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The co-ed BSA Troop 10 annual pancake breakfast was held at Union Church March 2. From mixing the batter to filing plates with pancakes and sausage to doing the dishes, troop members were busy with a full house several times throughout the morning. Money raised will be used to help replace a decades old trailer the scouts use to transport gear to their events. Charlotte Gagnolati takes a small bite out of her breakfast. More pictures available online at www.thehinsdalean.com. (Jim Slonoff photos)



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First Street home likely to be on the market before long.

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NEWS

Village seeks to allay preservation spats

By Ken Knutson

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In response to calls for additional village action to discourage the demolition of historic homes, Hinsdale trustees are considering requiring design review meetings for those looking to tear down and build new.

At Tuesday night's village board meeting, Village President Tom Cauley introduced an ordinance to modify the current process overseen by the historic preservation commission, which must issue a nonbinding certificate of appropriateness for a new construction application before demolition can occur in the Robbins Park Historic District or at other sites designated significant.

"There's a tension between preserving the historical district and preserving property rights," Cauley said. "We'd like balance between an effort to preserve the history of Hinsdale and the Robbins area

and the rights of the individual homeowner."

The proposed ordinance would mandate that applicants, before appearing in front of the historic preservation commission, meet informally with an ad hoc team comprised of a trustee, a commission member and possibly a third person appointed by Cauley to go over the demolition/construction plan.

Applicants also would be shown a selection of architectural styles consistent with the historic district's existing palate.

"The purpose of this would be to review the designs at the very initial stages before they become finalized," Cauley said.

Applicants also would need to prepare an architectural impact study on the property. But trustees questioned whether that provision might prove overly time-consuming and financially onerous.

"I wonder if there are some parameters we can put around

that to make it clear that someone doesn't have to write a novel," Trustee Matt Posthuma said.

Others shared his concern, finding consensus in enlisting the Hinsdale Historical Society to provide records for \$50-\$100 per report.

Another component of the proposed ordinance would be to have applicants come before the board if the HPC denies the certificate of appropriateness.

"It would be one further step in persuading people to either 1) not demolish the house or 2) put up something that's consistent with what we envision is appropriate," Cauley said. "At the end of the day, the homeowner can ultimately do what they want to do with the property."

Cauley said if the village failed to adhere to the timeline, the applicant would be released from the process.

The move is in response to a contentious HPC hearing in

December concerning an application to tear down the 90-year-old home at 425 E. Eighth St. Objecting to the planned design for the replacement home, commission Chairman John Bohnen refused to hold a vote for a certificate of appropriateness, overstepping the authority of the advisory body. Commissioners ultimately did vote — to deny the certificate — while expressing frustration that applicants seemed to show a lack of sensitivity to the legacy of the historic district.

Cauley said the intent of the ordinance is to raise people's awareness of the village's heritage but not compel particular action. He also said the timeline from application to construction should not be unduly prolonged.

"I envision (the new provisions) will add two or three months, and in many cases it could be quicker than the existing process," he said.

Trustees are expected to vote on the measure next month.



Pickup truck crashes into building

The driver of this pickup truck, which crashed into First Street side of BMO bank building at 53 S. Lincoln St., was apparently not seriously injured, as he was able to walk to a Hinsdale ambulance for an evaluation before refusing treatment. The car crashed into the building Monday morning at about 8:48 a.m.

Last month another vehicle drove into the parking lot side of the Hinsdale Eye Care building on First Street, damaging the bricks as well as some of the office space inside as well. The damage to the BMO building appeared to be minor. One parking meter, however, was sacrificed. (Jim Slonoff photo)

ONCE UPON A TIME



Places from the past — Hinsdale’s building services supervisor, Jim Piontkowski, took this photo in 1979. The Squire Shop was located at 120 S. Washington St. Today the Steinway Piano Gallery is in business at that location. Do you have a Hinsdale photo that is at least 25 years old? We’d love to share it with our readers. Stop by our office at 7 W. First St. or email it to jslonoff@thehinsdalean.com.



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Historic home likely to have new owners

Grace Church congregation has voted to sell William Whitney house at 142 E. First St.

By Pamela Lannom

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If the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago agrees, Grace Episcopal Church will sell the National Register home at 142 E. First St. that has served as its rectory since 1994.

Church members voted 161-8 this month to sell the property.

"We felt it was the right time to right-size our campus footprint," said Sarah Tims, junior warden at Grace, noting the needs of the congregation have changed over the past three decades.

The customs of churches having multiple full-time clergy and owning a rectory have become less prevalent.

"All of those are less and less common, and the vestry felt it was important for our future that we acknowledge those trends and don't try to maintain a model that the current parish doesn't support," Tims said.

The 1869 home was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1989 and named a Hinsdale Historic Preservation Award winner in 1990. The church had it added to the village's Historically Significant Structures Property List last year.

"We thought that would be prudent, whether or not the congregation moved forward with the sale," she said.

The church could have

A rich history

The 3,750-square-foot home at 142 E. First St. was featured in The Hinsdalean in May 2015 as part of the Hinsdale Legacies series in honor of National Preservation Month. The Italianate house originally was built in 1869 for Levi and Maria Stodder at a cost of \$3,800. The first building in Hinsdale to be added to the National Register of Historic Places, it also is a Hinsdale Historic Preservation Award winner and last year was added to the Hinsdale Historically Significant Structures Property List.

The home has been referred to as the Hallmark House for decades after it was featured in a television commercial for the greeting card company in 1970. But it is officially known as the William Whitney House.

Whitney bought the house for \$7,500 in February 1870, according to the National Register nomination form, and moved in with his wife, Sarah, seven children and

taken advantage of the incentives offered by the village to make improvements if the congregation had decided



This early photo shows the house at 142 E. First St., initially built for the Stodders and later occupied by William Whitney, one of the men responsible for incorporating the village of Hinsdale. (Hinsdale Historical Society photo)

two servants. Whitney, who was elected to the state legislature in 1870, voted for the general incorporation act while he was serving in Springfield and drafted a petition for Hinsdale's incorporation after he returned home.

"At this juncture, William M. Whitney disappears from view," Timothy Bakken wrote in the 1976 book "Hinsdale." "He never sought fame, fortune or elected office again, save for three years, from 1878 to 1880, as Hinsdale's

police magistrate."

The home's significant features include a three-bay front facade, windows with segmental arch hoods, paired wood scroll brackets and dentil trim, wrap-around front porch with slender columns and wood balustrade, paired front entry doors with panels and segmental arch hood and paired attack windows, according to documents submitted to the village last year. A one-story rear addition, breezeway and attached

garage were added to the home in 1988.

"Despite remodeling of the summer kitchen area in the 1950s, the Whitney House has excellent exterior architectural integrity," the application for National Register status states. "It is by far the best preserved of five or six remaining Italianate structures in Hinsdale. Because of its architectural integrity and central location, it is one of the best known structures in Hinsdale and the surrounding area."



Grace Church members voted 161-8 to sell the home, which has been used as the church rectory since the 1990s. The Episcopal Diocese of Chicago will have to approve the sale. (Jim Slonoff photo)

to keep the home. None of the designations protect the home from demolition.

"Hopefully we've done

whatever possible to preserve the home as an important part of Hinsdale's history, and setting the next owner up for success was important to us," Tims said.

The timing of the decision coincides with the church's search for a new rector. That individual and his or her family could live in the home the church built on the west side of its property after the campus was expanded in the 1990s, Tims said.

Tims said she couldn't speculate on the potential sale price. Online estimates set it at about \$1 million. Proceeds would be put into an endowment to help meet the church's present and future needs, Tims said.

"We're excited about how it can continue to further Grace's mission," she said.

All but 54 of the church's 223 eligible members partici-

pated in the vote.

"We worked really hard to make sure everyone who was eligible was informed on the decision and was able to make their voices heard," Tims said. "Even though we didn't get to 100 percent participation in that vote, we had good turnout. The preference among those who did vote was pretty decisive. I felt that was important."

"I think it's important for your readers and the community to know this wasn't a decision we took lightly," she added.

She's not sure how long it will take for the diocese to approve the sale.

"We're not anywhere near this being a sure thing, but certainly it's not secret, and we want to make sure the community understands why we made this decision," Tims said.

NEXT WEEK

Hinsdale High School District 86 Board

6 p.m. Thursday, March 21
Hinsdale Central High School
55th and Grant streets
www.hinsdale86.org/board-of-education/board-meetings

On the agenda: comprehensive registration fee, early bird PE course change, staffing recommendation for 2024-25, tuck pointing at Hinsdale Central and South, stair tread replacement at Central

MEETING ROUNDUP

Community Consolidated District 181 Board

Among other action Monday, board members:

- voted unanimously to adopt new science resources, choosing Mystery Science for elementary schools at a cost of \$238,850 and Elevate Science for middle schools at a cost of \$335,298. Costs include online access, science kits, lab materials and professional development. The resources were piloted this year and are within the \$600,000 budget.
- agreed to lease 420 iPads for kindergartners and 440 iPads for third-graders as part of the iPad refresh program at a cost of \$397,886 over three years. Students will keep the devices for three years. (Sixth-graders receive Chromebooks when they get to middle school.)
- accepted six gifts and donations, including \$60,000 from the HMS PTO to update the rooftop outdoor garden and \$15,000 from the CHMS PTO to purchase flexible seating.
- heard an update on winter MAP test scores. Thirty-six percent of students were in the 90 to 99th percentile in reading and 57.5 percent were in that percentile in math. All but one grade level at one school (third grade at Oak) showed greater than expected growth in reading, and all grade levels at all schools showed greater than expected growth in math.

Hinsdale Village Board

Among other business Tuesday, trustees

- approved a special use permit for the operation of a Montessori Gifted Prep Preschool at First United Methodist Church of Hinsdale, 945 S. Garfield Ave. Trustees discussed the matter during a first read on March 5.
- held a first read on a recommendation to eliminate the deputy fire chief position. In her board memo, village manager Kathleen Gargano said the recommendation comes in conjunction with the announced retirement of Fire Chief John Giannelli on April 5.
“With each vacancy in the village, the village routinely takes the opportunity to evaluate staffing needs against the work the department must accomplish,” Gargano stated. “After review, it has been determined the needs of the village are best met by eliminating the position of deputy fire chief.”
- referred to the plan commission a request by UChicago Medicine Advent Health for changes to the hospital campus’ signage. The medical center would like new signs reflecting its present name, proposing 21 ground signs and one awning sign with a combined sign face area of 619.8 feet. Currently there are 24 signs with a combined area of 568.2 feet.
- referred to the plan commission a request by Mouse Motors for changes to its exterior appearance and site plan, including sign changes, the installation of a vertical pivot gate, landscaping adjustments and modifications to building elevations

Correction

Caroline Hurley was listed with an incorrect first name in the article on Salt Creek Ballet’s production of “Don Quixote” in last week’s paper.



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SCAN ME

Sudden Magnolia closing stirred ‘panic’

Family of senior living resident caught off guard by announcement, scrambled to relocate

By Ken Knutson

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More details have emerged about what led to the temporary closure of Magnolia Dial Senior Living at the start of this month.

In response to The Hinsdalean’s March 7 story on Magnolia suspending operations on March 1, relatives of Magnolia residents reached out to the paper detailing anxious months leading up to the shutdown and expressing frustration with parent Dial Senior Living over a lack of transparency throughout the process.

Lynn Issleib’s 84-year-old mother moved into the facility about five years ago when it was Eve Assisted Living, prior to its acquisition by Nebraska-based Dial in 2021. She was living in the memory care department at the beginning of November when all memory care residents were relocated to empty two-bedroom apartments, Issleib said.

“We were told it would be three weeks,” she remarked.

But memory care had not reopened at the start of January. Then at a meet-

ing later that month, families of all of Magnolia’s several dozen residents received a stunning update.

“We were told, ‘No, we’re shutting down. In the interest of safety the best thing would be to close and do a complete remodel and reopen in 14 months. You need to be out by mid-April,’ ” Issleib related.

Replying via email to questions from The Hinsdalean, Alie Hrabe, Dial’s vice president of sales and marketing, said the abrupt action was precipitated by the discovery of mold in the memory care area.

“The community swiftly contacted a reputable company to conduct a thorough evaluation and identify the presence of mold. Air samples were within guidelines, except for an isolated area in a laundry room accessible only to team members, which was found to have elevated levels,” Hrabe stated. “A decision was made to temporarily suspend operations while the community underwent extensive renovations previously stalled due to the pandemic. This measure was implemented not only to ensure resident safety but also to minimize the

necessity for resident relocation due to disruptive construction work.”

At the January meeting with families and residents, she reported, members of Dial Senior Living’s home office team issued a 90-day notice to vacate by April 19. Residents were offered \$1,500 to defray moving expenses should they choose to return to Magnolia post-construction, anticipated to take at least 14 months, along with a 15-percent discount on rent.

Rick Graffagna, owner of the Naperville branch of Senior Solutions who helped a couple Magnolia residents with their relocations, said the circumstances were unusual based on his 12 years of professional experience.

“I can’t think of a situation where a building, mid-operation, was forced to shut down and have to start over again,” said Graffagna, adding his clients were able to find new homes.

Issleib said families had to find alternate living arrangements for their loved ones on their own.

“For me it was very difficult because it just added on another layer of where is she going to go,” said the former

Hinsdale resident, who was able to find her mom a skilled nursing care in a nearby assisted living facility by mid-February.

Trying to recover her mom’s clothes, which had been mixed with those of the other former memory care residents, also proved challenging.

“It was a nightmare. I could not find most of her clothes. Then I saw another resident with her clothes on,” Issleib recounted.

Told of the issue, a senior staff member seemed less than sympathetic, she said.

“It was just not a good experience at all,” she said.

Issleib said the last couple of years at Magnolia were marked by frequent turnover both in top leadership and regular employees.

“We started noticing that it was more (agency workers) coming versus (full-time) employees of Magnolia,” she said. “They didn’t know my mom. They didn’t know what she needed.” The daughter of a resident who left a voicemail with

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POLICE BEAT

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DUI arrest

Armando A. Lopez Perez, 22, 4231 48th Court, Cicero, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08, driving without a valid license, failure to remain at the scene of a vehicle damage accident and operating an uninsured motor vehicle at 12:30 p.m. March 12 at Lincoln Street and Ogden Avenue. Police were dispatched to a hit-and-run crash at Lincoln and Ogden and found the suspect in the parking lot at 777 N. York Road, apparently under the influence of alcohol. He submitted to testing that indicated he was over the legal limit and was charged and released to appear in court.

Trespassing arrest

Armando Soto, 18, 69 Countryside Club Drive, Countryside, and Raul Romero, 19, 1504 S. 58th Ave., Cicero, were arrested for trespassing at the Institute in Basic Life Principles, 707 W. Ogden Ave., at 7:06 p.m. March 18 after a victim reported he observed suspects walking around the property checking for unlocked doors. The two were cited and released to appear in court.

Frames stolen

Someone was observed on surveillance video stealing two pairs of optical frames from Hinsdale Eye Center, 126 W. First St., at 12:13 p.m. March 14. The suspect is described as a white man in his 60s with white hair wearing a black hat, medical mask, blue jacket and blue jeans.

Cash taken from purse

A resident of The Pearl, 600 W. Ogden Ave., Hinsdale, reported cash went missing from her purse, which she keeps in her room, between 11:15 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. March 18.

Identity theft

Someone gained access to the flight rewards account of a resident of the 500 block of Wedgewood Court and stole airline miles between Feb. 26 and March 5. The theft was reported March 12.

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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mail with The Hinsdalean — but not her name — was critical of the staffing situation, calling it “abysmal,” and questioned why the shutdown had to happen in winter.

“This company could have waited until summer and actually supported people’s moves,” she said.

Hrabe attributed much of the staffing churn to the pandemic. “It’s important to note that the community was acquired during COVID-19, a period

marked by significant challenges across various industries, not exclusive to Magnolia,” Hrabe stated. “Additionally, there’s a natural attrition that occurs during an acquisition due to the establishment of new standards and expectations.”

Issleib said better communication could have made a difficult situation easier to navigate.

“I wish that they would have been more forthcoming as to what actually was going on so we would have had more time and wouldn’t have had to panic,” she said.

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■ “It’s amazing how much you can learn when you actually want to learn.”
— Arielle Shah

Teen delivers lessons in love at refugee school

Hinsdale Central sophomore Arielle Shah didn’t truly appreciate the gift of a good education until she entered into the young lives of those who had been denied it.

The last three summers, Shah has taught English at a school for Venezuelan refugee children on the Caribbean island nation of Trinidad (and Tobago). Huellitas de Amor, whose name means “Prints of Love,” is the sole educational option for the displaced kids.

“They’ve been deprived of education for so long, so they really want to learn,” Shah said.

Trinidad has long been familiar territory for Shah, thanks to regular trips to visit her grandparents there. Several years ago her family began donating clothes and toys to school, which is operated by one of her grandmother’s employees. But then the director shared the need for an English teacher.

“I was like, ‘Oh, I can help,’ ” related Shah, who is proficient in Spanish.

She headed there the summer after graduating middle school with no idea what to expect.

“I was totally clueless. I did not know what I was doing,”

she admitted.

Adapting a workbook for learning Spanish into one for English instruction, Shah soon discovered the students, generally ages 5-12, were hungry for knowledge.

“They’re so smart. They would grasp onto it so quickly,” she said. “It’s amazing how much you can learn when you actually want to learn. (The school) had to cancel their summer break because the kids wanted to go back so badly.”

“Maestra Arielle,” as she is fondly called, returned the next two summers, leveraging her experience to introduce different teaching methods.

“I made slide shows about what they might want to know. I made games for them and brought prizes and gave them stickers for when they got stuff right,” she said.

Students have shared with her some heartbreaking accounts of the turmoil they’ve experienced. One girl, abandoned by her mom, was forced to flee Venezuela with her college professor father. He could only find work in Trinidad teaching second-graders.

The children’s shortage of basic necessities often can pose unexpected challenges.



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“They all only have one pair of shoes. One day there was a really bad rain and everyone’s shoes got wet and they couldn’t come to school because they had no shoes,” Shah said. “Most of them have to walk, and they just couldn’t do it.”

The latest obstacle for Huellitas de Amor is more serious. The school was recently notified that it could

no longer operate at its current site. A house was made available to serve as temporary quarters through December, but the school doesn’t have the funds to procure a spot beyond that. To help generate funds needed for securing a new home, Shah created a GoFundMe page. As of Wednesday the effort had raised \$1,925 toward a target of \$10,000.

Shah understands immigration is hot-button issue in the U.S., but she hopes people can be mindful of the individual lives involved, particularly such formative ones.

“I feel really attached to them. They’re such sweet kids,” she said. “I just really want to help them.”

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Make a break for it — close to home

A spring break staycation may be just the way to play this year, enjoying a less crowded, more relaxed local vibe. Your favorite community spots also have special programs especially for kiddos.

The Hinsdale Public Library, 20 E. Maple St., always has a slate of fun activities during spring break week. To register or for more information on the following programs, visit www.hinsdalelibrary.info or call (630) 986-1976.

- Youth in grades three through five will learn to make sweet and savory snacks in Kids Can Cook from 2 to 3 p.m. Monday, March 25

- Older kids can flex their gaming skills — in both virtual and classic board game mode — at Teen Game Time from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Friday, March 29.

- Science and art come together for STEAM Saturday for kids in kindergarten through second grade from 10 to 11 a.m. March 30.

The Community House, 415 W. Eighth St., is hosting several multi-day camps during the week. Visit www.thecommunityhouse.org or (630) 323-7500 to learn more or sign up. Hinsdale residents can receive member pricing

for the athletic camps.

- Spring Break Camp for ages 5-13 runs daily from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. March 25-29, featuring different fun activities and a field trip Wednesday, March 27. Sign up for a day or the entire week; extended hours are available from 3:30 to 6 p.m. for an additional fee.

The following are co-ops with the village of Hinsdale

- Young baseball and softball hopefuls can hone their skills at Pitcher, Catcher & Infielder Skills Camp from 10:30 a.m. to noon March 25-28. Infield and outfield players, pitchers and catchers will receive position-specific coaching.

- Spring Break Pee Wee Soccer 'N' T-Ball Camp from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. March 25-28 will teach ages 3-6 the basics of both sports along with how to be a good teammate and sportsman-ship so everyone has fun.

- Soccer Camp for ages 6-10 from 1 to 3 p.m. March 25-28 will impart soccer fundamentals through fun games, competitions and challenging skill-building activities.

- Skyhawks Basketball Camp for ages 7-12

runs from 3 to 5 p.m. March 25-29 and will help develop fundamental offensive skills and defensive concepts through individual and team drills as well as game situations.

From March 25-29, the Hinsdale Humane Society, 21 Salt Creek Lane, is offering Critter Camp for ages 6-9 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and Animal Advocates Camp for ages 10-12 from noon to 2:30 p.m. Visit www.hinsdalehumane-society.org or call (630) 323-5630.

The whole family can soak in the new season outdoors at Fishing: Trout Fishing for Kids from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 30, at Wood Dale Grove, 895 N. Wood Dale Road, Wood Dale. The fishing is only for ages 15 and younger, with an adult present, but older family members can attend. Bait is provided. Visit www.dupageforest.org or call (630) 933-7668.

Across the county line at Camp Bullfrog Lake, 9600 Wolf Road in Willow Springs, the workshop Camping 101 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 27, will cover basic camping skills for the next family excursion. Visit www.fpdcc.com or call (708) 771-1573.

Have fun!

COMMENTARY

Catching up with ... Cristina Henriquez

I first met Cristina Henriquez in 2007. I wanted to do a story on a new mom for the issue before Mother's Day, and she fit the criteria. As often happens when interviewing Hinsdale residents, I discovered there was so much more to the story. In addition to giving birth to her daughter, Sofia, Cristina had published her first book of short stories and a novella the previous year.

Since that time, she has published three more novels. And her latest — "The Great Divide" — recently was selected as a Today Show Read with Jenna book club pick.

I was working from home the morning of March 4 with the Today show on in the background when I heard the announcement — and then saw Cristina on my TV screen.

"I wasn't allowed to tell anybody," Cristina told me last week. "I was sworn to secrecy. The only person who knew was my husband."

Cristina was invited to appear in a taped segment for the show with Jenna and another author she has long admired.

"I got to go to New York and hang out with (Jenna) and Sandra Cisneros. She is one of my heroes, so it was a nice full circle moment to get to do that with her," Cristina said.

"The Great Divide" is about a cast of characters who are living through the time in the early 1900s when the Panama Canal is being built. Cristina, who described the book as very personal, said she has been working on it for five years.

"I had the idea to write this book long before that — for 15 years before I put pen to paper," she said. "It was just a special book for me."

"I always wanted to write a novel about the Panama Canal," she added. "I grew up going to the canal. When I was a kid and we were going to visit my family there, my parents would take us out to the canal. We would just sit there and watch ships go through."

Although many nonfiction books have been written about the canal, Cristina wanted to imagine what



Pamela Lannom

the time was like for an ordinary person living through it.

"As a novelist, that what's always interesting to me. I'm always trying to understand humanity or human behavior and motivation. When you start to delve into the character's deepest fears or their sacrifices or their hopes for things, that's

when it gets really interesting," she said.

The stories of those imagined individuals are set in a carefully researched world. Cristina traveled to Panama to visit libraries and museums and interview scholars who live there. Last August she spent seven hours on a small tugboat traveling through the canal, an experience she truly enjoyed.

"Every new thing, I was like, 'Oh my gosh, that's Gold Hill, that's Contractor's Hill,' seeing the things I had researched and learned about," she said.

She also found help with the novel much closer to home.

"I could not have done it without the librarians at the Hinsdale

Public Library. They helped me tremendously with my research," she said. "They were pulling books from all over the country and having them sent here."

Cristina will be back at the library April 9, talking about her new book with fellow Hinsdale writer Susan Blumberg-Kason. For more information, visit www.hinsdalelibrary.info.

She'll also be back on the Today show for a live segment Tuesday, March 26.

"I'm excited/terrified about it, but it should be really fun," she said.

She said she still can't quite believe the publicity her book is getting. Almost 2 million viewers watch Today with Hoda & Jenna.

"It's one of those things that authors dream of happening for their book," she said. "I'm still processing that it happened for mine."

Or that writing is her career.

"I'm just happy to do what I get to do every day," she said. "It's such a dream."

— Pamela Lannom is editor of *The Hinsdalean*. Readers can email her at plannom@thehinsdalean.com.

GUEST COMMENTARY

The healing power of a hummingbird

March 15, 2020, marked the first day I worked from home due to the COVID pandemic. Everything about that day was different. I fired up my computer and just stared at the screen.

As COVID raged, schools, businesses, churches and transportation hubs of all kinds suddenly shut down. Stores ran out of supplies. Goods ceased to flow to and from ports. Streets and towns were eerily empty. People got very sick, and in the end, millions died. Not just faceless people in far flung places in the world. People we knew. Our family members and friends.

I recall how oddly quiet it was in Hinsdale during the early days of COVID. No large trucks, FedEx deliveries, school traffic or airplanes above. Nothing but the sound of birds, the breeze and maybe a dog barking. Otherwise, pure silence.

As a creature of habit, I'm not adept at navigating dramatic changes in my work-life orbit. In my mind, the world was coming apart and it felt apocalyptic.

After a few months of home confinement, I got a bad case of cabin fever. In my search for balance and a modicum of sanity — outside of watching "The Last Dance" on Netflix — I'd often sit on my back porch overlooking my garden. Years ago I fell in love with gardening; there's something soothing and creative about it. I'm not a pro by any stretch, but I enjoy trying new flowers and plants to see what works — in particular, flowers that attract hummingbirds and butterflies.

One late spring morning I



Kevin Cook

noticed a hummingbird flitting about the garden. Tiny, green and very purposeful. It hovered effortlessly and darted from flower to flower with remarkable speed. It frenetically lapped up every bit of nectar. I never noticed one before, but now in the quiet there it was.

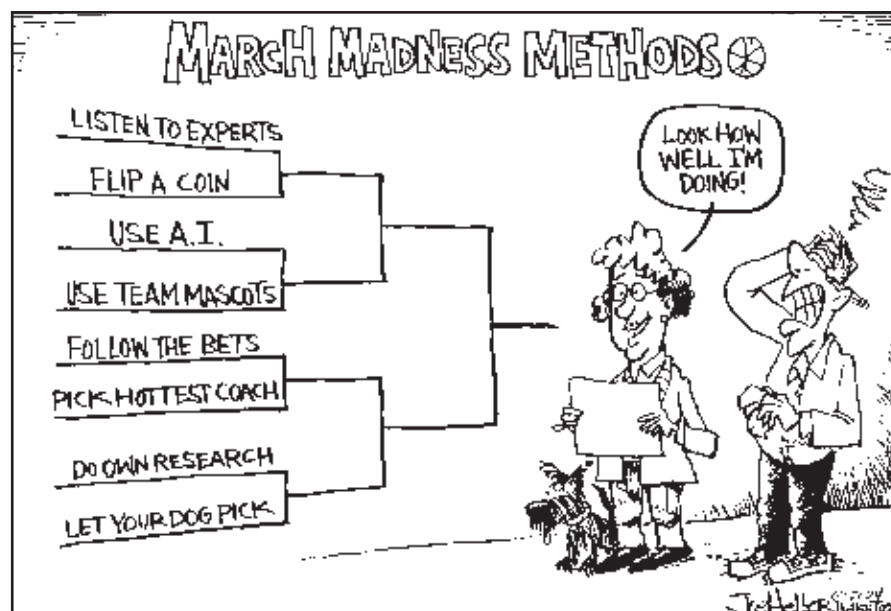
Sometimes, two hummingbirds would appear and spar over the best flowers. I don't know why, but my hummingbird fascination grew. I enjoyed every minute of its visits. It entertained and mesmerized. I was contented by the faint whirring sound of its wings on perfectly still days. What a gift, I thought. Every day for several months I would sit on my deck and watch for it to visit. If the hummingbird came, I told myself, there was hope that things would be OK. That sounds ridiculous in hindsight, but that's how I felt. My ritual continued through early fall, until the weather turned, and the hummingbird stopped visiting.

The full effects of COVID won't be fully understood for years to come, if ever. I know my physical health isn't quite the same since my bout with the virus. And I'm certain it took an as of yet undetermined toll on my kids. But I smile thinking about the smallest of small birds getting me through some profound rough patches four years ago.

It's funny how nature works. Its beauty, resiliency and healing powers are awesome. Even against COVID.

— Kevin Cook of Hinsdale is a contributing columnist. Readers can email him at news@thehinsdalean.com.

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OBITUARIES

Thomas Paul Kurth

Thomas Paul Kurth, 93 of Upatoi, Ga., passed away Jan. 20, 2024, at his home.

He was born in 1930 in Hinsdale to Melvin John and Loretta Ann (Johnson) Kurth Sr. He graduated from Chicago's St. Patrick's High School in 1948 and was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1951.

While in the military, Tom's impressive shooting skills did not go unnoticed. He won a spot as a member of the seven-person American Skeet Team, winning several events across Europe. He was selected to represent the United States in the skeet shooting event at the 1952 Olympics in Helsinki, Finland, where he scored an average 46/50 over several rounds and led his team to a bronze medal.

He continued his passion for shooting after the war, enjoying duck, geese and pheasant hunting with his sons.

Tom was a lifelong devout catholic, the first child baptized from Saint Isaac Jogues and a member of their first eighth-grade graduating class. He married Mary Elizabeth Biederman on Feb. 6, 1954, at St. Francis Catholic Church



Kurth

in La Grange, raised his eight children in the faith and was a member of the Knights of Columbus for more than 30 years. He attended Mass every week-end, volunteered his time to fundraising events and community outreach and admirably donated a portion of his earnings to the Catholic church every week of his adult life.

He is survived by his six children, Anne (James) Tuck, Edward (Camille) Kurth, John Kurth, Lorie (John) Wawak, Richard (Linda) Kurth and Jeffery Silberstorff; 22 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 64 years, Mary; his two sons, Bruce and Thomas Kurth; his daughter-in-law, Anita Kurth; and his brother, Melvin Kurth Jr.

A funeral Mass will be said at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 6, at Saint Isaac Jogues, 306 W. Fourth St., Hinsdale

Burial will follow at Fullersburg Cemetery in Hinsdale.

Rosemarie Moore

Rosemarie Moore, 94, of Clarendon Hills, died March 13, 2024.

Rosemarie loved the village of Clarendon Hills and was a proud member of Notre Dame parish. She was an avid gardener who loved dogs, especially her dog Poppy.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert E. Moore.

She is survived by her two daughters, Lucy (Dan) Olivieri and Rita Moore; and her



Moore

granddaughter, Helena Marie Olivieri.

A funeral Mass was said March 18 at Notre Dame Church in Clarendon Hills.

Interment was private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to PAWS Chicago at www.pawschicago.org.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Robert J. Pelizza

Robert "Bob" J. Pelizza, 88, of Clarendon Hills died March 14, 2024.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Joan M. Pelizza.

He is survived by his children, Karen (Stan) Gawlik, Kristin Pelizza and Brian (Michelle) Pelizza; and his grandchildren, Taylor and Justin.



Pelizza

A funeral service will be held at 10:30 today, March 21, at Sullivan Funeral Hinsdale, 60 S. Grant St., Hinsdale. Interment is private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to the America Heart Association at www.heart.org.



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GOOD NEWS

HOSPITAL GROUP HAS NEW LEADER



Reed
officer for UChicago Medicine AdventHealth.

As CEO, Reed will be responsible for overseeing the strategic development and growth of UChicago Medicine AdventHealth, which includes four hospitals in Hinsdale, Bolingbrook, Glendale Heights and La Grange and more than 50 sites of care.

Reed started her career in leadership as an OB-GYN attending physician and associate director of the Family Practice Residency program for AdventHealth Orlando. She has served in several senior leadership roles at AdventHealth, including chief

learning officer and chief medical officer for the central Florida division, CEO for the central Florida division south market and CEO for AdventHealth Celebration, which became nationally recognized as a clinical destination for whole-person care under her leadership.

"Dr. Reed is a future-focused leader with a capacity to not only articulate a clear vision, but bring others along the journey," said David Banks, group CEO for AdventHealth's multistate and primary health divisions. "As we continue to see more changes in market and consumer demands, I'm confident Dr. Reed will serve as a change agent and help position our hospitals for the future, as we deepen our promise of wholeness in our Chicagoland market."

In 2023, AdventHealth's Great Lakes Region formed a joint venture with the University of Chicago Medicine, combining the expertise and resources of

both organizations to ensure a connected health system and bring academic medicine to the western suburbs of Chicago.

"Through our partnership with UChicago Medicine, we have the opportunity to unite the best of academic medicine with excellent faith-based, whole-person care," Reed said. "I'm excited to join the team in the Great Lakes Region and collaborate on bringing our mission and vision to life as we seek to leave a lasting impact in the lives of those we serve."

Dr. Reed earned her medical degree from the Loma Linda University School of Medicine in Loma Linda, Calif., and holds a master's degree in consulting and coaching for change from the University of Oxford Saïd Business School and HEC Paris, a Paris business school.

Adam Maycock remains in his role as president and CEO of UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale and La Grange.

D181 EARNS BUDGET AWARD

The Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 Business Office celebrated receiving the Meritorious Budget Award from the Association of School Business Officials International at last month's school board meeting.

Less than 2 percent of school districts are honored with this distinction. Award recipients meet a rigorous set of criteria:

- clarity and conciseness — the budget document should be easy to read and understand for financial experts and stakeholders
- accuracy and completeness — the budget should include all necessary financial information
- alignment — the budget should be aligned with the district's strategic goals and objectives
- community engagement — the budget should be presented in a way that is accessible

and understandable to the community

HUMMINGBIRD HAS THIRD LOCATION

Hummingbird Pediatric Therapies has announced it will open a new location in Elmhurst this spring. The 11,000-square-foot pediatric therapy center will be equipped with state-of-the-art and professionally designed rock-climbing walls, gyms, ball pits and much more.

"Hummingbird Pediatric Therapies is thrilled to have found our perfect third home in Elmhurst," said owner Christina Scalise-Morrissey of Hinsdale. "Now with locations in Elmhurst, Westmont and Woodridge, we will be able to provide even greater access to care for more children and families across the suburbs and Chicago."

Hummingbird offers speech, occupational, feeding and other types of therapy along with counseling and more.

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BRIAN OSTREGA AND STEPHEN UHL, MUSICIANS

What is the Ostrega Uhl project?

Beautiful music doesn't require a symphony hall, a theater or a trip to the city. It just requires talented musicians to play it and interested people to hear it.

That's the philosophy behind the Ostrega Uhl Project, the brainchild and passion project of violinist Brian Ostrega and pianist Stephen Uhl. Whether it's a retirement community, a public library or a church, Ostrega and Uhl want to take classical chamber music anywhere an audience might gather.

"If there's an audience and there's appreciation for it, we will perform for them," Ostrega said.

The season finale of the Ostrega Uhl Project takes place Friday, March 22, at Union Church in Hinsdale (see Page 24 for details). "Best of Brahms" is a collection of pieces by the famous composer, a favorite of both Ostrega and Uhl. Together with special guests violinist Stephane Collopy, violist Oana Tatu, and cellist Brian Gaona, the quintet will explore Johannes Brahms' music from his early compositions through his later works.

Union Church is a familiar venue for Uhl, who has served as the church's organist since 2018. He also teaches music at Glenbard East High School and Elmhurst University, and plays piano for the St. Charles Singers. Raised by a pair of amateur musicians, Uhl said he began playing piano at age 9 and enjoyed it immediately. He went on to study music in college and to pursue a career that involves sharing music both as a teacher and a performer.

Ostrega also is a full-time performer and teacher. He serves as orchestra librarian and violinist with the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra and hold various teaching positions.

Ostrega began playing violin at age 5. He studied music in college before pursuing his master's degree at Roosevelt University's Chicago College of the Performing Arts. That's where he met Uhl and discovered not only their shared admiration for Brahms, but their shared desire to bring music outside the orchestra hall.

Ostrega said he and Uhl don't believe people should have to drive long distances or pay a lot of money in order to enjoy quality music. That's where the Ostrega Uhl Project began in 2017. While providing per-

formances throughout the city and suburbs, the Ostrega Uhl Project also provides performance opportunities for talented musicians, such as those playing at Union Church.

"We have a main theme that drives the program," Ostrega said of each concert. One included a repertoire that explored Mozart's influence on musicals.

"People absolutely loved it," he said.

The two expect a similar reaction to the Brahms concert, which features major works written for orchestra and re-arranged for the quintet.

"There's so much to explore in the richness of Brahms' writing," Uhl said.

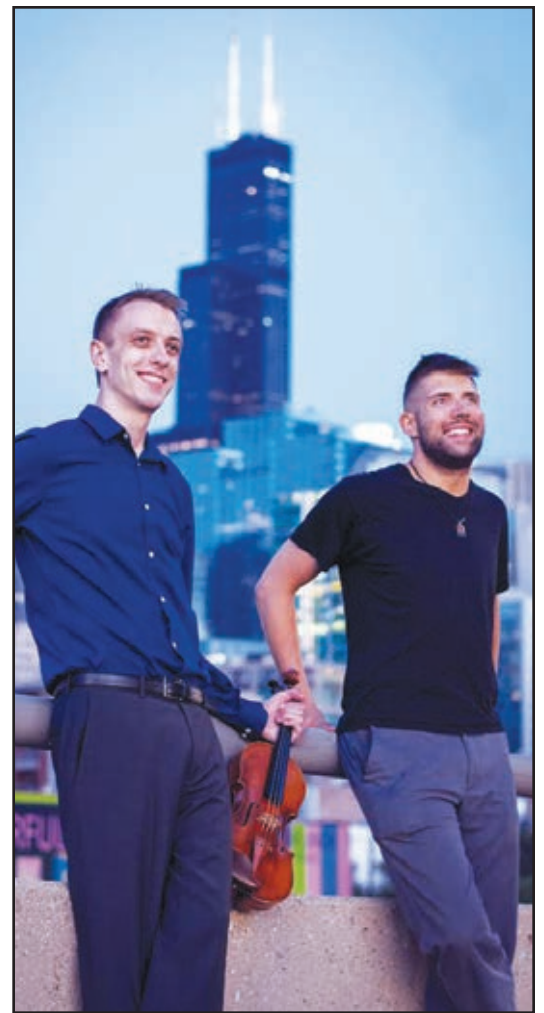
Audience members will experience dense, complex sounds as well as simple melodies as the concert explores the unique texture of Brahms' music.

"All of it is just woven together so wonderfully," Uhl said.

Both Brahms fans and newcomers will be entertained, Ostrega said.

"It's a powerful concert with powerful musicians and you're going to have a powerfully good time," Ostrega said.

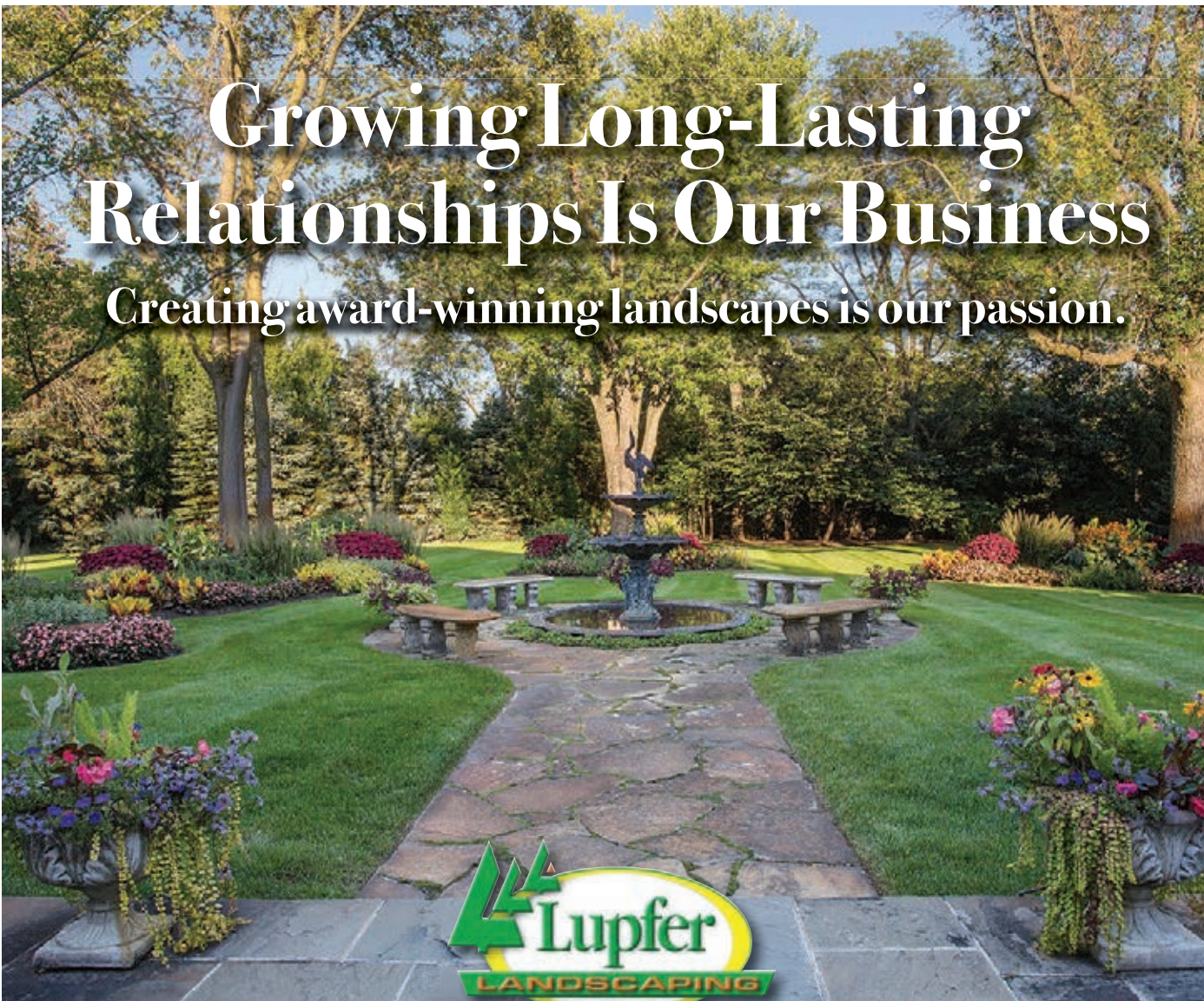
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Union Church will become a concert hall March 22 as Stephen Uhl and Brian Ostrega lead a quintet in a free showcase of music by Johannes Brahms. (photo provided)

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Take advantage of family time next week with a visit to city museum

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Adler Planetarium

Join an imaginative Chicago pre-teen, on a visually stunning Afrofuturist journey in the Sky Show “Niyah and the Multiverse.”

Niyah has a lot of questions about space and time. How can a special mask help us understand who we are in the world? Do we really need all the laws of physics? How is the multiverse like the blues?

With her friend Luis, and a curious cat named Bast, Niyah comes face-to-face with her grown-up self — an astrophysicist who studies multiverse theories. Find out what shape your shadow matter might take and get inspired to dream up multiverse theories of your own.

These and other show and events await at the planetarium, 1300 S. DuSable Lake Shore Drive. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday to Monday and 4 to 10 p.m. Wednesday.

Admission is \$28, \$17 for ages 3-11 for all exhibits and one Sky Show. Admission is free on Wednesdays for Illinois residents with proof of residency. Parking is \$25.

Visit www.adlerplanetarium.org.

Art Institute of Chicago

While often presented as an artistic genius, a singular force solely responsible for his creative output, Pablo Picasso would not have



achieved the immense success he did without the many people who supported him.

The exhibition Pablo: Drawing from Life, centered on the artist's works on paper, brings into focus Picasso's life and art as it intersected with a network of artists, dealers, printers, family members and lovers. The many women with whom he had passionate and sometimes volatile relationships inspired him, and the complex man represented his subjects with both tenderness and aggression. The printers and dealers with whom Picasso collaborated helped him realize and bring attention to thousands of works, enabling him to gain international renown. The exhibit runs through April 8.

The Art Institute, 111 S. Michigan Ave., is open to the public from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays to Mondays, and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursdays.

Admission is \$32, \$26 for seniors, students and teens, and free for age 13 and younger.

Visit www.artic.edu.



Field Museum

Check out larger-than-life models of bloodsucking creatures and learn how different species earned their

titles in the exhibit Bloodsuckers: Legends to Leeches.

Use magnifying glasses to see fossilized bloodsuckers up close. Step into the sounds of a Northwoods mosquito swarm, then play a game to discover which repellents best protect us from their bites. Take a journey through classic movies like “Dracula” in a mini movie theater and see a historical vampire hunting kit to discover where fact meets fiction. There's even a recreation of a barber's bloodletting station and interactive apothecary drawers to convey the story of bloodletting in medicine.

The Field Museum, 1400 S. DuSable Lake Shore Drive, is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission is \$27-\$40, depending on the level of access, with discounts for seniors, students w/ID and kids ages 3-11. Basic admission is free every Wednesday for Illinois residents. Parking in the Soldier Field lot is \$25.

Visit www.fieldmuseum.org



Museum of Science and Industry

Access the adventure where science and imagination meet in the exhibit 007 Science: Inventing the World of James Bond.

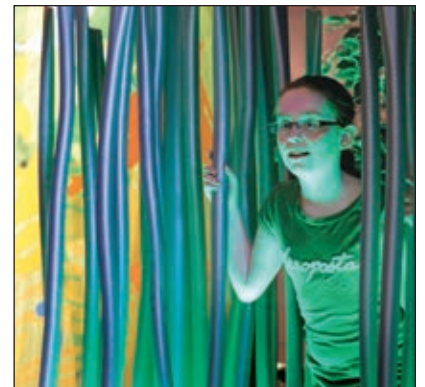
Explore the iconic cars, gadgets and props of the world's longest running film series, and go behind the scenes to learn how the Bond production teams harness real-world science to craft 007's on-screen adventures. See fantastical gadgets created for the Bond films alongside the real-life inventions they prefigured. Enter a lab space inspired by “Q” — the source of secret field technologies in the Bond movies — and test your abil-

ities to design the perfect spy vehicle, dangle from a steel beam and devise amazing stunts.

The Museum of Science and Industry, 5700 S. DuSable Lake Shore Drive, is open daily from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Daytime admission that includes a timed-entry ticket for OO7 Science: Inventing the World of James Bond is \$43.95, \$28.95 for ages 3-11.

Visit www.msichicago.org.



Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum

Get ready to encounter a variety of fascinating animals in Wild World: Miracles in Conservation.

Take part in impromptu animal interactions, meet animal care specialists and learn about conservation efforts around the world. See why there is hope on the horizon by learning about amazing real-life conservation success stories around the globe and connecting them to the local conservation efforts happening in our own backyard.

Other daily activities include Critter Connection from 11:30 a.m. to noon, Animal Feeding from noon to 12:30 p.m. and Butterfly Release from 2 to 2:30 p.m.

The museum, 2430 N. Cannon Drive, is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission is \$15, \$10 for students and seniors, \$8 for ages 3-12 and free for ages under 3. Thursday admission is free for Illinois residents; a \$10 suggested household donation is encouraged.

Visit www.naturemuseum.org.

— compiled by Ken Knutson



Learn how maple syrup was made in the 1890s during weekends this month at Kline Creek Farm. Turn to Page 20 for details. (photo provided by the DuPage County Forest District)

ARTFULLY DONE

■ Through Her Eyes

Ongoing
Virgil Catherine Gallery
50 S. Washington St.,
Hinsdale
www.virgilocatherinegallery.com

The gallery is holding this exhibit featuring a number of local female artists, including Hinsdale's Maureen Claffy.

■ Artist as Naturalist

March 24
Sagawau Environmental Learning Center
12545 W. 111th St.,
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www.fpdcc.com
(630) 257-2045

Celebrate Women's History Month by learning how artists made scientific discoveries accessible to society. Time: 1 p.m. RR

FAMILY FUN

■ Truckin' Into Spring

March 24
Bemis Woods-South
Ogden Avenue west of

Wolf Road, near Western Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(312) 533-5751

In partnership with Go Ape Chicago, enjoy the Treetop Nets, a nature obstacle course, and more. Food trucks and vendors will be onsite. Hours: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

GAME ON

■ Competitive Mah Jongg Open Play

Thursdays through April 25
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Enjoy American Mah Jongg in this lively weekly co-ed group for players who know the game well. Walk-ins are welcome; the fee is paid at the door. For more information, email Cheryl Wrzesinski at sharedmemories@aol.com or Gloria Javor at gloriajavor@comcast.net. Time: 1 to 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$2.

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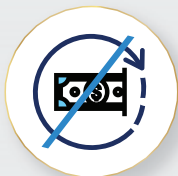
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Mixed feelings a challenge in some relationships

Many of us have a person in our lives that we have mixed feelings about. It could be a relative, friend or a partner. You might really care for and love that person while at the same time feel disappointed and/or hurt by them.

We might hope for change in our relationship with that person yet continue to be let down. How close you are emotionally to them and how frequent your interactions are can also impact the intensity of our mixed feelings.

My father, who passed away in January, was someone I had mixed feelings about. He was a gentle, kind-hearted and friendly person who always enjoyed talking with people. Everyone who met my father always liked him. Many noticed when he was no longer able to take daily walks with his dog and would ask me how he was doing.

My father was also a constant procrastinator and avoider of most things that were difficult. He let me down in

various ways throughout life and made some choices that created unnecessary distress for me at times.

Fortunately, I also had positive experiences with my father to offset his limitations.

Growing up, my father was his mother's scapegoat, verbally abused and shamed to the point that he stuttered well into his adult life. My grandmother had her own difficult upbringing with dreams of attending college dashed when her own mother died while she was in high school, leaving her to raise her several younger siblings while her father worked. Her marriage to my father's father came undone when he returned from World War II, leaving her a single parent in the 1940s. I knew most of this from my mother as my father rarely talked or complained about his childhood circumstances.



Alis Messana
On mental health

Many adults struggle with issues from childhood. The relationship you have with your parents while you grow up is the biggest rehearsal for relationships you'll have throughout life. Parents are one of the few things we don't get to choose. Likewise, children don't come with instructions. I believe most parents do the best they are able or know how to do given their own history.

Maya Angelou said, "I did then what I knew how to do. Now that I know better, I do better."

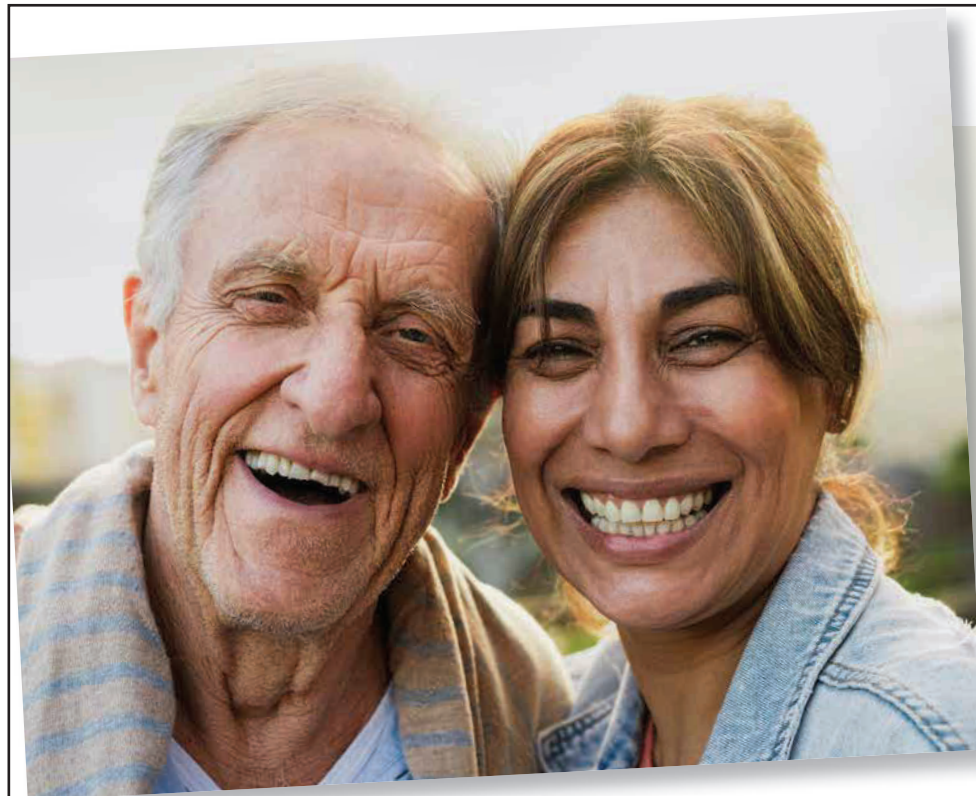
My father tried psychotherapy a few times as an adult, but always seemed to get pulled back by the generational belief, particularly for men, that one should simply be able to carry on. At the age of 81, he asked if I would drive him to weekly psychotherapy and went until his dementia prevented him from attending.

So, how to navigate relationships you have mixed feelings about? There isn't necessarily a right or wrong way to go about it, though considering the pros and cons of how you decide to respond to your mixed feelings is worthwhile. We can feel victimized and hurt, engage in chronic conflict or avoid that person. Some cut ties all together.

Obviously, if the person you have mixed feelings about engaged or is engaging in a repeated pattern of abusive or severely destructive behavior, the choice may be clear in order to maintain safety. If not, we have the option to engage in the messy balance of holding incongruent feelings about a person while still maintaining care of our own emotional well-being. How you handle it is ultimately up to you.

— Alisa Messana is a licensed clinical social worker and mental health consultant who serves as clinical supervisor at The Community House Counseling Center.

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GREAT OUTDOORS

■ Women's Wilderness Walk

March 23
Little Red Schoolhouse
Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road,
Willow Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(708) 839-6897

Celebrate Women's History Month with a guided walk, and learn about women who helped shape the conservation field. Time: 10 a.m. RR

■ Photography Walk

March 29
Maple Lake-East
95th Street west of Willow
Springs Road near Willow
Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(312) 533-5751

Grab a camera and explore Paw Paw Woods Nature Preserve, one of the highest quality natural areas in the state. Time: 10 a.m. RR

■ Maple Sugaring

Weekends through March 31
Kline Creek Farm
www.dupageforest.org
(630) 876-5900

All ages are invited to discover how sap becomes syrup by using tapping tools from the 1890s, checking the collection buckets and watching sap thicken over the fire. A admission donation of \$5 per person is suggested for ages 3 and up. Time: 1 to 4 p.m.

■ Spectacular Partial Solar Eclipse

April 8
Little Red Schoolhouse
Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road,
Willow Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(708) 839-6897

Watch this rare natural phenomenon through telescopes that will be ready for viewing. Time: 1 to 3 p.m. RR

GREEN THUMB

■ Shrub Care and Maintenance

April 5
Morton Arboretum
4100 Route 53, Lisle
www.mortonarb.org
(630) 719-2468

Examine the care needs and management requirements for the most popular species of shrubs in the Midwest, including how and when to prune different species, whether fertilization is necessary and how to identify and respond to common pests and disease. Students will take an outdoor walk to look at varieties up close. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$49. RR. MD

■ Seed Library

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

Library cardholders can select up to 10 packets of flower, vegetable and herb seeds available from the collection behind the Adult Services desk on the main floor and check them out like any other

materials. At the end of the growing season, save seeds and return them to library to use next spring. Also sign up for the programs Vegetable Gardening in Containers and Raised Beds on April 20 and Seed Saving Basics: Harvesting This Year's Seeds for Next Year's Planting on Aug. 10 through the website above.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

■ Hot Topics in Colorectal Cancer

March 23
Wellness House
131 N. County Line Road
www.wellnesshouse.org
(630) 323-5150

Join the area's top oncologists, surgeons and healthcare professionals to learn about the latest updates in the research and treatment of colorectal cancer. Breakout sessions will be held on updates in medical oncology, surgical oncology and radiation oncology from 9 to 11 a.m., followed by a panel with cancer

survivors from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The virtual session Eating after Colorectal Surgery will be held from 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, March 28. RR

■ Burning Beats

Through April 30
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Get a high-energy dance workout that is equal parts fun and fitness. Beginners and seasoned dancers are welcome to tone their bodies and burn calories while listening to a motivating soundtrack of pop anthems and Latin grooves. Times: 10 to 11 a.m. Tuesdays, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays and 9 to 10 a.m. Fridays. Cost: \$15 for adult walk-ins, \$5 for ages 10-17; \$109 for a 10-class punch card.

HELP WANTED

■ Therapaws Orientation

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EASTER SERVICE SCHEDULE

CHRIST CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY | March 24

9:00 & 10:45 a.m. | Oak Brook
10:00 a.m. | Butterfield

Journey with the Savior
Contemporary Worship

Messiah Excerpts
Classic Worship

WALKING TO THE CROSS

TH, March 28 | 6:00–8:00 p.m.

FRI, March 29 | 3:00–7:00 p.m.
Oak Brook | Butterfield

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GOOD FRIDAY | March 29

6:00 & 8:00 p.m. | Oak Brook

Candlelight Worship
with Holy Communion



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EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES

Saturday | March 30

4:00 p.m. | Oak Brook
Contemporary

Sunday | March 31

9:00 & 10:45 a.m. | Oak Brook
Classic & Contemporary

10:00 a.m. | Butterfield
Contemporary

Christ Church | Oak Brook | Butterfield | ChristChurch.us

501 Oak Brook Rd. | Oak Brook | 630.654.1882

2S 361 Glen Park Rd. | Lombard | 630.654.1884

Journey With Us to Easter!

Palm-Passion- Sunday, March 24: 10 am
Maundy Thursday- March 28: 7 pm
Good Friday- March 29: 7 pm
Easter Vigil- March 30: 7 pm together
at Redeemer Lutheran Church
Easter Sunday- March 31: 10 am,
followed by an Easter Egg Hunt

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Hinsdale Covenant Church

Easter Sunday

March 31 - Services at 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00am

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and Good Friday services, both 7pm

412 S. Garfield St. - hinsdalecovenant.com

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SUN MAR 31 9AM Breakfast for Everyone
9:30AM Easter Egg Hunt for Children
10AM Easter Worship
SUN APR 14 10AM Easter Cantata during worship

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a 945 S Garfield Street in Hinsdale
p 630.325.1280 w hinsdaleumc.com

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MARCH 28TH AT 7PM

GOOD FRIDAY:
MARCH 29TH AT 12PM & 7PM

EASTER VIGIL:
MARCH 30TH AT 8PM

EASTER MORNING:
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Redeemer Lutheran Church
139 East First Street • 630-323-5530
www.redeemerhinsdale.org

Holy Week & Easter Worship

Palm Sunday - 8:30 and 11AM Palm Procession

Maundy Thursday - Mar 28 • 7PM
Holy Communion and the Stripping of the Altar

Good Friday - Mar 29 • 7PM
Mary McDonald's *It Is Finished*

Easter Vigil - Mar 30 • 7PM
beginning outside of Grace Episcopal

Easter Sunday - Mar 31 • 8:30 and 11AM
Festival Worship with Choir & Brass

Easter Breakfast • 9:45AM
Easter Egg Hunt • 10:15AM



Saint Isaac Jogues Catholic Church
306 W. 4th Street Hinsdale, Illinois 630/323-1248 sij.net

Holy Week and Easter — 2024

The Liturgies of Holy Week

Palm Sunday Weekend

March 23 — Confessions 3:30pm, Palm Sunday Vigil Mass-4:30pm

March 24 — Palm Sunday Masses — 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm

Holy Week

March 25, 26, 27 — Daily Masses at 7:00am and 5:00pm

March 27-Night Prayer in the Adoration Chapel-9:50am

(To close Adoration in preparation for the Holy Triduum. The Chapel will be closed from 10:00pm Wednesday until Holy Saturday after the Easter Vigil.)

Holy Thursday

March 28 — Morning Prayer: 8:00am *(no morning Mass)*

7:00 pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

(followed by Adoration until Midnight)

11:50pm Night Prayers to close adoration

Good Friday

March 29 — Morning Prayer: 8:00am *(no morning Mass)*

3:00pm — Afternoon Service of the Lord's Passion *(Veneration of the Cross)*

7:00pm — Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday

March 30 — Morning Prayer: 8:00am *(no morning Mass)*

8:30am — Confessions

12:00 pm — Blessing of the Easter Baskets / Food

8:00 pm — Easter Vigil — The Mass of the Lord's Resurrection

Easter Sunday

March 31 — 7:30, 9:00, *(Church & PC)* 10:30am, *(Church & PC)*

12:00 pm, *(Church & PC)*

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Holy Week @ UNION CHURCH

MAR
28

Maundy Thursday
7:00 p.m.
Sanctuary

MAR
29

Good Friday
7:00 p.m.
Chapel

MAR
30

**Holy Saturday -
Easter Egg Hunt**
10:00 a.m.
Gathering Place

Easter Sunday

9:00 a.m. Chapel
10:00 a.m. Sanctuary
+ Online



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Paschal Triduum Schedule

MARCH
28

Holy Thursday

Morning Prayer - 8:45am

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00pm

Adoration - 9:00pm-12:00am

MARCH
29

Good Friday

Morning Prayer - 8:45am

Communion Service, Veneration of the Cross - 3:00pm

Living Stations of the Cross - 7:00pm

MARCH
30

Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer - 8:45am

Blessing of Food Baskets - 1:00pm

Easter Vigil Liturgy - 8:00pm



MARCH
31

Easter Sunday

7:30am | 9:30am | 9:45am (Gym) | 11:30am

Eucharistic Adoration Times:

Wednesdays 9:15am-7:00pm in Church

Daily in Chapel from 8:00am-8:00pm

Confessions Times

Wednesdays from 6:00pm-7:00pm

Saturdays 4:00pm-4:45pm

Stations of the Cross

Fridays from 7:00pm-7:45 pm

Fit Shepherds

Saturdays at 7:00am

Wednesdays at 5:00am

Moms & Tots

Wednesdays at 9:00am in

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after 8:45am Mass



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Webinar

March 27

www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org
(630) 323-5630

Join this free webinar to learn about participating in the Hinsdale Humane Society's Therapaws Pet Therapy Program, which provides hundreds of hours of pet visits each year to those in need of a little extra love. Participants must register 48 hours in advance. Time: 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. RR

■ Foster Orientation Fair

April 6

Hinsdale Humane Society
21 Salt Creek Lane
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org
(630) 323-5630

Attend this monthly event to get a tour of the shelter and learn the process of becoming a foster, including information on the foster-to-adopt program, caring for bottle babies and taking a shelter animal on day trips. Hours: noon to 1:30 p.m.

JUST FOR KIDS

■ Kids Can Cook

March 25

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

Kids in grades three through five are invited to make and enjoy the best sweet and savory snacks! Time: 2 to 3 p.m. RR

■ STEAM Saturday

March 30

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

Science and art come together for another STEAM Saturday for kids in kindergarten through fifth-grade. Time: 10 to 11 a.m. RR

■ Trout Fishing for Kids

March 30

Wood Dale Grove
895 N. Wood Dale Road,
Wood Dale
www.dupageforest.org
(630) 933-7668

Kids ages 15 and younger can experience trout fishing at this preseason special free event. Bait will be provided. Family members ages 16 and older can accompany the

young anglers but may not fish themselves. Hours: 8 a.m. to noon.

■ Comedy Improv

April 4-May 9

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

This fun interactive Stage Door Fine Art improv class will introduce kids ages 7-16 to the basics of acting and how to communicate by using their bodies, gestures and facial expressions. Time: 5 to 6 p.m. Cost: \$230. RR, MD

■ Homework Helpers & Reading Ambassadors

Tuesdays to Thursdays in March & April
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.

www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Students in kindergarten through eighth grade can drop in to receive one-on-one homework or reading help from a local high school student volunteer. Time: 4 to 5 p.m.

LISTEN & LEARN

■ An Evening with Geoffrey Baer

April 4

Mayslake Peabody Estate
1717 31st St., Oak Brook
www.dupageforest.org/friends
(630) 871-6400

Join popular WTTW host, producer and writer Geoffrey Baer to explore historic architecture, namesake families and local characters through stories about the DuPage forest preserves. Event proceeds support the greatest needs at Mayslake Peabody Estate. Time: 6 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets: \$150. RR.

NOTEWORTHY

■ Ostrega Uhl Project

March 22

Union Church of Hinsdale
137 S. Garfield Ave.
www.eventcreate.com/e/bestofbrahms

Join this string quartet in its season finale performance, "Best of Brahms," featuring the composer's exuberant first piano trio, the soaring and inspiring melodies of his second symphony in a special one-of-a-kind arrangement

for string quintet, the famous Hungarian Dance No. 5 and the Piano Quintet in F minor. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets: \$25, free for children with adult ticket purchase.

■ Claudia Schmidt

April 6

Unitarian Church of Hinsdale
11 W. Maple St.
www.acousticren.com
(630) 941-7797

The native Michigander has been astounding audiences with her beautiful voice, superb instrumentation and continually evolving song-writing style. She performs everything from hymns, poems, bawdy verse, torch song and satire and dazzles audiences with her talent on the 12-string guitar and mountain dulcimer, richly archiving the musical journey she has undertaken. Time: 7 p.m. Tickets: \$20.

■ Brahms concert

April 13 & 14

McAninch Arts Center
College of DuPage
425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn
www.atthemac.org
(630) 942-4000

Egyptian-born pianist Wael Farouk teams up with New Philharmonic to perform Brahms' Piano Concertos No. 1 and 2. Times: 7:30 p.m. April 13, 3 p.m. April 14. Tickets: \$55, \$53 for seniors.

ON STAGE

■ 'Don Quixote'

March 22-23

McAninch Arts Center
425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn
www.saltcreekballet.org

Salt Creek Ballet presents this work drawing inspiration from Miguel de Cervantes' epic 17-century novel with compositions of Ludwig Minkus. The ballet narrates the tale of Don Quixote, an imaginative old knight who, spurred by a vision, embarks on a quest with his loyal companion Sancho Panza to find the idealized Dulcinea. The performance is 90 minutes, including intermission. The Fiesta de Familia is included in the ticket price and takes place immediately following the Saturday show, complete with tambourines, Spanish fans and the magical touch of confetti. Time: 7 p.m. March

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PULSE

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22, 1 p.m. March 23. Tickets: \$32-\$40.

■ 'Fiddler on the Roof'

Through March 24
Drury Lane Theatre
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace
www.drurylanetheatre.com
(630) 530-0111

Set in the little village of Anatevka, the story follows Tevye in his tight-knit Jewish community in Czarist Russia as he tries to protect his daughters and instill them with traditional values in the face of political and social change. It's universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion, leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness. Times: 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 1:30 and 7 p.m. Thursdays, 7 p.m. Fridays, 3 & 8 p.m. Saturdays, 2 & 6 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$100.75-\$111.25.

■ New Plays Workshop

April 4-7
Theatre of Western Springs
4384 Hampton Ave.
www.theatreofwesternsprings.com
(708) 246-4043

As part of The Directors' Workshop series, audiences are invited to enjoy the new plays "Dinner At Donovan's" by Nan Gatewood Satter about an empty-nester couple and their an unexpected plan for making new friends; "May We Always Have It So Good" by Robyn Guest following four longtime female friends and the truths that come out at a 55th birthday party; and "Yeah, Art Figures" by Kim Ruyle about a math teacher who discovers that his ignorance, in some ways, surpasses that of his students. A post show discussion will be held with the playwrights and directors. Donations are appreciated either with online reservations or at the door. Times: 8 p.m. April 4-6; 7:30 p.m. April 7. RR

■ 'Aresenic and Old Lace'

Thursdays to Sundays,
April 4-14
McAninch Arts Center
College of DuPage
425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn
www.atthemac.org
(630) 942-4000

Spinsters Martha and Abby Brewster are adored

by their neighbors and guests, but when their nephew, Mortimer, arrives to announce his engagement, he discovers a corpse in his aunts' home. A hilarious chain of events ensues in this classic dark comedy where the only thing more deadly than poison is family. The play contains adult themes and language. A pre-show discussion with the director and designer will be held at 6:45 p.m. Thursday, April 4; a post-show discussion with the director, cast and crew will be held Friday, April 12. Times: 8 p.m. Thursdays to Saturdays, 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$16, \$14 for students.

■ 'The Taming of the Shrew'

April 5-7 & 12-14
Lincoln Center
395 Maple St., Downers Grove
www.groveplayers.org
(630) 415-3682

Enjoy the Grove Players' production of this celebrated Shakespeare comedy, the swaggering adventurer Petruchio seeks a wife with a fortune. As he aims to woo the fiery Katherina, daughter of a wealthy merchant, the question is who will tame whom? Times: 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 2 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: check website above.

SENIOR SCENE

■ Memory Cafe

March 27
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

This gathering of individuals living with dementia and their care partners offers a place to socialize and connect with others in similar situations using prepared activities. Activities may include education, music, games and arts. The program is sponsored by The Birches and Independence-4-Seniors Home Care. Time: 2 to 3 p.m. RR

■ Prime Time A+

Tuesdays & Thursdays
through April 30
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

This easy-to-follow class for adults 50 and older fea-

tures low-impact workouts to improve cardiovascular fitness, strength, balance and flexibility. Time: 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. Cost: \$85 for a 10-class punch card.

SIGN UP NOW

■ Eclipse Glasses Giveaway

Ongoing
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
The first 400 Hinsdale Public Library cardholders to register will receive a free pair of eclipse-viewing glasses for their household. They'll be available for pick up April 5-7.

■ French Conversation Group

March 26
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976
Speak French with other Francophiles with the guidance of local French instructor Susan Boldrey at this monthly meeting. This group is for anyone who wants to improve their French language skills or connect with other French speakers. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

■ Adult Hip Hop

Mondays, April 1-May 27
Westmont Community Center
75 E. Richmond St.
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr
(630) 789-7090

Learn hip hop movements and technique as well as rhythm and precision in muscle memory. Participants should wear comfortable athletic clothes and indoor tennis shoes. No experience is needed. Time: 8:15 to 9 p.m. Cost: \$120. RR

SPRING BREAK

■ Spring Break Camp

March 25-29
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 5-13 will enjoy different activities each day at this camp, including art, science and STEM. Campers will go on a field trip Wednesday, March 27. Sign up for the entire week or on a daily basis. Children should pack a sack lunch daily. Extended hours are available from 3:30 to 6 p.m. for an additional fee.

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HHS Spring Break Camps
March 25-29
Hinsdale Humane Society
21 Salt Creek Lane
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org
(630) 323-5630

Kids ages 6-9 will enjoy fun games, activities, and animal interaction (whenever age-appropriate animals are available), with different activities each day in Critter Camp from 9 to 11:30 a.m.. Kids 10-12 can attend Animal Advocates Camp from noon to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$50 per day.

Pitcher, Catcher & Infielder Skills Camp
March 25-28
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 7-12 can prepare for the upcoming baseball

and softball seasons by working on infield and outfield positioning, footwork, double plays and more. Pitchers will learn proper form and age appropriate grips, and catchers will get tips on framing to get strike calls. Participants need a labeled mitt and water bottle. Time: 10:30 to noon. Cost: \$100.

Soccer Camp
March 25-28
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 6-10 will sharpen their skills and knowledge of soccer fundamentals such as passing, dribbling, shooting, ball control, stealing the ball from opposing teams and defense along with teamwork and sportsmanship through fun games, competitions and challenging skill-building activities. Time: 1 to 3 p.m. Cost: \$133. RR, MD

Chicago Elite Volleyball

Spring Break Camp
March 26-28
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

This camp introduces kids ages 6-14 to the game of volleyball as well as continues to improve their individual skill development in the sport with a focus on passing, setting, attacking, blocking, serving, defense and movement. Players will be divided according to skill level and age and challenged accordingly. Time: 3:30 to 5 p.m. Cost: \$105. RR, MD

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Victory at Home: 1941-45
Ongoing
Elmhurst History Museum
120 E. Park Ave.
www.elmhursthistory.org
(630) 530-6874

The exhibition includes compelling artifacts, photographs and interactive audio-video stations with

hands-on experiences to demonstrate the significant contribution Chicagoland residents had on the home front effort during World War II. Hours: 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays & Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays, closed Mondays.

Leslie Goddard as Rachel Carson
March 23
Mayslake Peabody Estate
1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook
www.dupageforest.org
(630) 206-9566

In this historical portrayal, Goddard performs as the famed biologist and author who warned the world of the potentially dire environmental impact of chemical pesticides in her best-selling 1962 book, "Silent Spring." Time: 2 to 3 p.m. Cost: \$5. RR

An Evening with Agatha Christie
March 25
Clarendon Hills Library
7 W. Prospect Ave.

www.clarendonhillslibrary.org
(630) 323-8188

Historical reenactor Debra Miller will portray the famed mystery writer at age 60 when she is married to archaeologist Max Malloran and traveling extensively in the Middle East. Meet Ms. Christie as she reminisces about her childhood, her life as a writer and adventurer, and contemplates beginning her autobiography. Time: 7 p.m. RR

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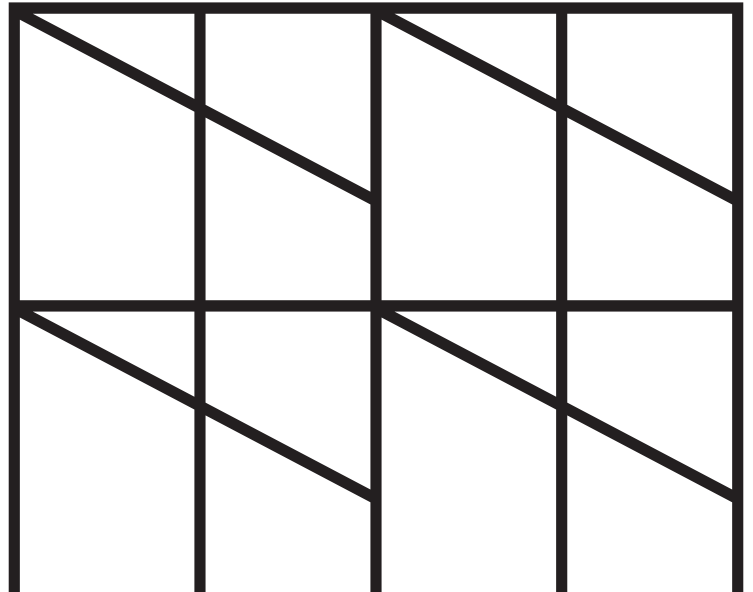


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welcome. Times: 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. weekdays, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays. Cost: \$8.

TEEN & TWEENS

■ Teen Game Time

March 22 & 29
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Play Mario Kart on the Nintendo Switch or enjoy a classic board game in the Community Meeting Room. Time: 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

■ Babysitters Certification

March 23
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Youth ages 11-15 in this one-day American Red Cross course will gain the knowledge and skills necessary to safely and responsibly provide care for children and infants in the absence of

parents, along with leadership skills and tools for developing a babysitting business. Participants receive a workbook, training materials and a training certificate at the end. Attendance is required for the entire day; participants should pack a sack lunch. Time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost: \$105. RR, MD

■ Game Show Game Night

April 5
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

High schoolers are invited to this HPL Junior Advisory Board-hosted evening of game show-themed games. Snacks and drinks will be provided, and prizes will go to the winning team. Sign up as an individual or with a team of up to six. Each player must register. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. RR

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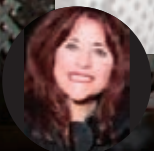
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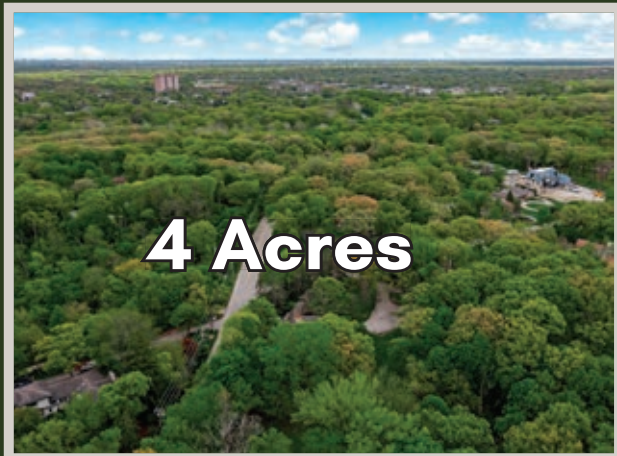


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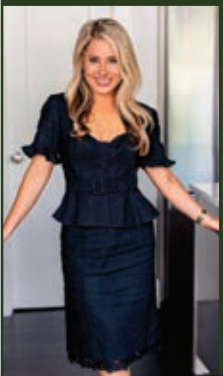
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BUNNY BREAKFASTS

■ Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

March 23
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www.thecommunityhouse.org

Hop in for a delicious hot breakfast and one-on-one time with the Bunny. After breakfast, head over to Robbins Park for the egg hunt (see details below). Time: 9 to 10:15 a.m. Cost: \$37. RR, MD

EGG HUNTS

■ Easter egg hunt

March 23
Robbins Park
Seventh and Vine streets
(630) 789-7090
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

Kids ages 11 and younger are invited to bring a basket, hunt for treats and visit with the bunny. Areas will be divided by age group, with hunts starting every 10 minutes. Please be prompt. Time: 10:30 a.m. ages 3 and younger, 10:40 a.m. ages 4-5, 10:50 a.m. ages 6-7, 11 a.m. ages 8-9, 11:10 a.m. 10 and older.

■ Bunny Hop

March 23
Brookfield Zoo
8400 31st St.
www.czs.org

Hop on in with the kids for an all-day scavenger egg hunt throughout the zoo (while supplies last), a photo opp with the Bunny, educational spring activities and a Bunny Hop dance party. Seasonal food and beverages will be available for purchase. Time: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Zoo admission: \$29.95, \$24.95 for seniors, \$20.95 for ages 3-11, free for 2 and younger plus \$17-\$20 parking.

■ Easter egg hunt

March 24
Cantigny Park
1S151 Winfield Road,
Wheaton
(630) 668-5161
www.cantigny.org

Hundreds of plastic eggs will be hidden around the McCormick House at this colorful rain or shine event for all ages. Each child may redeem five eggs for a prize.

Take a photo with Mr. and Mrs. Bunny and enjoy a screening of "Hop" in the visitors center at 10 a.m., noon and 2 p.m. Crafts, concessions and a brunch buffet also are available for a fee. Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: free with \$5 parking.

PHOTO OPP

■ Photos with the Easter Bunny

March 23
Pet Supplies Plus
15 N. La Grange Road, La Grange
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org

The Easter Bunny is hopping into town for pictures with kids and pets. No appointment is necessary. Cost: \$20 suggested donation will go directly to care of animals at the Hinsdale Humane Society.

EASTER BRUNCH

■ Brunch with the Bunny

March 23, 30-31
Brookfield Zoo
8400 31st St.
www.czs.org

In addition to a delicious brunch buffet, the event features visits with the bunny, an interactive DJ with games and more. Seatings: 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$75, \$35 for ages 3-11, free for 3 and younger.

■ Easter Brunch

March 31
Il Poggiolo
8 E. First St.
www.ilpoggiolohinsdale.com
(630) 734-9400

Chef specials and a full Italian menu will be available. Time: noon to 6 p.m.

■ Lucille Restaurant at Drury Lane

March 31
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace
www.lucillerestaurant.com
(630) 530-8300

Enjoy this elegant spring-time brunch, complete with an Easter egg hunt and photos with the Easter Bunny. Unlimited champagne, mimosas, bellinis, bloody Marys, coffee and tea are included. Time: 10:30 a.m. Cost: \$100, \$40 for ages 5-12, free for 4 and younger. RR



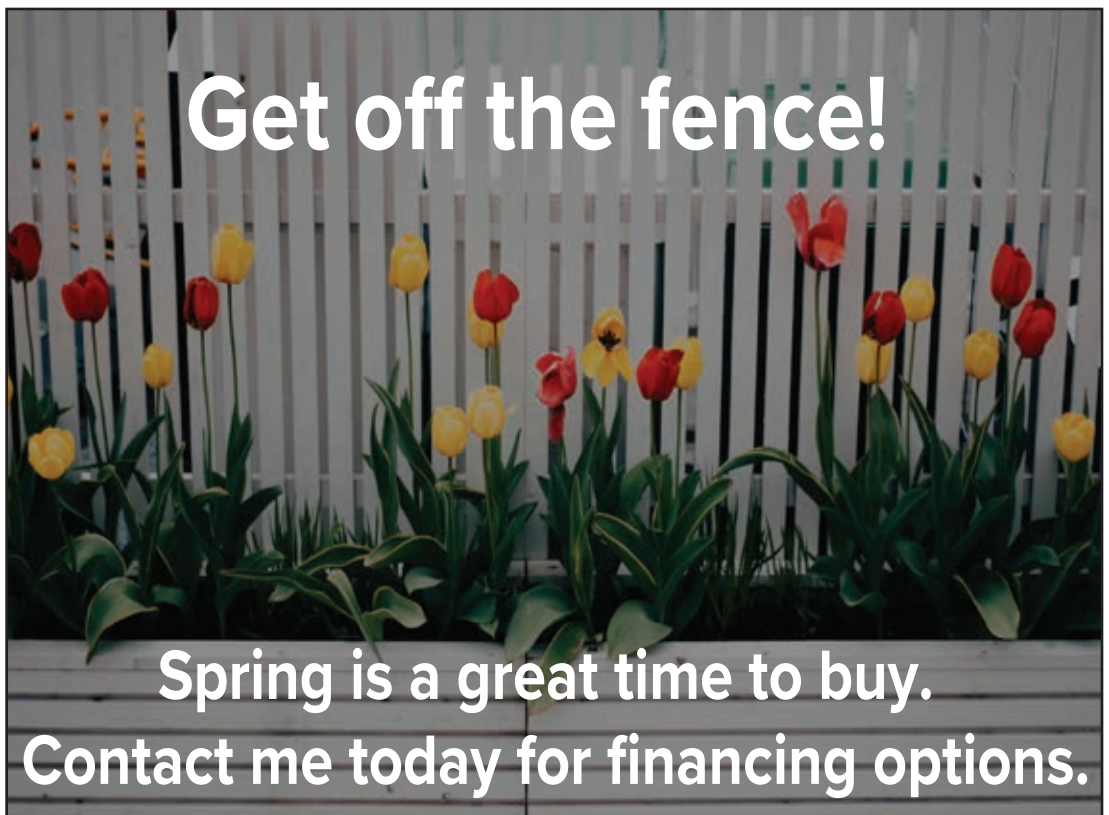
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HOVORKA, DECEASED
CASE NUMBER
2024PR000081**

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Name: Mark C. Metzger
DuPage Attorney Number: 208026
Attorney For: Denise Green, Independent Administrator
Address: 1807 W. Diehl Rd., Ste. 105
City/State/Zip: Naperville, IL. 60563. Telephone: 630-615-6380
Email: mark@markmetzger.net
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**LEGAL NOTICE
VILLAGE OF HINSDALE
BID NO. 1715**

**NOTICE
TO
CONTRACTORS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Village of Hinsdale, DuPage and Cook Counties and State of Illinois that proposals will be received for

**Bid No. 1715
2024 Burns Field
Court Improvements.**

Sealed bids for 2024 Burns Field Court Improvements Bid #1715 will be accepted at the Village of Hinsdale Parks & Recreation Department Village Hall, 19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale, Illinois 60521, until 10:00 am, Wednesday, April 3, 2024, at which time bids will be publicly opened. The contract will be considered for award at an April 2024 meeting of the Board of Trustees. The primary work consists of renovating 6 existing tennis courts and 1 full court basketball court that includes pavement milling, asphalt paving, color coating, misc. concrete paving and fence replacement.

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Emily Tompkins,
Village Clerk,
Village of Hinsdale

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STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF DUPAGE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
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JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
Case No: 2024MR000159
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
(ADULT)**

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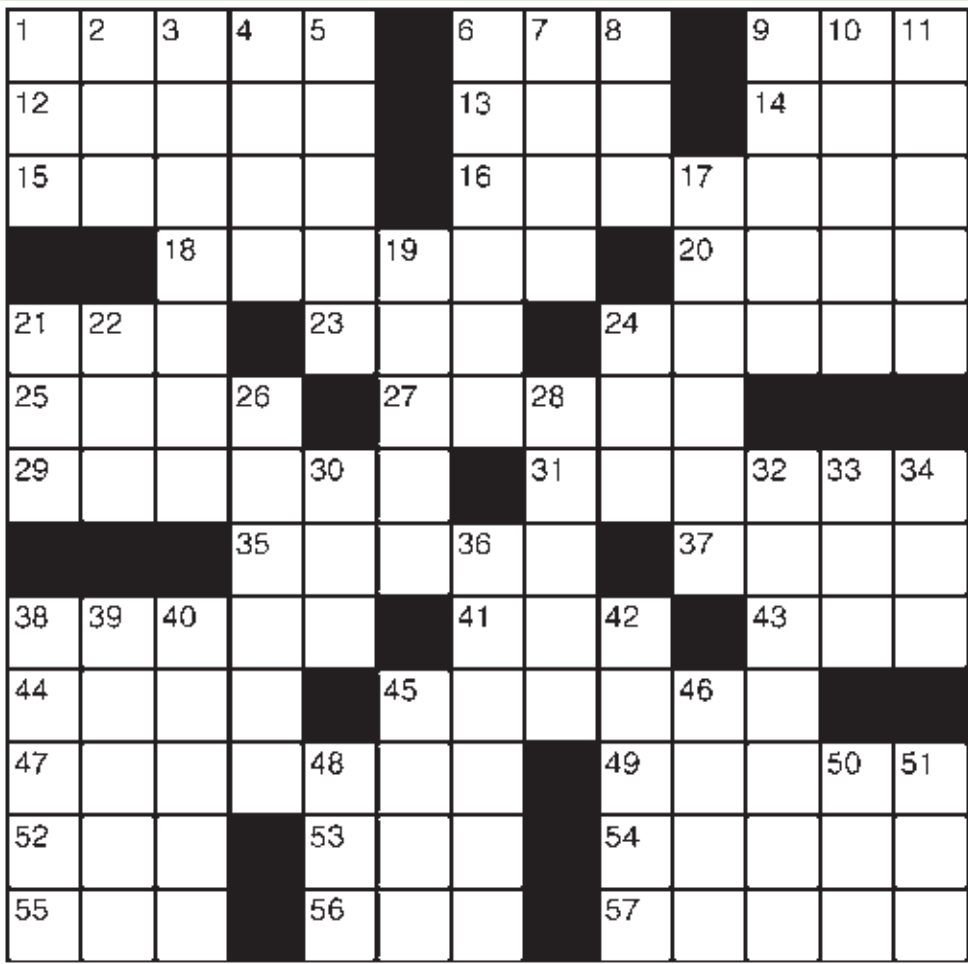
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by Linda Thistle

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HOROSCOPES

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CAPRICORN

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, high energy may have you swinging at the fences every time you try to tackle something. You may want to dial things back and take a more measured approach.



ARIES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, communication with a spouse or a loved one is vital this week; otherwise, you risk arguments for no reason at all. Sit down and have some frank conversations about your needs.



CANCER

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, many elements of your life are starting to level out this week. That can be a comfort to you because you seemingly have been running around for some time and could use a break.



LIBRA

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, while you should be mindful of your goals, you also can support those around you as they pursue their own. Serve as inspiration to people in your life right now.



AQUARIUS

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Various transitions in your life could temporarily disrupt your daily activities, Aquarius. You'll find a new groove soon enough that will feel comfortable and provide you with what you need.



TAURUS

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, when you face adversity you should rest assured that you can handle anything that is thrown at you. Although, you may need a little help from some close friends or family.



LEO

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, others have nothing but good things to say to you this week. Bask in their kind words and adoration, and use this as motivation for future endeavors.



SCORPIO

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, this is a good time to start tackling some projects around the house that have been put off for some time. Redecorating and remodeling can be an inspiration right now.



PISCES

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Don't take stock of what all the naysayers have been dishing out, Pisces. You know yourself better than others and recognize what you are able to accomplish. Get started on plans.



GEMINI

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, others may not understand who you are and could make assumptions that are inaccurate. They may just need some more information to get a clearer picture.



VIRGO

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
With no big events on the horizon, you may want to manufacture one to have a reason to party, Virgo. Start planning your guest list and come up with a fun theme to get behind.



SAGITTARIUS

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
Take a step back and re-evaluate your approach to a situation because the way you have been doing it just hasn't yielded the results you expected, Sagittarius. Take suggestions and tips.

Teams looking for success on the field

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Who to watch: Our goalie, Makenna Schultz, is arguably the best goalie in the state — at least one of the best. She’s got a scholarship to New Hampshire, so Division I lacrosse. She’s been on the team since her freshman year. She’s been in the state championship two years. She’s made saves that at times I don’t understand how she does what she does. Another kid that’s going to be exciting to watch is Peyton Moncrief. She’s another junior. She’s a midfielder. She’s smaller, she’s skinny, but when she plays, she’s lightning quick. She can score from anywhere. She’s a scrappy kid. Junior midfielder Logan O’Connor has been on the team since her freshman year. She’s tall and put on some serious muscle in the offseason. She’s looking to get recruited. She’s going to be playing midfield for us, but her defensive skills are quite good — probably the best I’ve seen since I’ve been in Hinsdale.

Outlook: We have the same outlook as we always have. We believe

we have the athleticism to go all the way. You have to take it one game at a time. We don’t have the amount of Division I athletes we typically have. In 2022, we only had one Division I commit and we faced New Trier, who had seven Division I commits, and we lost by one point. On paper, we’re not stacked with Division I athletes as of yet, but the girls kind of have that vibe that people don’t think we’re going to be successful this year. We do think we can be state contenders for sure.

Furthermore: The four seniors that we have returning, they are our captains, they are a really solid group of kids. They play an excellent role on the team. Parker Matthews and Daphne Venetsanopoulos on offense and Chloe Vande Lune and Regan Torsberg on defense.

Girls soccer

First meet: March 11 vs. De La Salle (V won 2-0)

Last year: lost in IHSA supersectional

Head coach: Tony Madonia
Seasons as head coach: 6th
No. team members: 20

Strengths: Athletically we’re pretty fast and technical. Just as a team, really positive, motivated, mutual goals. Those would be the five main things I’d highlight.

Challenges: The girls have not really played together a lot, so limited experience. There’s a wide range of age groups on the team, from freshmen to seniors. We had one at each grade level at the very least starting in our first game. We just always schedule a really tough schedule. It’s going to be one of those seasons where we’re playing strong opponent after strong opponent.

Who to watch: Kate McDonnell is our captain. She’s been on varsity four years now and she started off with a bang, both on the field and with a goal in our first game. She is just kind of the glue — she’s so positive and keeps everybody on the same page. The other captains are Claire Snodgrass, Julia Marinaccio and Ryann Knapp. They’re all seniors.

Outlook: I think we’re going to do really well. We have team meetings and individual meetings every year, and this year everybody has really said they want to make a run at conference, which we’re typically the toughest conference in the state if not the Midwest. And they want to go further than we did last year, which is pretty close to the end. The girls have identified these things. I always tell them, “It’s your team. We just want to get you where you want to go.” They really have set the bar high for themselves.

Furthermore: I would like to plug our Julie Heidecke clinic that our captains have put on for the 26th straight year on April 7 from 12 to 3 p.m. in the fieldhouse. It’s completely led by the varsity girls soccer team, particularly the captains, and then representatives from the ISU women’s team. The Heidecke family is still in the community and they’re there every year. The Julie Heidecke scholarship is given out. It’s a special event.

SPORTS SHORTS

JODIE HARRISON TEAMS ARE CHAMPS

The Community House has announced the winners of the 2024 Jodie Harrison basketball championships.

Fourth-grade boys
Brooklyn Nets
Players: Andrew Bird, Noah Coburn, Hugh Danford, Luke Gray, Raj Hennessey, Isaac Hummer, Owen Kirchoff, Morgan Shire, Brody Sobieraj and John Yeager
Coaches: Will Danford, Alex Shire and John Yeager

Fourth-grade girls
Atlanta Dream
Players: Rosie Abramson, Juliet Brown, Evelyn Casper, Mackenzie Decker, Mila Feeney, Ada Haut, Anika Kumar, Aubrey Kunitz, Milly O’Hara and Madeline Wenzel
Coaches: Matt Abramson and Kristi Gillespie-Brown

Fifth/sixth-grade boys
Denver Nuggets
Players: Cooper Conboy,

Shaan Dalal, Andrew Dygert, Hudson Fang, Elliott Hallberg, Luke Jazak, Devontay King, Marcello Salamone, Henry Willard and Jayaram Yalamanchi
Coaches: Justin Dygert, Mike Hallberg and Mike Jazak

Fifth/sixth-grade girls
Phoenix Mercury
Players: Maeve Carter, Kennedy Cordes, Campbell Erway, Annie Franklin, Dina Gomez, Elise Alsman, Krista Kocoras, Brooke Petty, Olivia Pfanenstiel, Caitlyn Tazic and Jackie Word
Coaches: Eric Pfanenstiel, Ryan Petty and Henry Gomez

Seventh/eighth-grade boys
Milwaukee Bucks
Players: John Bukovac, Liam Cranmer, Daman DuBose, Rohan Jashnani, Jackson Kral, Will Luther, Wyatt Powell, Liam Sexton, Ethan Smith and Peyton Spears
Coaches: Brian Spears,

Brian Sexton and Jeff Kral
Seventh/eighth grade girls
Chicago Sky
Players: Lily Bradley, Danielle Cijunelis, Tala Dola, Neilla Doyle, Greta Griffin, Halabi Alia, Lily Holzwart, Lijja Kenton and Asha Patel
Coaches: Jamie Griffin, Bill Kento and Umang Patel
Photos appear online at www.facebook.com/thehinsdalean.

GYMNAST SECOND IN ALL-AROUND

Raquel Lieberenz placed second in all around in the Illinois State Championships Friday at Adventure Commons in Bourbonnais. She took second with a score of 36.75 (only .025 of a point from earning first place) and qualified for the upcoming regional meet in Kentucky. She placed first on floor, fourth on beam and fifth in

vault. She’s a level 9 gymnast (division group Junior C) at BIG gymnastics in Burr Ridge. Her division was represented by 21 gymnasts from 14 Gyms throughout Illinois. She has been attending the same gym since she was 3 and has competed and has qualified for state each year since age 7, when she was a level three. She is a freshman at Hinsdale Central. *A photo appears online at www.facebook.com/thehinsdalean.*

HOCKEY PLAYERS ARE RECOGNIZED

Seven members of the Hinsdale Central hockey team were recognized by Illinois West and represented the club in games earlier this month. All-Conference: Jack Crabb

IL West Varsity All-Stars: Nate Anderson, Dylan Dwyer (G), Will Romberger
IL West JV All-Stars: Mason Basket and Nate Conway (G)

INFERNO GIRLS CLAIM TITLE

The Hinsdale Inferno Red Girls fourth-grade basketball team captured the DuPage Youth Basketball League Championship on March 3. The victory capped a spotless season for the girls, who finished 18-0 — the only squad among the 38 teams in their division to go undefeated. Team members are Eve Goodwin, Charlotte Sunderson, Evelyn Koridek, Brooke Rooney, Willa Gourley, Harper Ebong, Sarah Nagamine, Anya Nagamine, Brooklyn Mersinger and Perry Sitkowski. They were coached by Vic Ebong and Luke Goodwin.

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STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



Chloe Chang
Hinsdale

What are you excited about this season?

I'm focused on being a good teammmate.

How were you intro-duced to the sport?

I've been swimming since I was really young, but I didn't really know about water polo until freshman year. My friends encouraged me to try it.

What's your goal?

My goal is to play well and be kind of a mentor to the juniors, sophomores and freshmen. I really hope that they have the opportunities to play in challenging games and take leadership roles.

Where have you evolved as a player?

I tried to play goalie freshman year, but I kind of learned that the goalie position wasn't for me. I've grown to learn more about the sport and the tips and tricks on where to shoot and all the technicalities of it.

How would your team-mates describe you?

I think they would describe me as more of an aggressive player but also one who puts others before myself. Out of the pool, I think "fun" is a good way to describe myself.

Do you have any pre-game rituals?

We listen to music, and

we try to jump in the water together all at once as a team.

What else are you involved in at Central?

I'm part of FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) and the Ambassadors Club.

What might people be surprised to know about you?

I signed up to run my first half-marathon in April.

What do you plan to study in college?

I want to study in the areas of human develop-ment, education and pub-lic policy and help bring awareness to educational inequality in underprivi-leged areas.

Why does head coach Chris Ortiz like having Chang on the squad?

Her positivity is infectious. She always has a smile on her face and is willing to do whatever the coaches ask. She is a natural defender who brings an energy to the game that is tough to match. She has one of the fastest shots on the team, which often catches oppos-ing teams off guard. Having Chloe on the team the last four years has been a blast, and I know she has a very bright future.

— profile by Ken Knutson.
photo by Jim Slonoff

RESULTS

Badminton

March 18 @ Naperville North
V wins 13-2
Han, 16-21, 21-19, 21-16
Cameli, 21-12, 21-7
Fang, 21-10, 21-8
Jiao, 21-12, 21-4
Tu, 21-10, 21-10
Liu, 21-8, 21-9
Graeb, 21-8, 21-8
Parvataneni, 21-19, 21-18
Jiao/Cameli, 21-2, 21-16
Tu/Fang, 21-13, 21-16
Sripam/Liu, 21-9, 22-24, 21-15
Graeb/Shen, 21-16, 21-7
Radziszewski/Parvataneni, 21-11, 21-12
March 16 vs. Illinois Math & Science
V wins 14-1
March 13 @ Downers North Quad
vs. Downers North
V wins 8-0
vs. Andrew
V wins 8-0
vs. Willowbrook
V wins 8-0

Baseball

March 19 @ Fenwick
V loses 0-4
March 16 vs. Palatine
V wins 2-1

Gymnastics, boys

March 19 vs. Glenbard West
V places 3rd with 90.5 points
Floor exercise
Cihlar, 3rd, 8.2
Truong, 8th, 6.7
Pommel horse
Cihlar, 6th (tie), 5.4
Truong, 6th (tie), 5.4
Still rings
Cihlar, 2nd, 8.1
Ahuja, 7th, 6
Ravanasa, 9th, 4.8
Vault

Cihlar, 1st, 9.1
Ravanasa, 6th (tie), 6.6
Truong, 6th (tie), 6.6
Parallel bars
Cihlar, 2nd, 8.5
Ravanasa, 8th (tie), 6.8
Horizontal bar
Cihlar, 3rd, 8.3
All around
Cihlar, 3rd, 47.6
March 15 vs. Krupicka Invite
V places 3rd with 123.4 points

Lacrosse, boys

March 19 vs. Libertyville
V loses 4-12
March 16 @ Glenbrook North Tourney
vs. South Elgin
V loses 4-6
vs. Glenbrook North
V loses 2-4
March 14 @ Stevenson
V wins 9-8

Lacrosse, girls

March 18 vs. Glenbard West
V wins 16-4
Kearney, 4 goals, assist
Moncrief, 3 goals
Venetsanopolous, 2 goals, 2 assists
Parker-Briones, 2 goals
Matthews, goal, 4 assists
O'Connor, goal, 2 assists
Andrews, goal, assist
De Vita, goal
Linn, goal
Conley, assist
Alexander, 3 saves
Schultz, 3 saves
March 14 @ Lake Forest
V loses 7-9

Soccer, girls

March 19 vs. Waubonsie Valley
V loses 0-1
March 16 vs. Jones College Prep

V wins 7-0
McDonnell, 3 goals, assist
Anderson, 2 goals
Doherty, goal
Rohn, goal
Sakalosky, 3 assists
Edgewater, assist
Leal, assist
March 14 @ St. Ignatius
V wins 1-0

Softball

March 19 @ Glenbard East
V lost 4-7

Track, boys

March 15 @ WSC Indoor Championship
55-meter dash
Segers, 6th, 6.71
Lyne, 12th, 6.91
200 meters
McInerney, 8th, 23.59
Bots, 10th, 24.14
400 meters
Bots, 4th, 52.94
Parkins, 8th, 53.57
600 meters
Kamenev, 6th, 1:29.37
Ferren, 11th, 1:32.17
800 meters
Revord, 6th, 2:02.7
White, 12th, 2:20.68
1,600 meters
Bandukwala, 4th, 4:27.86
DiCianni, 9th, 4:41.76
3,200 meters
Kurimay, 7th, 10:00.32
Rogers, 12th, 10:17.19
50-meter hurdles
Segers, 2nd, 7.98
Goebel, 12th, 9.78
55-meter hurdles
Segers, 1st, 8.41
Goebel, 12th, 10.89
4x200 relay
V, 6th, 1:36.97
4x400 relay
V, 6th, 3:48.03
4x800 relay
V, 6th, 8:47.11
High jump

Prieto, 1st, 6-6
Stach, 11th, 5-1
Long jump
McInerney, 3rd, 20-10.5
Parkins, 5th, 20-1.25
Triple jump
Eden, 9th, 36-4.5
Pole vault
Bolenbaugh, 5th, 12
Khatau, 7th, 11-6.25
Shot put
Ortiz, 2nd, 51-0.5
Stamer, 6th, 42-8.5

Track, girls

March 15 @ WSC Indoor Championship
V places 4th with 75 points
55-meter dash
Dorris, 2nd, 7.43
Bonino, 6th, 7.57
200 meters
Dorris, 6th, 27.09
M. Gilmartin, 9th, 27.95
300 meters
Elsdon, 5th, 44.69
A. Hodneland, 6th, 44.73
400 meters
Elsdon, 7th, 1:05.08
Leech, 8th, 1:05.08
800 meters
L. Hodneland, 2nd, 2:21.18
Dygon, 10th, 2:23.76
1,600 meters
Griffin, 4th, 5:26.17
Boyd, 10th, 5:27.34
55-meter hurdles
Leech, 3rd, 9.24
Abu-Ghazalah, 5th, 9.59
4x200 relay
Dorris, A. Hodneland, Tresslar, M. Gilmartin, 1st, 1:49.2
4x400 relay
L. Hodneland, K. Gilmartin, Dygon, Tresslar, 3rd, 4:11.45
4x800 relay
Boyd, K. Gilmartin, Hughes, Griffin, 3rd, 9:57.76
Shot put

Veliz-Hernandez, 9th, 8.03m
Kawa, 13th, 7.15m
High jump
Chillo, 9th, 1.37m
Pole vault
Bisch, 10th, 2.13m
Hamelka, 11th, 1.83m
Long jump
Moser, 2nd, 5.18m
Bonino, 5th, 5.09m
Triple jump
Moser, 1st, 10.83m
Bonino, 7th, 9.99m

Volleyball, boys

March 19 @ Lincoln-Way East
V loses 17-25, 19-25
Ruth, 7 kills, dig, assist
Chung, 2 kills, 2 blocks, 2 digs
Hogervorst, 2 kills
Hughes, kill, dig, 13 assists
Beringer, kill, dig
Haworth, kill
Redding, block
Lynch, 4 digs
Reodica, dig

Water polo, boys

March 19 vs. Morton
V wins 19-1
March 15 & 16 @ Mundelein Tourney
V places 3rd
vs. Lockport
V wins 17-5
vs. Glenbrook North
V wins 11-6

Water polo, girls

March 18 @ Neuqua Valley
V loses 11-18
March 15 & 16 @ Mustang Tourney
vs. Metea Valley
V loses 1-11
vs. York
V loses 3-16

Instant replay



Hinsdale Central's Nate Carmody readies a shot on goal — which found the back of the net — during a match against visiting Morton on Tuesday. The Red Devils registered a convincing 19-1 victory over the Mustangs in the nonconference meeting. (Jim Slonoff photo)

SPORTS

Teams look for success on the field

Boys and girls lacrosse, girls soccer hope for strong performances this season

By Pamela Lannom
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The Red Devils boys and girls lacrosse teams and girls soccer team faced their first opponents last week, with two of the three coming away with a win.

This is the third in four-part series of previews on spring sports team at Hinsdale Central.

Next week: baseball, softball and boys tennis.

Boys lacrosse

First game: March 14 @ Stevenson (V wins 9-8)

Last year: 10-12, lost in IHSA sectional semifinal

Head coach: Joe Battaglia

Seasons as head coach: 2nd

No. team members: 35

Strengths: Overall, their strength — all offseason long and in the first two weeks — is the effort they are putting in, their dedication, their will to win, their drive to be better each day. Play-wise, I think our defense is going to be really strong this year. Offensively we lost Tommy Webster to graduation, so I think it's going to be much more team-based, getting a lot of other people stepping up in his big scoring absence.

Challenges: We've got some new players offensively. We lost our top two scorers in Webster and Chase Collignon, and we lost our face-off specialist as well, Dean Assicurato. I think it's going to be seeing the players step up in the offensive roles and on face offs as well. We're really excited about the group we have. I think tonight (March 14) is going to be the perfect window of opportunity for us to see where our guys are at and where they're operating in the schemes the coaches have put into place for



The boys and girls lacrosse and girls soccer teams all made it to the post-season last year and hope to do so again, with girls lacrosse eying a return to state. (file photos)

them.

Who to watch: On defense, there's three — No. 2 Mason Brady, No. 25 Rocco Salvi and No. 12 Bart Bouchelion. They are going to be three key guys on our defense. Offensively, No. 5 Josh Randell, No. 20, Finn Bergin and No. 13, Nate Merz. Our goalie is a good dude, No. 66, Daniel Backus. He's been having a great offseason and he's had a great first couple of weeks of practice as well.

Outlook: We're pretty optimistic. I think one of the things that impressed me most was the offseason they had and all the work they put in through open gyms, through strength and conditioning. We participate in the Westmont Yard winter league and the boys

were undefeated. Good way to get started. I think all of the work they put in, their outlook, their focus has just been so impressive. They have bought into the culture the coaches and I have wanted to instill. We're looking to take the next step forward from where we were last year. We had a young team last year. Seeing the next step in their growth is something that's really exciting as well.

Furthermore: Friday, April 26, is our lacrosse community night. It's going to be a varsity girls-boys double header. We invited the youth teams and the community out just for a night of lacrosse and to celebrate the community. It's something we're looking

forward to.

Girls lacrosse

First game: March 14 vs. Lake Forest (V loses 7-9)

Last year: 2nd at state, won conference, regionals and sectionals

Head coach: Matt McNiff
Seasons as head coach: 4th

No. team members: 22

Strengths: This is probably the most athletic group I've coached. What stands out to me most is their speed. It's a very fast team. Agility wise, straight away, transitionally — really, really fast. The girls we took, a lot of them were a big piece in the offseason program. They wanted to do it in September. It was just an eagerness to succeed for

the girls. The team chemistry is probably one of the best parts of the team as well. It seems as if they are really good friends off the field.

Challenges: I think we have a little bit less lacrosse experience on the team this year, but I do think their athleticism kind of makes up for it. We did bring up three freshmen and they will be playing. We have a boatload of juniors that will be playing. We're not necessarily a senior-dominated team. We've got five senior starters. The freshman class is loaded with talent and the junior class has a lot of talent. I think it's just a matter of getting some game experience.

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