age 4 years  
Aron, Carla, Blake and  
Kendall Huston, Gardner  
All dressed up and ready  
for her stoller ride.



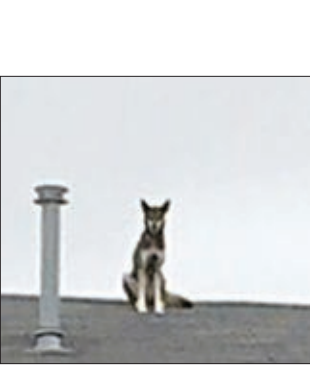
**Oden**  
Black Lab, age 2 years  
Kyle, Wilmington  
Enjoying a beautiful car  
ride with the windows  
down and his jowls and  
ears flapping in the  
breeze.



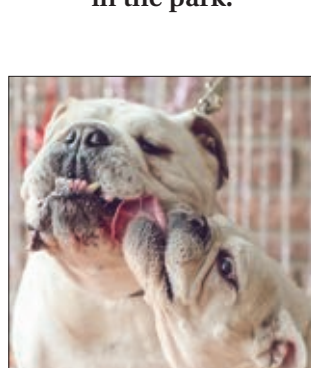
**Nuke**  
Dauschund/retriever  
mix, age 1 year  
Zachary Lake,  
Custer Park  
Looking dapper while  
helping grandpa work  
on the computer.



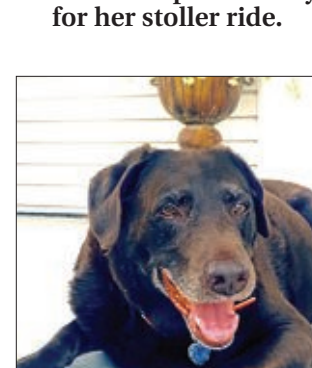
**Peanut**  
Schnoold, age 9 years  
Ali Vildt and Dakota  
Robinson, Braidwood  
Enjoying freshly cut  
grass. He loves to pose  
for photos.



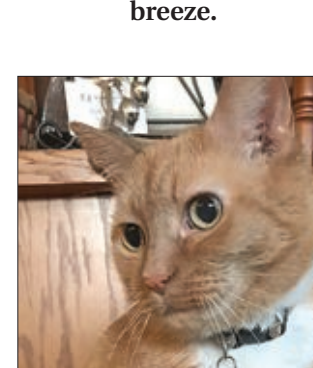
**Lyra**  
Belgian Malinois/Husky  
mix, age 5 years  
Alyssa Menegon, Joliet  
Lyra decided to go on an  
adventure, and the  
police and fire depart-  
ment were dispatched.



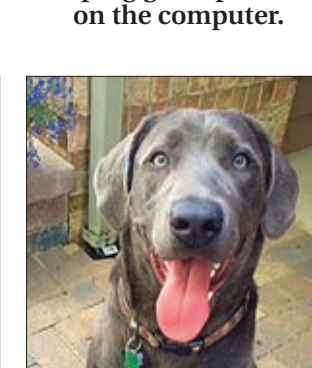
**Wyatt and Fairlight**  
English Bulldogs, age 10  
and 9 years  
Grace Mertes, Gardner  
Giving kisses



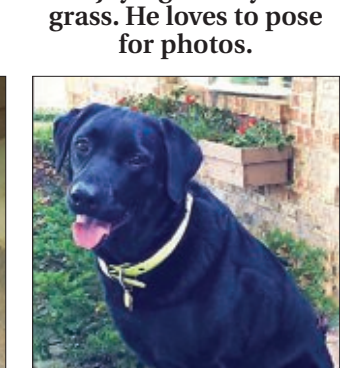
**Riley**  
Chocolate Lab, age 10  
years  
Mike Murphy Family,  
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Living my best life.



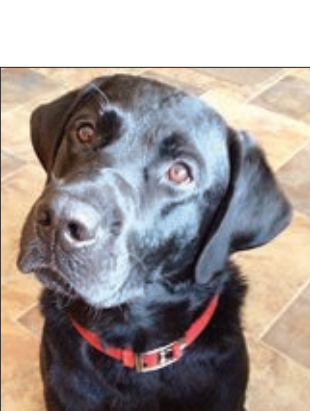
**Tinkerbell**  
Orange tabby cat, age 12  
years  
Mike Murphy Family,  
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Doesn't play well with  
others.



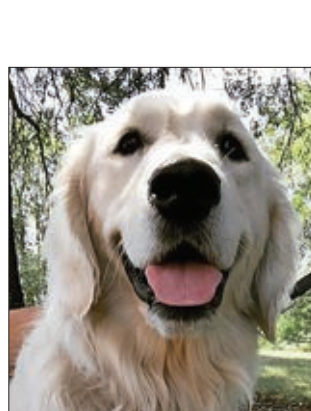
**Remington**  
Silver Lab, age 2 years  
Brian Osmonson,  
Diamond  
Cash me outside.



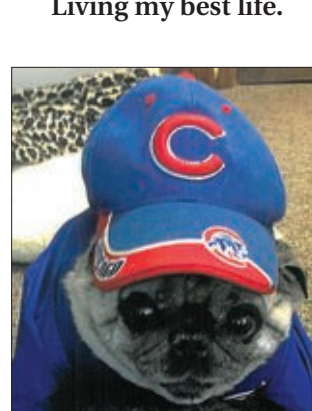
**Chloe Rose**  
Black Lab, age 8 years  
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Living on the ledge.



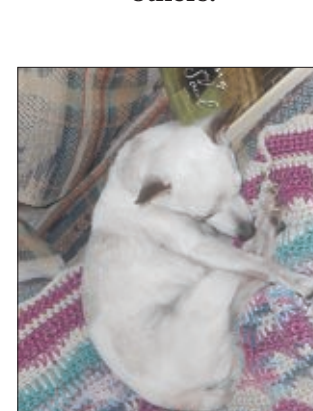
**Diesel**  
Black Lab, age 8 years  
Ron and Vivian King,  
Wilmington  
I love walks to the creek  
and treats.



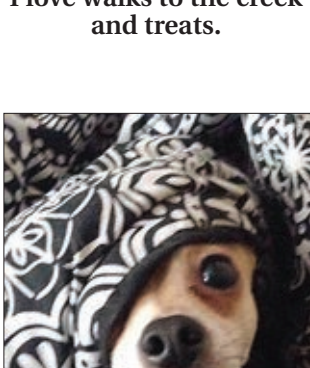
**Molly**  
English Cream Golden  
Retriever, age 3  
Scott Murphy Family,  
Wilmington  
I'm kinda cute, kinda  
crazy.



**Scobie Doo**  
Pug, age 10 years  
Debbie LaVigne,  
Braidwood  
Hey Chicago, Whadda ya  
say? Chicago Cubs are  
gonna win today.



**Niblet**  
Rat Terrier, age 17 years  
Emily Spangler, Gardner  
Enjoying retirement.



**Siduri**  
Chihuahua, age 3  
years  
Stephanie,  
Wilmington  
The look you get  
when he hears it's  
time to wake up in  
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# Not a pet person? Not a problem! Schnauzer helps heal old wounds for teenager

BY MARNEY SIMON  
STAFF WRITER

I've long been outnumbered as the only girl in a family of boys.

Over the past weekend, the family dynamic changed to put me even more in the minority, if that is possible.

Yes, there's another male in the house. A 5-year-old Standard Schnauzer named Kona.

Kona is an Ohio native, and he had to be rehomed after his original pet parents divorced. Jenny, a friend of mine from a suburb just outside Cleveland, and her ex-husband Corey tried very hard to make accommodations for Kona in their new separate homes, but things just weren't working out as well for him as they hoped.

As it happens, my children were trying to convince me to get a dog. It seemed like a good option to take on Kona, a house-trained dog well past the puppy years, rather than try to figure out the pet adoption process and train a dog when none of us know how. Kona was very well cared for, Jenny took him for his latest vet appointment and to get groomed before the transfer - we met in Indiana - and he came with more equipment than either of my children seem to currently own. Kona has two beds. I don't have two beds.

This story isn't notable because we took in a dog.

It's notable because my oldest son, Hank, who turns 15 next week, at one time had a deep fear of all things canine.

Seven years ago, just a few days after Hank's 8th birthday, he and the children from next door were playing outside. As he was cleaning up to come inside, Hank realized one of the kids had left her flip flops in our yard. He scooped them up and walked toward their front door, when he was spotted by their 80-pound German Shepherd, Max. Max had always been aggressive toward all of us, from the time we moved in next door.



KONA IS THE NEWEST member of staff writer Marney Simon's family. He was rehomed from a friend in Ohio, and is the first pet the family has ever owned.

Seeing Hank head to the house, Max, who was inside, charged the door, broke through the screen, and bolted after Hank.

Hank turned to run, but only got a few feet before Max got a hold of him and clamped down hard. He ripped a small gash into Hank's back, and left a puncture wound in his bottom. In what I can only describe as a textbook case of fight or flight, with no more option to flee, Hank - just 8 years old, mind you - turned and landed a punch square on Max's nose. It stunned the dog enough to let go, and Hank scrambled into the house just as Max's owner finally got a hold of his collar.

At the ER, they declined to stitch his gash, telling us that they don't use sutures on animal bites because it can inadvertently seal in bacteria. But, the doctor told me, a cut that size would generally need around 10 to 15 stitches to close. Hank also had the puncture in his buttock, as well as scratches and bruises.

To their credit, Max's

owners were apologetic and tried trainers and possible rehoming of Max, who got even more aggressive after the attack, barking at our cars and making us feel unsafe in the yard.

At one point, Max even jumped my fence. He later bit one of his owner's own children, and was euthanized.

Living next to an aggressive dog that attacked one of your children is not easy. It was harder on Hank, who could, from that point on, be scared by even the tamest of wiener dogs. He had a difficult time at his school the day the local police did a K-9 presentation, especially since their police dog was a German Shepherd.

It didn't ever occur to me that he'd ever stop being frightened of dogs. But something changed, slowly, over the past few years.

Hank has had a little more exposure to dogs, namely my husband's mother's small dogs, and my sister's Golden Retriever.

Hank said it took a lot

of time to be comfortable around dogs, even small ones. He avoided them as much as possible and would back away from fences if a dog was in a yard or even step out of the way if someone was walking their dog on a leash. But slowly, he started warming up to them.

"I just started to realize that all dogs weren't as mean as Max was," Hank said.

It's not a done deal. Kona is only 45 pounds. He's energetic and may nip at you during play, but he's hardly a threatening dog. Hank is still apprehensive around larger dogs. He can still be frightened by a sudden bark.

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## Keep America clean

**BRAIDWOOD**—Why do people pitch trash out their car window? Lazy and stupid is all I can come up with. Where's your pride? Someone saw a man on Rt. 129 drag his tree trimmings across the road and dump a very large pile on the other side. Where are the littering signs we used to have? Woody Owl where are you? Our area is looking like the projects with all the dumping. Read up about how long it takes trash to decompose. Road side trash also makes your property decrease in value. Keep a bag in your car for garbage and put it in the dumpster or trash can. This is a beautiful area with lakes, rivers and woods.

## Better impression

**WILMINGTON**—Regarding the Red Carpet Festival and the impression we gave all those visitors who walked through our downtown Saturday. As my husband and I walked through the vendor booths I couldn't help but be embarrassed about the looks of the buildings. Flower pots with no flowers, just cigarette butts; broken awnings just hanging; boarded up windows; buildings that need to be painted; cigarette butts all over the sidewalks in front of the taverns. The list could go on and on. I'm not trying to fault anyone or the chamber for putting on the festival. It just seems to me there is a big disconnect between having an event where we invite Route 66 travelers to come here so they can see the unkept buildings and dirty downtown district. Couldn't some of the business owners have swept their sidewalks or at least made an effort to clean up a bit? I am really embarrassed to even think about the way people view our city. My suggestion is that they move the festival to one of our island parks where it would be more scenic and you could still have the flea market and activities without having them see all the run-down buildings. I hope organizers would consider that

for next year.

## Singing praise

I would like to sing praises for Dr. Dean, a chiropractor. I had been away for several months and could not locate him or his new location. So I goggled it and found him. I'm so happy to have such a good Christian chiropractor. He takes care of my sciatica. Dr. Dean is wonderful.

## Fix Obamacare

**BRAIDWOOD**—Seems like the liberal media has sided up with Democrats concerning Obamacare. All the TV commentators are saying is how it will hurt the poor and the elderly when, in reality, Obamacare was doing nothing but hurting middle income workers. We signed up for it early because we couldn't get health care for our son. We paid our premiums, took a high deductible, and yet it was costing us more each year. Our first policy was canceled because the insurance company bailed out. So we had to sign up with a different company at a higher rate and now we're paying 40 percent more than when we first signed up. There is no way we can afford it anymore as we're better off not having insurance because then the hospital would have to treat us like all the other people who show up and get health care for free. The U.S. House repealed it because like President Trump said it was on the road to failure. At least with the repeal maybe they can fix it so the burden isn't shouldered so much by middle income families while others get health care for free.

## Got my tax bill

**WILMINGTON**—I just got my new tax bill and it went up \$200 this year without the new fire district referendum. What is going to happen next year, will it go up \$500-\$700? This is crazy. People should open their eyes and stop screwing up. Now we are really going to pay for it. I think all the taxing districts should be doing what they can to lower our taxes instead of just keep raising them. Now I know why the governor wants to put a freeze on property taxes because this really hurts our family. We'd be better off renting than trying to own a home then we wouldn't have to sorry about paying more property taxes every year.

## New contract

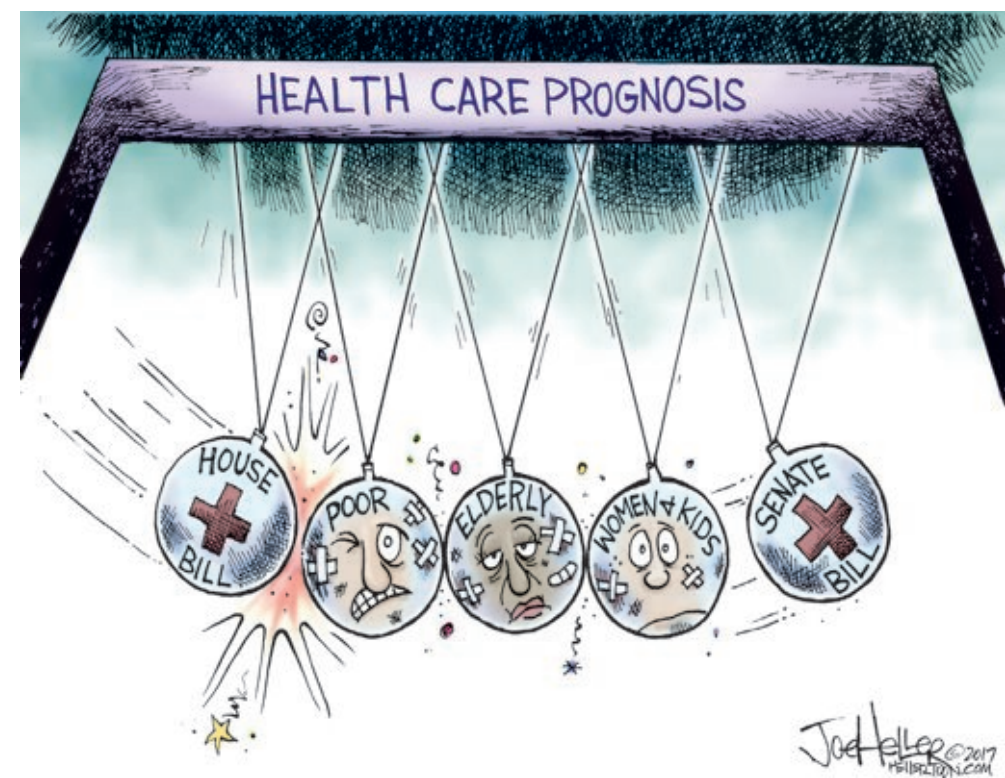
**COAL CITY**—I see the headline reads the custodians were granted a new five year contract. I have a question for our board. Does this mean the elementary school will be clean now? I went with my grandson for grandparents day and the place should be considered an embarrassment. I have seen cleaner port-a-johns than the rest rooms and the board and custodians should all be ashamed.

## Not one, but two

**COAL CITY**—In reference to the comment asking about running a hose from your house out to the road for drainage. While waiting for a train to pass I noticed a house on East Division Street that has not one, but two hoses running from their yard straight out to the road. That doesn't seem right either and it's not like they try to hide it.

## Time will tell

**WILMINGTON**—So the new Mayor wants to be a "good old boy." Why not, with the cash that they spent to get him in office he should join the club. There was definitely a hidden agenda to get him elected by the good old boys. Time will tell what the good old boys will get in return for the money spent to put him in office.



## Put a lid on it

**COAL CITY**—I guess some people in Coal City don't know why there is a lid on their garbage cans. I will tell you, it's on there to keep your garbage from blowing all over your neighbor's yard on a windy day. Try closing it.

## Thankful for return

**WILMINGTON**—I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the gentleman who found my wallet Saturday at the Red Carpet Days downtown. Unbeknownst to me, I had lost my wallet after making a purchase at one of the booths. He found it and turned it over to two police officers who were on patrol there at the time, Todd Lyons and Officer Campos. Todd recognized me from the picture and name on my driver's license and returned the wallet to me before I even had realized it was missing.

Jerry D. Stewart

## Respect other's property

**DIAMOND**—It appears as though the construction is done on the bike path/dog walk after eight long months of looking at the mess. I think it's a total disgrace the way "D" Construction and the mayor of Diamond treated the homeowners on the south end of the path. We were not taken into consideration or given prior notice of this poorly planned event. Trees were damaged, property was encroached. They say beauty is in the eyes of the beholder? I see danger, debris and dog poop. When I asked the engineer if they were coming back to clean up the debris he said technically it's up to the farmer to clean up that edge of the path. What? The farmer didn't make the mess. Also, FYI dog owners, it's against the law to not pick up after your pet so people carry the bags and please respect what privacy we have left.

Betty Film

## See it first hand

**BRACEVILLE**—In response to last week's letter in soundoff titled It's all true. The three union board members have spent thousands in negotiation and lawyer fees to prevent the village employees from protecting their jobs by joining the Teamsters Union. This situation would never have happened if the three board members, one in particular on the financial committee, didn't bully, scream and threaten the employees. I urge all Braceville residents to go to a board meeting and see their behavior first hand. They scream insults, pound their fists on the table and threaten the mayor. People have stood up against them for their behavior and they don't like it. The meetings are not ran for the village, they are ran for the board to insult and abuse people. If you have been a victim of these insults and abuse from the board, call Grundy County and fill out a complaint. Believe me, if the taxpayers of Braceville had known that these three members, wolves dressed in sheep's clothing, intended to behave in this manner, they would not be in office. They should be publishing a public apology to the people of Braceville and hanging their heads in shame.

## Can't separate the two

**WILMINGTON**—The difference between the pro-life and pro-abortion movements is not that we love the baby and they love the mother. The real difference is that they think you can separate the two and we say you can't. You cannot kill a baby without hurting the mother, and you cannot protect the baby without loving the mother. We have been called to a love that recognizes the intimate union of mother and child. May they flourish together in love and protection.

## A bloody stalemate

**BRAIDWOOD**—Read since 2001 American's longest war has cost the United States nearly \$1 trillion and lives of more than 2,300 military personnel. Another 20,000 were wounded and tens of thousands are home with minds scarred by post-traumatic stress disorder. Victory in Afghanistan

remains out of reach. Afghanistan's corrupt central government remains. Civilian and Afghan military casualties are rising. ISIS is launching more suicide bomb attacks and Afghan opium production recently hit an all time high. We can't walk away from this permanently failing state. Taliban insurgents would take power and foreign jihadists would be free to set up terrorist training camps again. In Afghanistan the best result our bombs, blood and treasure can buy is a bloody endless stalemate. Just stay out of the United States.

## More billionaires

**BRAIDWOOD**—Read there were 13 billionaires on *Forbes* magazine's annual list of the 400 richest Americans when it debuted in 1982. Today every single person on the *Forbes* 400 list is a billionaire. Only in America.

## To all moms

**WILMINGTON**—Mother's Day is Sunday and it's a time when every mom deserves hugs and kisses. You don't have to buy us gifts, a card with a heartfelt, sincere message will do. Sadly, kids don't make that effort anymore. A text message, like I got last year, was so impersonal but a card is something every mom would cherish. Happy Mother's Day to all moms.

## Nothing for free

**BRAIDWOOD**—President Obama planned an event at the University of Chicago to encourage the young to become involved in very liberal politics. The news media gave the impression he was doing this for free and out of the kindness of his heart. Truth is, he was paid \$400,000 to talk a few hours. President Obama does nothing for free.

## A jungle out there

**BRAIDWOOD**—We support the state of Arkansas capital punishment. All the states should be considering once again having capital punishment. Not with lethal injection. Just use a firing squad and you'll never know which gun held the real bullet. Six months after the crime beyond a reasonable doubt - it's over. Police officers are being gunned down weekly across the United States. Without law and order a dictator could easily take over. The big cities are becoming jungles.

## Not a leader

**WILMINGTON**—As our wonderful president said before the election, Mexico will pay for the wall. Ha ha, looks like we are picking up the tab for his great wall. With his big mouth it looks like he will get us in a war with North Korea. That leader is more of an idiot than our leader.

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# The wheel that weaved its way into history

BY TONYA MICHALEC  
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It's been called one of mankind's earliest self-powered machines and it was found last week while touring one of Wilmington's larger antique malls, Milltown Market.

The shop is located at 508 N. Kankakee St., just a hop and skip from Water Street shopping, and has room after room of large and small antiques.

Two rooms in, is where The White Glove spied the large 1800s spinning wheel priced at \$275. The apparatus appears to be made of solid oak and stands about four feet tall and stretches nearly five feet wide.

The spinning wheel was designed to weave plant and animal fibers into thread and yarn. Spinning wheels are believed to have originated in either China or India, somewhere between year 500 and the 10th century. By the 13th century, half the world was using a spin wheel.

For 8,000 years fiber was twisted by hand, a long tedious process done out of necessity to stitch clothing. But once the spin wheel came along yarn, rope and thread could be made 100 times faster.



A PRIMITIVE SPINNING wheel turned the head of The White Glove last week in Wilmington. Spinning wheels have been used to turn plant and animal fibers into thread for fabrics for over 1,000 years.

Spinning required only a pair of hands and a stick held horizontally between them.

One of the main uses for thread and yarn is to become woven into cloth on a loom. So with the invention, fabric making took off.

Up until the wheel was invented, unless you were wealthy or royalty, you had to spin your own thread and weave your own fabric in order to make clothing, sheets, blankets and more.

Think about the time it

takes to make a quilt or wool blanket. Imagine how much more time it would take if you had to weave together the yarn first. And, depending on the household, having to make four or five blankets and clothing for five would be an endless task. A small, non-stop army of spinners, weavers and seamstresses would have been needed just to keep everyone clothed. No wonder people rarely owned more than one set of clothing then.

Regardless of whether rich or poor, if you were master of your own castle, one could expect to find distant relatives, servants and dependents living there too. It would take forever just to hand spin enough thread for all of their clothing, let alone the rest of the steps needed to complete the task.

Before the spinning wheel evolved, Vikings sailed on longboats fastened with sails spun on drop spindles. The thread for these massive tarps would have taken many, many months to spin before weaving could even take place, making preparation for finding new lands nearly as difficult as the voyages that lied ahead.

A dramatic expansion in sail making took place after the wheel was introduced. With bigger sails being made in shorter amounts of time, the size and speeds of ships increased. This is believed to have been a crucial factor in Europe's colonization of the Americas, Africa and India. Without larger sails, bigger boats would have not been possible. And without big boats, no one would have ever been able to reach other continents.

Prior to the 13th century, books were made from parchment, a thin, paper-like material made from prepared animal skin. It was

extremely time consuming to make and was the main product used for writing during ancient and Medieval times. To make one copy of the Bible from parchment, the skins from 300 sheep or calves would be needed.

According to Lynn Townsend White Jr., professor of Medieval history at Princeton, the spinning wheel caused a breakthrough in production of linen clothes and rags in Europe.

It is because of a rag surplus, he said, that paper production began. The extra rags were soaked, strained and dried into sheets of paper that was much easier, and far cheaper, to make than that of parchment.

Europeans began large-scale production of the new "cheap" paper. In turn, production of affordable books, broadsheets and opportunities for universal education took place.

Nowadays, people may

still be sewing some of their own clothes, quilts or draperies. But chances are, no one is still working a wheel to spin the thread unless they are a purist or artisan. They just go to the store or click a button on their phone to buy fabric.

So, since thread spinning by wheel has become another one of the world's lost arts, it can be assumed that where these ancient spoolers fit in today is with home decor.

The current trend beyond displaying as backdrop decorations in one's home, is to alter them to fit the needs people are looking to fill. Some of the most common items they are currently being repurposed into are end tables, chandeliers and wall art.

That's what makes this oak spinner a perfect find for anyone who loves to sew.

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## Stamp Out Hunger food drive on May 13

On Saturday, May 13, the National Association of Letter Carriers, United States Postal Service and other partners are asking the community to Stamp Out Hunger.

This is the 25th anniversary of the food drive, which has grown into a national effort that provides assistance to the millions of Americans struggling to help put food on the table.

The Stamp Out Hunger food drive, held on the second Saturday in May, has become the nation's largest single-day food drive. In 2016, generous Americans donated 80.1 million pounds of food, feeding millions of people.

This was the 13th consecutive year of at least 70 million pounds collected by letter carriers, bringing the grand total to 1.5 billion pounds of food collected, since the Food Drive began in 1993.

To make a donation, leave a bag of nonperishable food items by the mail-

box to help your neighbors in need. The top requested non-perishable food items are cereal, pasta, pasta sauce or spaghetti sauce, rice, canned fruits and vegetables, canned meals such as soups, chili and pasta, 100 percent juice, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese, canned protein (tuna, chicken and turkey), and canned or dry beans.

You also can donate healthy, low-sodium, low-sugar items such as beans, oatmeal and other whole grains, and canola or olive oil. On Saturday, May 13, Letter carriers will collect these food donations as they deliver the mail and take them to local food banks.

The need for food assistance exists in every community in America. According to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, 50 million Americans are food insecure, meaning they live at risk of hunger. Perhaps most alarming is the fact that nearly 16 million children in America are struggling with hunger. Additionally, close to 5 million seniors

face choices between paying rent, utilities, and having nutritious food.

This year's partners are the U.S. Postal Service, the National Rural Letter Carriers' Association (NRLCA), the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW), Valpak, United Way Worldwide, the AFL-CIO, the AARP Foundation and Valassis.

On Facebook, "like" [facebook.com/StampOutHunger](https://www.facebook.com/StampOutHunger), and on Twitter, follow @StampOutHunger. For more information about the annual Stamp Out Hunger food drive, visit [www.feedingamerica.org](http://www.feedingamerica.org) and [www.nalco.org/community-service/food-drive](http://www.nalco.org/community-service/food-drive).

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

## So who are professional counselors?

Too many people know only one aspect of the counseling profession, and may be unaware of all that professional counselors have to offer.

In many cases, the only contact a family may have had was with a school counselor when their children were in elementary, junior or high school. Yet while the counseling profession includes school counselors, they're only one part of the profession.

For starters, it's important to understand that professional counselors must complete quite a bit of specialized education before they can work in the counseling field.

All professional counselors today hold at least a master's degree, and growing numbers have earned doctoral degrees. In addition, as part of their education, they have typically spent at least 3,000 hours in supervised clinics to earn their license.

As part of their education and training, most pro-

fessional counselors specialize in specific areas of counseling. They may focus on wellness, on career development, on relationship issues, on working with children or in any of the many other areas in which people may need help.

And help is what counselors have to offer. Often people are under the mistaken impression that when someone sits down with a professional counselor, that counselor is going to be to tell the person how to change and live his or her life.

The reality is that counselors don't dictate to their clients, but rather assist the clients in discovering for themselves what issues are concerning them and what alternatives there might be to overcome problems and develop solutions.

Yes, some people who work with a professional

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counselor may be facing severe lifestyle or mental health issues, but the majority

of the clients with whom counselors work are just regular people who are looking for help with everyday issues.

Maybe the person is unhappy in his or her career, maybe there are relationship issues, maybe the person is feeling depressed without really knowing why. Working with a counselor is a means for finding answers that are often difficult to discover on one's own.

Finding a professional counselor to work with isn't difficult to do. Your physician or local mental health center can usually make recommendations.

The American Counseling Association's website also offers a free referral service to locate a counselor in your area. It's online at

[www.counseling.org/find-a-counselor](http://www.counseling.org/find-a-counselor). Clicking there can be the first step in finding professional assistance to a happier and more fulfilling life.

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## Trinity Services to continue Lamb's Fold's mission

Trinity Services, Inc. of New Lenox recently announced that on July 1 it will continue the mission of Lamb's Fold Center for Women and Children of Joliet, helping homeless or abused women and children work toward self-sufficiency.

Since 1985, Lamb's Fold has provided supportive housing and personalized recovery services to help countless women and children gain independence. Trinity Services has worked with Lamb's Fold since 2003, providing case management services to the organization's clients.

Gaps in funding because of Illinois legislators' inability to pass a full operating budget since July 2015 have left Lamb's Fold on uncertain financial footing.

"Trinity will ensure the future of our mission, and we are excited for the possibilities for progress," said Lamb's Fold Executive Director Rhonda Sykes. "This will give more security to the women and children we served and make sure our mission continues."

Trinity Services, Inc. is a 67-year-old, nonsectarian, nonprofit organization dedicated to helping children and adults with developmental disabilities and mental illness flourish and live full and abundant lives.

It serves more than 3,500 people in 31 communities in Will, Cook, DuPage, Grundy, Peoria, Jackson, Madison and St. Clair counties, and Reno, NV.

To learn more, visit [www.trinity-services.org](http://www.trinity-services.org).



## FCC van offering ride to Hope Center for food

The First Christian Church in Wilmington offers its monthly van ride service to the Hands of Hope Center in Joliet.

The Hope Center is a community assistance program that helps individuals and families obtain food and other household items at a highly discounted rate.

The van will leave the church at 1824 Church St., Wilmington, at 9:30 a.m. and return by noon.

The Hope Center has a \$5 annual membership fee and requires a photo ID. Van seating will be on a first come, first serve basis and a seat in the van can be reserved by calling the church office at 815-476-6734.

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 Reconciliation: 4:45 to 5:15 p.m., Saturday  
 Weekend Mass: 5:30 p.m., Saturday; 7:30 and 11 a.m., Sunday; 9:15 a.m., Sunday at St. Lawrence O'Toole in Essex  
 • The Adoration Chapel in Fr. White Hall is open 24/7, but unlocked daily from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. A code is available for those visiting the chapel before or after hours. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to make a commitment, or access the code, call Bill Scheer at 815-458-6800.

## FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

401 E. Kahler Rd. • Wilmington, IL  
 Pastor Tom Kingerly  
 815-476-5474  
 web page: [www.fumcwilm.com](http://www.fumcwilm.com)  
 Wed.: 9 a.m. to noon, preschool; 7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous  
 Thu.: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Women, Infants and Children (WIC) hours; 6 p.m., Education meeting and Finance, Trustees and Endowment Joint meeting; 7 p.m., church council  
 Fri.: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., preschool  
 Sat.: 8 a.m., Men's Club breakfast; 7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous  
 Sun.: Mother's Day; 8:30 a.m., Sunday school for sixth grade through adults; 9:30 a.m., Sunday school for preschool through fifth grade, worship service  
 Mon.: 9 a.m. to noon, preschool; 6:30 p.m., 4-H  
 Preschool information can be found in the church office or website.  
 • Our Caring Closet, at 205 N. First St. in Wilmington, is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each Tuesday and Thursday.  
 • The church offers youth group, Men's Club, women's groups, Christian fellowship dinners, and mission and community outreach opportunities.

## BRACEVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

106 W. Gould Street • P.O. Box 46  
 Braceville, IL  
 Pastor Bennett A. Woods  
 815-237-8512  
 bumcighthouse@yahoo.com  
 Sun.: 9:30 a.m., worship, first Sunday with Holy Communion  
 • United Methodist People meet on the second Tuesday of each month, time and location to be determined  
 • Women's Bible study is held on Tuesdays at 10 a.m.  
 • Alcoholics Anonymous meetings are on Friday at 8 p.m.  
 • A salad luncheon and silent auction will be held on Wednesday, May 17, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event will be free. Love offerings will be accepted.  
 • Vacation Bible School - Jungle Safari is set for Monday through Friday, June 19-23, from 9 a.m. to noon. The closing celebration will be at 6 p.m., Friday, June 23. The event will be free for all.  
 • Children's after school programs JAM Junction, and Jesus and Me, for kindergarten through fourth graders; and EDGE for preteens, are held on Wednesday from after school until 4:30 p.m. STATIC youth group Standing Together As Teens in Christ, for seventh through twelfth grades, is held on Wednesdays from 6 to 8 p.m. Snacks are provided.

## ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

195 S. Kankakee St. • Coal City, IL  
 815-634-4171  
 Reverend Robert Noesen  
[stmmaryassumptionparish.org](http://stmmaryassumptionparish.org)  
 Monday and Tuesday - 8:30 a.m. communion service  
 Due to church renovation, Sunday Mass will be celebrated in Berst Hall. Weekday rosary, Mass and communion services will be celebrated in a temporary chapel at the south end of the religious education building. Mass on the first Tuesday of the month, Saint Peregrine Devotions and first Saturday 8:30 a.m. Mass and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be held in Berst hall.  
 • Tuesday - 6:30 p.m. Mass; Wednesday through Friday - 8:30 a.m. Mass; Saturday - 4 p.m. Mass; Sunday - 8 and 10:30 a.m. Mass; first Saturday of the month - 8:30 a.m. Mass and the sacrament of anointing of the sick  
 • Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturday from 3:20 to 3:45 p.m.; Sunday before the 10:30 a.m. Mass; and Wednesday before the 8:30 a.m. Mass  
 • Daily rosary - 8 a.m. in the church  
 • Devotional prayers Novena to Our Lord and His mother, Our Lady of Perpetual Help - Wednesday, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass  
 • Devotional prayers Novena to Our Lord and His servant, Saint Peregrine, patron saint of those who suffer with cancer or any incurable disease or condition, Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament - first Tuesday of the month following the 6:30 p.m. Mass  
 • St. Vincent DePaul Monday evening dinners for the needy are held in Berst Hall. For the parish food and household pantry call 815-634-4171.  
 • Mother of the Eucharist Perpetual Adoration Chapel is located across from the church at 195 S. Kankakee St. The chapel is a place of silent prayer in the presence of Jesus Christ, truly present in the Eucharist. The Eucharist is solemnly exposed for adoration 24 hours a day, seven days a week. It is a place of silent and reverent prayer. Everyone is encouraged to stop in anytime, make regular visits, and sign-up for a specific hour of adoration each week.

## WILMINGTON PENTECOSTAL CHURCH

32111 S. Rt. 53 • Wilmington  
 815-365-2318  
 PASTOR DOROTHY WALDRON  
 Sun.: 6 p.m., service  
 Sun.: 9:30 a.m., Bible classes; 10:35 a.m., worship; 5 p.m., afternoon worship  
 Wed.: 7 p.m., Bible study

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

1440 Sunset Dr. P.O. Box 202  
 Wilmington, IL  
 815-476-2616  
 Britton Roth  
 815-476-7659  
 Steve Gibson  
 815-634-4396  
 www.wilmingtoncoc.com  
 Sun.: 9:30 a.m., Bible classes; 10:35 a.m., worship; 5 p.m., afternoon worship  
 Wed.: 7 p.m., Bible study

## NEW COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

705 E. Washington St  
 Morris, IL  
 Pastor Kevin Yandell  
 Children's Director  
 Patsy Phillips  
 815-942-4255  
 Sunday worship: 9 and 10:45 a.m.  
 • Nursery and children's programs offered

## ISLAND CITY BAPTIST CHURCH

120 Vine Street  
 Wilmington, IL  
 Pastor Jeff Logsdon  
 476-9750  
 Sun.: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. to noon, worship service, nursery provided; 9:45 to 10:45 a.m., Sunday school classes for all ages  
 Wed.: 6 to 7:30 p.m., Adult Bible study and prayer meeting year-round;  
 • Kindergarten through twelfth grade students meet from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for Bible study during the school year.

## CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

303 S. Kankakee  
 Wilmington, IL  
 476-HOPE  
 Rev. Bill Luttrell  
 wfcnaz@aol.com  
 Sun.: 9:30 a.m., Sunday school; 10:30 a.m., worship; 3 p.m., Hands of Praise puppet team practice; 6 p.m., service  
 Mon.: 7 p.m., video exercise class in fellowship hall  
 Wed.: 7 p.m., fellowship, outreach ministry teams, teen Bible studies  
 Thu.: 7 p.m., video exercise class in fellowship hall  
 Sat.: 8 a.m., Men's prayer at the church and breakfast at Chick-A-Dee.  
 • Call 476-HOPE for prayer if you or someone you know is hospitalized.  
 • Those who need a ride to Sunday school and church should call or e-mail the church.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

4470 E. Rt. 113  
 P.O. Box 39  
 Coal City, IL  
 Pastor David Gilleland  
 815-634-2654  
 www.fbccoalcity.com  
 Wed.: 7 p.m., adult Bible study and activities for children and youth  
 Sun.: 9:45 a.m., Sunday school for all ages; 11 a.m., Sunday worship

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

106 S. Lincoln Street  
 Braidwood, IL  
 Pastor Dale Tolly  
 Church: 815-458-6317  
 Pastor: 815-922-2212  
 www.firstpresbraidwood.org  
 Sun.: 10 a.m., worship  
 Living Stones  
 Community Church  
 25124 S. Fryer St. • Channahon, IL  
 815-325-8476  
 • Pastor Joe Popischill invited bikers and people of faith to church on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.  
 • Fellowship and Bible study follows.  
 • Blessings of bikes coming soon.

## ROSE OF SHARON MINISTRY

29 Aqueduct • Diamond, IL  
 Rev. Jan Quiet • 815-228-9585  
 Sun.: 2 p.m., service  
 • Gospel Sing is on the second Saturday of each month at 5 p.m.  
 • Christian Singles meets at 6 p.m. on the third Friday of each month.  
 • A healing service is held on the fourth Saturday of each month at 6 p.m.

## ABUNDANT LIFE FELLOWSHIP

23632 W. Hwy. 113  
 Wilmington, IL  
 815-458-6530  
 Pastor Greg Linkous  
 alfwillington.com  
 • Sun.: 10:30 a.m., worship, children's church and nursery available  
 • Tue.: Home church (Bible study)  
 • Wed.: 6 to 7 p.m., prayer meeting at the church; 7 to 8:30 p.m., men's Bible study at the church  
 • Fri.: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., ladies' Bible study every other Friday at the church  
 • Sat.: 8 to 10 a.m., men's prayer breakfast on the second Saturday of each month  
 • Potluck fellowship dinner is held on the first Sunday of each month following worship.

## TURNING POINTE APOSTOLIC CENTRE

85 S. Broadway; Suite C • Coal City, IL  
 Pastor Ida M. Nelson  
 815-342-0652  
 Sun.: 10 a.m., worship  
 Tue.: 7 p.m., worship  
 • Sun.: 8 and 10:30 a.m., worship service; 9 a.m., Sunday school for all ages; 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous the community building  
 Mon.: 6:15 p.m., women's Alcoholics Anonymous in the community building  
 Tue.: 7 p.m., Al-Anon in the community building

## ESSEX UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

114 W. Waverly Street  
 Sun.: 9 a.m., children's Sunday school; 9:30 a.m., adult Bible study; 10:30 a.m., worship  
 • Holy Communion is served on the first Sunday of each month and on special occasions.

## WILMINGTON CHURCH OF GOD

1200 Sunset Dr. • Wilmington, IL  
 60481  
 Pastor Raymond H. Jones  
 Home: 815-237-2158  
 Sun.: 10 a.m., Sunday school; 11 a.m., worship service  
 Wed.: 6:30 p.m., Bible study

## ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

14936 W. Peotone Rd.  
 Wilton Center, IL  
 478-3440  
 Father Roger Kutzner  
 Pastor  
 Rev. Mr. Milt Leppert  
 Permanent Deacon  
 Mass schedule: 9 a.m., Monday through Friday; 5:30 p.m., Saturday; 9 a.m., Sunday  
 • Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is on Fridays from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

## KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

West River Road  
 Wilmington, IL  
 815-476-4060  
 Tue.: 7:30 p.m., Midweek meeting, Christian Life and Ministry  
 Sun.: 10 a.m., Bible topic; Discourse on Bible Topic  
 All interested persons welcome, no collections taken.

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## CHURCH OF HOPE

Monroe & Jefferson Streets; Gardner, IL  
 Pastor Jan Chandler;  
 237-8312  
 Sun.: 9 a.m., Sunday school; 10:15 a.m., worship  
 Wed.: 8:30 a.m., Pastor's prayer and lectio study group  
 Thu.: 8:30 a.m., church prayer group

## UNIVERSALIST UNITARIAN CHURCH OF JOLIET

2505 Washington St.  
 Joliet, IL  
 Rev. Emily Gage  
 722-0836  
 Sun.: 9 a.m., adult gather, child care; 10:30 a.m., worship and church school.

## NEW HOPE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

80 N. Garfield St.  
 Coal City, IL  
 815-634-8332  
 newhopepresbychurch@gmail.com  
 The Rev. Mark Hughey  
 Sun.: 9 to 10:15 a.m., last day of Sunday school until fall; 10:30 a.m., worship service  
 Mon.: 10:45 a.m., Meals on Wheels; 1 p.m., Bible study  
 • Office hours are Monday through Friday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
 • On the final day of Sunday school until fall, May 14, the children will plant flowers in the front of the church. Classes will resume after Labor Day.  
 • Bible study will be held at 1 p.m., on Monday, May 15 and 22.  
 • There will be a Session meeting at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17.  
 • Newsletter articles are due at 9 a.m. on Friday, May 26.  
 • Committee Night will be at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 7.  
 • The Women's Association will meet on Wednesday, June 7.  
 • An open prayer gathering will be held on the first Wednesday of each month, from 4 to 7 p.m. Group prayer will be at 5:30 p.m. followed by refreshments. Everyone is invited.  
 • St. Vincent's Table has temporarily moved to Immaculate Conception Church. To volunteer to cook, set-up, do dishes or clean-up, sign-up on the sheet on the tri-fold. Desserts can be dropped off by 4 p.m. at the New Hope kitchen each Monday. Use disposable containers or wrap in plastic individually. For more information call 815-370-7817 or email Cathy Milne at [cathymilne@gmail.com](mailto:cathymilne@gmail.com).  
 • Sign-up for the food pantry and Meals on Wheels at least a week in advance on the tri-fold.

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## JOLIET JEWISH CONGREGATION

250 N. Midland Ave. • Joliet, IL  
 815-741-4600  
 Rabbi Charles Rubovits  
 www.jolietjewishcongregation.org  
 Fri.: 7 p.m., service  
 Sat.: 9 a.m., service  
 • Religious school for pre-kindergarten through eighth grade features Hebrew and Bar/Bat Mitzvah training. Call the synagogue to register.  
 • All life cycle events and Jewish holidays celebrated. Social programs include congregational Shabbat dinners, Seders, folk dancing, bagel and lox brunches, book clubs, adult education classes and other special events.

## SOUTH WILMINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

225 Rice Street • 815-426-6169  
 Pastor Dennis Brooks  
 Sunday worship - 8:30 a.m.  
 • Holy communion served on first Sunday of each month and special occasions.

## RIVER OF LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH

24901 S. Sage St. • Channahon, IL  
 Pastor Hans Fiene  
 815-467-6401  
 Sun.: 9 a.m., worship; 10:15 a.m., Sunday school and Bible study

## COAL CITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6805 E. McArdle Rd.  
 815-634-8670  
 The Reverend Bradley D. Shumaker  
 www.coalcityum.org  
 Wed.: 9 a.m., women's Bible study; 10:30 a.m., Alcoholics Anonymous in the community building  
 Sat.: 6 p.m., Narcotics Anonymous in the community building  
 Sun.: 8 and 10:30 a.m., worship service; 9 a.m., Sunday school for all ages; 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous the community building  
 Mon.: 6:15 p.m., women's Alcoholics Anonymous in the community building  
 Tue.: 7 p.m., Al-Anon in the community building

## FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

3950 N. Goose Lake Rd.  
 Morris, IL  
 (Corner of Pine Bluff, Lorenzo and Goose Lake roads)  
 942-0675  
 Pastor Caleb Counterman  
 Sun.: 9:30 a.m., Sunday school; 10:30 a.m., worship service, children's service; 6 p.m., worship  
 Wed.: 7 p.m., prayer meeting

## ST. LAWRENCE CHURCH

P.O. Box 190  
 So. Wilmington, IL  
 815-237-2230  
 Masses: 4 p.m., Saturday; 10 a.m., Sunday; 7:30 a.m., Monday, Tuesday and Thursday  
 Reconciliation: 3 to 3:45 p.m., Saturday or by appointment  
 • CCD classes are held on Sunday mornings from 8:30 to 9:40 a.m., at the South Wilmington Grade School. Call the rectory for more information.

## CHRISTIAN FAITH CENTER

1800 S. Water St.  
 Wilmington, IL  
 815-388-8628  
 Pastor Jeff A. Urban  
 Sun.: 10 a.m., Family worship with classes for children ages newborn to 11-years-old  
 Wed.: 7 to 8 p.m., Family worship with classes for all ages

## PHELAN ACRES BIBLE CHURCH

26009 Willow Lane  
 Phelan Acres  
 Wilmington, IL  
 476-7818  
 Pastor Rodney L. Chappell  
 Sun.: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School; 11 a.m. morning worship; 6 p.m., evening service  
 Wed.: 7 p.m., adult Bible study and prayer; children's Bible clubs

## BURNING HEARTS BIBLE CHURCH

Custer Park  
 Township Hall  
 35332 Grant Ave. • Custer Park, IL  
 Pastor Dan Ahlenius  
 779-205-8606  
 Sun.: 10:30 a.m., worship  
 The non-denominational church offers children's church and weekly men's and women's Bible study. Visit the church on Facebook.

## CHURCH OF HOPE

Monroe & Jefferson Streets; Gardner, IL  
 Pastor Jan Chandler;  
 237-8312  
 Sun.: 9 a.m., Sunday school; 10:15 a.m., worship  
 Wed.: 8:30 a.m., Pastor's prayer and lectio study group  
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 722-0836  
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## MAIN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH

110 S. Division St. • Braidwood, IL  
 Pastor Justin Kinder  
 msbbraidwood.com  
 Sun.: 9:45 a.m., Sunday school; 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., worship  
 Wed.: 6 p.m., prayer meeting  
 • Office hours are Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to noon.  
 • Awana and youth will meet at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays.

## GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH & Grace Lutheran Preschool

907 Luther Dr. • Wilmington, IL  
 Office: 815-476-9480  
 Reverend Zak Wagner  
 Preschool Director Mary Kay Hays  
 office@gracewilm.org  
 pastor@gracewilm.org  
 Wed.: 6 p.m., confirmation  
 Fri.: 9 a.m., Friday Crew  
 Sat.: 9:30 a.m., Weight Watchers; 4:30 p.m., progressive dinner - pre-purchase tickets)  
 Sun.: 9:30 a.m., worship with communion; 10:30 a.m., Godly Play, Coffee Time  
 Mon.: 11 a.m., Bible study; 7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous  
 • Grace Lutheran Preschool is accepting 2017-2018 registrations. For more information visit [www.gracewilm.org](http://www.gracewilm.org), or call the church office.

## NEW LIFE CHURCH A United Pentecostal Church

495 E. First St. • Coal City, IL 60416  
 Pastor Larry Garcia,  
 815-634-4133  
 Sun.: 10 a.m., Sunday school and worship  
 Wed.: 7 p.m., Bible school  
 Thu.: 7 p.m., addiction support group

## ST. ROSE OF LIMA CATHOLIC CHURCH

Wilmington, IL  
 Rev. Steve Bondi  
 School Principal: Linda Bland  
 Rectory 476-7491; School 476-6220; Religious Education 476-6220; Kuzma Cottage 476-2030, Hours: 9-11 a.m., Mon.-Fri.  
 Schedule  
 Daily Mass 8 a.m. on Mon., Wed. and Fri.; Saturday Vigil at 4:30 p.m.; and Sundays at 7 and 11 a.m.  
 Thu.: 10 a.m., Legion of Mary in the St. Rose Church meeting room  
 Fri.: 10 a.m., May Crowning, early dismissal  
 Sat.: Noon, Rosary Rally in front of St. Rose Church; Meet and Greet  
 Sun.: Mother's Day; building and maintenance collection; Trinity Dome collection; Meet and Greet  
 • Mass is celebrated on Saturday evening at 4:30 p.m. Sunday Mass is at 7 and 11 a.m. Weekday Masses are on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8 a.m. During school months the Wednesday morning Mass begins at 8:10 a.m. Communion services, pending volunteers, are on Tuesday and Thursdays at 8 a.m. Any prearranged Mass intentions for Tuesdays and Thursdays have been rescheduled for either the Monday, Wednesday or Friday Mass as close to the original date as possible.  
 • The Legion of Mary will hold a Rosary Rally on Saturday, May 13, beginning at noon in front of St. Rose Church in honor of the 100th anniversary of the Miracle of Fatima. Everyone is welcome to attend. A new traveling Our Lady of Fatima statue will be introduced later that day at the 4:30 p.m. Mass. Any family who would like to take her home with them for a week at a time should call Marlene at 815-476-6186.  
 • Exotic wildlife animals will be at this year's Mother/Son Exotic Animal Party on Friday, May 19, from 5:30 to 8 p.m., in the St. Rose School gymnasium.  
 • Mass with prayers for healing is on the first Friday of each month at 7 p.m. Call the parish to verify the Mass will be celebrated. Everyone is invited.

## FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

1824 Church St., Wilmington, IL  
 Dallas Henry, Lead Minister  
 Zach Griepenstroh, Student & Arts Minister  
 815-476-6734  
 www.fccwilmington.org  
 Sun.: 8:30 and 10 a.m., worship service and children's worship; 10 a.m., Bible classes for adults; preschool through fifth grade children are invited to join Kid's Cove to discover God's word with singing and Bible stories during each worship service; a nursery is provided for all Sunday morning activities  
 • Collision for sixth through twelfth grades meet each Sunday from 5:30 to 7 p.m.  
 • Men's and women's Bible study meet on every Monday at 7 p.m.  
 • Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) meetings are on the first and third Thursday of each month at 9 a.m. at the church.  
 • Celebrate Recovery meets at the church each Thursday at 7 p.m.  
 • Family groups meet each week in Wilmington and Coal City. Call the church for times and locations.  
 • The Deep Roots after-school program provides care for kindergarten through sixth grade students on school days from 2:30 to 6 p.m. There are still openings for the 2016-2017 school year. Call the church office for information.

## Clean clothes, clean spirit

Lift your spirits by getting your laundry done all at once. We've got the equipment to do it and make life a little easier. Use our three Dexter Quad Loaders to do four loads at once, also to wash those big blankets and quilts.

## Wilmington Speed Wash

112 E. Jefferson St. Wilmington  
 Open 5 a.m. to 10 p.m. daily



# OBITUARIES

## D. Louise Carey

DWIGHT—D. Louise Carey, 83, of Dwight, passed away Wednesday, May 3, 2017 at her home.

She was born April 14, 1934 in West Inn, IL, the daughter of Alfred and Edith Timmie (Williams) Groves. Louise was a jack of all trades in crafting. She enjoyed reading, sewing and crocheting. She was a former member of Southern Baptist Church in Parrish, IL.

Louise is survived by her children: Roberta (Dale) McMillin of Gardner, Stanley (Elvina) Wiley of Moulton, AL; Mary Tension of Dwight, Tina Gail Wiley of Mendota and Tim (Kim) Wiley of Sikeston, MO; two brothers, Lloyd Groves of Goose



Lake and Kenny Groves of Lake Station, IN and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, one son, William Alfred Wiley and four brothers: Bill, Carl, Bob and Eddie.

Funeral services were held Saturday, May 6, 2017 at RW Patterson Funeral Home in Braidwood.

Cremation rites were accorded following the services, per her wishes. Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Arrangements were made under the direction of RW Patterson Funeral Homes.

## Robert Flowers

BRAIDWOOD—Robert Dean Flowers, 81, of Braidwood, IL, passed away Thursday, May 4, 2017 at Presence St. Joseph Medical Center in Joliet, IL.

Born May 18, 1935 in Big Sandy, TN, he was the son of Doss Hudson and Nell (nee Barnes) Flowers. Robert retired from the Carpenter's Union, Local 195 and Local 1092. He was a member of the Main Street Baptist Church.

Surviving are one son, Robert Doss (Denise DeMattie) Flowers of Braidwood; special companion, Edith Odom; former daughter-in-law, Theresa Flowers of Braidwood; three grandchildren: Emily (Derek) Torres, James Flowers and Brian (Erica) Flowers; six grandchildren: Virginia, Mariana and Gwendolyn Torres, Leo and Lucas Conn and Logan Dean Flowers; seven sisters-in-law: Shirley Essertier of Culpeper, VA; Kaye (Thomas) Jones of Smithland, KY; Helen Watson, Judy Faught, Barbara (Danny) Browning and Debbie (Eddie) Summers, all of Marion, KY and Gerri (Larry) Johnson of Tolu, KY; three brothers: Doss Flowers and Thomas Flowers, both of Big Sandy, TN and Kenneth Flowers of Shelby,



NC. Other survivors include Debbie (Rick) McCombs, Cheryl (Howell) Bobo, Timmy (Patty) Odom, Mike (Karen) Odom and Jackie Polox.

Robert was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Betty Rose (nee Williams), whom he married March 31, 1955; sister, Mary V. (Gerald) Rushing; brother, EG Flowers; brother-in-law, Ray Williams; sisters-in-law: Louise Turley, Dorothy Rae, Billa Jean Flowers, Myrt Flowers and Laura Flowers.

Visitation was held Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes, Ltd., Braidwood Chapel. Funeral services will also be held at Stockdale-Malin Funeral Home in Big Sandy, TN. Interment will be at Bakers Chapel Cemetery in Big Sandy, TN.

For more information and to visit his online guestbook, log onto [www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com) or find their Facebook page at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes.

Arrangements are under the direction of R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory, 401 E. Main St., Braidwood.

## Maria Jacobs

COAL CITY—Maria Jacobs, 47, of Coal City, passed away Thursday, May 4, 2017 at Morris Hospital, as the result of a sudden cardiac condition.

Born Sept. 18, 1969 in Joliet, IL, Maria Elizabeth was the daughter of Anthony and Gloria (DeGrush) Olivo. She was raised in Coal City and graduated from Coal City High School with the class of 1987. On Aug. 5, 2006 Maria married her best friend, Thomas Jacobs in Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Roman Catholic Church in Coal City. She was an avid reader, teddy bear collector and loved anything Disney. She was also a huge animal lover, especially of bears.

Survivors include her husband, Tom; daughter, Savannah; grandfather, Eugene



"Pee-Wee" DeGrush; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Tim and Amy Jacobs and nieces, Allison and Emily Jacobs, as well as countless close friends.

Maria was preceded in death by her parents, Gloria Jean Olivo (2004) and Anthony Thomas Olivo (2011), and her grandmother, Margaret DeGrush (2005).

Maria was privately laid to rest next to her parents in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery. There will be no services.

Family and friends may sign the guest book, upload photographs or share Maria's memorial page on social media by logging onto [www.ReevesFuneral.com](http://www.ReevesFuneral.com).

Arrangements were made under the direction and care of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd. in Coal City.

## Earl Hines

WILMINGTON—Earl E. Hines "Butch", 71 of Wilmington, passed away Wednesday morning, May 3, 2017 at Aperia Care in Wilmington.

Born Dec. 24, 1945 in Joliet, Earl Eugene was a son of the late Marion and Patricia (Treadman) Hines. He was raised and educated in Wilmington and after high school went on to honorably serve in the United States Marine Corps during the Vietnam War. Earl was a truck driver and worked for many different companies over the years, ensuring his shipments always arrived on time. He was a history buff; enjoyed sharing stories about his time served with the Marines, and was a fan of both art and music. Earl enjoyed drawing in his free time, but his most treasured times were spent with his family and friends.

Survivors include six children: Sarabeth (Robert) Jones of Normal, Raymond Hines of Wisconsin Rapids, WI, Richard Hines of Diamond, Jerry (Robyn) Watenpaugh of Wilmington, Jason (Tammy) Watenpaugh of Rudolph, Wisconsin and Chantell (Michael) Watenpaugh of Cullom; five grandchildren: Alisabeth, Delaney, Brandon, BreAnn and



Cheyenne; one brother: Jack Skeldon of New Lenox; one sister: Patricia Abanatha of Wilmington, and nieces and nephews: Jackson, Christina, James and Michael, as well as his close friend: Dan Bendel.

Earl was preceded in death by his maternal grandparents: Raymond and Viola Treadman and brother: Donny Skeldon.

The family received friends on Sunday morning, May 7 at Baskerville Funeral Home, 700 East Kahler Road in Wilmington. Burial followed with military honors in Oakwood Cemetery, Wilmington where Earl was laid to rest with his grandparents Raymond and Viola.

In lieu of flowers, preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Earl's memory to his family for their distribution.

Family and friends may sign the guest book, upload photographs or share Earl's memorial page on social media, by logging onto: [www.BaskervilleFuneral.com](http://www.BaskervilleFuneral.com)

Funeral services and arrangements have been made under the direction and care of Baskerville Funeral Home in Wilmington.

## Louis P. Ruffatti

COAL CITY—Louis P. Ruffatti, "Louie," 81, of Coal City passed away peacefully Monday, May 8, 2017 at his home.

Born June 23, 1935 in Eileen, Louis Peter was a son of Louis and Mary (Pantaleone) Ruffatti. He was raised in Coal City, graduated from Coal City High School with the class of 1953, and went on to honorably serve in the United States Army from 1954-1956, where he was stationed in Germany. On June 9, 1962 Louie married Lorraine Endrst in Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Roman Catholic Church. Louis worked as a sheet metal worker and retired from the Sheet Metal Workers Local #265 after 40 years of service. He was active with the Coal City VFW Post #1336, and was proud to serve as past commander of the color guard. Louie was a 50+ year member of the Sheet Metal Workers Local #265, and belonged to Assumption Parish in Coal City, as well as the Coal City Area Club and the Miners Area Club. Louie enjoyed joint-authoring Coal City's nickname book "Who?" with his wife Lorraine and friends Charlie and Kathy Brown, and also leaves behind many documented stories of his life for his family. Louie was a great outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting with his beagles, gardening at home and raising rabbits. A man with a great sense of humor and quick wit, Louie's most treasured time was spent with his grandchildren.

Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Lorraine; three children: Gail Brown and



Paul Ruffatti, both of Coal City and Lynn (Jeff) Fors of Batavia; four grandchildren: Matthew, Sarah and Elizabeth Fors of Batavia and Lauren Brown of Coal City; one sister, Pat (Don) Bianchetta of Coal City and numerous nieces and nephews.

Louie was preceded in death by his parents, one brother, John in infancy, and three sisters: Martha (Darrell) Brandon, Donna (Harold) Peterson and Rose (Merlin) Hanson.

Visitation and video tribute will be held Wednesday, May 10, 2017 between the hours of 3 and 8 p.m. at Reeves Funeral Home, 75 N. Broadway, one block north of IL Route 113 in Coal City.

Funeral Services will follow Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 10 a.m. in the Assumption Parish Berst Center, 150 S. Kankakee St. in Coal City. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated with Reverend Robert Noesen.

Burial with full military honors will be in Braceville-Gardner Cemetery.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Louie's memory to the Coal City VFW Post #1336 or the Assumption Catholic Church Building Campaign.

Family and friends may sign the guest book, upload photographs or share Louie's memorial page online by logging onto [www.ReevesFuneral.com](http://www.ReevesFuneral.com).

Funeral services and arrangements have been made under the direction and care of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd. in Coal City.

## John W. Manegold Jr.

DIAMOND—John W. Manegold Jr., 59, of Diamond, and formerly of Carbon Hill, passed away Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at Morris Hospital.

Born July 7, 1957 in Joliet, John William was a son of John William Sr., and Edna (Wren) Manegold. He was raised and educated in Braidwood, and will be remembered as a 'Jack of all trades.' John was a member of the South Wilmington Fireman's Club, loved fishing and wrestling, and took great pleasure in spending time with friends.

Survivors include his wife, Kimberly (nee Koenig), whom he married May 20, 1978 in the Coal City United Methodist Church; one son, Dave (Dayna) Manegold of Braidwood; one brother, Marvin (Marcia) Manegold of Gardner; one sister, Barbara (the late Gill) Billings of Jacksonville, FL and several nieces and cousins, as well as his



best friend, Lenny Morin of Diamond.

John was preceded in death by his parents, two sisters, Elizabeth Ann and Debbie and two nephews, Joseph and Walter.

Green flameless cremation rites have been accorded, and a memorial celebration of John's life is being planned for a later date.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in John's memory to his family for their distribution.

Family and friends may sign the guest book, upload photographs or share John's memorial page on social media, by logging onto [www.ReevesFuneral.com](http://www.ReevesFuneral.com).

Green flameless cremation services and arrangements have been made under the direction and care of Reeves Funeral Homes, Ltd. in Coal City.

## John Wepprecht

REDDICK—John Bradford Wepprecht, "Brad," 58, of Reddick, IL, passed away suddenly, Friday, May 5, 2017 due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident.

Born Sept. 26, 1958 in Joliet, IL, he was the son of Delores (nee Persak) and John Francis Wepprecht. Brad graduated from Reddick High School class of 1976. He then furthered his education graduating from Kankakee Community College in 1978 with an Associate in Agriculture and Illinois State University in 1980 with a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture Business. Brad married the former Daphne Lowe on June 26, 1982 in Cabery, IL. He was most recently employed at Heritage FS as a Certified Crop Specialist. He was a member of the Reddick United Methodist Church and former president of Tri-County Baseball League. Brad enjoyed playing fast pitch softball. He played for Tobey Truckers and the Herscher Merchants. He loved spending time with his family and coaching his son's baseball teams.

Surviving are his wife, Daphne; sons, Braden (Colleen) Wepprecht of East Brooklyn, IL; Jared (Elizabeth) Wepprecht of Crystal Lake, IL and Caleb Wepprecht of Reddick; his mother, Dee Wepprecht of Essex, IL; seven grandchildren: Claire,



Amelia and John Hoss Wepprecht; Courtney, Katie and Connor Wosik and Kennedy Wepprecht; brother, Jeff (Katy) Wepprecht of South Wilmington and sister, Michelle (Larry) Dumke of Grand Ridge, IL.

Preceding him in death were two daughters, Hillary and Amber; father, John Francis Wepprecht and brother, John Gregory Wepprecht.

Funeral services will be at the R.W. Patterson Funeral Home, Ltd. & Crematory, Thursday, May 11, 2017 at 10 a.m. Pastor Kevin Boesen will officiate.

Interment will be at Broughton Township Cemetery in Cabery, IL.

Visitation will be Wednesday, May 10, from 4-8 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts in his name may be directed to the Reddick Fire Department, Reddick United Methodist Church, or Yes I Am a Katelyn Friend Leukemia Lymphoma Society.

For more information and to visit his online guestbook log onto [www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com](http://www.rwpattersonfuneralhomes.com) or find their Facebook page at R.W. Patterson Funeral Homes.

R.W. Patterson Funeral Home & Crematory, 401 E. Main St., Braidwood is in charge of arrangements.

## Berl E. Williams Jr.

WILMINGTON—Berl Eugene Williams Jr., "Gene," 85, of Wilmington and formerly of DuQuoin and Joliet, passed away Thursday, May 4, 2017 at Toulon Rehabilitation Center.

Born May 3, 1932 in Oak Park, IL, Berl Eugene was a son of Berl Eugene Sr. and Vivian (Romo) Williams. He was raised and educated in DuQuoin, was a 1950 graduate of DuQuoin High School and went on to honorably serve in the United States Navy during the Korean Conflict. Gene worked for the US Army Corps of Engineers for over 30 years until retiring in 1988. During those years, he held positions in the Joliet and Peoria offices, and later the Brandon Road Lock and Dam. Following his retirement, Gene belonged to the Wilmington American Legion, and will be remembered for his love of hunting, fishing, gardening, home and family.

Survivors include his five children: Diane (Jay) Moreno of Peoria, Patty Paulsen of Wilmington, Lori (Terry) Lake of Streator, Kim (Dale) Benson of Tomball, TX and Tori (Jeff) Schaffer of Kingwood, TX; nine grandchildren: Steve and Carrie Brownlee, Haley



Paulsen, Austin, Travis, Lucas and Sara Benson and Aiden and Samuel Schaffer; one great-grandson, Leo Gene Reed; two brothers, Gary Williams of DuQuoin and Wayne (Janet) Williams of Alton, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Gene was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Angie in 1969; second wife, Sharon in 1997; two grandchildren, Emily Paulsen and Shawn Benson and several brothers and sisters-in-law.

Per Gene's wishes, green flameless cremation rites are being accorded, and a memorial service is being planned.

Inurnment will be in Mount Olivet Catholic Cemetery in Wilmington.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Gene's memory to a Veteran's organization of the donor's choosing.

Family and friends may sign the guest book, upload photographs or share Gene's memorial page on social media, by logging onto [www.BaskervilleFuneral.com](http://www.BaskervilleFuneral.com).

Green flameless cremation services and memorial arrangements are being made under the direction and care of Baskerville Funeral Home in Wilmington.

## Roberta Karczewski

COAL CITY—Roberta (Miccucio) Karczewski, "Bobbie," 74, of Coal City, passed away peacefully Saturday, May 6, 2017 at her home.

She was born March 6, 1943 to Robert and Evelyn Miccucio in Orlando, FL. She married Edward Karczewski Aug. 10, 1963 in Chicago, IL.

Bobbie worked as a waitress at the Good Table Restaurant for a number of years where she met a lot of good people and made a lot of great friends. She had a great passion for cooking and baking for family and friends, or anyone that stopped by. She was a year-round Christmas shopper for her family, and enjoyed doing that with her great friends. In her younger years, she also enjoyed bowling and bingo. She was a Die Hard Elvis Presley Fan. Bobbie known as "Nonnie," loved spending time with her six grandsons and



nothing put a bigger smile on her face than seeing them walk through the door and give her a big hug and kiss. She was so proud of each and every one of them.

Roberta is survived by her husband, Edward of Coal City; two daughters, Rhonda Anderson (Shawn-deceased) and Carrie (Lenny) Onsen of Coal City; two sons, Eddie Karczewski of Coal City and John Karczewski (Dana) of Shorewood, IL. Roberta also leaves behind six grandsons: Tiger and Cody Onsen of Coal City and Cannon, Cael and Cane Karczewski of Shorewood, IL.

Roberta is preceded in death by her father, Robert Miccucio and mother, Evelyn Miccucio.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Roberta's choice was to have no services and the family is honoring her wish.

## Thomas Yeates

PEARLAND, TX - Thomas R. Yeates, 60, of Pearland, TX, formerly of Braidwood, IL, passed away Saturday, Nov. 26, 2016.

Tom was born June 1, 1956 in Oswego, NY to Thomas E. and Marjorie (Gentile) Yeates. He graduated from Providence Catholic High School in New Lenox in 1975. He then proudly served in the U.S. Army. After being honorably discharged, he met and married Liz Albrecht. They moved to Houston, TX and he began his career of 35 years at Rice University.

He leaves behind his wife, Lizanne Albrecht Yeates; mother, Marjorie J. Yeates of Wilmington; brother, Daniel Yeates of Wilmington; sisters, Maureen Yeates of Wilmington and Jean (Mark) Jackson of Essex; sisters-in-law: Terry McIntyre of Birmingham, AL; Meg (Steven) Fleming of Fort Walton Beach, FL; Becky Wisman of



Coal City, and Lynn Albrecht of Coal City, as well as numerous beloved nieces, nephews and loyal companion, Mabel. Tommy is dearly missed.

He was preceded in death by his father, Thomas; sister, Kimberly; in-laws, David and Mary Albrecht and brother-in-law, Frank Albrecht.

As per his wishes, no formal funeral service was held.

Family and friends are invited to wear their flannel or Hawaiian shirts and graphic tees to celebrate Tommy's life at a picnic to be held in Carbon Hill Park on Sunday, May 28, at noon. Come share your stories.

Any donations in Tom's memory may be made to the following: Texas Equisearch, PO Box 395, Dickinson, TX 77539 ([www.texasequisearch.org](http://www.texasequisearch.org)) or HOOTS (Rice University), 6100 Main St., TX 77005 ([www.hoots.rice.edu](http://www.hoots.rice.edu)).



# OBITUARIES

## Elvera W. Thom

CREST HILL—Elvera W. Thom (nee Wendell), 90, of Crest Hill and formerly of Coal City, passed away peacefully Tuesday, May 9, 2017 with her loving family by her side. Elvera loved spending time with her family. She was an excellent homemaker who enjoyed cooking and caring for them. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren were the light of her life. She enjoyed summer vacations at Balsam Lake and wintering in Sebring, FL. Other hobbies Elvera enjoyed included, fishing, playing cards, bowling and working crossword and jigsaw puzzles. She will be dearly missed.



and Jeff Barrowman; great-grandchildren: Jameson and Eliana Jones, Milena, Liam, Eliza and Alyssa Dzambazi, Violet, Kaylie and Alice Mauer, Alivia and Adelynn McCure; numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Frederick and Dominica (nee Cerutti) Wendell.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Elvera's name to St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Joliet, Cystic Fibrosis Foundation or Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation would be appreciated.

A celebration of Elvera's life will begin Friday, May 12, 2017 with prayers in the funeral home chapel a 10:10 a.m. then driving in procession to St. Mary Magdalene Catholic Church in Joliet for a Mass of Christian Burial to be held at 11 a.m. Interment will follow at Braceville Gardner Cemetery.

Visitation will be Thursday, May 11, 2017 at Tezak Funeral Home, 1211 Plainfield Rd., Joliet from 4 to 7 p.m.

Elvera is survived by her loving husband of 68 years, George Thom; children: Carol (Victor) Fonseca, Robert (Susan) Thom, Barbara (Steven) Mauer and Kathleen (John) Barrowman; grandchildren: Aaron (Tamara) Jones, Kevin (Erica) Jones and Sarah (Naim) Dzambazi, Shelley (Larry) Bigger and Kelley Thom, Bryan (Ashley) Mauer, Matthew Mauer and Scott (Holly) Mauer, Jennifer (Scott) McCure, Nikki Barrowman

## James C. Weis



WILMINGTON—James C. Weis, "Jim," 84, of Wilmington, passed away Tuesday, May 9, 2017 at the Illinois Veterans Home in LaSalle.

Born May 23, 1932 in Henry, James Conrad was a son of Everett Edward and Mary Eileene (O'Brien) Weis. He was raised and educated in Henry until relocating to Wilmington, from where he graduated with the Wilmington High School class of 1950. Jim went on to honorably serve in the United States Navy and soon thereafter gained employment with Caterpillar Tractor Company. He retired from Caterpillar in 1986, after 30 years of service. Jim was a member of St. Rose Catholic Church in Wilmington, and will be remembered for his enjoyment of vegetable gardening, hunting, fishing and cooking out on Sunday's. Family was of the utmost importance to Jim.

Survivors include two daughters, Joanne (Michael) Nott of Plainfield and Debra (Kenneth) Goodwin of Wilmington; seven grandchildren: Brenna Nott, Joel Nott, Alaina Nott, Danielle (Brian) Spangler, Kristyn Goodwin, Ashley Weis and Colin



Weis; one great-grandson, Camden Michael Nott and one sister-in-law, Barbara Hamende of Kankakee and several nephews.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, wife, Margene Marie (nee Spenard); son, James Robert Weis and brother, Edward Weis.

The family will receive friends Friday, May 12, 2017 from 10 a.m. until time of funeral service at 12 p.m. at Baskerville Funeral Home, 700 E. Kahler Rd. in Wilmington. Deacon Milt Leppert will preside, and burial will follow in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Wilmington, where Jim will be laid to rest with his late wife, Margene.

Preferred memorials may be made as gifts in Jim's memory to the Illinois Veteran's Home at LaSalle.

Family and friends may sign the guest book, upload photographs or share Jim's memorial page online by logging onto [www.BaskervilleFuneral.com](http://www.BaskervilleFuneral.com).

Funeral services and arrangements have been made under the direction and care of Baskerville Funeral Home in Wilmington.

## Now try a Whiskey Smash

Horses, celebrities and oversized hats were present Saturday during the 143rd running of the Kentucky Derby.

The Mint Julep was without a doubt the darling of the Derby, and this year an estimated 127,000 Mint Juleps were made from over 1,000 pounds of mint.

If you watched Always Dreaming win while sipping a Mint Julep, you kept with tradition. But now that the derby is over meet the Julep's lesser known cousin, the Whiskey Smash.

To be honest with you, I have never been crazy about the Mint Julep. Seems like I have one or two a year at a Kentucky Derby watch party, and I am okay to wait a year to have another.

I am a fan of mint and I am a fan of whiskey. As a lover of classic cocktails, it seems like I would be first in line for a good Mint Julep. The drink has always fallen a bit flat on my palate, like there's something missing.

A few years ago I found what I was missing. I collect vintage cocktail/bartending books and have encountered several variations of the Whiskey Smash, which began life as a Julep over 150 years ago.

The first time I glanced at a Smash recipe I thought that it was simply another name for a Mint Julep as the two cocktails both use sugar, bourbon and muddled mint.

The "something extra" in a Smash cocktail is the addition of citrus, specifically "seasonal" citrus.

The Smash family of cocktails has evolved into one of the most diverse subtypes of cocktails. Simply put, a Smash is your favorite spirit, herb (usually mint), sugar and citrus.

As long as you work within those parameters you have a smash. There are Tequila Smashes, Gin Smashes and Brandy Smashes. If it's a spirit, you can smash it.

The most common citrus used in the modern-day smash is fresh lemon juice. Lemon juice plays well in cocktails with whiskey, sugar and mint. By the way, the Smash is not strictly a "Southern" cocktail like the Mint Julep.



THE SUNDAY COCKTAIL

Brian Rung

The Whiskey Smash is riding high on the classic cocktail revival wave and is currently one of the more popular whiskey cocktails on the New York bar scene.

A quick online search for a Whiskey Smash recipe will yield a wide array of recipes. The recipe featured this week is the contemporary version of the Whiskey Smash that you are likely to encounter in your local bar.

You're wide open on the whiskey here. I prefer bourbon because it tends to mix well as opposed to the bolder rye or Canadian whiskey.

Always be gentle when muddling mint. The tannins contain bitter oils which if released can overpower the cool mint flavor in your cocktail.

Only muddle with enough pressure to release the flavor. You are muddling too hard if your leaves are breaking into tiny pieces. Keep the leaves intact for the most part.

Most, if not all, Smash and Julep recipes prior to the 1950's call for a measure of sugar, but I prefer to use simple syrup in place of sugar in my home bar.

Simple syrup is in a liquid state when it is added to the drink and therefore mixes better than raw sugar would, and also the syrup will not leave undissolved granules in your cocktail.

I use a 1:1 simple syrup (one part sugar dissolved into one part water) in most cocktails, but some recipes call for a 2:1 sugar to water syrup for a richer sweetness.

It is a matter of personal preference. Keep in mind that you can use less simple syrup if you use the 2:1 ratio.

The Whiskey Smash is built in a shaker and served in a chilled double Old Fashioned glass.

Combine in shaker: 4 or 5 leaves mint. 3/4 oz fresh lemon juice. 3/4 oz simple syrup.

1 1/2 oz bourbon.

Lightly muddle ingredients.

Add ice to shaker and shake well.

Strain into chilled double Old Fashioned glass. Top with fresh ice, garnish with mint sprig.

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# Can I inherit my parent's debt?

Dear Savvy Senior, What happens to a person's debt after they die? My mother has taken on a lot of medical and credit card over the past few years and I'm worried that my brother and I will be responsible for it when she dies. What can you tell me?

Worried daughter



**SAVVY SENIOR**  
Jim Miller

Dear Worried,  
In most cases when a person with debt dies, it's their estate, not their kids, that is legally responsible. Here's how it works.

When your mom dies, her estate - which consists of the stuff she owns while she's alive (home, car, cash, etc.) - will be responsible for paying her debts. If she doesn't have enough cash to pay her debts, you'll have to sell her assets and pay off her creditors with the proceeds.

Whatever is left over is passed along to her heirs as dictated by the terms of her will, if she has one.

If she doesn't have a will, the intestacy laws of the state she resides in will determine how her estate will be distributed.

If, however, she dies broke, or there isn't enough money left over to pay her "unsecured debts" - credit cards, medical bills, personal loans - then her estate is declared insolvent, and her creditors will have to eat the loss.

"Secured debts" - loans attached to an asset such as a house or a car - are a different story. If she has a mortgage or car loan when she dies, those monthly payments will need to be made by her estate or heirs, or the lender can seize the property.

There are, however, a couple of exceptions that would make you legally responsible for her debt after she passes away. One is if you are a joint holder on a credit card account that she owes on. And the other is if you co-signed a loan with her.

## Note to spouses

These same debt inheritance rules apply to surviving spouses too, unless you live in a community property state - Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas, Washington or Wisconsin.

In these states, any debts that one spouse acquires after the start of a marriage belongs to the other spouse too. Therefore, spouses in community property states are usually responsible for their deceased spouses debts.

## Protected assets

If your mom has any IRAs, 401(k)s, brokerage accounts, life insurance policies or employer-based pension plans, these are assets that creditors usually cannot get access to. That's because these accounts typically have designated beneficiaries, and the money goes directly to those people without passing through the estate.

## Settling her estate

You also need to be aware that if your mom dies with debt, and she has no assets, settling her estate should be fairly simple. Her executor will need to send out letters to her creditors explaining the situation, including a copy of her death certificate, and that will probably take care of it. But, you and your brother may still have to deal with aggressive debt collectors who try to guilt you into paying.

If your mom has some assets, but not enough to pay all her debts, her state's probate court has a distinct list of what bills get priority. The details vary by state, but generally estate administrating fees, funeral expenses, taxes and last illness medical bills get paid first, followed by secured debts and lastly, credit card debts.

## Need help?

If you have questions regarding your situation, you should consult with a consumer law attorney or probate

attorney. Or, if you just need a question or two answered, call your state's legal hotline if available (visit LegalHotlines.org), or legal services provider.

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# Are fuel cell cars available for United States drivers?

Dear EarthTalk: Is it true that fuel cell cars are finally available for mainstream drivers in the United States?

Jack Mixson  
Wilmington, DE



For years, green car enthusiasts have been heralding the dawn of a new era of pollution-free driving powered by fuel cells, which combine readily available hydrogen with oxygen to fire up the engine. NASA created the first commercial grade fuel cells in the 1960s to power satellites and space capsules, and automakers have been talking up their potential for use in cars and trucks ever since.

But the idea has never gotten beyond the prototype stage, due mostly to the lack of any refueling infrastructure. After all, drivers are used to being able to refill their tanks on almost every corner, while the new generation of electric and plug-in hybrid and electric vehicles (EVs) can be recharged from any electrical outlet.

But fuel cell vehicles (FCVs) may still represent the holy grail of auto travel because they combine the environmental benefits of electric vehicles (no reliance on fossil fuels and no pollution) with the driving range (300 miles between refueling) of conventional cars.

While GM, Hyundai and Daimler are heavily invested in fuel cell vehicle production, Toyota and Honda are already offering fuel cell vehicles for sale or lease to drivers in California, given

the Golden State's head start in creating a hydrogen refueling network.

According to the California Fuel Cell Partnership, 27 hydrogen refueling stations are already up and running around metro Los Angeles and the Bay Area, with 33 more coming online soon.

Toyota's Mirai FCV seats four and offers all the trimmings of any new car-touchscreen entertainment, dual climate control, steering wheel mounted controls, radar to prevent accidents and help with parking, and a 312-mile range per fill-up.

The MSRP on the Mirai is \$57,500, but Toyota is currently offering \$7,500 back. Another option is a 36-month lease on the Mirai for \$349 a month plus \$2,499 up front.

Meanwhile, Honda's new Clarity FCV is similarly appointed but offers a roomier interior (seating for five) and a longer range (366 miles per fill-up).

Californians can lease the Clarity (it's not for sale in the U.S.) for \$369 a month for 36 months plus \$2,868 due at signing, with Honda covering the first \$15,000 worth of hydrogen fuel.

Drivers behind the



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**TOYOTA'S MIRAI fuel cell vehicle is already available in California, the only state with any kind of hydrogen refueling infrastructure in place.**

wheel of the Mirai or Clarity qualify for a one-time \$5,000 tax rebate from California for driving a green car, not to mention access to HOV lanes statewide even with just a single occupant.

Of course, fuel cell drivers won't want to leave California just yet. Outside of the Golden State, there are exactly three publicly accessible hydrogen refueling stations (Massachusetts, Connecticut and South Carolina each have one).

But later this year Toyota, in partnership with France's Air Liquide, will start to roll-out a new network of hydrogen refueling stations around the northeastern United States so drivers there can start to enjoy the benefits of driving the latest, greatest and greenest technology ever to grace the American road.

CONTACTS: California Fuel Cell Partnership Stations Map, cafcpc.org/stationmap; Honda Clarity, automobiles.honda.com/clarity; Toyota Mirai, toyota.com/mirai.

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# WGGS meeting set for May 13

The Will/Grundy Genealogical Society will hold its monthly membership meeting on Saturday May 13, at 10 a.m., at the Coal City Public Library, 85 N. Garfield St., Coal City.

The speaker will be local historian and curator of the Carbon Hill School Museum Michele Micetich.

Her topic will be Neighbors and Kin in Carbon Hill. Micetich has followed the people of the Carbon Hill area to record their history and create the museum.

The meeting is open to the public and refreshments will be served.

# Flooding delays local fieldwork

Producers reported some ponding and flooding in fields. There were 0.6 days suitable for fieldwork during the week ending May 7.

Statewide, the average temperature was 51.4 degrees, 6.5 degrees below normal. Precipitation averaged 1.89 inches, 0.92 inches above normal.

Topsoil moisture supply was rated at 41 percent adequate and 59 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supply was rated at one percent short, 56 percent adequate and 43 percent surplus.

Corn planted was at 65 percent, compared to the five-year average of 63 per-

cent. Corn emerged was at 29 percent, compared to 43 percent last year and the five-year average of 32 percent. Soybeans planted was at 14 percent.

Soybeans emerged was at one percent. Winter wheat headed reached 78 percent. Winter wheat condition was rated four percent very poor, nine percent poor, 27 percent fair, 50 percent good and 10 percent excellent.

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# Community calendar of events

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## Wednesday, May 10

- 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Hydrant flushing in Braidwood through May 12
- 10:30 a.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Coal City United Methodist Church, 6805 E. McArdle Rd., every Wednesday
- 5:30 p.m., Wilmington Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Health & Safety Committee meeting, Wilmington City Hall, 1165 S. Water St., second Wednesday of each month
- 5:30 p.m., "The Snow White Variety Show", Wilmington Middle School all-purpose room, 715 S. Joliet St.
- 6 p.m., Wilmington Water, Sewer, Streets & Alleys Committee meeting, Wilmington City Hall, 1165 S. Water St., second Wednesday of each month
- 6 to 7:40 p.m., Awana Club, Main Street Baptist Church, 110 S. Division St., Braidwood, each Wednesday
- 7 p.m., Learn to Quilt, Wilmington Lions Hall, 708 E. River St., each Wednesday
- 7 p.m., Coal City Village Board meeting, Coal City Village Hall, 515 S. Broadway, second and fourth Wednesday of each month

## Thursday, May 11

- 6 a.m., Wilmington city-wide spring clean-up
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Our Caring Closet, 205 N. First St., Wilmington, each Tuesday and Thursday
- 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 1:30 p.m., Mobile Workshop Center, Wilmington Public Library, 201 S. Kankakee St., each Thursday
- 5 to 8 p.m., Nelly's Cruise-In, 140 Bridge St., Wilmington

## Friday, May 12

- 6:30 p.m., Coal City Junior Women's Club, Coal City Public Library, 85 N. Garfield St., second Wednesday of each month

## Saturday, May 13

- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Wilmington Garden Club's perennial exchange, Water Street Fitness, 315 N. Water St.
- 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Boy Scout Troop 466 garage sale, Coal City Lions Club Hall
- 9:30 a.m., Weight Watchers, Grace Lutheran Church, 907 Luther Dr., Wilmington, each Saturday
- 10 a.m., Will/Grundy Genealogical Society meeting, Coal City Public Library, 85 N. Garfield St.,
- Noon to 3 p.m., Braidwood Area Historical Society museum open, 111 N. Center St., each Saturday
- 5 to 8 p.m., Ladies Night Out, Braidwood City Park Lions pavilion
- 5 to 8 p.m., Godley Park Circle Jam, Godley Park District, 500 S. Kankakee St., second Saturday of each month through November
- 6 p.m., Narcotics Anonymous meeting, Coal City United Methodist Church, 6805 E. McArdle Rd., every Saturday
- 7:30 p.m., Movie night, Coal City Lions Park Bronco Field

## Sunday, May 14

- Noon to 3 p.m., Braidwood Historical Society museum open, 111 N. Center St., each Sunday, May through September
- 8 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Coal City United Methodist Church, 6805 E. McArdle Rd., every Sunday

## Monday, May 15

- 5 to 6 p.m., St. Vincent's Table, Fr. White Hall, Immaculate Conception Church, 110 S. School St., Braidwood, dinner for those in need or hungry each Monday through June 26
- 6:15 p.m., Women's Alcoholics Anonymous, Coal City United Methodist Church, 6805 E. McArdle Rd., every Monday
- 7 p.m., Alcoholics Anonymous, Grace Lutheran Church, 907 Luther Dr., Wilmington, each Monday
- 7 to 8:30 p.m., Wilmington Boy Scout Troop 440, Wilmington Lions Club, 805 River St., each Monday
- 7 p.m., Ladies Auxiliary VFW meeting, Wilmington

Moose Lodge, 32050 W. River Rd., third Monday of each month

## Tuesday, May 16

- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Our Caring Closet, 205 N. First St., Wilmington, each Tuesday and Thursday
- Noon, Wilmington Rotary Club meeting, Mikki's Diner, Winchester Green Shopping Center, each Tuesday
- 12:15 to 3:30 p.m., Bridge Buddies, Wilmington Public Library, 201 S. Kankakee St., each Tuesday
- 5:15 p.m., TOPS 2264, Main Street Baptist Church, Main and Division streets, Braidwood, each Tuesday
- 6 to 7 p.m., Narcotics Anonymous meeting, Immaculate Conception Church Fr. White Hall, 110 S. School St., Braidwood, each Tuesday
- 7 p.m., Al-Anon, Coal City United Methodist Church, 6805 E. McArdle Rd., every Tuesday
- 7 p.m., Wilmington City Council meeting, Wilmington City Hall, 1165 S. Water St., first and third Tuesday of each month
- 7 p.m., Coal City Park Board meeting, Coal City Village Hall, 515 S. Broadway, third Tuesday of each month

## Wednesday, May 17

- 7:30 a.m., TOPS IL 1024, Island City Baptist Church, 120 Vine St., Wilmington, weigh-in followed by meeting each Wednesday

## Friday, May 18

- 10 to 11:30 a.m., Braidwood senior citizens coffee, Fossil Ridge Public Library, 386 W. Kennedy Rd., third Thursday of each month
- 6:30 p.m., Wilmington Township Board meeting, Wilmington Township office, 1095 S. Water St., third Thursday of each month

## Friday, May 19

- 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., St. Rose mother/son event, St. Rose School, 626 S. Kankakee St., Wilmington

## Saturday, May 20

- Noon to 4 p.m., Senior Citizens and Veterans Expo, Old Smokey City Park Lions pavilion, 263 W. Second St., Braidwood

## Sunday, May 21

- 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Junk in the Trunk flea market, 100 Commercial Dr., Morris, third Sunday of each month through October

## Monday, May 22

- 10:30 a.m., Island City Homemakers meeting, Wilmington Park District, 315 N. Water St., Wilmington, fourth Monday of each month
- 1 p.m., Coal City Food Pantry, Coal City Village Hall, 515 S. Broadway, fourth Monday of each month
- 7 p.m., Coal City Planning and Zoning Board meeting, 515 S. Broadway, first and fourth Wednesday of each month

## Tuesday, May 23

- 7 p.m., Braidwood City Council meeting, Braidwood City Hall, 141 W. Main St., second and fourth Tuesday of each month

## Wednesday, May 24

- 6 p.m., Wilmington Area Historical Society membership meeting, 114 N. Main St., fourth Wednesday of each month
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# The inevitable candidate and prominent outsider

Illinois has elected just two wealthy people to major statewide office in the last 20 years: Former U.S. Sen. Peter Fitzgerald and Gov. Bruce Rauner.

Both candidates won because they ran as firm, anti-establishment outsiders. Fitzgerald was best known as a state Senator in the 1990s for railing against the elders who ran his campaign, dismissing them as bought and paid for by Springfield's special interests.

What establishment party support both men did receive mostly came at the end of their general election campaigns. Their personal finances, which allowed them to self-fund, kept them free of establishment taint, and that independence gave both of them credibility as outsiders.

As election day neared, some establishment GOP

figures decided they'd better swallow their pride and get on board. The establishment needed the insurgents more than the insurgents needed the establishment.

Billionaire Democrat JB Pritzker isn't following this pattern as he campaigns for governor. Insiders, elected officials and politically connected union leaders have been jumping on his bandwagon from the get-go, usually after being impressed with Pritzker during one-on-one meetings.

The game plan seems pretty obvious. Pritzker doesn't want those folks and groups endorsing Chris Kennedy, whose last name is still immensely popular and whose own connections over the decades would've guaranteed him support from his party's elders if Pritzker and his infinite bank account hadn't stepped in. Kennedy doesn't have Pritzker's kind of money, so Kennedy is perceived as needing support



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from the people and groups who fund and staff the party's apparatus. At the moment, those folks are streaming toward Pritzker amid a cacophony of whispers (all denied) that House Speaker Michael Madigan is directing the traffic. Starve Kennedy of money and foot soldiers and maybe he'll drop out.

Kennedy, whose personal wealth is substantial, but nothing like Pritzker's, has made some half-hearted attempts to claim that endorsements don't matter whenever he loses them. But he hasn't yet embraced (or maybe doesn't even recognize) the role that's literally being thrust upon him. Kennedy's originally preferred path of being the widely endorsed "inevitable" candidate is now owned by Pritzker.

By default, Kennedy's now the most prominent "outsider" in the race.

After almost two and a half years of Rauner's rule, the government is in shambles. Rauner's first campaign video back in 2013 complained that the state had "the highest unemployment in the Midwest," and that's still true today. He pointed to the state's "lowest credit rating in America," and that's only gotten worse. "Springfield is broken; \$8,000 in pension debt for every man, woman and child," Rauner bemoaned in the video. That figure is now \$10,000.

So, maybe Illinois voters

will yearn for someone who can work with Springfield to solve our massive problems and get us back to a semblance of normalcy after three populist governors in a row couldn't get anything done. That appears to be where both Pritzker and Kennedy are going.

If Rauner doesn't obtain a budget deal, he will simply run against the establishment again, claiming the evil powers that be (Speaker Madigan) have blocked him at every turn, but that he is "very close" to breaking their self-serving logjam. And, indeed, if he is re-elected after what could be four years of gridlock, the Democrats will have to start working with him. Democrats claim that Rauner hid his "real" agenda from voters in 2014. But that agenda is now crystal clear to everyone.

Almost half of Illinois Democrats voted for insurgent presidential candidate Bernie Sanders a year ago. A recent poll by the Paul Simon Public Policy Institute showed that Gov. Rauner is slightly more popular than Speaker Madigan in Chicago, of all places.

So, an authentic, independent, populist message from the late Robert Kennedy's sincere, accomplished and mild-mannered son could very well resonate.

One of the things you can't help but notice in the press coverage of Kennedy's Downstate appearances is the reports on crowd size. His family name is packing halls all over the place as locals come out to witness a part of history.

The obvious question is whether Kennedy can sus-

tain this. His name and the hints of his family's famous accent in his speaking voice are working like a charm for him right now. But will it last?

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## Circle jam set for May 13

There will be a circle jam on Saturday, May 13, from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Godley Park District, 500 S. Kankakee Street, Godley.

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CDL-A Drivers-OTR:  
\$1,200-\$1,300/wk,  
dedicated runs, out  
one week at a time,  
benefits, pneumatic,  
good MVR,  
319-754-1944 ext.  
112. cc 18b-20a

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Servers and delivery  
drivers needed at La  
Piazza, 435 W. Division,  
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# CLASSIFIEDS

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Laborers needed, part time, must have valid drivers license, be reliable, call for more info., 815-634-4946. ca 19a-20b

Looking for experienced cooks & waitresses. Apply at Mikki's Diner, 1099 S. Water St., Suite A, Wilmington. cc19a-22b

Impressions Hair and Tanning in need of a stylist. Replacing a 4 1/2 year position, apply in person at 605 W. Baltimore, Wilmington, 815-476-7415. ch

Looking for experienced fence installers and laborers. Must be reliable. Call K&D Fence 815-483-3768. ch18a-19b.

Michaels's Cartage Inc., now hiring company drivers and owner operators for day and night shifts for Midwest Intermodal Co. Applicants must have clean MVR with Class A CDL endorsement, 1 year intermodal exp., must be able to pass a DOT physical and drug test. Great pay and benefits. If interested call Joe Spina at 708-581-7770 ext. 828. EOE. cc 17b-21a

Multi-disciplinary medical center is looking to fill Physical Therapy, Massage Therapy, Personal and Athletic Trainers position in our Coal City office. Full musculoskeletal therapy services provided. Part-time and full-time positions with flexible hours. E-mail resume or inquire at: diamondtherapy@yahoo.com. cc 19b-23a

Needed: experienced CDL-A driver for MORNING, local mail delivery, extensive background check, O.L. Thompson Transport Svc. Inc., call 815-726-2569. cc 17a-20b

### HOMES FOR RENT

2 story farmhouse, 4 BR, Wilmington schools, \$1,100/mo, includes water, sewer and garbage. Call 815-409-2573. ca17b-21a

Braidwood: 2 BR, 1 BA. Large corner lot, C/A, covered deck, large living rm, dining rm and kitchen with stove & refrigerator, W/D, storage shed, mobile home, 495 W. 6th St. at Division St. (Rt. 113), \$750, first, last, security, credit check 815-476-6462 by appointment only cc18a-21b

Diamond, 2BR, 1BA, 1 car attached garage, large yard, \$950 mo. plus security, no pets, (detached garage not included), call 815-258-4298. cc 19a-20b

Diamond, small cozy 2 BR, garage, water/sewer/garbage/lawn maintenance included, 1 yr. lease, security deposit, \$780 mo., no smoking/pets, call after 6pm, 815-634-8850.

Morris-Channahon, 2 BR, 1 BA, 2 car garage, partial fenced yard, stove, fridge, C/A, W/D, large shaded yard, 5245 Sandridge Rd., \$875, 1st, last, sec. credit check. Call 815-476-6462 by appointment only.

Wilmington area, 3BR, 1BA, w/stove, fridge and washer, partial basement, spacious lot, tenant pays utilities and is responsible for lot maintenance, no pets, no smoking, references, credit check and security required, \$1,200 mo., call 815-474-5547. cc 19b-22a

Wilmington, 2 BD, 1 BA, country living, w/d hook-up, garage, no smoking, no pets, \$1,100/month, sec. deposit, 815-263-7144. ck19b-22a

### HOMES FOR SALE

Coal City, New Construction, 3 BR, 2 BA, 1600 sq. ft., 150 Robin Ct., local builder, \$215,000, call Clubb Construction, 815-634-2544. ch 14b-20a

### LAWN & GARDEN

Outdoor gas powered equipment repair, certified technician, Wilmington area, pick up available, Call Larry at 815-510-6360. ca 16a-19b

Running push mowers starting at \$60, call 815-510-6360. ca 16b-20a

### LOST & FOUND

FOUND - male grey striped cat, Godley/Braidwood area, little bit of white with white paws, call 815-458-3678. 18b-20a

Have you found a lost pet or lost a pet in Will County? Please call Will County Animal Control. We may have your pet. We want to reunite your family, 815-462-5633. fr/tfn

### LOTS FOR SALE

Coal City, south DeWitt St., 72' x 285', call 815-954-8494. cc 17a-20b

### MISCELLANEOUS

4 Drawer dresser & nightstand, \$60 OBO. 40" glass top patio table & 4 chairs, \$60. Diamond, cell 352-250-9219. cc19b-23a

Concrete blocks for sale, standard, 8x8x16, \$1 each, call 815-476-7966, ask for Eric. ca 18b-20a

Dining room set, table with 6 chairs and 2 leaves, end tables, couches, fur coats, all like brand new, call 815-634-4946 for more info. ca 19a-20b

Essex Lions Club Community Building for rent, seats 275 people, kitchen and bar available, call Phil at 815-405-5020 or Nancy at 815-365-2823. cc

### FIREWOOD

Dry, well seasoned oaks, split, \$119; plus delivery fee. The best well-seasoned firewood & quick, friendly service. Wood Guys, 815-260-0108. cc 16b-24a

### Hall Rental

Available for parties, showers & meetings. Seats 100 people, full kitchen available. If interested call New Hope Presbyterian Church in Coal City, 815-634-8332. ca 9b-21a

Honor your veteran or Joliet Arsenal worker with a memorial stone at the Island City Memorial. Cost is \$100. Call Bert Niehls at 815-560-1039. fr tfn

Utility trailer with title, 14' x 7'3", redecked with 1" x 6" treated wood. \$750, 815-791-2501. cc 19b-21a

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Oak Bedroom Set: 9 Drawer solid oak dresser, chest, and night stand. Queen size bed with headboard & footboard. 815-514-5118. cc18a-21b

### Passport/Foid Photos

We take color photographs for passports, gun owners' cards (FOID), plumber cards, ID's and more. \$8 each for FOID or Passport (2 pics) for \$10. Taken throughout the week, ready the following Monday. Please do not wear white or very pale colors. Call 815-476-7966 or stop by the Free Press office, 111 S. Water St., Wilmington. tfn/47b

Tube lock scaffold bars 6', 8', 10', 13', 350' total w/right angle & swivel clamps. 815-476-2680. ca 16a-19b

Used riding lawn mowers & \$60 push mowers. Call Rodney 815-214-8003. cc13a-28b

### PETS

Now Available: Frontline, K-9 Advantix, Baricide and Activyl flea & tick treatments. From Taste of the Wild, Blue Buffalo, Canidae, Diamond Natural, Whole Earth Farms, Natural Balance, Pure Vita, Wilderness pet foods, also Stella & Chewey's raw diet. Bird, hamster, fish and pond food. New spring apparel has arrived. Call for information on upcoming basic obedience class, 815-476-5104. Trinty Barkery, 240 W. Baltimore St., Wilmington. ch 15a-tfn

### Pet Supplies

DeeDee's Pet Palace 5660 West Rte 113, Coal City, IL, 815-634-0164. Carrying a full line of pets and pet supplies, feeders, puppies, kittens and more. Now offering financing. Mon.-Sat. 9am-6pm and Sun. 9am-4pm. cc 17a-45b



### REAL ESTATE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 13TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GRUNDY COUNTY - MORRIS, ILLINOIS WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/BA CHRISTIANA TRUST, AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF THE RESIDENTIAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES TRUST III Plaintiff,

-v- EDWIN CARDONA, DAWN M. CARDONA, AMBERLEIGH ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, EDWIN CARDONA AND DAWN M. CARDONA Defendant 12 CH 191

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 23, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 9:00 AM on June 2, 2017, at the Grundy County Courthouse, 111 East Washington Street front door entrance, MORRIS, IL, 60450, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 27000 W. CYPRESS ROAD, Channahon, IL 60410 Property Index No. 03-24-181-002. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$317,335.65. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale.

The subject property is subject to general real estate taxes, special assessments, or special taxes levied against said real estate and is offered for sale without any representation as to quality or quantity of title and without recourse to Plaintiff and in AS IS condition. The sale is further subject to confirmation by the court. Upon payment in full of the amount bid, the purchaser will receive a Certificate of Sale that will entitle the purchaser to a deed to the real estate after confirmation of the sale. The property will NOT be open for inspection and

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plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the court file to verify all information. If this property is a condominium unit, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale, other than a mortgagee, shall pay the assessments and the legal fees required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605.9(g)(1) and (g)(4). If this property is a condominium unit which is part of a common interest community, the purchaser of the unit at the foreclosure sale other than a mortgagee shall pay the assessments required by The Condominium Property Act, 765 ILCS 605.18.5(g-1). IF YOU ARE THE MORTGAGOR (HOMEOWNER), YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN IN POSSESSION FOR 30 DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER OF POSSESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 15-1701(C) OF THE ILLINOIS MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE LAW. You will need a photo identification issued by a government agency (driver's license, passport, etc.) in order to gain entry into our building and the foreclosure sale room in Cook County and the same identification for sales held at other county venues where The Judicial Sales Corporation conducts foreclosure sales. For information, contact Plaintiff's attorney: JOHNSON, BLUMBERG & ASSOCIATES, LLC, 230 W. Monroe Street, Suite #1125, Chicago, IL 60606, (312) 541-9710. Please refer to file number 12-2336, THE JUDICIAL SALES CORPORATION One South Wacker Drive, 24th Floor, Chicago, IL 60606-4650 (312) 236-SALE

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 13TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT GRUNDY COUNTY - MORRIS, ILLINOIS WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND SOCIETY, FSB, D/BA CHRISTIANA TRUST, AS OWNER TRUSTEE OF THE RESIDENTIAL CREDIT OPPORTUNITIES TRUST III Plaintiff,

-v- EDWIN CARDONA, DAWN M. CARDONA, AMBERLEIGH ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, EDWIN CARDONA AND DAWN M. CARDONA Defendant 12 CH 191

NOTICE OF SALE PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on December 23, 2016, an agent for The Judicial Sales Corporation, will at 9:00 AM on June 2, 2017, at the Grundy County Courthouse, 111 East Washington Street front door entrance, MORRIS, IL, 60450, sell at public auction to the highest bidder, as set forth below, the following described real estate:

Commonly known as 27000 W. CYPRESS ROAD, Channahon, IL 60410 Property Index No. 03-24-181-002. The real estate is improved with a single family residence.

The judgment amount was \$317,335.65. Sale terms: 25% down of the highest bid by certified funds at the close of the sale payable to The Judicial Sales Corporation. No third party checks will be accepted. The balance in certified funds or wire transfer, is due within twenty-four (24) hours. No fee shall be paid by the mortgagee acquiring the residential real estate pursuant to its credit bid at the sale or by any mortgagee, judgment creditor, or other lienor acquiring the residential real estate whose rights in and to the residential real estate arose prior to the sale.

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