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**This too shall pass** — In spite of the closing of churches and schools throughout the village, on Tuesday morning the sun was shining brightly, providing a beautiful backdrop to the steeple of Hinsdale Covenant Church. Today's issue of The Hinsdalean is filled with information about the effect of COVID-19 on everything from tonight's District 86 school board meeting to college athletes whose seasons ended prematurely. We have even added a special DIY cover for budding artists of all ages to complete on Page 32. (Jim Slonoff photo)



Complete coverage offered of COVID-19's affect in Hinsdale.

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Central teen's influence reaching across Illinois.

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Pets still up for adoption at Hinsdale Humane Society.

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# NEWS



**Stocking up on groceries** at Kramer Foods has been a priority for some over the past several days. The Hinsdale Public Library early last week took steps to reduce the spread of COVID-19 by putting toys away before real-

izing it must close its doors. Fuller's Car Wash remained busy Saturday morning. Many restaurants like Il Poggiolo hung signs to notify diners that takeout is available while dining rooms are closed. (Jim Slonoff photos)

## Hinsdaleans coping with COVID-19

*From government officials to food pantry staff, all working to meet residents' needs*

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What a difference a week makes. Last week, Gov. J.B. Pritzker banned events with more than 1,000 attendees, canceled Chicago's St. Patrick's Day parade and urged businesses to allow employees to work from home. The state had only 32 confirmed COVID-19 and no deaths. This week, the governor has closed schools, restaurants and bars. The number of cases in Illinois is approaching 300 and the state reported its first COVID-19 death. Hinsdaleans, like Americans across the country, are doing their best to cope during these unprecedented times.

### Not business as usual

Hinsdale Village Hall, the Hinsdale Public Library and schools in Hinsdale High School District 86 and Community Consolidated District 181 are closed. Although village hall has been

closed to the public since Monday, residents are not without services, village manager Kathleen Gargano said.

"I do want to stress we are continuing to provide services to the community," she said.

"There are contingency plans in place for the police and fire departments. They have been taking extra precautionary measures for weeks in preparation for the possibility of community spread."

She reassured residents that the water supply is safe and said different shift strategies have been implemented so public service employees can continue to perform their duties. Many services may be accessed online and drop boxes are available for submitting payments and other forms (see sidebar).

The village board met Monday night with five members in attendance.

"For tonight's meeting, we are taking some extra steps to have social

distancing for board members, staff and the public," Gargano said Monday.

Pritzker used his emergency powers Monday to waive a portion of the Illinois Open Meetings Act to allow local governments and other public bodies to hold "remote" meetings to control the spread of the disease. That provision was part of an executive order the governor issued Monday also prohibiting public gatherings of 50 or more people, a new standard recommended by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Don Craven, legal counsel to the Illinois Press Association, noted in an email that Pritzker did not suspend other provisions of the Open Meetings Act that require public notice be given of all meetings and that require meetings to be open and accessible to the public and press.

"He did not suspend the requirement that the meeting be held in a place open and accessible to the

public," Craven said in the memo. "He did not suspend the requirement that the public be allowed to address the board, which means that there has to be a way for the public to participate by phone."

District 86 rescheduled its March 12 school board meeting to today, March 19. Only Vice President Kevin Camden will be physically present for the meeting; the other board members will participate virtually. The district encouraged residents to do the same.

"We urge you to please consider taking advantage of the resources we will be providing so that people can experience or participate in the sessions virtually," a district email stated. "These resources include the livestream that we make available for every board meeting, as well as options to call in or participate via web conference. We are currently finalizing the process for using

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# ONCE UPON A TIME



**In a land before Starbucks** — Long before Starbucks rented the space on the south-east corner of Hinsdale Avenue and Washington Street, the building was home to a drug store form more than 100 years. This photo dates back to the 1940s and is from the book published by Hinsdalean Sandy Williams, "Images of America — Hinsdale."

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Vehicles line South Washington Street in Hinsdale's central business district on a recent weekday. The village board wants to open up more on-street spots for shoppers by having merchants and their employees use the Garfield Street parking deck, which is scheduled to be completed in June. But trustees take different positions on whether or not downtown parking should be free for everyone. (Jim Slonoff photo)

## Board still split on CBD parking plan

*To be free or not be free is the regulatory question dividing trustees on managing supply*

By Ken Knutson

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Hinsdale trustees are aligned on the notion of steering central business district employees to the soon-to-be-completed parking deck. But they diverge on whether residents and non-residents should have the same access to on-street parking.

At a special village board meeting Monday, trustees conducted a first read of a proposal to convert the current metered spaces in the downtown to free three-hour parking (see map) and making the 189 spaces in the deck free for up to six hours. Officials said the six-hour limit is designed to deter commuters.

A primary goal of the effort to manage the expanding parking supply is to keep merchants and employees from occupying on-street spaces. Studies have shown they account for up to 30 percent of the vehicles in the downtown, and the hope is that free deck parking will greatly reduce that.

Trustee Matt Posthuma thinks non-residents should also be encouraged to use the deck by making them pay the meters if they don't.

"I would like people's first reaction and first inclination when they're coming into downtown Hinsdale ... to be to go to the deck," Posthuma said. "I'm a little nervous that if we start making it free, then we're not going to properly incent people to be using the deck."

Trustee Jerry Hughes took issue with the characterization of downtown parking as "free" since residents' tax money was used to build the multi-million-dollar deck. The board recently decided to charge \$8 more for the vehicle stickers residents have to buy each year as part of the compre-



The map shows the location of proposed free three-hour on-street parking in downtown Hinsdale, and the parking deck, with 189 spaces, that would be free with a six-hour limit. (map provided by the village of Hinsdale)

hensive parking plan as well.

"The only people who would be getting anything for free are the non-residents," Hughes said, arguing that maintaining a fee for nonresidents is a regulatory lever the village should not yet relinquish.

"I think it's a mistake to drop price as a tool until we know that we've solved the problem," he said.

Trustee Luke Stifflear replied that, while he appreciated the arguments for having different parking rates, simplicity ultimately is the better approach.

"I feel the convenience of not charging residents or nonresidents outweighs the points that you mentioned," Stifflear said to Hughes.

Under the proposal, fines for parking violations in the central business district would go up to \$25 from the current \$8. Parking enforcement would be administered by license plate reader technology, and vehicles would be ticketed for parking for more than three hours even if using multiple parking spaces within that time frame.

Trustee Neale Byrnes was troubled by the signage that would be required to alert downtown visitors to a two-tiered parking schedule.

"I just see that as a barrier, and I don't like to see barriers to sales in our business district," Byrnes said.

Village President Tom Cauley said the deck should be viewed as an infra-

structure improvement for public benefit, just like reconstructed roadways.

"We fix streets and pay millions dollars to fix streets, and anybody can drive on the streets," Cauley said.

He said no other towns regulate parking based on residency and that free parking seems to be the norm among Hinsdale's neighbors.

"I think free parking for everybody contributes to a vibrant downtown, contributes to sales tax revenue, and that's good for everybody," he said.

Trustees Scott Banke and Laurel Haarlow were absent. The matter is expected to come before the board for a second read and a vote at its April 7 meeting.

## NEXT WEEK

### Community Consolidated Elementary Dist. 181 Board

7 p.m. Monday, March 23  
District office  
115 W. 55th St., Clarendon Hills  
<https://www.d181.org>

**On the agenda:** update on e-learning progress, award of oak roofing project contract, placement appeals process, summer bridge recommendation, middle school scheduling

### Hinsdale High School District 86 Board

6 p.m. Thursday, March 19  
Hinsdale Central High School  
55th and Grant streets  
<https://www.d86.hinsdale86.org>

**On the agenda:** preliminary certified staffing recommendation for 2020-21, Pepper Construction project authorization, moving services contract, purchase furniture for Phase 1 projects, accept \$100,000 consent order payment from Sterigenics

**Note:** Residents are encouraged to stay home and watch the livestream of the meetings at the websites listed above

## MEETING ROUNDUP

### Hinsdale Village Board

Among other business Monday, trustees:

- referred to the plan commission a request for a public hearing on a temporary moratorium on issuing demolition permits for homes within the Robbins Park Historic District and Central Business District as well as any landmarked or historically significant homes village-wide. The move comes in the wake of the razing or imminent teardowns of several historic properties in Robbins Park for redevelopment, raising concerns that the neighborhood is losing the character that had earned it a place on the National Register of Historic Places. The moratorium would be for no longer than six months as officials examine ways to address the matter, and the public hearing is designed to collect input from community members. The hearing has not yet been scheduled.

- agreed to pay Williams Architects/Aquatics \$61,800 for design engineering and construction management services for renovations at the Hinsdale Community Pool. The work, which includes replacing the lap pool deck, repainting the main pool and replacing the pool's four filters, is estimated to cost \$934,000 and will be done over two years. The village received a \$400,000 OSLAD grant to offset the project cost.

- told Pepper Construction, the representative of Hinsdale High School District 86, to have district officials make sure all neighbors were notified of the proposed improvements for Hinsdale Central and to consider putting protective netting along the Grant Street side of the JV baseball field. Bonnie Sartore, resident of the Foxgate of Hinsdale subdivision just south of the school, said she and her neighbors did not receive the required notice. She expressed concern that the slight increase in parking would not be adequate in solving a parking shortage that leads to cars lining the local streets during events. The proposed natatorium will only exacerbate the issue, she said.

Trustee Neale Byrnes said the district should put netting along the baseball field's third-base line along Grant Street in the same way the district plans to along 57th Street to keep foul balls from entering the roadway.

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# Screen time has new meaning for students

*Educators relying on digital learning while schools are closed for 'act of God' days*

By Pamela Lannom

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Hinsdale High School District 86 was scheduled to conduct a second pilot day of e-learning this spring.

Now students at Hinsdale Central and those in Community Consolidated District 181 are relying on digital learning every day while schools are closed to help close the spread of COVID-19. Schools in both districts will be re-open April 6 at the earliest.

Dave Lapetino, instructional innovation coordinator and architect of the e-learning plan in District 86, said he's glad the system had a trial run last year.

"Having had that experience from the teachers' end was a huge benefit," he said. "It allowed us to have kind of a structure to build on as we try to expand what we're doing during this extended remote learning."

Teachers are using a learning management platform called "Canvas" that allows them to record attendance and offer assignments. How each teacher is approaching e-learning varies, Lapetino said.

"There's definitely a spectrum of what students will find once they sign in and look at those assignments," he said.

Students might be asked to complete a reading assignment and problems for a math class or watch as their teacher livestreams a lecture through Google Hangout. Activities



Hinsdale Middle School students rehearsed "The Five Pound Sack," a one-act play, on Tuesday, just days before Community Consolidated District 181 had decided to close schools through April 6. The governor Friday closed Illinois schools through March 30. (Jim Slonoff photos)

in a particular class might be very similar to what occurs at school or very different.

E-learning began Tuesday, and teachers spent significant time over the weekend and on Monday preparing for the launch, Lapetino said.

"The average teacher has probably spent maybe 20 hours just to get ready for the next several days, whether it was brainstorming or actually creating the plans and having them in Canvas," he said, noting that he received several emails from teachers throughout the day and evening Monday.

The schedule is designed to create a balance between the need to prepare students for things like Advanced Placement tests in May and the challenges of this situa-

tion. Classes are scheduled with hour breaks built in and each course meeting every other day. Lapetino said he hopes parents know educators did their best to create a reasonable compromise.

"We've definitely tried to balance work and home life and other expectations with the schedule that we have for each day," he said.

In District 181, students in preschool through second grade will use Choice Board, which gives students options for differentiated digital and nondigital learning opportunities, said Jamie Lavigueur, communications director. Students in third through eighth grade will use Google Classroom or another digital platform to access their assignments and expecta-

tions, with teachers available to interact with students from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on school days.

District staff, building principals and administrators have been working on an e-learning plan since the first COVID-19 cases were identified in January, according to Kathy Robinson, assistant superintendent for learning in District 181.

"Parents have responded very positively and are pleased that we have a plan in place to continue instruction," she wrote in an email.

Gov. JB Pritzker Friday ordered all public and private schools in Illinois close through March 30. Districts 181 and 86 had their spring break scheduled the week of March 30 through April 3.

The days will not be counted as instructional days by the Illinois State Board of Education, but as "act of God" days. Districts have been told to continue to provide instruction and that additional days will not be required at the end of the year, Lapetino said.

He noted the stress the situation is placing on District 86 students. The activities department at Hinsdale Central High School is trying to help students maintain a positive attitude by having a virtual Red Devil spirit week, with students asked to wear PJs or school colors and post photos to social media.

Lapetino thanked families for their cooperation.

"These are unprecedented times," he said. "We appreciate everyone's flexibility."



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# POLICE BEAT

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports March 18.

## DUI arrest

David Robert Walker, 61, 4601 S. Blanchan Ave. Brookfield, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, illegal transportation of alcohol and speeding at 11:21 p.m. March 12 in the 100 block of Ogden Avenue. Police observed an open container of alcohol in the passenger compartment of his vehicle. He was charged and released to appear in court.

## Vehicle vandalized

A vehicle was discovered spray painted with offensive language and symbols and with its windshield cracked at 11 a.m. March 13 in the 300 block of West 59th Street. A damage estimate was not available.

## Battery report

Two members of a family were grabbed and pushed by an acquaintance of one of the victims on March 13 in the waiting room of Hinsdale Orthopaedics, 550 W. Ogden Ave. Prosecution was declined.

## Arrests made, firearms seized, auto recovered

Two men were arrested and face felony charges after the Hinsdale Police Department, in cooperation with several law enforcement task force agencies, executed search warrants at 5 a.m. March 11 in south suburban South Holland and Dolton.

The warrants stemmed from a series of overnight burglary and auto theft investigations. Seven suspects, including two juveniles, were taken into custody as a part of the operation. Four firearms were seized and a stolen Audi A6 from Lyons was recovered from a garage at one of the locations. This same Audi was pursued earlier in the night by Hinsdale Police near 57th and Madison streets.

Malik Pearson, 18, of Harvey was turned over to the Naperville Police Department and has since been charged with residential burglary. Tommy Johnson, 22, was turned over to the McHenry County Sheriff's department for a resisting arrest warrant. One other adult and two juveniles were taken into custody but were released without charges at this time. The investigation continues and police anticipate additional charges for other individuals.

States Attorney Bob Berlin and Hinsdale Chief Brian King announced that Christian Green, 18, has been charged

with one count of residential burglary (Class 1 felony) and one count of aggravated possession of a stolen motor vehicle (Class 1 felony). Charges stemmed from a Feb. 9 incident when Green entered a garage on South Lincoln Street and stole a Jaguar. The Jaguar fled from Hinsdale police later that morning in south suburban Harvey. Green is currently in DuPage County Jail on a \$75,000 bond.

Jarone Carter, 24 has been charged with one count of possession of a stolen motor vehicle, a Class 2 felony. Carter is in DuPage County Jail on a \$50,000. His charges involve the possession of a stolen Audi A6 in Hinsdale on March 10.

Hinsdale police acknowledged the work of their law enforcement partners — the South Barrington Police Department, Highland Park Police Department, Wilmette Police Department, DuPage MERIT, Cook County SSERT, MCAT and NORTAF task forces.

"This is a continuing investigation," Hinsdale Chief Brian King said. "We are working with our law enforcement partners and the DuPage County States Attorney's office to identify additional offenders and lodge additional charges."

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### Central junior plays role in education across the state

Faith Drescher had only been in school a couple of years when she decided that's where she wanted to be for the rest of her life.

Since second grade, Drescher has known that her future is in education. But it wasn't until she was selected for the Illinois State Board of Education's Student Advisory Council that she realized education doesn't take place only in the classroom.

As a freshman at Hinsdale Central, Drescher was encouraged by a teacher to apply for membership on the council — a group of 21 high school students from across the state who explore topics and conduct research that helps to shape the path of the ISBE. Drescher said she saw it as a chance to be involved in the state's education program long before she could become a teacher and to have a say in how and what is taught in school across Illinois.

Excited about the opportunity, Drescher filled out the application, gathered letters of recommendation from teachers and sat down for an interview. Later that same semester, she was welcomed as a

member of the prestigious body.

"I was honored to be invited to the state board," Faith said.

Council members gather in Springfield four times each year. Over each two-day stay, they work on projects that aid the ISBE in their policymaking. In her two years on the board, Drescher has tackled issues such as mental health and social emotional learning. She said the student board helped the ISBE realize the importance of mental health in schools.

"Our work is the only direct student voice input that the board receives all year," she said. "We help them to see what's really important to students."

This year's focus has been on student safety. Drescher said her deep dive into the subject has had a direct effect on her own high school, where A.L.I.C.E. — Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate — training was introduced. A.L.I.C.E. empowers teachers, staff and students to respond to a safety threat inside and outside the classroom.

The students recently added another item to the report they will

present to the state board. They're discussing what schools can do to protect staff and students during a pandemic.

"Now, we need to be prepared for this in the future," she said.

Council members come from districts big and small, urban and rural. Working so closely with students from diverse backgrounds has opened her eyes to issues and perspectives that exist outside her own community, Drescher said.

It's also shown her opportunities in education that go beyond classroom teaching. After working with the state's top policy makers, she sees potential in that field.

But first, she plans to pursue her childhood dream and become a teacher. She said her work with the advisory board has further solidified a decision she made long ago.

Drescher holds leadership roles with several student organizations at Central. But her role with the state's student advisory board tops them all, she said.

"It's been my favorite part of high school," she said.

— story by Sandy Illian Bosch,  
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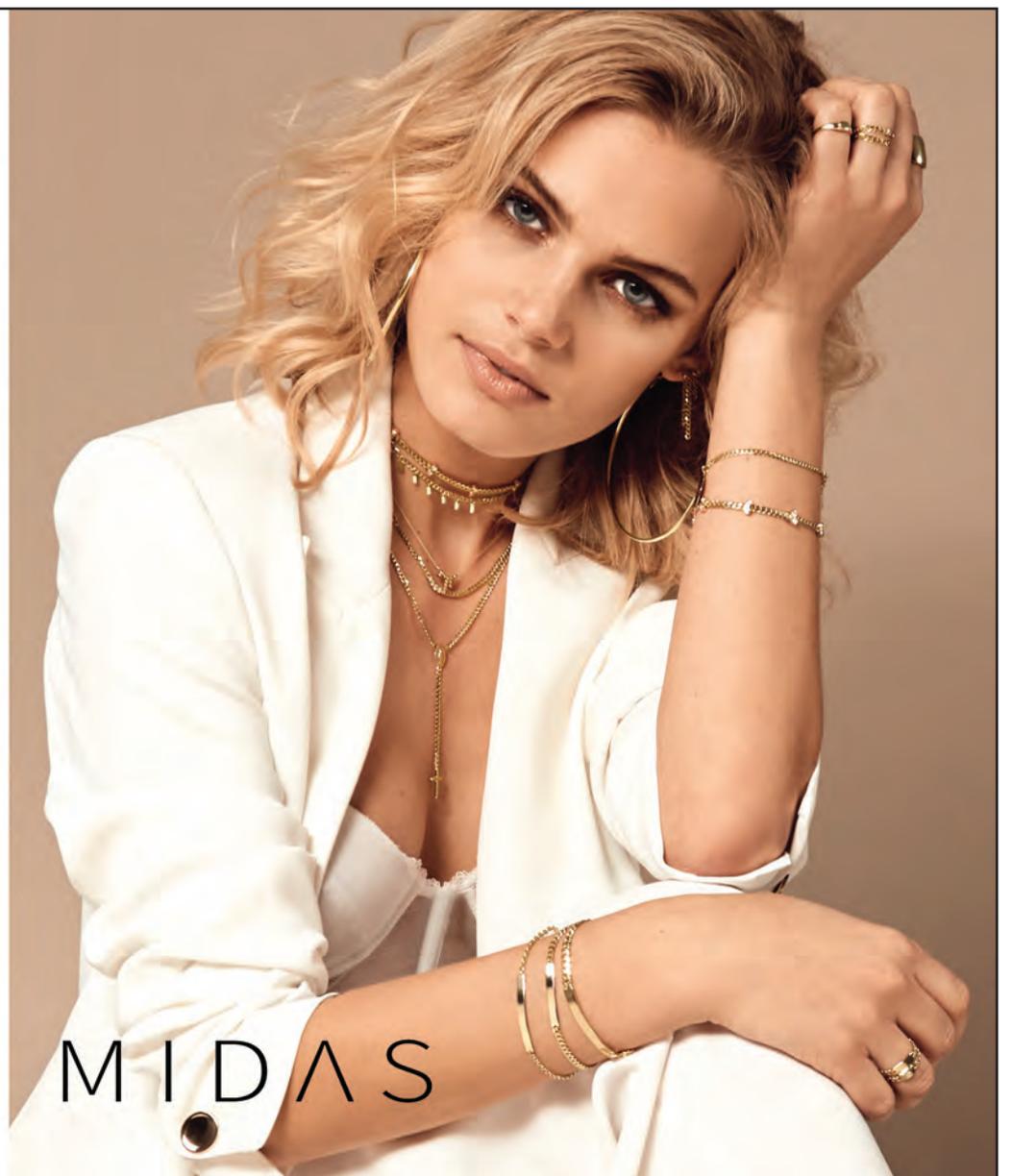
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# OPINION

EDITORIAL

## Dark days offer chance for light to shine through

Last Wednesday a writer from Crain's Chicago Business compared the coronavirus to Sept. 11.

"Just as 9/11 changed us and how we live, this was the day it truly became clear that coronavirus will do the same here," Greg Hinz wrote in his column, "On politics."

"Now another day that augurs to be at least as momentous as 9/11 has arrived. Today is the day COVID-19 truly came home to Chicago," he added a few paragraphs later.

We were offended by his decision to connect the spread of a virus to the murder of thousands of innocent victims.

And his statements about the impact of COVID-19 now seem laughable. He pointed to, among other things, the cancellation of the St. Patrick's Day parade and the expectation that the NCAA basketball tournament would be a TV-only event with no live audiences.

Fast forward to this week. March Madness has been canceled altogether. Schools, restaurants and bars are closed until at least the end of the month. The NBA, NHL and MLB have suspended their seasons.

Now comparisons to 9/11 — or more specifically, its aftermath — seem inevitable. Travel plans have been interrupted. Professional sports are on hiatus. The economy is in turmoil. People's emotions fall somewhere between unsettled and terrified.

But there are even more important similarities between the days after 9/11 and the ones we are living through now. People are helping people.

"In times of hardship, the true character of America always shines through," President Donald Trump said during his press conference Friday. "We live in the company of the greatest heroes and the most inspiring citizens anywhere in the world. We want to take care of our people. We want to draw on the strength of our history, draw on the strength of our people, and we will get through this all together."

"The spirit and the will of our nation is unbreakable," he added later. "We will defeat this threat. When America is tested, America rises to the occasion."

We've already seen examples. People posting offers of help on social media. Neighbors receiving calls from the folks next door or down the block checking to make sure they're OK. Parents sharing sample schedules and websites and livestream events to help keep the kids busy at home.

And there's more we can do.

Support local businesses. Shop at Kramer Foods rather than the big-box store. Buy a gift card from a local business as a gift for an upcoming birthday or to use yourself after social distancing recommendations have ended.

Skip the drive-through fast food line and order take-out from a Hinsdale restaurant (see Page

18 for a list of options). Better yet, buy a gift card from a local restaurant and put it in the drop box at Mary Buddig's house. She'll deliver it to Amita Hinsdale Hospital so medical staff can pick up dinner to feed the family or during late nights at the hospital. Make a donation to HCS Family Services.

Be patient. Be patient with friends, with family, with the people you do business with.

And please be patient with us. We will do our best to provide the most-up-to-date information each Thursday — with appropriate updates on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/thehinsdalean>) and our website (<https://www.thehinsdalean.com>) between issues. But given the rate at which things are changing, our best information when we go to press Wednesday could be completely out of date by the time you get your paper Thursday morning.

In the days and weeks after 9/11, we remember reporting on all the amazing efforts people in Hinsdale and surrounding communities were making to support those in need. Kids in one elementary school collected \$2,000 in nickels — yes, nickels — for relief.

No matter what your feelings are about President Trump, he had it right Friday.

"In times of hardship, the true character of America always shines through."

We expect to be blinded by that light.

COMMENTARY

## Nobody told me there'd be days like these

My dog is exhausted.

It's one of the unexpected side effects of the "social distancing" we're all doing. Dogs are experiencing, as one Facebook post called it, unprecedented levels of People Being Home. And it's wearing Lizzy out.

I feel somewhat exhausted by this COVID-19 situation, too. I've been trying to spend more time outdoors, get as much exercise as I can, keep things in perspective and get lost in a good escape novel (currently Dan Brown's "The Lost Symbol").

I've also spent a lot of time on Facebook.

I've had mixed feelings about Facebook before this week. But days like these are what social media was made for.

Funny coronavirus/COVID-19 jokes. Sample schedules for kids who are going to be off school for the next three weeks or, God help us, longer. Words of inspiration.

Facebook has long been a great place for humor, and nothing has changed. Have you seen the weird

video of Kermit dancing? He's on his second day of self-quarantine and his eighth bottle of wine.

Many of my favorite Facebook posts have to do with toilet paper — from suggestions that you knit your own to under-cover videos of sales of black market TP and hand sanitizer.

The best: a straightforward recommendation superimposed on a single roll of TP.

"If you need 144 rolls of toilet paper for a 14-day quarantine, you probably should've been seeing a doctor long before COVID-19."

As the parent of a fifth-grader, I've greatly appreciated all the online resources people have shared — virtual tours of famous museums, free streaming classes, science-y videos of penguins taking a field trip and craft ideas. (I also like all the posts joking about the "24-day weekend" we're in the midst of experiencing.)

I don't want to imply that I don't



Pamela Lannom

recognize the severity of what's happening right now. Older adults and individuals with compromised immune systems (those with heart disease, lung disease, diabetes, asthma, undergoing certain types of chemotherapy) are at a higher risk of getting very sick. We need to pay attention to what is going on around us so we can respond appro-

priately.

And I'm very aware of the effect all this is having here in Hinsdale — for residents, the school and village boards, businesses, churches, non-profit agencies, restaurants and, of course, medical professionals.

But sometimes too much bad news can be too much to bear. And so we need a laugh. Or some words of inspiration.

I wanted to close by sharing this beautiful poem by Laura Kelly Fanucci. I'm not sure which of my Facebook friends posted it, but I'm so glad they did.

When this is over,  
may we never again  
take for granted  
A handshake with a stranger  
Full shelves at the store  
Conversations with neighbors  
A crowded theatre  
Friday night out  
The taste of communion  
A routine checkup  
The school rush each morning  
Coffee with a friend  
The stadium roaring  
Each deep breath  
A boring Tuesday  
Life itself.

When this ends,  
may we find  
that we have become  
more like the people  
we wanted to be  
we were called to be  
we hoped to be  
and may we stay  
that way — better  
for each other  
because of the worst.

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## GUEST COMMENTARY

# Hitting a bump in my education

My husband and I have been huge fans of the “Great Courses” DVDs for years.

Each of the hundreds of courses available typically includes 24 or 36 half-hour lessons taught by student-recommended professors. Our personal curriculum reveals a deep interest in science, linguistics and history, and our routine is to begin evening TV time by watching a class on the topic at hand.

I’ve been very satisfied with most courses but was 95 percent dazed and confused with our latest, “Biochemistry and Molecular Biology: How Life Works.” The key problem was that our very learned professor was speaking to me in a foreign language. I know about proteins, molecules, RNA, DNA, glucose, electrons and neurotransmitters, but he whizzed through technical jargon and chemical bond drawings with no mercy for the uninformed. Hydrophilic carboxyl groups? Pentose phosphate pathway? Glyceraldehyde 6-phosphate? Pyruvate kinase? Seriously?

To be fair, before purchasing a course, my husband and I read reviews and content summaries — and decide together to buy or not. Thus, I was complicit in selecting this course, meaning that my continuous exasperation was, in part, my own doing.

By comparison, we recently tackled two other challenging courses — “Intro



**Sally Hartmann**

to Astrophysics” and “The Science of Flight.” True, I zoned out during the presentation of differential equations in the first and hardcore aerodynamics in the second, but I was lost only 50 percent of the time.

At this point, I feel obligated to write about the 5 percent I liked in “Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.” For example, I enjoyed (but still didn’t understand) the multi-stanza poem or song our professor delivered to summarize each lecture. My favorite song was to the tune of “The Star-Spangled Banner.”

Also, I had a moment of surprising clarity when part of a complicated drawing depicted how my statin successfully lowered (inhibited) my cholesterol.

Best of all were two big picture takeaways worth reflecting on. First was the professor’s strong confidence that these fields of study offer hope of cures for and prevention of viral, genetic and other terrible diseases — and not too far in the future. Second was my awe in both the incredible complexity of the molecular processes within and among our bodies’ cells and how beautifully they work much of the time. Perhaps imparting that understanding was the professor’s primary intent all along.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

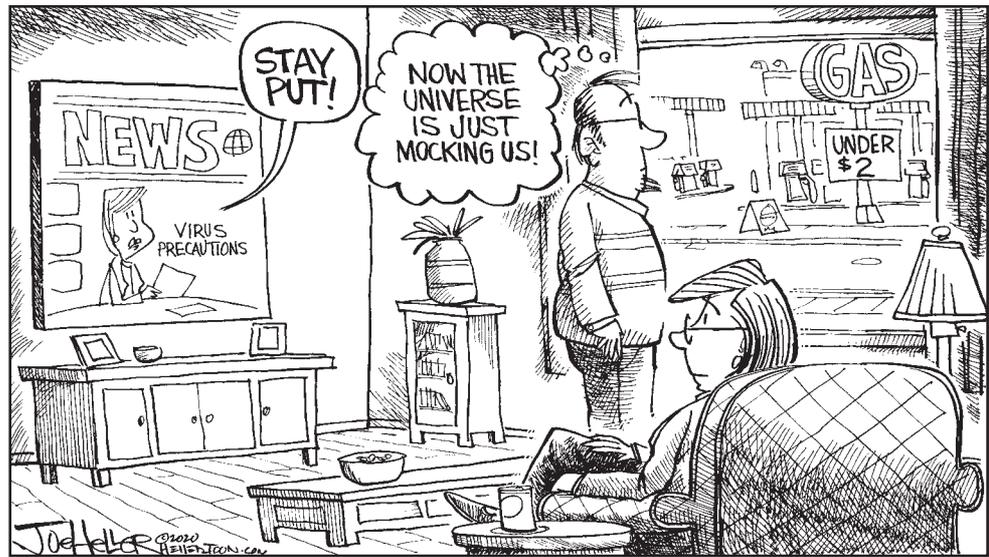
### One college student’s plea: Practice social distancing

It’s day two of my quarantine back from school, and I, like many other college students, am already feeling the burden of social distancing. Still, from reading various news articles and keeping up with CDC regulations, I understand how important it is to stay away from others during this unprecedented time. However, today when I went for a run around Hinsdale (alone, may I add), I was disappointed to see Burns Field full of kids on the playground and people playing tennis.

I am not here to argue that it’s unimportant to find ways to cope with being forced to spend so much time at home. From spending barely two days at home, I am ready to pack up and return to school. I could be at college, learning in classrooms from professors instead of over Zoom conferences. Even in

Hinsdale, where it often feels like we are distant from the world around us, we need to follow policies set forth by groups such as the CDC and WHO to protect those who need it most.

I know your children are going crazy being home from school, and you might need the break of sending them to the park or even taking the time to play a set of tennis with a close friend. But this is bigger than Hinsdale, bigger than you and your children. I urge you to have your kids ride their bikes around the block, play a game of catch in the yard or even take a stroll through town — anything except taking them to the public park. We need to “flatten the curve” and return to normal as soon as possible, something that won’t be possible without everyone doing their job. — Eleanor Pope, Hinsdale



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# OBITUARIES

## Robert L. Bunting Sr.

Robert L. Bunting Sr., 83, a resident of Eve Assisted Living in Hinsdale, died March 13, 2020.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Shirley A. Bunting, née Werner.

He is survived by his children, Barbara (Jerry) Santangelo of Hinsdale, Robert Bunting Jr., and Kathy (Mike Zarembo) Bunting; his grandchildren, Michael, Brian, Tyra and Jules; his step-grandchildren, Caitlin and Matthew;



**Bunting**

his step-great-grandchildren, Noa and Declan; and many nieces and nephews.

The service will be private. Interment is at Bronswood Cemetery in Oak Brook.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to UCP Seguin, 3100 S. Central Ave., Cicero, IL 60804 or online at <https://www.ucpseguin.org>.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

## Rachel LaBanco

Rachel LaBanco, 95, of Oak Brook passed away March 15, 2020, surrounded by her family.

She was born in 1924 in Chicago.

She is survived by her children, Sam (Carol) LaBanco, Carol (Steven) Szafalowicz and Jeanine LaBanco; her grandchildren, Kelly (Rory) Zacher, Sam Jr. (Sonia) LaBanco and Troy (Alexa) Szafalowicz; and her great-grandchildren, Lilly, Ella, Rocco and



**LaBanco**

Luca.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sam LaBanco.

A prayer service and committal blessing were held March 18 at Queen of Heaven Mausoleum in Hillside.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Mayslake Village, 1801 35th St. Oak Brook, IL 60523.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

## Leo Vincent Magrini

Leo Vincent Magrini, 90, of Oak Brook, passed away peacefully at his home on March 11, 2020.

He was born in 1929 in Chicago to Agostino and Ginetta Magrini.

He was a graduate of Saint Patrick High School in Chicago and St. Ambrose University. Following college, Leo joined the Coast Guard (1952-56), where he was stationed in Hawaii. Leo met the love of his life Mary Ellen in Long Beach, Ind., and quickly became part of the Long Beach community. They were married in 1959. They lived in Elmwood Park, River Forest and finally settled in Oak Brook to raise their three children.

After working in plastics, Leo joined Efengee Electrical Supply, where he worked for more than 60 years, retiring at the age of 85. In 1999, Leo was recognized for his commitment to the electrical industry and was awarded the Gold Medal Award from the Electrical Association of Chicagoland. This recognition was a tribute



**Magrini**

to his expertise in the business and his ability to develop personal relationships with his clients. He was also a distinguished member of Butterfield Country Club since 1967, where he built many great friendships playing golf.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary Ellen; his son, Leo R. Magrini; his brother, Aldo Magrini; and his sister, Leah Killeen.

He is survived by his daughters, Ellen Magrini and Maria (Jeffrey) Mohl, both of Hinsdale; his grandchildren, Leo, Charlie, Kevin, Melissa, Emmett and Thomas; and many nieces and nephews.

Services will be announced at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Misericordia Home, 6300 N. Ridge Ave, Chicago, IL 60660 or online at <https://www.misericordia.com>.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

## Martin funeral postponed

Nancy Jean Martin, nee Bierdemann, 89, passed away Feb. 8, 2020.

The funeral service scheduled for Saturday, March 28, at Hinsdale United Methodist Church, has been postponed and will be

rescheduled.

Her obituary ran in the March 12 issue and can be found online at <https://www.thehinsdalean.com>.

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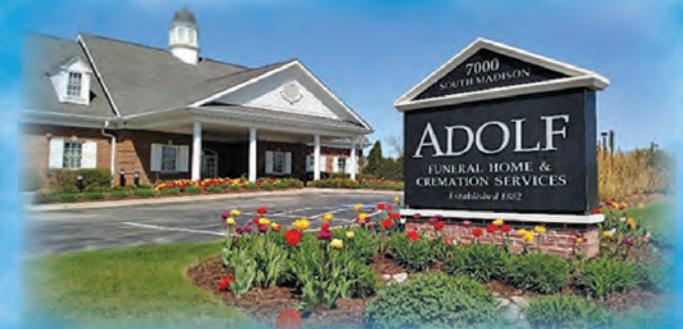
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# ASK THE EXPERTS

CHIEF JOHN GIANNELLI & FIREFIGHTER BOB PATITUCCI

## How is the fire department responding to COVID-19?

Residents reaching out to 911 with a health emergency during this time of heightened vigilance may be asked a number of questions. Please be patient and answer them, Hinsdale Fire Chief John Giannelli said.

"A call comes in: 'My mom's sick.' OK, well has she been traveling? Does she have a fever or a cough? Those are all necessary questions that our dispatch will ask anybody to prepare us for when we get in there," he said. "We change our response to someone who's possibly infected (with COVID-19)."

Firefighter/paramedic Bob Patitucci, one of the department's infection control officers, said the answers are needed to protect both the first responders and anyone they may subsequently come in contact with.

"Any information that we can get on our way to the call is just more for us to use to prepare," he said. "Is

it necessary for us to bring four people in? Maybe we can just do this call with two people and leave two guys outside with the engine and not take a chance of them being in that environment."

Patitucci said if any symptoms resembling those of coronavirus are presenting, the paramedics will put on protective face masks and gowns. They also will notify the hospital that they are transporting a potential COVID-19 patient.

"We have masks that we can put on the patient also," he said. "We're going to treat it like it could be a possibility of COVID-19."

The department began acquiring the masks and gowns over the last few years in preparation for H1-N1 and Ebola outbreaks. Giannelli said an emergency meeting of the area fire chiefs was called a couple of weeks ago to develop "a COOP — a continuity of operations plan — if, God forbid, something happened here and guys got exposed and we had to send people home and we lost a shift or the fire house had to be decontaminated, we could continue operations.

"We would help them, they would help us," he said.

Maintaining social distancing can

be challenging in the station where officers spend extended periods of time in close quarters, Giannelli noted. Firefighters are wiping down surfaces regularly and must have their temperature taken at the start of each shift.

Wearing disposable gowns mean the officers don't have to wash their uniforms every time there's a chance they've been exposed to the virus, Patitucci said.

"We don't want to go home and find out a day or two later that, hey, this patient did have it and we didn't use the proper precautions," Patitucci said.

The time it takes to get test results for the virus can make for some anxious waiting. In the meantime, Giannelli said the department will maintain a high state of readiness.

"We just want people to know that we're going to be overly cautious. If the call isn't (COVID-19), we're still going to wear (the protective gear) because we have to treat it as the worst," Giannelli said.

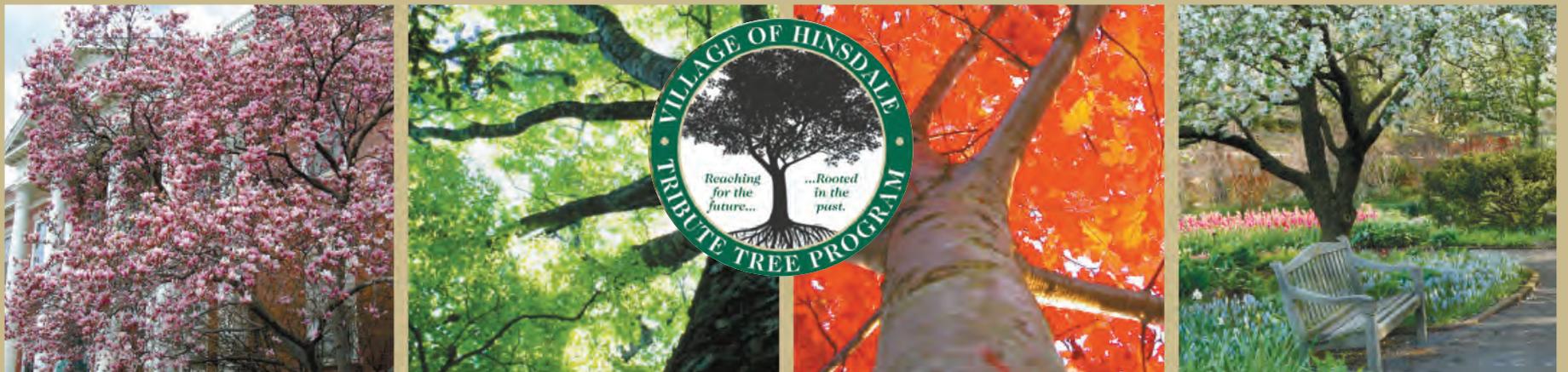
Patitucci concurred.

"We'd rather overact and look back and say it was overkill than under-react and have it be worse than we had anticipated."

— by Ken Knutson



Hinsdale Fire Chief John Giannelli and firefighter/paramedic Bob Patitucci, an infection control officer for the department, say officers are following special procedures for pre-screening patients they treat and ensuring the responding medics are properly protected. (Jim Slonoff photo)



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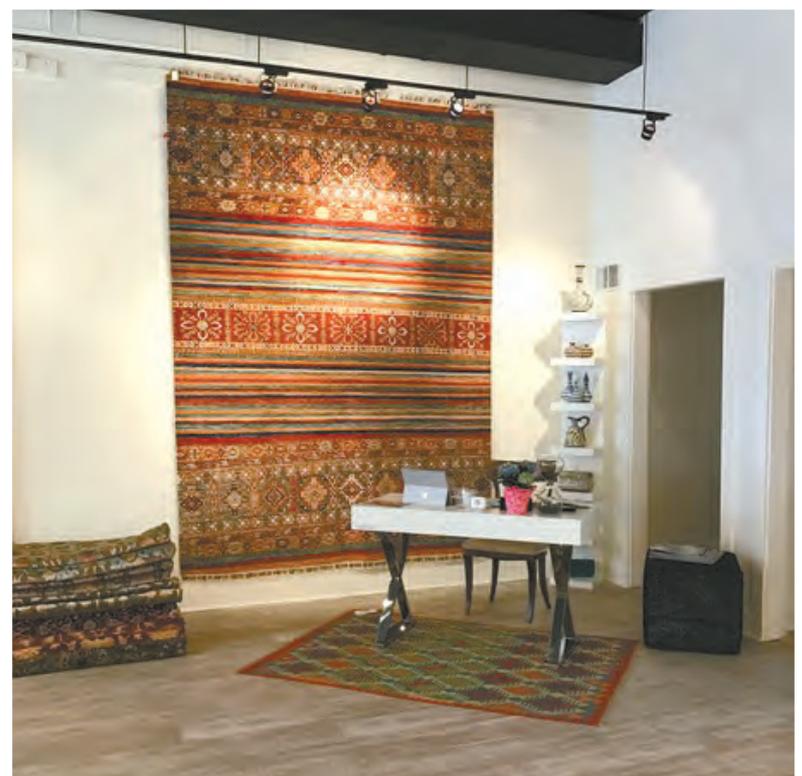
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## Hinsdaleans cope with COVID-19 pandemic

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technology to take part in audience communication virtually. We will post additional information about that process on BoardDocs and the district website. We will also share it with the community via email and social media."

At the Hinsdale Public Library, staff members also are brainstorming ways to engage more people digitally.

"We're looking at what we can move online," Executive Director Karen Keefe said. "We're looking at how we can make people more aware of what is already available with e-books and e-resources."

The library initially announced it would close only on Sunday and Monday.

"We really were hoping that there was a way we still could provide some limited access to the collection. With the recommendations and advice coming fast and furious about just not going out in public, not interacting with anyone unless you had to, even something like curbside delivery didn't seem advisable," Keefe said.

Staff are busy behind the scenes considering ways to help meet the needs of patrons stuck at home.

"We are working with our friends in the parks department and at The Community House to cross-promote different activities we can support online," she said. "There are a lot of children's authors and programmers that are doing livestream. We are going to be pushing information out about that."

Anyone who is having difficulty accessing digital resources should call the library at (630) 986-1976 and leave a message.

"Please, please, please contact us and someone will get back to you and troubleshoot over the phone," Keefe said.

### Health facilities taking precautions

Mike Murrill, president and CEO of Amita Medical Center Hinsdale and La Grange, said Amita is following all guidelines set forth by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Illinois Department of Public Health and county health departments.

"Following these guidelines, patients are screened for possible symptoms, as well as other factors, including contact, travel, medical risk factors, public health concerns and hospitalization.

"Likewise, we are supporting our physician's judgment and working on processes that meet the needs of our community. Given the advanced information and training provided by the CDC, our staff at AMITA Health Adventist Medical Center Hinsdale and throughout AMITA Health are well-prepared to care for COVID-19 patients."

The DuPage Medical Group parking lot at 40 S. Clay St. is currently serving as a drive-through site for COVID-19 tests, Gargano reported at Monday night's village board meeting.



The parking lot at The Community House, often filled with cars, was completely deserted Sunday afternoon. (Jim Slonoff photo)

"But it is not open to the public," she said. "They are receiving patients referred there by the IDPH, so they do not want residents to think that they can go there."

No cases had been reported as of press time Wednesday at Hinsdale's two senior residences, Eve Assisted Living and ManorCare of Hinsdale Senior Living.

A notice on ManorCare's website indicates all visitors, volunteers and nonessential staff are restricted expect for certain situations, such as the end of life. Communal dining and group activities have been canceled.

### Stocking and re-stocking shelves

Ron Ludwigson, owner of Kramer Foods in Hinsdale, appreciates the attitude of those who shop at his grocery store.

"Customers have been awesome," he said. "They are really understanding if you're out of something."

Keeping the shelves stocked of certain items such as toilet paper and eggs has been a challenge, he said, as some deliveries are being postponed and some orders reduced.

"Things are a little calmer today, so maybe we'll be able to get caught up," he said Tuesday. "Employees have been outstanding, working overtime and whatever it takes to get caught up."

Staff is doing extra cleaning and sanitizing and being extra vigilant, he said.

"That's all we can do," he added.

How's the supply of heavenly chicken salad?

"I haven't heard of a problem with that yet," he said with a chuckle.

HCS Family Services also is working to make sure it has food available for its cli-

ents, who are experiencing greater need right now.

"We have a situation where the demand is increasing, because we have a number of people that are affected by work stoppages or people shutting down temporarily," said Stan Cook, executive director. "We have families who are depending on school meal programs who aren't going to school now and it's more difficult to access that free food."

While the demand is increasing, the supply is not, Cook said.

"About 70 percent of the food that we receive at our pantry comes from grocery store food rescue. Right now the shelves are very empty in many grocery stores," Cook said.

He is working with several suppliers — from the Northern Illinois Food Bank to retail outlets — to obtain groceries. While the pantry is happy to receive donations of food, the best way to help right now is by giving money.

"You want to provide protein and produce and all the four food groups to people," he said. "We can evaluate it and pick out what's needed at a given point in time."

He is encouraged by the community's response to an email appeal, which had generated \$21,000 in donations as of Wednesday. The Mecca Center across the street from the pantry at Anne M. Jeans School in Burr Ridge also contacted Cook to say it will pay for milk and eggs for that pantry for the next year.

"I'm really overwhelmed right now by the show of generosity from our community," he said.

— Peter Hancock of Capitol News Illinois contributed to this story.

### Open or closed?

#### Village Hall

19 E. Chicago Ave.  
(630) 789-6000  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org>

Closed for in-person services until further notice

Online services: purchase vehicle stickers, submit building/zoning applications, register for parks and recreation programs

Also: drop boxes at Village Hall, Circle Drive or police department lobby can be used to submit payments and registration forms. Payments also may be made by phone with a credit card.

#### Hinsdale Public Library

20 E. Maple St.  
(630) 985-1976  
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Library closed until further notice. Programs events canceled through April 20. No library materials are due until May 1 and should not be returned until then. Library cards set to expire in March or April have been automatically renewed and are good for three years.

#### HCS Family Services

Memorial Hall  
19 E. Chicago Ave.  
(630) 323-2500  
<https://www.hcsfamilyservices.org>

Pantry is open during regular hours with guest pick-up of pre-packaged bags of milk, eggs, produce and nonperishables.

#### Hinsdale Historical Society

(630) 789-2600  
<https://www.facebook.com/HinsdaleHistory/>  
Archives and history museum closed until April 6.

#### Hinsdale Humane Society

<https://www.hinsdalehumane-society.org>  
All adoptions handled by appointment only; facility closed to nonadopting visitors.

#### Hinsdale Parks and Recreation Department

<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>  
Programs canceled through March 31.

#### The Community House

<https://www.thecommunity-house.org>  
Facility closed until March 29. Counseling department is either rescheduling appointments or offering teletherapy.

#### Wellness House

<https://www.wellnesshouse.org>  
Facility closed; online programs scheduled through Saturday, March 31

## Eateries, entertainment venues hit hard

*Fundraisers canceled, shows in limbo, restaurants closed in effort to slow spread*

**By Pamela Lannom**  
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Disappointment and heart-break.

Those two words describe how many are feeling as entertainment venues are closed, restaurants are limited to carryout and performances and fundraisers are canceled due to COVID-19.

The Hinsdale Auxiliary chapter of the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago had planned to hold its annual fundraiser, Tablescape, this Saturday.

The board met last Friday and voted unanimously to postpone the event until Sunday, Sept. 20.

That was a tough decision for Hinsdale Tracy Fussaro, who is co-chairing the event with Kimberly O’Gorman.

“We basically start planning it in the summer, so it’s been seven or eight months of work and we were like a week out when we had to reschedule it,” Fussaro said.

She also is concerned for the Angel Harvey Family Health Center, operated by Infant Welfare, in Chicago.

“It’s hard for them because they are relying on our donations. The need is still out there whether the event goes on or not,” she said.

Finding the right date in the early fall was no easy task, with so many other galas and fundraisers already set for that time of year, Fussaro said.

“This is uncharted territory. Everyone is doing the best they can,” she said.

She hopes people will either transfer their ticket for the Sept. 20 event or consider it a donation to the center. The time and location — noon to 4 p.m. at the Westin Lombard — remain the same.

“Hopefully people will be really ready to come out and support it,” she said. “We promise a bigger and better event.”

### The show might not go on

Stage Door Fine Arts had planned to produce two shows at The Community House this spring — “Moana,” featuring performers in second through eighth grade and “Urinetown,” featuring those



**Tables and chairs at Toni’s Patisserie and Café were pushed along the wall Monday following Gov. J.B. Pritzker’s order to close all dining spaces, but the display case was full of treats for St. Patrick’s Day. Starbucks removed its chairs as well. Both establishments, as well as most eateries in Hinsdale, remain open for takeout and/or delivery. (Jim Slonoff photos)**

in high school.

Now, after one or two rehearsals, both shows are on hiatus.

Stage Door co-founder Paula Taylor said she and her partner, Don Smith, attended a meeting at The Community House Monday.

“A lot of the meeting was all of us staring at each other, not really knowing what was the best thing to do,” she said. Things are changing so much and so fast that we’re still trying to get a grasp on it.”

The Community House has announced its facility is closed through March 29. Even if rehearsal space became available that week, Hinsdale schools will be on spring break.

“What we had been thinking last night is starting back up April 6, but now with even newer restrictions, we don’t know what is possible,” Taylor said, noting that “Moana” is set to open May 29.

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She and Smith have discussed the possibility of doing video choreography sessions, but eventually, performers need to be on the same stage.

“There’s a point where they need to know where they stand,” she said.

While decisions have to be made based on health and safety factors, Taylor said it’s hard to make a decision that will disappoint a young actor.

“Some of these kids, it’s their first chance at a lead role or their first show ever or their first show with us,” she said. “We obviously will need to do what needs to happen for everyone’s health and safety.”

### Pickup or delivery?

This is a critical time for restau-

rants, said Peter Burdi, owner of Nabuki and Il Poggiolo in Hinsdale.

“Nabuki is holding its own,” he said. “Il Poggiolo, we weren’t so much a pickup and deliver place. We are going to try to get through the next couple of weeks, but I think it’s going to be more than a couple of weeks.”

Burdi said his goal is to keep employees working and said, as always, everything is being done to make sure they are healthy and all food preparation areas are clean and sanitized.

He emphasized that customers’ patronage will make all the difference during this challenging time.

“It’s crucial,” he said. “It really is. We have to get the support. Otherwise, it’s not going to matter.”

## Order up

All but one of the independent restaurants in Hinsdale are offering carryout and/or delivery while dining rooms are closed.

**Altamura**  
9 W. First St.  
(630) 755-5252  
<https://www.altamurapizza.com>  
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**Baldinelli Pizza**  
114 S. Washington St.  
(630) 654-4600  
<https://www.baldinellipizza.com>  
Free delivery through March 31 during normal business hours, frozen pizzas available for those who would rather cook at home

**Café la Fortuna**  
46 Village Place  
(630) 537-1586  
<https://www.lafortuna-hinsdale.com>

Curbside pickup during normal business hours

**Casa Margarita**  
25 E. Hinsdale Ave.  
(630) 455-9000  
<https://www.casamaragarita.com>  
Door Dash, Grub Hub and Uber Eats from noon to 9 p.m.

**Egg Harbor**  
777 N. York Road  
(630) 920-1344  
<https://www.eggharborcafe.com>  
Hands-free takeout and Door Dash from 6:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Fuller House**  
35 E. First St.  
(630) 578-5466  
<https://www.fullerhousebar.com>  
Takeout, curbside, hands-free takeout and Door Dash from 11:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; 20 percent of food and gift card sales through March 30 will be given to staff

**Giuliano's Ristorante**  
40 Village Place  
(630) 734-1500  
<https://www.giuliano-spizza.com>

Regular or "no contact" delivery and carryout starting at 4 p.m.

**Harry & Eddie's**  
29 E. First St.  
(630) 590-9047  
<https://www.harryandeddies.com>  
Delivery and curbside pickup from noon to 8 p.m.

**Il Poggiolo**  
8 E. First St.  
(630) 734-9400  
<https://www.ilpoggiolo-hinsdale.com>  
Curbside pickup, delivery and Door Dash from noon to 8 p.m.

**Jade Dragon**  
43 S. Washington St.  
(630) 323-6959  
<https://www.jadedragonhinsdale.com>  
Carryout and delivery during normal business hours

**Nabuki**  
18 E. First St.  
(630) 654-8880  
<https://www.nabuki-hinsdale.com>  
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**Sweet Ali's Bakery**  
13 W. First St.

(630) 908-7175  
<https://www.sweetalisc.com>  
Carryout during normal business hours

**Toni Patisserie & Café**  
51 S. Washington St.  
(630) 789-2020  
<https://www.tonipatisserie.com>  
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**Vistro**  
112 S. Washington St.  
(630) 537-1459  
<https://www.vistror-restaurant.com>  
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**Wild Ginger**  
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<https://www.wildgingerhinsdale.com>  
Carryout and delivery during business hours

**YiaYia's Cafe**  
13 Grant Square  
(630) 487-5600  
<https://www.yiayia-hinsdale.com>  
Carryout and delivery from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**Note:** The following programs had not been canceled due to COVID-19 when this listing was finalized Tuesday.

## ARTFULLY DONE

■ **'Pollinators in Action' submissions**  
Through April 15  
<https://www.dupageforest.org/pollinators-in-action>

Artists are invited to submit artwork for "Pollinators in Action: Flowering Journeys," an art exhibit featuring pollinators that will run May 6-June 29 at Mayslake Peabody Estate at 1717 W. 31st St. in Oak Brook. In addition to eye-catching art, the exhibit will feature fun facts about pollinators to help visitors connect the beauty of pollinators to the critical role they play in our ecosystem. Artists are encouraged to show diversity in their submissions. Find the submission form and guidelines at the website listed above. Questions can be directed to Shannon Burns at [sburns@dupageforest.org](mailto:sburns@dupageforest.org).

## CENTRAL TIME

■ **'Seussical the Musical'**  
April 23-25  
Hinsdale Central High School auditorium  
5500 S. Grant St.  
<https://www.bit.ly/2TyaWYV>

This year's Hinsdale Central spring musical will be this family friendly production. Times: 7 p.m. all days, with 11 a.m. matinee April 25 followed by a 1 p.m. character party. Tickets: \$15, \$10 for students, seniors and children plus \$10 for character party.

■ **Buy a Brick**  
<https://d86.hinsdale86.org/Domain/8>

Be a permanent part of the history of Hinsdale Central High School by buying an engraved brick, to be installed in spring of 2022 once the new fine arts entrance is completed. Visit the website above and find the e-flyer under the "Weekly eBlast" tab, or pick up a form at the main entrance or main office

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### HOW TO ACCESS SERVICES ELECTRONICALLY

INFORMATION ON FREQUENTLY USED VILLAGE SERVICES CAN BE FOUND BELOW:

If you do not find the info you need here, please call the *General Village Line* (630)789-7000 to speak to a Village employee who will be more than happy to help you navigate our website, direct you to a department contact, or provide further information on accessing Village Services electronically.

*For forms or other materials not capable of being submitted electronically, you may mail items to Village Hall or utilize the Drop Boxes located at Village Hall, or drop off at the Police Department.*

#### GENERAL VILLAGE SERVICES

 (630)789-7000  
Fax (630)789-3463

Click: [Village of Hinsdale Website](#)

**Payments** for any Village charge can be dropped off in drop boxes OR credit card payments can be made over the phone (receipts will be mailed).

Purchase **Vehicle Stickers** Online [Here](#) or drop off applications in a drop box. Hard copies of applications can be found at the Police Department.

**Water billing customer service** can be accessed by phone at (630)789-7020

Other Inquiries:

Brad Bloom-Assistant Village Manager  
bbloom@villageofhinsdale.org

#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & PUBLIC SERVICES

 (630)789-7031  
Fax (630)789-7016

Click: [Community Development/ Building Dept. Web Page](#)

Click: [Public Services & Engineering Web Page](#)

Contact for questions regarding building and zoning, engineering, or public services.

**Applications can be submitted via mail or email, forms can be found on web pages linked above.**

Spot, ridge, & final TOPO surveys can be submitted to  
[tryan@villageofhinsdale.org](mailto:tryan@villageofhinsdale.org)

**For permit submittal and issuance please call Community Development for more information.**

Other Inquiries:

Rob McGinnis- C.D. Director  
[rmcginnis@villageofhinsdale.org](mailto:rmcginnis@villageofhinsdale.org)

#### PARKS & RECREATION

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The Lodge (630)789-7095  
Fax (630)789-7016

Click: [Parks & Rec. Web Page](#)  
Click: [The Lodge Web Page](#)

While offices are not open for walk-in registrations, pool and program registration can be done in a number of ways:

**Online** [click link for registration](#)

**Via email:**

[parkrec@villageofhinsdale.org](mailto:parkrec@villageofhinsdale.org)

**Utilizing Drop Boxes**

**Mail Forms to Village Hall**

*New participants should call to set up an account prior to registering online.*

Visit our [FORMS PAGE](#) for applicable registration forms.

Other Inquiries:

Heather Bereckis -Superintendent  
[hbereckis@villageofhinsdale.org](mailto:hbereckis@villageofhinsdale.org)

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Police Department: 121 Symonds Drive

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[www.villageofhinsdale.org](http://www.villageofhinsdale.org) (630) 789-7000

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Village Hall Building or Circle Drive  
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# Dealing with anxiety during a time of crisis

Not since 9/11 have we, as a nation, had to face a crisis like this; an event that each of us, regardless of age, race, income or where we live, are having to adjust to. Daily we are being exposed to news of schools and businesses closing, sports teams suspending their seasons and large-scale events being canceled in an effort to stop the spread of the COVID-19 virus. These are anxious times.

By definition, anxiety is a feeling of worry, nervousness or unease; typically about an imminent event or something with an uncertain outcome. We are in uncharted territory as our community, our country and the rest of the world works to deal with this public health emergency.

It is important to realize that feelings of anxiety are normal at this moment. What we need to do is recognize when we are feeling anxious and employ coping tools. For adults, symptoms of anxiety can include pre-

occupation with worrying thoughts, heart palpitations, mood swings and feeling like being in a fog. Young children might show anxiety by being more clingy and having difficulty falling asleep or having nightmares.

There are things you can do.

1. Maintain a good sleep routine

For adults and children it is important to get at least eight hours of sleep. Maintain a regular sleep schedule by trying to get to bed around the same time and waking up at the same time, even if you don't have to go to work or school.

2. Keep moving

Spend time exercising. Go for walks or bike rides. You can also do some mind and body exercises at home such as yoga or workouts. With your



**Bob Agnoli**  
On mental health

kids, make some time to play some music and dance. There are apps and videos online that can help guide you. It will be important to keep active.

3. Talk to others

It is important to stay connected with family and friends and avoid social isolation. Talk to others by phone or through FaceTime. Check in with loved ones and neighbors.

4. Do things as a family

It can be easy to isolate in the same house with video games and TV. Make time for family game nights or make dinner together.

5. Adjust your news intake

If you are feeling stressed about all the news, unplug from social media. If you feel the need to keep up with what is happening, set aside a specific time in the day that you will

check the news.

When fear and anxiety go unchecked, it takes a toll on our well being. If you notice that it is impacting you, you may want to consider talking to a mental health professional.

Though The Community House has suspended all programming in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19, we will continue to be a source of support for the community. During this time the counseling staff will be available by phone for anyone who needs support.

Please call (630) 323-7500, Ext. 232. We will check messages several times a day and we will do our best to get back to you within 24 hours.

These are trying times, but as a community, we can get through this together.

— Bob Agnoli is the director of mental health services at The Community House in Hinsdale.

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## GAME ON

### ■ Soccer Shots Premier

Thursdays, April 9-May 28  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale  
(630) 323-7500  
<https://www.thecommunity-house.org>

Kids ages 5-7 will focus on individual skill, fitness and sportsmanship, providing an opportunity for children to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner. Time: 4 to 4:45 p.m. Cost: \$127. RR, MD

### ■ Basketball/Speed and Agility

Thursdays, April 9-May 14  
Madison School  
611 S. Madison St.,  
Hinsdale  
(630) 789-7090  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

This class will help kids ages 6-8 to the next level. Basic skills will be advanced with a concentration on teamwork and game strategies. The speed and agility training session is built to make participants faster, stronger, and more agile athletes. SKLZ equipment, ladders, hurdles and cones will be used. A scrimmage game will be played at the end of each class. Time: 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$58. RR

### ■ Soccer/Speed and Agility

Mondays, April 13-May 18  
Madison School  
611 S. Madison St.,  
Hinsdale  
(630) 789-7090  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

This noncompetitive skill development program will review the basic skills of dribbling, passing, shooting, goal tending and positions. There will be weekly progress on the technical aspects of the game. The speed and agility training session is built to make participants faster, stronger

and more agile athletes. SKLZ equipment, which is highly recommended by multiple coaches and trainers, is used. Games will be played at the end of each class. Time: 5:30 to 6:20 p.m. Cost: \$58. RR

### ■ Adult Floor Hockey League

Wednesdays, April 15-May 27  
Westmont Community Center  
75 E. Richmond St.  
(630) 789-7090  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

Get a team together and join the SAAL Floor Hockey League this spring. Teams are required to provide their own team shirts (with visible numbers) and hockey sticks. Goalie equipment will be provided if needed. All players must be at least 18 years of age. Rosters are due before the first game. Time: 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Cost: \$400.

### ■ Intro to Youth Field Hockey

Thursdays, April 16-May 28  
Robbins Park  
Seventh and Vine streets,

Hinsdale  
(630) 789-7090  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

Kids ages 5-14 will improve, learn and fall in love with the game of field hockey through this RISE Field Hockey program. Coaches will break down the rules of the game, teach how to handle the stick, dribble the ball, shoot on goal, and pass and receive a ball. Practice is once a week with optional games/play dates at various locations on the weekends. Participants can borrow a stick for the duration of class but must supply their own shin guards, mouth guards and optional goggles. Equipment packages are also available for purchase through the RISE website. Time: 5 to 6:30 p.m. Cost: \$185. RR

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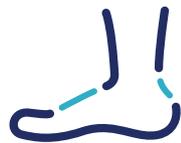
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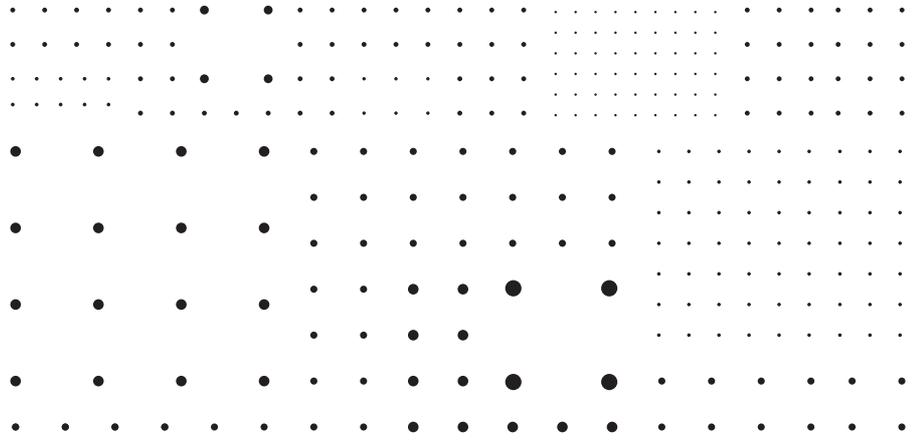
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**Scratch Animation & Game Design**

Wednesdays, April 15-May 20  
 The Community House  
 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale  
 (630) 323-7500  
<https://www.thecommunityhouse.org>

Kids ages 6-10 will develop interactive stories, advanced games and animations as a way to start learning to code and build core computational concepts. All skill levels are welcome; students will be challenged based on their experience. Students will be provided with a laptop. Time: 5 to 6 p.m. Cost: \$175. RR, MD

**SENIOR SCENE**

**Hearing loss support group**  
 Second Wednesday of the month

Aging Care Connections  
 111 W. Harris Ave., La Grange  
 (708) 603-2259  
<https://www.agingcareconnections.org>

This group, for older adults with any level of hearing loss or those caring for a loved one with hearing loss, will offer resources, everyday tips and coping strategies for handling hearing loss. Participants can receive support from others experiencing similar challenges. Time: 9:30 to 11 a.m.

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**Peabody's Pages Book Club**

April 3, May 1 & June 5 or April 14, May 12 & June 9  
 Mayslake Peabody Estate  
 1717 31st St., Oak Brook  
 (630) 206-9566  
<https://www.dupageforest.org>

Discuss great reads with light refreshments in Mayslake Hall's 100-year-old library. April's title is "The Beekeeper's Lament: How One Man and Half a Billion Honey Bees Help

Feed America," May's is "The Secret Garden" and June's is "The Overstory: A Novel." Times: 10 to 11:15 a.m. for Friday group, 6:45 to 8 p.m. for Tuesday group. Cost: \$5. RR

**Citizens Fire Academy**  
 Thursdays, April 23-May 28  
 Hinsdale Fire Station  
 121 Symonds Drive  
 (630) 789-7060  
 The Hinsdale Fire

Department will hold this third annual program, offering a rare experience to the community on what it takes to be a career firefighter and paramedic. Students will learn about the history of the fire service, participate in hands-on demonstrations that include vehicle extractions, fire suppression and basic life-saving skills as well as a behind the scenes look at life in the firehouse.

Students must be age 18 or older and either live or work in Hinsdale. Sign-up in person fire station or by sending an email to [stullis@villageofhinsdale.org](mailto:stullis@villageofhinsdale.org). Time: 6 to 8 p.m. RR

**TEENS & TWEENS**

**2-D Studio: Painting/ Drawing**  
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### WEE ONES

■ **Little Actors Club**  
Tuesdays, April 7-May 19  
Clarendon Hills Community Center  
315 Chicago Ave.  
(630) 789-7090  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

Kids ages 3-6 will explore their imagination and begin

“acting” in this fast-paced creative drama class. Each week is a new and exciting adventure into the imagination with changing themes, music, costumes, props and playbills. Kids will learn theater terms, enhance spontaneity, build self-esteem — and learn a new joke every week. Time: 12:15 to 1 p.m. Cost: \$75. RR

### ■ My First Garden

April 18  
Lake View Nature Center  
17W063 Hodges Road,  
Oakbrook Terrace  
(630) 789-7090  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

Kids ages 2-5 with an adult can join this basic workshop and start an herb garden from seeds to take care of at home. Get tips on how to engage children in the cultivation of their first plants and start a love of gardening for life. Time: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Cost: \$15.

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## CENTRAL STUDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS

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Stella Dang received a Gold Key in the personal essay and memoir category.

Gianna Dugan, Mara Severts, Isabel Sunderland and

Anand Yallapragada earned honorable mentions in the personal essay and memoir category.

Lia Fawley and Aileen Yang earned honorable mentions in the short story category.

Amy Dong received an honorable mention in the humor category.

The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards honor the vision, ingenuity and talent of the nation's youth and provide opportu-

nities for creative teens to be celebrated.

## COLLEGE STUDENTS MAKE DEAN'S LIST

The following students from Hinsdale earned a place on the dean's list at their college or university for the fall 2019 term.

- Hannah Anderson, Washington University/St. Louis

- Rene Barnard, University of Kansas

- Katherine Beja, University of Kansas

- Stephanie Bowater, Washington University/St. Louis

- Elena Cacchillo, Washington University/St. Louis

- Olivia Campbell, Minnesota State University/Mankato

- Olivia Giammanco,

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- Daniel Kacey, Washington University/St. Louis

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# EGGSCETERA

Note: The following programs had not been canceled due to COVID-19 when this listing was finalized Tuesday.

## BUNNY BREAKFASTS

### ■ Breakfast with the Bunny

April 10  
Morton Arboretum  
4100 Route 53, Lisle  
(630) 725-2066  
<https://www.mortonarb.org>

Enjoy a tasty springtime buffet and a visit from the Easter Bunny, who will pose for photos and pass out an Easter treat. Mimosas and bloody Marys are available for \$6. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. Cost: \$36 adults, \$27 children ages 4-12, free for children 3 and younger. RR, MD

### ■ Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

April 11  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
(630) 323-7500  
<https://www.thecommunityhouse.org>

Hop in for a delicious hot breakfast and one-on-one time with the Bunny. Menu items might include scrambled eggs, French toast, hash browns, pastries, cinnamon rolls, doughnuts, pancakes, juice and coffee. After breakfast hop on over to Robbins Park for the egg hunt. Time: 9 to 10:15 a.m. Cost: \$19. RR, MD

## EGG HUNTS

### ■ Easter egg hunt

April 11  
Robbins Park  
Seventh and Vine streets  
(630) 789-7090  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

Kids 11 and younger are invited to bring a basket, hunt for treats and visit with the bunny. Areas will be divided by age group. Kids crafts and activities will be offered inside The Community House immediately after the egg hunt and there will be a petting zoo in the park. Please be prompt. Time: 10:30 a.m.

### ■ Horsin' Around: Spring Fling Egg Hunt

April 11  
Danada Equestrian Center  
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Wheaton  
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Celebrate the horse at this fun-filled day featuring kids' activities and up-close opportunities to learn about this animal. All ages are welcome; those under 18 must be with an adult. Time: noon to 4 p.m.

## EASTER BRUNCH

### ■ Easter Brunch Grand Buffet

April 12  
Harry & Eddie's  
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Breakfast items such as made-to-order omelettes and lemon ricotta pancakes are featured with prime rib, roasted salmon and vodka pasta, along with assorted fruit and luscious desserts. Endless bubbles or bloody Marys are \$9. Time: 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$42, \$15 for ages 5 to 12, free for kids 4 and younger. RR

### ■ Easter Brunch

April 12  
Vistro  
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### ■ Easter Brunch

April 12  
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dren 3 and younger. RR

### ■ Easter Brunch

April 12  
Drury Lane  
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook  
Terrace  
(630) 530-8300  
<https://www.drurylane.com>

Take a photo with the Easter Bunny, play at the craft table and hunt for eggs in the Easter Village before enjoying an elaborate buffet brunch. Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost: \$65 adults, \$20 children ages 6-12, \$15 children ages 3-5, free for children 2 and younger. RR

## OTHER EVENTS

### ■ TreOre service

April 9  
Zion Lutheran Church  
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<https://www.zionhinsdale.org>

The church will hold its TreOre service on Good Friday, marking the 91st year that it has been held without interruption. The three-hour worship services focuses on the seven last words of Christ on the cross. The worship service is divided into seven segments, with each lasting 20 to 25 minutes. Seven different pastors giving a short homily, and each segment also contains a hymn, a Scripture reading, and a short message. A musical interlude between each segment allows worshipers to come for all or part of the service. Time: noon

### ■ 'The Passion'

May 3  
Christ Church in Oak  
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501 Oakbrook Road  
<https://www.christchurch.us>

This livestreamed service will feature professional soloists and an orchestra joining with the Christ Church Chancel Choir in a multimedia musical production to tell the powerful story of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. Time: 9 and 10:45 a.m.



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The front door opens to a foyer that holds a breathtaking wooden staircase made with craftsmanship details. The walls are wrapped in rich wainscoting, and a cozy fireplace perfects the foyer. The living room is inviting with its gracious fireplace and an original arched stained-glass window that was carefully restored. Impressive 11.5-foot-ceiling rooms allow for dramatically oversized windows and an abundance of natural light. Large wood-pocket doors offer privacy, in an otherwise open-floor concept. The 29x20 foot family room is big enough for a large party; yet, its splendid fireplace creates a cozy ambiance for a quiet evening with a good book. The formal dining room is like no other. Its spectacular baseboard-to-ceiling wood paneling, intricate woodwork and a built-in breakfront make it grand and unique.

A seamless blend of historic details and modern luxury is evident in a comparably grand chef's kitchen, equipped with high-end appliances manufactured by Viking, SubZero, Miele, Gaggenau, among others.

The magnificent foyer staircase leads to a 2nd floor with a laundry room and 4 bedrooms; each with its own bathroom and generous closet space. The master bedroom, and its bathroom, each have a fireplace. The finished 3rd floor includes a bathroom and five rooms for additional bedrooms, workout room, study or music room.

This residence is located on one of Hinsdale's few cobblestone streets. It is 2 blocks away from restaurants, shops and the train station. It is also within walking distance to Oak School and Hinsdale Middle School.

Incidentally, for all movie buffs, this house was featured in the movie "Backdraft," as the fictional home of Alderman Swayzak. Come and view this grand residence and enjoy living on the prestigious First Street.

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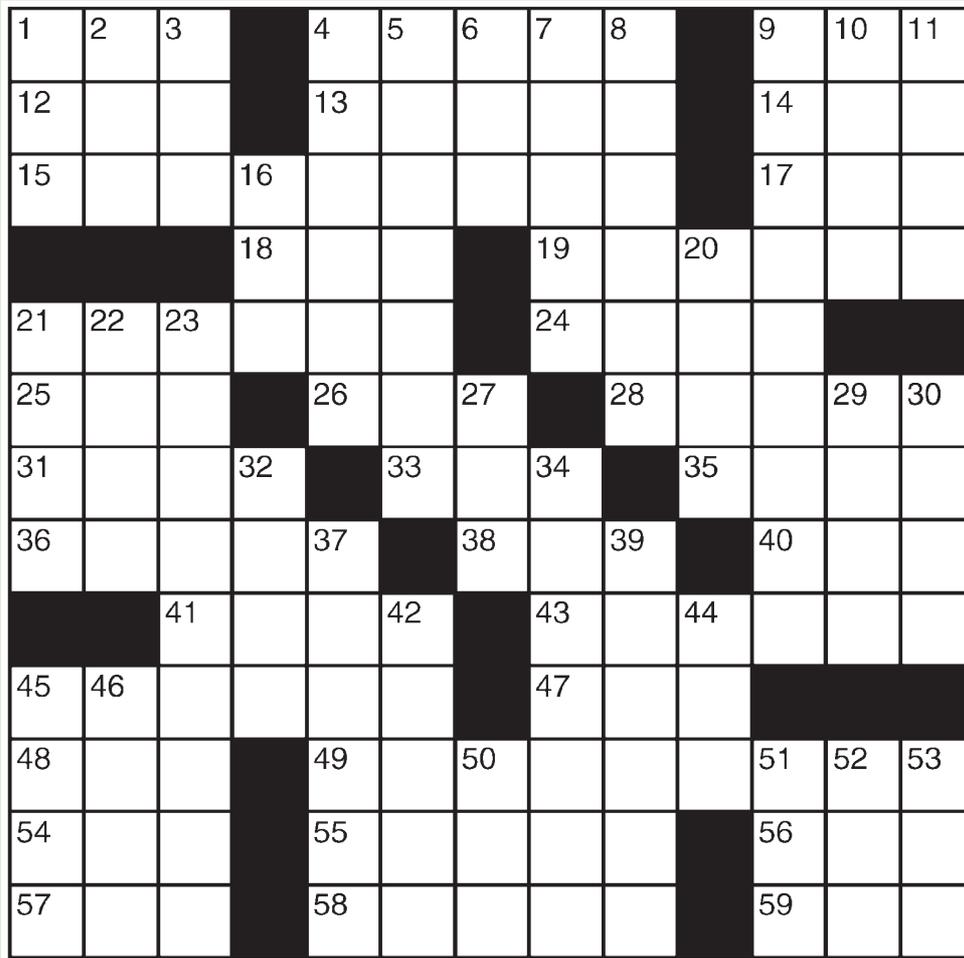
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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

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- 1. TAR (in place).
- 2. Keeps out rain.
- 3. Fortunetelling device.
- 4. Airport runway.
- 5. Game fish.
- 6. Good seasoning.

Answer: 1. Tar 2. Tarp 3. Tarp 4. Tarmac 5. Tarpon 6. Tarragon



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# HOROSCOPES

March 2020 Horoscopes • Week 4



**CAPRICORN** – Dec 22/Jan 20  
It is never a good idea to enhance the facts, Capricorn. However, you can be enthusiastic about your efforts and what those efforts may lead to. Stand behind your work and opinions.



**ARIES** – Mar 21/Apr 20  
Aries, having friends in high places can open doors to some unique places. But you can only keep those doors open through hard work.



**CANCER** – Jun 22/Jul 22  
There is no need to keep a calm facade if you are experiencing some anxiety, Cancer. Be honest with those closest to you and you'll benefit from their feedback.



**LIBRA** – Sept 23/Oct 23  
Libra, others may see you as the advice guru this week. That is a role you excel in, but you must balance the extra counseling work with your existing responsibilities.



**AQUARIUS** – Jan 21/Feb 18  
Aquarius, no matter how busy your schedule may be, carve out some time to take care of some financial issues that have cropped up in the last few weeks.



**TAURUS** – Apr 21/May 21  
Widen your social network to have the best opportunities for success this week, Taurus. New people can provide useful information and approaches you never imagined.



**LEO** – Jul 23/Aug 23  
The strong force of your sensitivity may surprise you over the course of the next few days, Leo. Just try not to let emotions cloud your judgment on the professional front.



**SCORPIO** – Oct 24/Nov 22  
Someone who lays on the flattery can win you over in an instant, Scorpio. But once you delve deeper, you may grow suspicious. Accept praise but don't let it cloud your vision.



**PISCES** – Feb 19/Mar 20  
Take a new approach to a similar task and you may come away with something surprising, Pisces. Take that leap of faith.



**GEMINI** – May 22/June 21  
Gemini, surround yourself with people who can help advance your career. The changing landscape of your job means you need to be open to all possibilities.



**VIRGO** – Aug 24/Sept 22  
Single Virgos will have plenty of opportunity to be flirty and fun this week. But even those in relationships can get in on the action, putting romance to the forefront.



**SAGITTARIUS** – Nov 23/Dec 21  
Sagittarius, you tend to give freely without worrying about the bottom line. But today's stars flash warnings that you may need to keep a tight hold on your cash.

# SPORTS

## Local sports landscape goes quiet

*From prep to adult athletics, COVID-19 has stopped competitions in their tracks*

By Ken Knutson

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The race to stop COVID-19 has meant unfortunate halts to many normal rhythms in society, with sports disruptions being among the more high-profile.

Locally, Hinsdale student-athletes competing at the college level have seen their seasons abruptly ended, while Hinsdale Central spring athletes remain in limbo. Village-based leagues have also had to make significant adjustments.

Central graduate Mia Chiappe was preparing to swim with her Denison University teammates at the NCAA Division III championships last week when she got devastating news, first from an online post, then confirmed by her coach: all NCAA events were canceled.

"We all sat together down at the pool wondering what to do next," recounted the junior freestyler. "We were all very sad to hear the news. Everyone was crying and in disbelief. No one saw this coming and we really were holding out hope for a different outcome."

Chiappe said the team had four days together on campus before the school closed and decided to make the best of it.

"Saturday we hosted our own meet to give those who wanted to swim a chance to compete one last time," she said. "

The program had high hopes this year, having already won its conference championship. Chiappe, a four-time All-American, was eager to add to her accomplishments.

"The toughest part has been knowing that this was our year. From Day One the goal has been to be the team at the top of the podium at NCAAs and to have that abruptly taken away from us was painful," she remarked.

Chiappe said the experience, while still raw, has taught her not to take plans for granted.

"I think this shows that not everything that you think you have will be there," she reflected. "We have to work even harder next year to even come close to achieving the goal we set out for this year. We are losing a large amount of the national team, so it will just take more hard work and determination to be in the same spot next year."

Marty Brennan, president of the Hinsdale Platform Tennis Association, said the association's Men's Hinsdale Open was scheduled for last weekend was postponed after consulting health officials, including medical professionals within the association's membership, and as governmental guidelines to combat the threat of the coronavirus became more acute in nature.

"We felt it was in the best interests of our paddle community to postpone the event and maintain a healthy environment around the KLM paddle facility," Brennan said.

The tournament has been tentatively rescheduled for April 18-19. On a positive note, the Women's Open tournament was



**Hinsdale's Mia** Chiappe, a junior on Denison University's Big Red swim team, missed out on a chance to compete at her third consecutive NCAA Division III Championships last weekend when the meet was canceled, along with all other college athletics, due to COVID-19. (photo courtesy of Denison Athletic Communications)

able to be held Friday.

At Hinsdale Central, sports-related activities are on hold until at least April 6. With schools having different spring breaks and the Illinois High School Association targeting March 31 (as of press time) to resume, Central athletic director Dan Jones said there's a lot of variation and uncertainty.

"I have a feeling that everything is just on hold and we're going to wait and see how things proceed," Jones said.

With Centers for Disease Control recommending no gatherings of 50 people or more, he noted, such a restriction would certainly impact events like track meets.

As the president of the Illinois Athletic Directors Association, Jones said he is convening a meeting today, Thursday, to try to chart a course forward.

"Our (IADA) conference is May 1, and we're going to be talking about postponing that until July," he said. The first state meet scheduled is badminton the second weekend of May, and Jones, while reluctant to speculate, believes an April 6 return is ambitious.

"Right now I don't see anything coming back until the middle of April. I think they're just going to keep extending this," Jones said. "Right now everyone is waiting and seeing what directions we get from the health department and the state."

He encouraged Red Devil athletes to follow the guidelines on social distancing and, if necessary, quarantining.

"Hopefully everyone stays healthy and we can get back as soon as possible," he said.

### Over and out

For Hinsdale Central grads looking forward to putting the cap on their college athletic careers in their senior campaigns, their sudden and unwelcome finish lines due to the COVID-19 response was especially hard to accept.

Two shared their thoughts with The Hinsdalean.

"It has been rather difficult to reconcile with the fact that I will never be able to prove my athletic ability on the track in the same context again. Years of injuries meant seasons cutting short so my potential was never met. The chance for redemption was removed.

"I think for us seniors, we are experiencing a bit of an identity crisis. While we will continue running after our collegiate careers and are looking forward to competing individually in marathons and other events, there is something completely different about running for a team. This will be the hardest change for me to accept, as I have been immersed in a team atmosphere for the past eight years.

"The heartbreak I am experiencing is relatively minor in the grand context of the world. This is for the greater good and I am simply doing my part in mitigating the spread of the virus. It was certainly not how I expected my collegiate experience to end and something I would never wish on anyone else, but it is the reality." — **Yuji Cusick, cross country/track, New York University**

"Words really can't describe how I felt when I received the email that my time as a collegiate athlete was over. More than anything, it was hard to know that so many experiences were taken away so suddenly. It hurt to know that I will never get the chance to lace up the spikes that have carried me so far, to hug my teammates after a relay or to cross the finish line knowing that all the hard work I put in was worth it.

"My teammates, both from Hinsdale Central and from Middlebury, were and will always be my best friends. They are the ones I have laughed with, cried with and shared so many life memories alongside. I am beyond grateful for the opportunity to have run for two incredible programs and will cherish the memories I have made for the rest of my life." — **Nathan Hill, cross country/track, Middlebury College**

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