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Say “Lambo”

Tyler Kellner gets a quick picture of his sons, Thomas and James, with a colorful background of Lamborghinis. The Kellners were among the hundreds of car fans and owners who turned out Sunday for the Burdi Clothing Summer Car Show, dubbed “Functional Art.” The crowds that gathered were not disappointed in the array of cars and colors on display in the commuter lot and in front of Burdi’s on Hinsdale Avenue. Proud owners answered dozens of questions from the fans and cameras — not just phones — recorded every inch of the cars on hand, from top to bottom. There were also food trucks, a lemonade stand and a DJ in addition to the millions of dollars worth of cars on display. Please turn to Page 30 for more pictures. (Jim Slonoff photo)



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NEWS

Significant structures list is growing

New preservation initiative approved last year proving popular among homeowners

By Pamela Lannom
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The number of properties on the village's Historically Significant Structures Property List is growing, with the third set of homes slated to be approved by the Hinsdale Village Board next week.

"After Tuesday, we will have 68 houses approved," said village planner Bethany Salmon. "I've got more coming through. We have four more that are en route officially and I have two more coming through starting in September."

Other homeowners are preparing to apply.

"We do have a handful that are not quite in the queue yet that are getting ready to be in the queue," she said.

Forty-six properties initially were recommended for inclusion on the list by Hinsdale's Historic Preservation Commission in February and approved by the village board in March. Thirteen more were added to the list following trustees' approval in May.

Among the eight homes slated to be added this month is the William Whitney house, also known as the Hallmark House, at 142 E. First St. The Italianate Victorian home already is on the National Register of Historic Places and was listed as historically significant in the village's reconnaissance survey in 1999 and the Robbins Park Survey in 2002. The house currently serves as the rectory for Grace Church.

Salmon noted that only 25 home-

owners in more than 20 years requested to register their properties through the village's landmarking program.

"This program hasn't been established for even a year and we've got more than double the properties we had for the landmark list," she said.

Village staff have been working with architects and real estate agents to let them know about the program, which was established in September 2022 as part of the creation of the Historic Overlay District. Homes on the list are eligible for incentives such as relaxed or waived zoning regulations, property tax rebates and matching grant funds.

The historic preservation commission handles requests related to

zoning and fee waivers, while the village board reviews requests for tax rebates and grants.

"We've made it pretty simple to go through that process now," she said.

As projects are completed, Salmon said she wants to share before and after photos with residents. She plans to update the list of homes, which is posted on the village's website at www.villageofhinsdale.org, on the bottom of the page titled "Historic Overlay District & Historic Preservation Incentives." She also wants to post blurbs on each home's history when things slow down a bit. But that might not be anytime soon.

"I only think it will just get more and more popular, to be honest," Salmon said.



Sweet summer treats

Finding the perfect spot to take a summer break — right outside of Every Day's a Sundae on Hinsdale Avenue — this group of boys polished off ice cream in all forms Monday afternoon. Reid Matos, Matthew and Patrick Rogers, Daniel Matos and Peter Rogers kept cool with their cones and shakes. (Jim Slonoff photo)

ONCE UPON A TIME



Back to school — This photo is from Sandy Williams' book, "Images of America — Hinsdale." "Built by Sherman King about 1853, Fullersburg School was located on the hill between Fullersburg Cemetery and the plank road, where Fuller Road now ends. James Valette of Naperville was the teacher, boarding in Fullersburg during the week and walking the 12 miles home each weekend, Vacated in 1928, the school was destroyed by fire 10 years later."



Happy Birthday!
William Kropf
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Uniquely Thursdays had humble beginnings

Two decades later, concerts draws hundreds to Burlington Park for music, food and fun

By Sandy Illian Bosch
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As a business owner in Hinsdale, Lynette Lovelace was always looking for new ways to provide for the people of Hinsdale — and new ways to attract those people to the village's downtown.

Lovelace was at a meeting of the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce when she suggested the idea of a downtown concert series to draw people to the business district. The events would be held on Thursday nights to coincide with the later hours of several downtown merchants.

"Everybody looked at me like I had three heads," Lovelace recalls of that meeting more than 20 years ago. That conversation was the beginning of Uniquely Thursdays. Now in its 21st season, the event has grown immensely from those first concerts held on First Street.

"We would hand walk our grill down," and grill burgers and brats for concertgoers, said Lovelace, who lived three blocks away from her store, Kokopelli, on the corner of Garfield Avenue and First Street. Concerts took place on the street itself, with a stretch of First Street closed to traffic.

"Every week, more and more and more people came," Lovelace said.

Eventually, the crowds outgrew the makeshift concert venue and Uniquely Thursdays moved north to Burlington Park, where it's still held today. Food trucks long ago replaced Lovelace's backyard grill, and Uniquely Thursdays now draws hundreds of people to its weekly concerts, held each summer from June through August.

But while the series itself is just 10 weeks long, Amanda Wagner, the chamber's marketing director, said the job of planning Uniquely Thursdays is a year-round task. Even before the current season ends on Aug. 17, Wagner said work already has begun on Uniquely Thursdays 2024.

She and other members of the chamber look carefully each year at what worked and what needs to be tweaked to make Uniquely



Uniquely Thursday concerts initially were held on First Street, as seen in these photos from 2005. For many summers the series, sponsored by the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce, has found its home in Burlington Park, where food trucks and vendor booths have added to the fun. (chamber/file photos)

Thursdays the best it can be. Booking bands, renting porta-potties, selling sponsorships and coordinating with the village are all part of the job, she said.

"They do so much," Wagner said of village staff, who close off streets, provide security and more to make the concerts safe and enjoyable for all.

Adding new vendors and sponsors keeps things interesting, said Wagner, who hopes to add to the Uniquely Thursday food choices next year.

New to the concert series in 2023 was Bella Cosa Jewelers in Hinsdale. Owned by Hinsdale residents Joe and Amy Molfese, the busi-

ness sponsored a band this year and showed up almost weekly with giveaways and fun activities for the crowd. Other businesses have offered balloons, face painting and games, Wagner said.

Joe Molfese said Bella Cosa gave away teddy bears, beach balls and light-up bracelets and offered a photo booth in which guests could take their pictures in a Uniquely Thursday branded frame.

The photo booth and the giveaways will return for the final concert of the season Aug. 17, Molfese said.

"Going to the event is nice to see our existing clients," and to meet new potential customers and friends,

Molfese said.

"It's a family event."

"It's important for the businesses to get out there and meet with the community," Wagner said.

Without businesses to sponsor the series and Hinsdale residents eager to attend, Uniquely Thursdays would not happen.

Wagner said Thursdays are long days for her as she prepares for each concert and sees it through to the end. But she said it's all worth it when she sees the people of Hinsdale having a good time.

Lovelace handed over the reins of her brainchild long ago and now enjoys Uniquely Thursdays like any other Hinsdalean.

■ QUINTESSENTIAL HINSDALE

This is the another in a series of stories on places that make Hinsdale the town it is.

"We wander down now. I love to see how it's grown," she said.

People were nervous when the whole thing started, Lovelace said, but summer concert series have since become a staple in nearly every Chicago suburb.

"We have this sweet, charming town," Lovelace said.

Uniquely Thursdays is one way to celebrate it.

NEXT WEEK

Community Consolidated Elementary Dist. 181 Board

7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 14
Hinsdale Middle School
100 S. Garfield Ave.
www.d181.org

On the draft agenda: full-day kindergarten, summer program and facilities updates; start of year information

Hinsdale Economic Development Commission

8:45 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16
Memorial Building
19 E. Chicago Ave.
www.villageofhinsdale.org

Hinsdale High School District 86 Board

6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10
Hinsdale South High School
7401 Clarendon Hills Road, Darien
www.hinsdale86.org/board-of-education/board-meetings

On the agenda: final year of district's strategic plan, proposed handbook revisions on academic dishonesty

Hinsdale Village Board

7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 15
Memorial Building
19 E. Chicago Ave.
www.villageofhinsdale.org

On the draft agenda: approve additional properties for inclusion on Historically Significant Structures Property List, ordinance amending village code as related to the number of liquor licenses and changes to 11 Salt Creek Lane

Hinsdale Zoning Board of Appeals

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16
Memorial Building
19 E. Chicago Ave.
www.villageofhinsdale.org

Fatal accident still under investigation

Hinsdale police are still waiting for results from the Illinois State Police Crime lab before concluding an investigation into a July 17 incident involving a Jeep that accelerated unexpectedly while exiting Fuller's Car Wash.

The lab has a backlog of cases, Hinsdale Police Chief Brian King said Wednesday.

"I'm anticipating it will be in this week," King said.

The car hit Sean Richards, a 14-year-old from Hinsdale, who was walking on the sidewalk on Lincoln Street, before crashing into Fontano's Subs across the street. Richards

died three days later. Three people inside the restaurant were hit by the vehicle or debris from the collision.

A lawsuit was filed July 25 on behalf of three individuals who were inside Fontano's, naming Fuller's Car Wash and its businesses, along with the father of the 16-year-old Fuller's employee who drove the Jeep as defendants. A fourth client plans to join suit when the proper paperwork can be filed, according to attorney Louis C. Cairo, managing partner and owner of GWC Injury Lawyers in Chicago.

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Light show brings village history to life

By Pamela Lannom
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One of the shining moments of the village's 150th anniversary celebration will occur Aug. 17 when the village presents "Hinsdale History — Illuminated" at the conclusion of the summer's final Uniquely Thursdays concert.

The 20-minute light show, which will illuminate the south side of the Memorial Building, will transport viewers through the past 150 years of Hinsdale history using enhanced audio and visual effects.

Historic figures such as Joel Tiffany, the first village president, and William Robbins, one of the village's founding fathers, are featured in the show.

Hinsdale's Ben Bradley of WGN News will serve as emcee of the event, offering

a live introduction to viewers at about 8:45 p.m. He also provided recorded narration for the opening and closing of the show.

"The premise is that President Tiffany is reflecting on how far the village has come over the past 150 years," said Alexis Braden, a member of the village's 150th anniversary committee and a village trustee. "We've partnered with the Hinsdale Historical Society, which gave us a wealth of information and photos to help us really paint a picture of progress, starting with a small village on the railroad to what we are today."

Andrianna Peterson, assistant village manager, expressed her gratitude to the historical society.

"They've just been amazing — lots of time and energy helping us secure the perfect photographs," she said.

The show doesn't follow a linear timeline, but highlights various components of the village, from businesses to public services to nonprofit agencies, and their contributions to the community over time.

"We've spent a lot of time curating these photos and curating scenes and themes and messages, from Little League to the hospital to small businesses to architecture," Braden said. "We hope that everyone will have a little takeaway that they connect with, not to mention the gorgeous lights illuminating Memorial Hall."

In one sequence, the Memorial Building appears to transform into the American Beauty house at 329 E. Sixth, former home of Orland Bassett, creator of the American Beauty Rose.

The UK's Scarlett Entertainment, the global

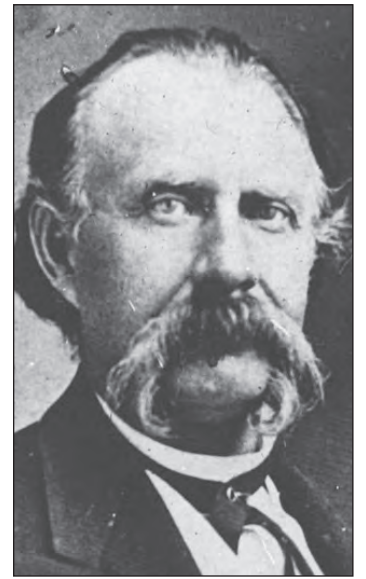
entertainment company the village hired to create light show, uses special effects and animation to bring to life photos from the village's early days to the present. Braden was impressed with the run-through she saw, describing it as very "Disney-esque," complete with illuminated fireworks.

"The special effects, what I saw, I think will really appeal to all ages," she said. "It's going to be really cool. The whole building is going to be illuminated."

She said she hopes residents will come out to see it.

"I think the village and the anniversary committee really wanted to give back to the community in some way, to mark the milestone. The light show is really the village's gift to everyone in Hinsdale," she said.

"I think we're all in for really quite a show."



Joel Tiffany, Hinsdale's first village president, will return to town, in a sense, to lead viewers through 150 years of history in a special "Hinsdale History — Illuminated" light show Aug. 17. (Hinsdale Historical Society photo)



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POLICE BEAT

Hinsdale police released the following reports Aug. 9.

DUI arrests

• Ruddy Hernandez Vargas, 55, 870 Trace Drive, Buffalo Grove, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08 and failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident at midnight Aug. 4 in the 800 block of Route 83. Police were dispatched to a property damage crash. Vargas was charged and released to appear in court.

• Hagar J. Buster, 43, 64 Fountain Head Drive, Westmont, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, improper lighting and operating an uninsured vehicle at 1:44 a.m. Aug. 6 at Route 83 and 63rd Street. He was charged and released to appear in court.

• Markeet D. Hardiman, 32, 3427 W. Walnut St., Chicago, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08, failure to signal when changing lanes and improper lane use at 3:49 a.m. Aug. 5 at Route 83 and Chicago Avenue. He was charged and released to appear in court.

Money missing from purse

A woman reported money was missing from her purse after a visit to The Pearl of Hinsdale, 600 W. Ogden Ave., between 2:30 and 7 p.m. July 27. The theft was reported Aug. 5.

Identity thefts reported

• Someone used the reward miles belonging to a resident of the 900 block of South Bruner Street to purchase airfare valued at \$1,343 on Aug. 3.

• The identity of a resident of the 10 block of Blaine Street was used to open a credit card account July 27. The incident was reported Aug. 1.

• Someone opened a cable account between January 2019 and March 2023 using the identity of a resident of the 100 block of South Monroe Street. The victim contacted police Aug. 4.

Arrests do not constitute conviction of a crime, and individuals listed here should be presumed innocent until proven guilty. If charges are dismissed or reduced or the accused is found not guilty, he or she can contact The Hinsdalean at news@thehinsdalean.com to provide us with documentation. Information will be updated online and in the next issue of the paper.



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60 SECONDS

■ “Just knowing how special these kids are, we wanted to donate some money to Autism Speaks.” — **Maya Ural**

Young duo put talents on display to boost research

Hinsdale friends Abby Sun and Maya Ural first bonded through painting.

“Our first play date was about art,” Abby recounted.

Now they are inviting others on a date to invest in their works and a good cause by hosting the Art for Autism art fair from 5 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16 at The Community House (see Page 19 for details).

The rising fifth-graders at The Lane School saw an opportunity to put their skills to philanthropic use when they learned of the condition’s prevalence among their generation.

“It used to be one out of 100 children (diagnosed). It’s getting more severe now, to the point where it’s one out of 36 children,” Maya reported.

The duo has been busy since the school year’s end creating pieces for the sale, aiming for 40 paintings and a fundraising goal of \$1,000.

“Just knowing how special these kids are, we wanted to donate some money to Autism Speaks,” Maya said.

“We just wanted to do a project that is helpful to the community,” Abby remarked.

They revealed a sample of the striking compositions

visitors can expect. Maya presented her vibrant image inspired by the online game Brawl Stars. Abby showed off her captivating portrait of Japanese animated character Totoro, which she said already has stirred presale interest.

“I do have a friend’s parent that saw it and said she wanted to buy it,” Abby related.

Maya appreciates the personal expression that putting brush to paper affords.

“I love art because there are just so many different colors you can use to make your project unique,” Maya said.

The idea for the art sale began to take shape last winter. Encouragement from The Lane Principal Brandon Todd and support from the D181 Foundation helped elevate it from concept to reality. Donated space from The Community House was the finishing stroke.

Maya and Abby’s moms, Zeynep and Jin, respectively, took them to Acquisitions of Fine Art in Hinsdale earlier this year to learn the proper protocol for hanging and labeling art.

“We’re also making hand-made bookmarks so people can contribute more to Autism Speaks,” Abby said.



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While neither indicated a desire to pursue art as a career, they both enjoy the process of nurturing fresh concepts and took a program in entrepreneurship at the College of DuPage this summer.

“We each made a business idea and presented it. Then the teacher gives fake money to use to grow it,” Abby shared, describing the tracking device for lost items she proposed.

“You scan around and (the device) will either highlight it or tell you the directions to find it,” she said.

Maya does most of her painting in her bedroom, “unless my mom is downstairs cooking something and I kind of want to chat.”

They like to hop on FaceTime to socialize while working. Abby said making art requires patience and perse-

verance.

“Some things look super good, but they’re super hard so you don’t know if you can make it,” she said.

They hope to make Art for Autism a success — but not too big.

“Then we’ll have the pressure to make more art,” Abby quipped.

— story by Ken Knutson, photo by Jim Slonoff



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HINSDALEANS EARN DEGREES

These students from Hinsdale earned their degrees in May commencement ceremonies.

- Giorgio Arquilla, bachelor's in economics, Tufts University
- Trey Batachka, bachelor's in engineering mechanics, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Connor Chisnell, bachelor's in economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Emma Dillard, bachelor's in political science, graduated with distinction, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Reilly Hayes, bachelor's of business administration in marketing, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Marie Iwanski, bachelor's of business administration in international business and marketing, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Mae Jovis, bachelor's in human development and family studies, University of Wisconsin-Madison
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in economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison

- Charlie Lyne, bachelor's in economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Annie Schulz, bachelor's in biology and economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Kristiana Strtak, bachelor's in business administration, University of Vermont
- Caroline Viravec, bachelor's in economics, Wake Forest University

COLLEGE STUDENTS ON DEAN'S LISTS

The following students from Hinsdale earned a place on their college's dean's list for the spring 2023 semester.

- Patrick Boyle, College of the Holy Cross
- Quinn Cain, Tufts University
- Olivia Giammanco, University of Minnesota Twin Cities
- Xing Gao, Washington University in St. Louis
- Emma Gillman, Carthage College

• Elizabeth Grieve, Washington University in St. Louis

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- Roslyn Tischke, Washington University in St. Louis
- Sarina Upadhye, University of Minnesota Twin Cities
- Caroline Viravec, Wake Forest University

GOLF OUTING A SUCCESS

The Hinsdale Central High School Football Club welcomed 88 golfers and more than 50 dinner guests to its golf outing July 10 at Chicago Highlands Club in Westchester.

Many Central football alumni were in attendance, including Doug Kramer, a 2016 grad-

uate who currently plays center for the Chicago Bears.

Place kicker James McCourt of the Jacksonville Jaguars, a teammate of Kramer's at the University of Illinois, also attended the event.

The event including a silent auction and raffle and raised several thousand dollars for the club.

— photos appear online at www.facebook.com/thehinsdalean

IDOT MONEY TO IMPROVE 55TH

The Illinois Department of Transportation has released its updated \$41 billion state and local highway investment plan, with \$175.8 million for 33 projects in the 41st District.

"These projects will have a meaningful impact in reducing congestion, increasing safety and growing jobs and economic opportunity in our district," said Senate Republican Leader John Curran (R-41, Dowers Grove), who supported the Rebuild Illinois legislation that made the funding possible.

"Our constituents have been very clear about the need to invest in our infrastructure, and today is another step closer to accomplishing that goal."

The plan is set to begin in fiscal year 2024 with work going through 2029. The 41st District will see immense investment, including 24 state highway projects totaling \$170 million and nine projects for local highways totaling \$5.4 million.

Notable projects include a combined \$81 million for bridge deck overlays and joint replacements and repairs in Indian Head Park, \$30 million for bridge superstructure replacements in Willow Springs, and \$1 million for a bikeway in Western Springs. In addition to regular maintenance and improvements, millions of dollars will also be invested in traffic control.

In Hinsdale, 55th Street will be repaved with new medians, intersection improvements and ADA improvements. The project covers 1.76 miles from Interstate 294 to west of Plainfield Road at a cost of \$8.3 million.



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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Lots of summer left for residents to enjoy

Those back-to-school emails and football season previews are coming fast and furious right about now. But that doesn't mean we have to rush summer off the stage. Check out these seasonal attractions and activities — both in town and around the Hinsdale area — before the summer bids adieu.

Tomorrow, Aug. 11, is the last of the village's Movies in the Park series with a screening of "Despicable Me" in Robbins Park starting at dusk. Pack blankets and lawn chairs to watch the film under the stars while munching on the free (and famous!) parks and rec popcorn.

Two more editions of the village's Uniquely Thursdays concert series beckon visitors to Burlington Park, with rock and country cover band Rockstar Rodeo serving as the penultimate act tonight.

Fan favorite 7th Heaven will close out the 2023 season on Aug. 17. And stick around after the finale for "Hinsdale History — Illuminated," a 20-minute light show projected on the south side of the Memorial Building commemorating 150

years of Hinsdale history in a high-tech celebration of local heritage.

Burlington Park will have a claim as the sweetest place in town from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27, as the Hinsdale Hospital Foundation Junior Board hosts the annual Ice Cream Social.

Then work off those extra calories the next day at a fitness class at 9:15 a.m. in Burlington Park in conjunction with the village's weekly farmers market. These first-come, first-served sessions led by a local trainer run through Aug. 28.

Enjoy theater in natural surroundings at the Morton Arboretum's Walking Play, "The Mama and the Papa Goose" at 6 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through Aug. 27. The whole family can sing along while hiking to follow the performance, which lasts about 90 minutes.

Through the Cook County Forest Preserve District, people can walk in the world's largest Urban Night Sky Place during the darkest night of the month at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 16, at Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center in Willow Springs, or take part in activities,

viewing and demos of hummingbird tracking at Hummingbird Fest from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 19 at Sagawau Environmental Learning Center in Lemont.

The DuPage County Forest Preserve District calls all aspiring anglers to learn basic skills at the Fishing: All Ages event from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 26, at Herrick Lake in Wheaton. Those under age 18 must be with an adult.

Ready to test your court skills? Sign up for the 3-on-3 basketball tournament taking place all day Saturday, Aug. 19, at The Community House. The competition features age divisions from fourth grade to 35 and older; entering teams should have four members.

The Hinsdale Community Pool will maintain regular hours until Aug. 21; the pool's final day of operations is Sept. 4. Visit the pool tomorrow, Aug. 11, and pay only \$5 admission all day.

Many of the programs listed above require registration, and some carry a fee. Find details about many in the Out & About listing starting on Page 18 — and summer on!

COMMENTARY

I'm finally seeing my name in lights

Lately, no matter where you look, it's Barbie, Barbie, Barbie. The hugely popular new "Barbie" movie has scores of people writing and speaking a name that is so deeply rooted in the mid-century that you probably can't think of a single baby named Barbara. Not now, and more than likely, not in the past several decades.

That doesn't matter, though, because the movie has made my name (at least in a diminutive form) and the toy that also bears it wildly relevant again. And that's not only because the name is suddenly splashed across theater signs, headlines and all manner of merchandise, far eclipsing even the notorious pink aisle in Target's toy department. To my surprise, it's also due to film Barbie's resonance with adults. She's not just your child's Barbie anymore.

Most adults I know who've seen the Barbie movie have given it a thumb's up. However, there are apparently rumblings from others, including a Texas senator, that the film promotes Chinese propagan-

da. And the wife of a certain U.S. Representative from Florida reportedly announced that she found the movie distasteful in its emasculation of Barbie's boyfriend, Ken.

In my new conflict avoidance mode, I'll avoid getting into the alleged Chinese propaganda issue. But as for Ken's emasculation, come on! Longtime Barbie fans can attest that Ken was never meant to be anything more than an accessory for her. My sister and I always used to toss our boring, airheaded Ken doll in a corner with a degree of disgust, so we could focus on Barbie and her beautiful clothes and shoes. Nobody puts Barbie in a corner.

Yes, we ascribed negative qualities to poor Ken, while Barbie was up on a pedestal. This was back when Barbie first came out, a time when the only other dolls we'd seen were depicted as babies



Barb Johannesen

or young children. By comparison Barbie represented glamour, with her styled hair, sparkly clothes, heavy makeup and hoop earrings. Not to mention her strapless swimsuit and ridiculously arched feet, making her perpetually ready for high heels.

Original Barbie now strikes me as a sexist doll, but what did I know back then? Our Barbie was cool without even bothering to smile. She was something new and different. And Ken, with his simpering smile, was only "meh."

Years later, Mattel began upgrading Barbie into a "person" of substance. By the time I reconnected with her (when my own children were Barbie fans), she'd qualified for 100 or so careers, making her more relevant and even inspirational to kids with dreams.

Given Barbie's propensity to evolve, I'd foolishly hoped that

the 60th anniversary doll, released in 2019, might have aged a bit in empathy for her earliest fans, but no such luck. Sixty year-old Barbie's hair and makeup may be a nod to her original look, but she hasn't aged a day. Even her feet are still arched after all those years in heels.

Did I really expect her to look like Bunion Barbie, or maybe Grandma Barbie?

Actually, that question bears a personal relevance to my own life, since my grandson calls me Grandma Barbie. I've even dressed the part. For Halloween last year, I wore a T-shirt with Barbie's name across the front, above which I'd glued letters spelling Grandma. After accessorizing with a long gray wig and cat eye sunglasses, I sent a selfie to my grandson. He loved it. It's my new favorite Barbie memory — and way better than a name in lights.

— Barb Johannesen of Hinsdale
is a guest columnist.

Readers can email her at
news@thehinsdalean.com.

■ In my new conflict avoidance mode, I'll avoid getting into the alleged Chinese propaganda issue.

OBITUARIES

Eric Paul Biegansky

Eric Paul Biegansky, 53, formerly of Hinsdale, died Aug. 3, 2023, at his home in Jacksonville, Fla., after a long battle with cancer.

He was born in 1970 in Rochester, N.Y., to Paul and Marianne (Rinn) Biegansky. The Bieganskys have a proud German heritage and Eric spent many memorable years of his childhood at the Frankfurt International School. He graduated high school from Bloomfield Hills Lahser in 1988 and then became a Wolverine at the University of Michigan. Eric was very proud to be a member of Phi Kappa Psi fraternity where he made lifelong friends with his brothers.

Eric and Jill were married for 28 years. As newlyweds they lived around family and college friends in Royal Oak, Mich., but soon moved to Chicago, where they enjoyed the city and built their family. After having Ryan and Emma, they moved to Hinsdale to raise their family. Eric was the ultimate family man.

He loved his Lane School neighborhood, volunteering as a coach, being an active member of Notre Dame parish and enjoying lasting friendships. Most of all he loved to hang out with friends and family. Eric always had a witty comment, inappropriate joke or a look that made you laugh.

Eric was incredibly smart, witty, magnetic and a very eloquent public speaker. He had a very successful career as a management consultant and partner across many firms. He was the boss everyone wanted to work for and made lifelong friends with his colleagues.

After being diagnosed with GIST cancer in 2008, he became a true warrior. He never com-



Biegansky

plained about his disease; rather, he got busy living. He and Jill built Thunder Road, their beautiful cottage in Michigan.

Eric loved to choose his favorite playlist, visit with friends and family, enjoy his beach walks and his 6-mile runs in his happy place. He loved to travel and the family enjoyed many memorable vacations. His favorites were to Rome, Kauai, the US Open and French Open.

At this time, Bruce Springsteen became the soundtrack of Eric's life. Bruce's spirit and lyrics were a true inspiration to Eric in battling his disease. The Bieganskys became Bruce groupies, and he and Jill saw Springsteen shows all over the world.

Eric was a strong advocate and spokesperson for GIST cancer. He was a selfless mentor to many, a fundraiser for GIST research and served on the Boards of the Life Raft Group: GIST Support Through Patient Powered Science and the Wellness House.

Eric is survived by his wife, Jill; his children, Ryan and Emma; his parents, Paul and Marianne; his sisters, Sonya (Ken) Yeadon and Nicole (Nate) Mather; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation is from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 19, at Notre Dame Church, 64 Norfolk Ave., Clarendon Hills.

A funeral service will follow held at 11 a.m. at the church.

Eric's celebration of life will immediately follow at Butterfield Country Club in Oak Brook.

In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made online to The Life Raft Group at www.liferaft-group.org or Wellness House at www.wellness-house.org.

John Kenneth Kloster III

John Kenneth Kloster III, 71, passed away June 26, 2023, after a courageous battle with lung cancer.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John K. "Jack" and Maryellyn.

He is survived by his partner, Kitty Cayo; his children, John (Kelly) Kloster and Amanda (Will) Campbell; his grandchildren, Cameron, Charlie, Kendall, Willow and Charlotte; his sister, Susan Kloster; and his stepson, Durk Way.

He was born in Hinsdale and grew up in Downers Grove, graduating from Downers Grove North in 1969. He graduated from William and Mary in 1973. He was a proud member of Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity, where he met many lifelong friends. John had a long career in the travel industry and enjoyed traveling the world.



Kloster

He had a great mind and the ability to do insane calculations in his head, solve crosswords in record time and intelligently discuss all of the questions of the world. Those who knew him will miss his endless stories, great taste in music, sage advice, guidance and thought-provoking questions. Mostly they will miss the way he made them all feel loved in their own way.

Visitation is from 3 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 22, at Sullivan Funeral Home, 60 S. Grant St., Hinsdale.

A chapel service will be held at 5 p.m.

Internment is private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to the Florida Guardian Ad Litem Foundation at www.flgal.org

Joseph D. Pellegrino

Joseph D. Pellegrino, 92, passed away peacefully at his home in Clarendon Hills on Aug. 7, 2023.

Joe was a health and physical education teacher with the Chicago Public Schools. He was an entrepreneur, a musician and the leader of the Stardust Orchestra.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Judith A. Pellegrino, nee Dolatowski; his children, Gina (Todd) Skala, Maria (Sal) Rivera, Joseph (Catherine) Pellegrino of Hinsdale and Cristina (Kurt) Kinsey; his 12



Pellegrino

grandchildren; his brother, Anthony (Dorothy) Pellegrino; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation is from 9 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 12, at St. Isaac Jogues Church, 306 W. Fourth St., Hinsdale.

A funeral Mass will follow at 10:30 a.m. at the church.

Interment is at Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Hillside.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

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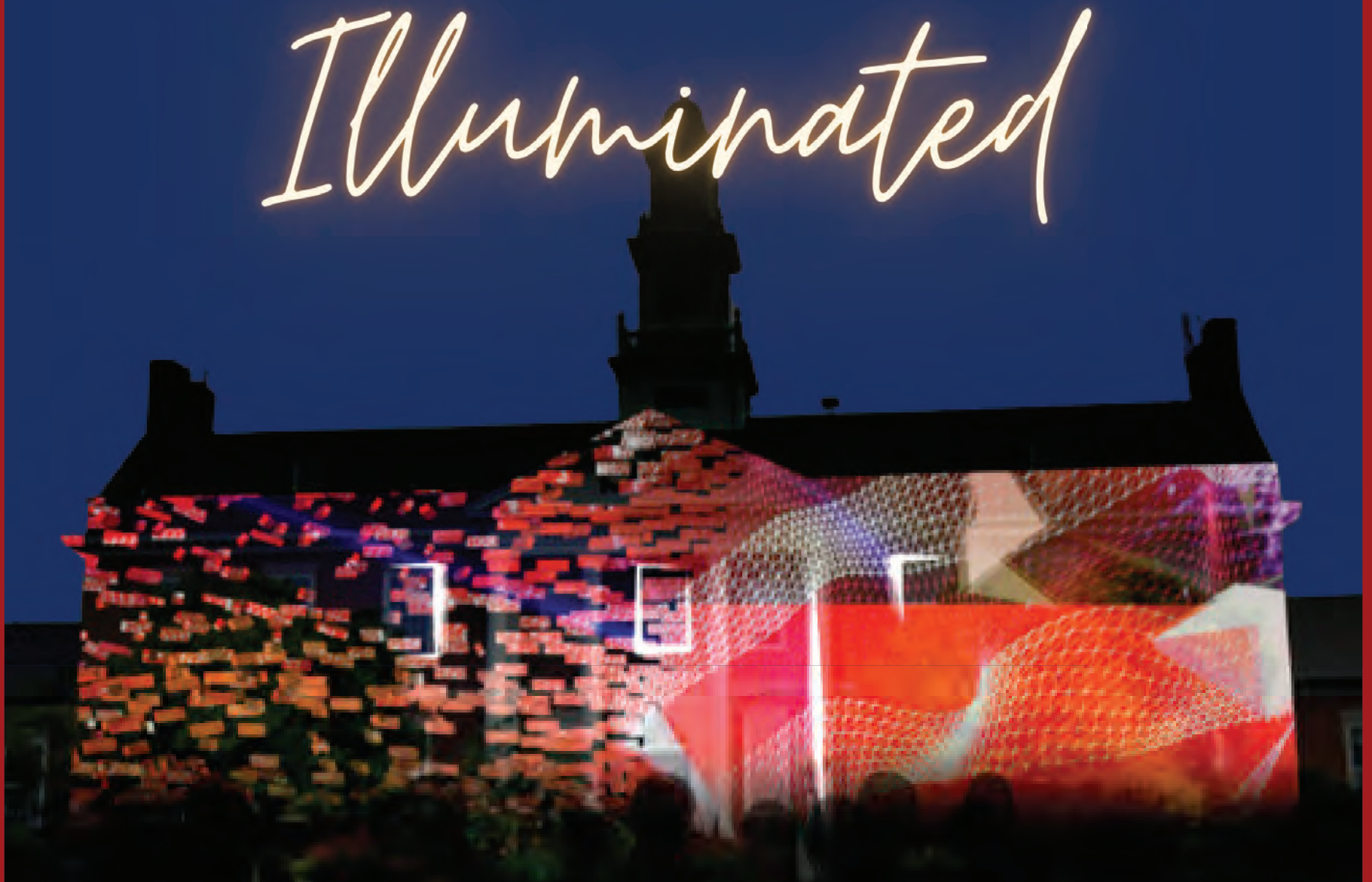
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SARAH STUKAS, PSYCHOTHERAPIST

How can parents help kids get ready for school?

The items on a child's classroom supply list often aren't the only things they're carrying back to school. Worries and uncertainties, said psychotherapist Sarah Stukas, can add to a student's back-to-school load, whether they're a kindergartner or a student headed to college.

Stukas said a little preparation and a few simple tools and tricks can ease the mental load that can come with a new school year.

Stukas is a licensed clinical professional counselor and founder of Light Insight in Hinsdale.

Housed inside a historic home on Vine Street, Light Insight employs a team of counselors with a wide range of specialties to treat clients from 3 years through adulthood.

First on Stukas' list of back-to-school tips is the creation of a routine. Students of any age can find it difficult to quickly transition from a lax schedule to the highly regulated one of a school day. Stukas said an

established routine for evening and morning will ease stress within the home and help students to adjust.

The back-to-school routine should include time to plan for the next day and a clear schedule for morning. Depending on the needs of the child and family, the night-time routine can include packing supplies for the next day, choosing the next day's clothing or prepping breakfast.

"Don't underestimate the power of basics," Stukas said, referring to sleep, food and rest.

She suggests slowly adjusting to the school schedule in the weeks before classes begin.

"Tweak bedtime in 15-minute increments," she said, noting that kids need at least 10 hours of sleep for their brains and bodies to function and grow properly.

Separate from the need for sleep is the need for rest, Stukas said.

Parents should allow and encourage time for their student to relax, whether it's by watching television, playing a game they like, reading or enjoying a hobby.

"It's really important to our overall well-being," she said.

Communication is another important tool in helping students

adjust to a new school year.

"Parents do a good job of making time to talk," Stukas said.

But many could improve on their ability to just listen to their kids. It's natural for parents to want to solve a child's problems and quickly ease their concerns, but it's also important for parents to know whether a child is asking for help or simply needs to voice their anxieties.

"Sometimes the child just wants to be heard," Stukas said.

Some apprehension and uncertainty is to be expected with the anticipation of any new experience. When those worries and anxiety linger, a student may need help, Stukas said.

Persistent worry that causes personality changes, sleep problems or unusual irritability can all be signs that a child could benefit from professional help, Stukas said.

A return to school can mean tough adjustments for parents, too, especially those whose children are starting college. Stukas encourages parents to reconnect with a friend, take up a hobby or plan something fun to distract from the worry in those first days and weeks.

— by Sandy Illian Bosch



As a new school year approaches, psychotherapist Sarah Stukas encourages parents to create routines around bedtime and morning preparations. Even a simple routine helps to create a feeling of safety, Stukas said, and helps to calm the central nervous system. (Jim Slonoff photo)

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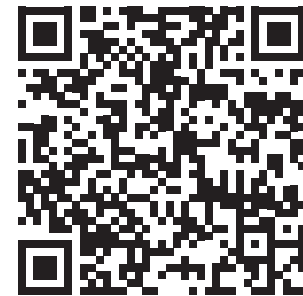


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OBITUARIES

Robert James Donatelli

Robert James Donatelli, 89, of Downers Grove, a former 30-year Hinsdale resident, passed away Aug. 4, 2023, surrounded by his family.

He was born in Chicago in 1933 to John and Anna (Gerwatowski) Donatelli. A devoted White Sox Fan, he grew up on the south side of Chicago. Bob worked with his father running the family newspaper stand at Madison and Wabash. Bob was a graduate of St. Thomas Military Academy in Saint Paul, Minn. After graduating, Bob attended Loyola University in Chicago where he completed his bachelor's, master's and educational doctorate degrees. Starting in 1951 Bob proudly served in the United States Army and obtained the rank of captain. This included service during the Berlin crisis in 1961 at Fort Devens, Mass.

His college friendship with Maureen Fogarty developed into a whirlwind romance. On February 11, 1956, Bob married the love of his life on a wintry Chicago day. Their devoted relationship evolved into a joyous family. They lived on the south side of Chicago until 1969 before moving to Hinsdale, where they raised their family. Once the children left the nest, Bob and Maureen settled comfortably in Downers Grove.

After graduating from Loyola, Bob taught in Burbank School District 111 and quickly rose to the ranks of principal. Bob concurrently was an adjunct professor at Loyola University, Water Tower Campus, teaching future educators. Bob instilled great educational values to countless students. After he retired from education, Bob embarked on his second career as a Realtor in the Hinsdale area, sharing his love of family by helping clients find their forever home.

Bob spent countless hours playing the piano by ear



Donatelli

and was a captivating singer. His birthday calls to friends and family will be forever missed.

A highly spiritual man, Bob was active throughout his life with his churches and their communities. Bob was a former Grand Knight of the Mayslake chapter of Knights of Columbus.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Maureen; his sister, Lucianne Donatelli; his children, Mary Beth Donatelli, Michael (Jan)

Donatelli, Mark (Nancy) Donatelli, Meg (the late Dr. Randall) Stein, Anne (Joel) Galvan, Celine (Dr Clifford) Greenbaum, John (Patty) Donatelli and Jeni (Dr. Joseph) Ihm; his grandchildren, James (Okemia), Michael, Matthew, Brian (Manisara), Patrick, Clay, Tyler, Mark Jr. (Geena), Eric, Connor, Joel Jr. (Jackie), Korina (Maurice), Lindsey (Angel), Stetson, Maeve, Hannah, Madeline, Bennett, Jacob, Colette, Robert (Brianna), Charlotte (Noel), Lilly, Sophia and Charles; his great grandchildren, James Jr., Isreal, Maurice Jr., Dominic, Allannah, Aria, Abigail, Demi, Kameron, John and Nicholas; and many nieces and nephews.

Bob was preceded in death by his son, Matthew; and his sister, Rosemary.

Visitation is from 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 10, at Adolf and Powell Funeral Home, 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook.

A second visitation will be held at 9 a.m. Friday, Aug. 11, at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, 306 W. Fourth St., Hinsdale. A funeral Mass will follow at 10 a.m. at the church.

Interment will be at Holy Sepulchre in Worth.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to Hessed House at www.hessedhouse.org.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Leonard H. Serwat

Leonard H. Serwat, 95, a 27-year Hinsdale resident and U.S. Navy veteran who served in World War II, died Aug. 4, 2023.

Len was a well-respected management consultant for 30 years. The majority of his work was with industrial or manufacturing industries in the areas of general management, manufacturing, sales and marketing. Len was the senior director and served as chairman for SpencerStuart & Associates in their Chicago office, where he also managed locations in New York, Brussels and Tokyo. He was one of nine original partners.

Len graduated with a bachelor's degree in management and accounting from DePaul University



Serwat

after serving as a pilot in the U.S. Navy.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 63 years, Lenore F. Serwat, nee Johnson; and his siblings, Adam Serwat Jr., Anne Kile and Wilbur Serwat.

He is survived by his children, Linda K. (Gregg) Stieber, Lawrence P. Serwat and Leonard (Len) D. (Claudia) Serwat; and his grandchildren, John and Matthew Stieber and Morgan and Regan Serwat.

Services will be private.

Memorials may be made online to the Alzheimer's Association at www.alz.org.

Adolf and Powell Funeral Home in Willowbrook handled the arrangements.

Douglas Ross VanVlymen

Douglas Ross VanVlymen, 69, of Burr Ridge, died Aug. 1, 2023, five days after his heart stopped suddenly while enjoying a day on Lake Michigan with his family.

He was born in Aurora in 1954 to Betty Jean VanVlymen, nee Miedema, and John VanVlymen.

A third-generation meat purveyor, Doug grew in experience working for various food companies, but he had a dream to own his own business. With Corrie's support and his brother's help, he unleashed his remarkable work ethic and built Four Star Foods from a single stall on Fulton Market, Chicago, in 1992 into a thriving wholesale meat distribution business that proudly employs scores of people. And he loved every moment.

He was so proud to witness how Paul and Kaite led the business since his retirement in 2018. In the last five years he doubled down on time spent with Corrie, enjoying his family and friends, boating and golf. A warm and joyful man, Doug had a gift for making each person he encountered feel special. His loving presence lives on in the many lives he touched.



VanVlymen

The family thanks the medical team at Franciscan Healthcare in Michigan City for its caring service during Doug's last days.

He is survived by his wife of 44 years, Corrie, nee Carron; his children, Paul (Gretchen) and Kaite (Tim) Marshall; his grandchildren, James and Maggie VanVlymen, and Dillan and Taylor Marshall; his stepfather, Robert Berg; his siblings, Jaquelyn (the late Dennis) Getz, Barbara VanVlymen and Drew (Margaret) VanVlymen; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation is at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 15, at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, 306 W. Fourth St., Hinsdale. A Mass of Christian burial will follow at 10 a.m. at the church.

Interment in private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society at givenow.lls.org or the American Heart Association at www.heart.org.

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Central students face justice

Inaugural mock trial camp helps teens work toward order in the court

By Ken Knutson

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A courtroom can be a daunting place as parties navigate strict rules and rulings in the pursuit of justice.

This week more than two dozen teens gained insight into the country's legal process as well as litigation tactics at Hinsdale Central High School's first mock trial camp Aug. 7-9.

Led by Central history teacher Chris Freiler, who has coached the school's mock trial team for the last 25 years, the three-day, 12-hour course instructed campers on the proper way to enter exhibits, question witnesses and raise objections among other skills, all aimed at effectively presenting a case to a jury.

"We're just introducing them to the elements of a trial, standards of evidence, and then more practical things," he said. "Even handling paperwork can ruffle you if you don't know where to stand and what you need and how to ask the questions to get evidence submitted."

The camp was held in the school library, with the first two days consisting of teaching followed by preparation time for Wednesday's trial. Campers were split into legal teams and assigned a role for the civil case, in which negligence was alleged to have led to the plaintiff's injury. The trial was staged in triplicate due to the number of participants.

Among Tuesday's lessons was the meaning and problematic nature of hearsay testimony from a witness.

"Evidence should be relevant, reliable and not unduly prejudicial," Freiler explained to the students. "The problem with hearsay is that it's not reliable. The person whose words you're repeating, they're not under oath."

An opposing counsel could lodge an objection claiming hearsay. Other grounds for objections include "asked and answered" to prevent a witness from having to respond repeatedly to the same question, and "legal conclusion" if a witness volunteers his or her verdict while on the stand.

"The person who's testifying can't determine the outcome of the case," Freiler said. "The jury's the



Hinsdale Central senior Vivian Sweeney works with camper Lauren Jonlich, while coach Sara Izhar (bottom left) advises campers Billy Gruber, Fletcher Neri and Ghannam Alexander at Central's Mock Trial Camp this week. At the camp's culminating trial on Wednesday, defense attorney Tyler Thick delivers his side's summation. (Jim Slonoff photos)



one that will decide this."

Veteran Central mock trial team members like senior Vivian Sweeney were enlisted to help the campers get ready for trial, guiding them in shaping opening statements, direct and cross-examination and closing statements.

"It's nice to have a lot of people interested and get them excited before the year starts," Sweeney said of the inaugural camp.

Junior Tommy Costello said the experience has been enlightening.

"It's been a lot of note-taking," he said. "It's been a lot of fun to be able to stick my feet in and get the general sense of it."

Another group huddled in a library conference room going over strategy. Incoming freshman Aishani Gupta said her interest in law drew her to sign up for the camp.

"I've always wanted to do mock trial, and I figured that doing the camp would improve my chances for making the team," Gupta said, adding that she planned on getting a pre-trial consult from her uncle, an attorney.

Across the library, another team watched their mock trial team coaches demonstrate a methodical approach to witness questioning. Junior Ayla Mushtaq said such modeling is a valuable resource.

"It's definitely a good experience to learn from the current members of the mock trial team and learn what it's like to be part of the team," Mushtaq said.

Freiler said he chose a old state tournament case for the camp and that he wanted it to culminate in a trial so campers understand the dynamic.

"We wanted to do the same type of case that we're likely to have this year at state," he remarked.

Incoming freshman Alexander Ghannam said he was expanding his knowledge base.

"To prepare for the future, if you want to be a lawyer or anything like that, it gives a good feel for a trial in court," he said.

Coach Sara Izhar, a junior mock trial team member, proposed launching the mock trial camp to Freiler after last year's season.

"We were really close to finishing

first at state, so we want to be more prepared for nationals and get more people interested in knowing more about mock trial," Izhar said of her rationale.

Freiler said at the very least he hopes campers gain an appreciation of the crucial role of the court system.

"The courtroom becomes the place to reveal what are the problems, the conflicts, the disputes that we can't resolve," he said. "It's like a crucible to figure out what's important to us and how to maintain some standard of justice."

Other goals are to demystify the language and maneuvers of the courtroom and to compel teens to elevate their critical thinking and public speaking acumen. It also doesn't hurt to scout mock trial team prospects.

"I think it's a forum for kids to test their potential and their limits and to gain some confidence," Freiler said. "This is something that requires a high degree of engagement, so it's likely to do things within you that you didn't even anticipate or expect."



Rock and country band Rockstar Rodeo will perform at the penultimate Uniquely Thursday concert tonight in Burlington Park. See Page 24 for details. (photo provided)

ARTFULLY DONE

■ **'Clinging to Fire'**
Through August
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

This exhibit of encaustic art by Maja Bosen on display in the library's Quiet Reading Room features pieces that weave wax, pigment and various materials together to create moments of reflection and shared intimacy with nature.

■ **D181 art on exhibit**
Through Aug. 21
Hinsdale Bank & Trust
25 E. First St.

Twenty-seven pieces of art selected by teachers from the nine schools that were part of the D181 art show will be on display at the bank, with several pieces featured each week. Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays.

FAMILY FUN

Ice Cream Social

Aug. 27
Burlington Park
30 E. Chicago Ave.,
Hinsdale

The Hinsdale Hospital Foundation Junior Board invites the community to this 69th annual event, featuring ice cream, entertainment, games, arts and crafts, and fun activities. Hours: 1 to 4 p.m.

FOR A CAUSE

Art for Autism

Aug. 16
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
(630) 323-7500

This art fair, organized by The Lane School students Abby Sun and Maya Ural, will benefit Autism Speaks to support research into autism. Time: 5 to 7 p.m.

GAME ON

Archery: Games for Adults

Aug. 18

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■ 3-on-3 tourney

Aug. 19
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
www.thecommunityhouse.org/3on3
(630) 323-7500

Hoopsters from fourth grade to 35 and older are invited to take part in this annual outdoor basketball tournament. Form teams of four to participate in age divisions based on the grade or age a player will be in the fall. Winning teams receive champion T-shirts and prizes. Registration closes Aug. 13, and team members must also fill out a waiver and email it to kbednar@thecommunityhouse.org. Time: 7:30 a.m. check in, 8:30 a.m. first round. Cost: \$225 per team. RR

GREAT OUTDOORS

■ Dark Sky Walk

Aug 16
Little Red Schoolhouse
Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road,
Willow Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(708) 839-6897

Walk in the world's largest Urban Night Sky Place during the darkest night of the month and view the stars and planets. Time: 8:15 p.m. RR

■ Kayaking: Basics

Aug. 15
Hidden Lake
www.dupageforest.org
(630)-933-7248

Learn paddling strokes and safety tips in a one-person kayak. Equipment will be provided. The program is for ages 12 and up, under 18 with an adult. \$20 per person. Time: 5 to 7 p.m.

■ Hummingbird Fest

Aug. 19
Sagawau Environmental
Learning Center
12545 W. 111th St., Lemont
www.fpdcc.com

(630) 257-2045

Join us for activities, viewing and demos of how birds are banded for tracking and research. Hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

■ Focus on Habitats

Aug. 20
Little Red Schoolhouse
Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road,
Willow Springs

www.fpdcc.com
(708) 839-6897

Learn about habitats and the plants and animals that depend on them through a short discussion, activity and hike. The program is also offered in Spanish. Time: 1:30 p.m. RR

HEALTH & WELLNESS

■ Mind Body Fest

Aug. 19
Wellness House
131 N. County Line Road,
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www.wellnesshouse.org
(630) 323-5150

Experience a week-long festival of activities designed to reduce stress, increase relaxation and improve one's overall sense of well-being. Choose from a variety of Wellness House stress management

programs, including yoga and chair yoga, tai chi, expressive arts, hypnosis, reiki, forest therapy walks, dance, breathwork, chair massages and more. Additional programs offered as part of the event include Top Tips for Reducing Stress from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Aug. 22; Mindfulness, Meditation and Yoga from a Physical Therapist's Perspective from

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3 to 4:30 p.m. Aug. 23; and Using Humor as a Coping Tool from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Aug. 24. For questions, email Brittany Brady at bbrady@wellness-house.org. Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. RR

■ Cognitive Calisthenics

Aug. 22
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

This class, led by certified instructor Gretchen Wells Malitz, promotes a positive, healthy outlook as well as improved cognitive awareness through a mental workout that can be repeated at home. Time: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Cost: \$18. RR. MD

■ Fitness in the Park

Mondays through Aug. 28
Burlington Park
30 E. Chicago Ave.,
Hinsdale
www.hinsdalechamber.com

Attend a free class led by a local fitness leader in the park on a first-come, first-served basis. Time: 9:15 a.m.

NOTEWORTHY

■ 'Don Pasquale'

Aug. 12
First United Methodist
Church of La Grange
100 W. Cossitt Ave.
www.saltcreekchamber-orchestra.com
The Salt Creek Chamber Orchestra presents Donizetti's comic masterpiece "Don Pasquale" in concert. Time: 7 p.m. Tickets: \$25, \$20 for students and seniors.

■ Music Through the Gardens

Aug. 17
Cantigny Park
1S151 Winfield Road,
Wheaton
www.cantigny.org
Stroll through the gardens, admiring the natural beauty while enjoying the soothing sounds of solo musicians. Each garden will feature a different genre of music, ranging from classical to modern pop. Picnics are welcome, and food trucks also will be on site. Beer and wine will be available for purchase along with the featured cocktail Bee's Knees (gin, honey, lemon juice and lemon twist). Time: 6 to 9 p.m. Tickets: \$15, \$12 for seniors,

free for ages 15 and under.

ON SCREEN

■ 'Despicable Me'

Aug. 11
Robbins Park
Seventh & Vine streets
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

Enjoy this free back-to-school night outdoor screening. Time: dusk start.

ON STAGE

■ 'The 39 Steps'

Through Aug. 13
Drury Lane Theatre
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook
Terrace
www.drurylanetheatre.com

Mix a Hitchcock masterpiece with a dash of farce and you have "The 39 Steps," a fast-paced whodunit for anyone who loves the magic of theater. Packed with nonstop laughs and over 150 characters played by four actors, this production is an unforgettable evening of riotous performances and inventive stagecraft that is sure to delight. Times: 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 1:30 and 7 p.m. Thursdays, 7 p.m. Fridays, 3 and 8 p.m. Saturdays, 2 and 6 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: start at \$85.

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■ Library Edition Book Club

Aug. 16
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Join this discussion of the New York Times bestseller "The Measure" by Nikki Erlick. Copies of the book will be available to check out from the Book Club Holds shelf. Time: 2 to 3 p.m. RR

■ Pizza Tasting Contest

Aug. 16
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Try a slice from competing local pizza places and vote for a favorite while supporting The Community House programs. The tasting ends at 6 p.m., and winners will be announced at 6:30 p.m. Additional snacks, soft drinks and music are included; beer and wine sales will be available for age 21 and up. All ages

are welcome. Time: 5 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$20, \$15 for kids, free for under 3. RR, MD

■ Adult Pinewood Derby

Aug. 19
Fuller House
35 E. First St., Hinsdale
www.fullerhousebar.com

Fuller House will host this benefit for Boy Scouts of America. Participants must be age 21 or older and can pick up an official kit from Fuller House or La Grange Center for Scouting, 811 W. Hillgrove Ave. Prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place; raffles and other prizes will also be featured. Registration includes one free beverage. For questions, email Kevin Ronayne at kevin.ronayne@scouting.org. Time: 6 p.m. check-in, 6:30 p.m. race begins.

SPECIAL EVENTS

■ GLOW in the Park

Aug. 12
Cantigny Park
1S151 Winfield Road,
Wheaton
www.cantigny.org

Enjoy some 1990s nostalgic fun with music, dancing, food and drinks under black lights. Guests can play mini-golf, LED cornhole and bocce, axe throwing and giant versions of Jenga, Twister and Connect 4 or visit a glow-in-the-dark tattoo artist. Glow-in-the-dark cocktails will be part of a full bar offered, and food trucks will be on hand. The event is for ages 21 and up. Hours: 7 p.m. to midnight. Tickets: \$30, \$130 for VIP Experience. RR

STEPPING BACK

■ Grace and Frank

Aug. 15
www.architecture.org
Learn about Frank Lloyd Wright's progressive client, Grace Bagley, and hear about preservation plans for this landmarked Hinsdale home in a virtual Zoom call hosted by the Chicago Architecture Center. Time: 6 p.m. Cost: \$15, \$7 for CAC members

■ Farm Power: Farmhouse Tour

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and up.

SUMMER SERIES

■ Uniquely Thursdays

Through Aug. 17
Burlington Park
30 E. Chicago Ave.
www.hinsdalechamber.com

Hinsdale's annual summer outdoor concert series continues tonight with rock & country band Rockstar

Rodeo. Guests are invited to bring blankets and chairs and enjoy beer, wine and food available for purchase. Outside alcoholic beverages are not permitted. The series is sponsored by the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce and UCM AdventHealth Hinsdale. Time: 6 to 9 p.m.

■ Movies on The Lawn

Wednesdays through Aug. 23

Oakbrook Center
100 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook
www.oakbrookcenter.com

Bring a blanket and enjoy a family friendly outdoor movie on the Oakbrook Center Lawn. The Aug. 16 feature is "Knives Out" (PG-13). Lawn games also will be available. Time: 7 p.m. start.

■ Cantigny Summer Concert

Series

Through Sept. 4
Cantigny Park
1S151 Winfield Road,
Wheaton
www.cantigny.org

The series continues Aug. 13 with Eagles tribute band One of These Nights. The concerts are outdoors and feature lawn seating. Guests are encouraged to bring chairs or blan-

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kets, and picnics are welcome. Concessions are available; pets and alcohol are prohibited. Time: 3 to 5 p.m. Admission: \$30 parking; \$400 for a season pass. Time: 3 to 5 p.m.

■ Arbor Evenings

Wednesdays through Aug. 23

Morton Arboretum
4100 Route 53, Lisle
www.mortonarb.org

The arboretum's annual summer concert series continues Aug. 16 with a performance of popular hits by The PriSSillas. Tickets include arboretum admission beginning at 5:15 p.m., and a variety of food trucks will be on site. Sealed, nonalcoholic beverages will be allowed into the event. Time: 6 to 8 p.m. Admission: \$13, \$5 for children, free for ages under 2. RR, MD

■ Farmers Market

Mondays through Oct. 9
Chicago Avenue Burlington Park

www.hinsdalechamber.com/farmers-market

The 47th annual Hinsdale Farmer's Market will feature farmers from around the Midwest lining Chicago Avenue between Garfield & Washington streets, with booths of fresh produce and unique finds from farms and stores. Hours; 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

TEENS & TWEENS

■ Practice ACT Exam

Aug. 12
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

High school students can get ready for the fall ACTs by taking a practice exam proctored by The Village Tutors. Test takers will receive a personalized analysis of their results within two weeks. Time: 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. RR

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SUMMER CAMPS

■ Summer Arts Camp

Aug. 14-18
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
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(630) 323-7500

This camp offers an art experience based on three major artistic movements and cultural traditions — Art of Asia, Pop Art and Renaissance. Take one or two sessions to paint, sculpt and complete mixed media projects. Sign up for single days or by the week. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$50 a day, \$225 a week. RR, MD

■ Animation Camp

Aug. 14-17
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
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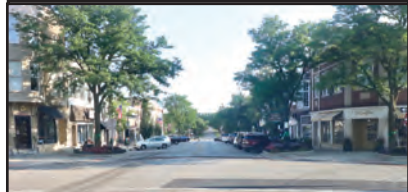
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Rose Burns, Petitioner.

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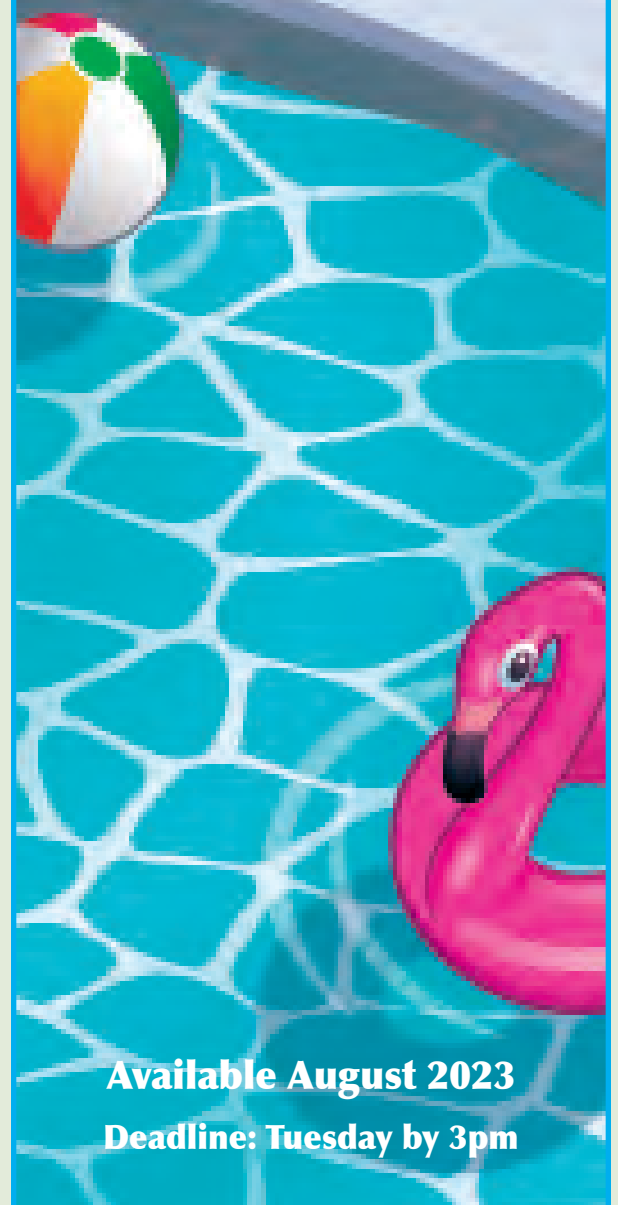
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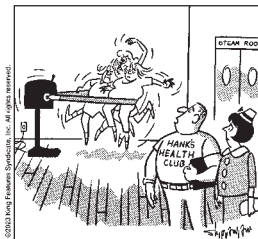
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solution

- 1. Adhere 2. Angle;
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Today's Word
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Do not fight your emotions over the next few days, Aries. You need to embrace your feelings or you might not grow in your relationships. Show everyone the true you.



CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, you are seemingly more irresistible than ever before and you're not quite sure what to do about this newfound attention. You may want to retreat, but enjoy the limelight.



LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
People do not operate as efficiently when they are running on fumes caused by stress, Libra. It's time to slow down and let others handle things for a change.



AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
You cannot help being unusually focused on all of the little details, Aquarius. It could be a way to quiet your mind, which has been running non-stop for a few weeks.



TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, capture all of your great ideas on paper or in digital form to refer to later on. You're feeling creative right now, and soon you can turn this into projects that have legs.



LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, roll with whatever energy you feel coming off of the people around you. If everyone is subdued, then take that cue. If others are revved up, then you will want to light your own fire.



SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, lately you have taken on the role of project manager and it fits you perfectly. Even though you're juggling multiple tasks and details, somehow things will work out fine.



PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
This could be your chance to indulge a little more, Pisces. Whether it's a big purchase or a night out on the town, do not resist the opportunity to get out and have fun.



GEMINI – May 22/June 21
Time isn't on your side right now, Gemini. You may wonder how you can add hours to the day, but you must make due with the time you have.



VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Hush your inner critic, Virgo. You are doing the best possible job you can at this time. You're simply too hard on yourself and you need to cut yourself some slack.



SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
You're usually content being the world explorer, Sagittarius. However, lately you find the most comfort sticking closer to home. Do whatever makes you happy.

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11U teams bring home state championships

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Brookfield. They went out to a big lead and never relinquished it.”

Pitcher Charlotte Goeckel said she and her teammates were more prepared for Brookfield’s strong hitters when they faced them a second time.

“We made sure the outfield was prepared — and the infield, too,” Charlotte said.

Players had some extra motivation going into that final game knowing they could become the first in program history to win a title, Emmy Havens of Hinsdale said.

“We were super hyped up to try to win state,” she said.

Charlotte and Emmy scored three runs each in the title game, as did Abby Przyzycki of Hinsdale and Olivia McEwen. Abby, Anna Makstenieks of Hinsdale, Emme Campos and Gia Sikorski helped the team get off to a strong start with two hits each in the first inning.

The lead was preserved with defensive plays from Ellie Brankin of Hinsdale at second, Grayson Contreras behind the plate and Despina Patos at third base. Charlotte registered six strikeouts.

“It was a pretty well-rounded effort,” Goeckel said. “There wasn’t one player who just dominated.”

The All-Star team started practicing in early July, Goeckel said, playing 13 games in 17 days as they prepared for and played in the state tournament.



The 11-year-old Clarendon Hills Little League softball team won the first state title in program history July 23 in Brookfield. (photo courtesy of Rob Goeckel)

“They really made some great strides in just a few short weeks,” he added. “The team at the beginning might have had a hard time pulling it out, but the team at the end was much improved.”

Charlotte said she enjoyed the daily outings and saw her awareness in the field improve.

“At the end I was very

much locked in and ready to play,” she said.

The girls also bonded by spending time together off the field, enjoying pool parties, pizza parties and ice cream.

“We got to know each other more and it helped us work well together and encourage each other more,” Emmy said.

Emmy’s mom, Ilysha Havens, credited Goeckel for his dedication.

“He was in it to win it, and he is just a superb coach that is super supportive of the girls,” she said. “The girls got really lucky to have a coach like that.”

He in turn praised coaches Michelle Speziale and Jason Havens.

The 10-year-old, 11-year-old and 12-year-old All Star teams all won their districts and advanced to state, Goeckel said, noting that the program has only been around for seven years.

“Now you’re starting to see these girls who got in early who are doing great because they got into it and they stuck with it,” he said.

SPORT SHORTS

GUTMAN MAKES MOVE WESTWARD

Major League Soccer player and Hinsdale native Andrew Gutman was traded to the Colorado Rapids by Atlanta United FC on July 5.

“We’re delighted to add a player of Andrew’s quality and experience to our roster during this transfer window,” said Colorado Rapids President Pádraig Smith in a statement. “Andrew is an attacking fullback in

his prime and possesses the physical attributes and mentality that we are keen to bring into our group. We look forward to welcoming him to Colorado as we continue our push to get back in the playoff race.”

Gutman, 26, spent the previous two seasons in Atlanta, recording seven goals and seven assists in 43 regular-season appearances. In the Rapids’ July 23 match against Nashville SC, Gutman notched his first

assist for his new team in a 2-1 loss.

CENTRAL TEAM EARNS HONOR

The Hinsdale Central girls volleyball team earned the Team Academic award from the U.S. Marine Corps and the American Volleyball Association.

The award honors high school and college teams from across the country that maintain a year-long grade

average of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale or 4.1 on a 5.0 scale.

ADAMS RECEIVES BASEBALL HONOR

Hinsdale’s Luke Adams was named Carolina League’s Player of the Week for the week of July 17-23 for his play with the Carolina Mudcats, the Class A affiliate of Major League Baseball’s Milwaukee Brewers

The 19-year-old third baseman hit .588/.667/1.118

and led the Carolina League in batting average, on-base percentage, slugging and OPS during the week. He helped the Mudcats win five of six games against the Kannapolis Cannon Ballers, going 10 for 17 with nine runs, three doubles, two home runs, eight RBIs, four walks and three stolen bases. For the season, Adams leads the Mudcats in RBIs, runs, doubles, walks and stolen bases, and is second in home runs.

SPORTS

11U teams bring home state championships

Hinsdale Little League, Clarendon Hills Little League Softball teams win it all

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The 11-year-olds on the Hinsdale Little League All-Star team weren't content with just one state title.

So the boys, who won the championship last year as 10-year-olds, offered a repeat performance this year, beating Elmhurst 9-0 Aug. 2 to become the best 11U team in the state.

"Of the 13 kids that were on our team, 11 were on the team last year," coach John O'Toole said. "They leaned on their experience from 2022 when we won the 8/9/10 division in Illinois."

The team embarked on a rigorous schedule for about six weeks before the tournament.

"We had practice every day from mid-June through the end of July, working late into the night while their friends were all enjoying their summer vacation," O'Toole said, highlighting the time commitment for players and their families.

The team faced tough competition at the district level from Clarendon Hills and Naperville Continental before moving to the sub-state tournament and then on to the championship series in downstate Salem. There the team beat Streator 12-1, Western Springs 4-0 and Elmhurst 7-3 in three straight days of games starting July 29 before shutting out Elmhurst in the title game.

"In the state tournament, our toughest competition was Western Springs and Elmhurst," O'Toole said. "It was kind of funny that we were all traveling to the middle of nowhere to play Western Springs and Elmhurst."

The team was undefeated (9-0) and scored 91 runs in district, sub-state and state games.

"We are most proud of our defense, as we only gave up seven runs," O'Toole said.

Team member Fred Sackley also mentioned the team's defense — and its pitching as keys to its success.

"We have a lot of pitchers who are really good. We have a lot of players that are really fast on the base path. They are constantly



After winning the state championship last year in the 8/9/10 division, the 11-year-old members of the Hinsdale Little League All Star team defended their title by shutting out Elmhurst Aug. 2 in downstate Salem. (photo courtesy of Wendy Macri)

getting more runs by stealing home," said Fred, who is going into sixth grade at Hinsdale Middle School.

His most notable game was the 7-3 win over Elmhurst in the semifinals, in which he pitched five innings.

"I was throwing my curve ball and my fast ball, and they just couldn't catch up to my fast ball," he said. "Also the fielders made a lot of great plays to stop them from scoring runs."

O'Toole cited the 4-0 win against Western Springs as a key game in the series. Alex Vivanco came in to pitch after the starting pitcher was hit in the shoulder by a line drive in the first inning. Alex threw 53 pitches on a day he had not been expecting to play, O'Toole said.

"That was a real team win that a lot of our people were involved in making contributions, and our players showed resiliency, given the injury to their teammate in a

very tough environment against one of the best teams in the tournament," he said.

Salem Little League hosted a great tournament, O'Toole said, and families found plenty to do there during the week, from visiting the county fair to going swimming to watching movies.

Coaches and parents are proud of the boys for their success and their sportsmanship and respect for the game, their opponents and the umpires, O'Toole said.

"They did it the right way," he said.

In addition to Fred and Alex, team members are Shane Behar, Colin Boots, Samir Chandarana, Grayson Danek, Kellan Goodwin, Michael Kipnis, Jimmy Macri, Emiliano Nepomuceno, Jack O'Toole, Dillon Phelan and Grant Wanless.

Luke Goodwin and Chad Wanless serve as coaches with O'Toole.

CH 11U softball All-Stars

The Clarendon Hills Little League Softball 11-year-old All Stars came back from a tough 9-8 loss against Brookfield to beat the team 18-7 to capture the program's first state championship July 23 in Brookfield.

"It was a tough loss," coach Rob Goeckel of Hinsdale said. "They allowed four runs in the last inning."

The loss meant the team had to face Moline before taking on Brookfield for the title. Coaches reminded the girls they still had a chance to win the championship, as long as they played the game they were capable of playing.

"They showed a lot of grit and resilience the next day," Goeckel said. "They came out and they did well against Moline. They scored 12 runs in the first inning against

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