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**Taking her shot** — With her eye on the prize, Macy Kieninger goes up for 2 points Tuesday afternoon at The Community House. Practices are in full swing for the Jodie Harrison Basketball league. Staff members from Breakaway Basketball were on hand leading participants in the practice. Parents are serving as volunteer coaches again this year. (Jim Slonoff photo)



Meet 10 contestants in District 86 board race.

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Longtime resident enjoys giving back to community.

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Winter sports are back in action at Central.

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# **NEWS**

# D181 schools will fully reopen in April

By Ken Knutson

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A divided Community Consolidated District 181 Board on Monday gave the green light to return to full in-person instruction starting April 5.

Four of the seven board members voted to move ahead with the administration's plan to implement a full in-person/full remote learning model when the students return from spring break. The majority sided with those in the community who have argued that the current hybrid model is inadequate for students' academic needs and that COVID-19 transmission risk can be managed with mitigations.

"We're a lot smarter now and knowledgeable about everything than we were in the fall," said board member Bill Cotter, who was joined by board members Sinead Duffy, Sarah Jakobsen and Nate Lucht and supporting the move. "All of the circumstances and factors in my mind lead me to conclude that it is reasonable for us to resume full

in-person instruction."

During discussion, Superintendent Hector Garcia noted that the amount of social distancing the district can provide is contingent on the number of families who choose the in-person option. An enrollment form was being sent out this week to households.

"These circumstances have presented a very challenging and difficult situation for our staff, families and community," Garcia said. "With this direction from the board, we will immediately begin our work to gather the information and guidance that is necessary to best meet the needs of our school community."

For lunch periods, during which students will have their masks off, Garcia stated that the district could provide five feet of social distancing, less than the six feet recommended by leading health agencies.

Teacher Stephanie Vercoe, speaking on behalf of the Hinsdale-Clarendon Hills Teachers Association during the public comment portion, said that teachers want to get back in the classroom. But she believes conditions are not safe enough yet.

"The risk of spreading COVID-19 would be increased at lunchtime where children would be eating without masks," Vercoe said. "We feel it is crucial at this point to maintain all recommended protocols, including appropriate social distancing."

That factor and the lack of clarity on classroom social distancing led board President Margie Kleber to move to postpone the vote on fully reopening for two weeks to allow more consideration of the matter by administrators in consultation with the transition and ad hoc health committees.

"The timing of the reopening immediately after spring break could result in outbreaks two weeks later," she said in proposing the delay. "That could potentially require a two-week quarantine with only eight weeks left in the school year."

The motion got the support of

board members Meeta Patel and Sheetal Rao but was defeated 4-3, setting the stage for the vote to fully reopen.

Before the vote, Jakobsen thanked all district stakeholders for being part of the discussion. She said survey results show most families support reopening.

"The community has spoken, and a majority want their children to return to school full-time," she said, urging the administration to "yet again, rise to the occasion" in refining the plan.

Garcia said officials will work to develop creative solutions to maximize social distancing in the classroom through seating arrangements and student groupings, as well as during the lunch hour by possibly utilizing additional spaces, tents or outdoor seating, and encouraging parents to pick up their child to have lunch at home.

The district also is moving forward with saliva surveillance testing to identify asymptomatic individuals among students and staff.

### Queens of the hill



With the Hinsdale Community Pool parking lot filling up with mountains of snow from the central business district, these Madison School girls from Bodin Street saw a unique sledding opportunity. More snow is predicted in the coming days, ensuring the mounds will grow as the village continues to relocate snow from downtown sidewalks and streets. George Peluso, Hinsdale's director of public services and engineering, said his department has been able to stay on top of the weather elements with "all hands on deck." And he reported that the village has ample treated salt on hand to de-ice streets. "We're just about to hit our minimums on one of our (salt) contracts. We're definitely not in any kind of salt shortage," Peluso said. (Jim Slonoff photo)

# Ten seek four seats on D86 board

## Seven newcomers and three incumbents hope to represent residents



Voters will have to choose four names among 10 on the ballot for the Hinsdale High School District 86 Board when they head to the polls Tuesday, April.

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four, four-year terms.

The information listed below was taken from questionnaires submitted by the candidates.

— by Pamela Lannom

### **Hinsdale High School District 86**



**Justin Baron** 

### **Background**

Age: 21 Attendance area: South Years in district: 15 Education: BA, economics and finance, Lewis University

Occupation: seeking permanent position

### Qualifications

Baron said failed school board policies that led to the threat of a teacher's strike forced him to become informed and learn more about what was happening in the community.

### Why is he running?

A 2017 Hinsdale South graduate, Baron said he did extensive research into the district while he was a student at Lewis University. He said the board used fear to pass the school improvement referendum in 2019.

"The behavior of the current school board can only be summed up to gross negligence, and I believe I can change the current environment of fear in the community."



**Kevin Camden** 

### Background

Age:49 Attendance area: South Years in district: 20 Education: JD, John Marshall Law School; BA, economics, Northern Illinois University Occupation: attorney

Community service: Cass District 63 Foundation, Darien Lions Club, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish Council

Board experience: D86 board, current president and member of finance and facilities committees; vice president, 2017-20; finance chair, 2017-20; negotiation committee for recently approved contract

### Oualifications

Camden said he has appreciated the opportunity to learn from and work with staff and students during COVID-19 to safely keep classrooms open.

"I have been a board member on other organizations, including national organizations, and believe a board's role is oversight and focusing on organizational goals, not micromanaging. The current board has worked together to continue moving the district forward."

### Why is he running?

In the short-term, to return safely to full-time in-person learning as soon as possible. He also pointed to his work on the finance and facilities committees and the strides made in implementing the district's strategic plan.

"I wish to see these things through to completion to ensure that the district remains poised for success for years to come."



**TI Edwards** 

### Background

Age: 42
Attendance area: South
Years in district: 4
Education: BS, architectural
engineering, Illinois Institute of
Technology, MBA, Kellogg School
of Management at Northwestern
University

Occupation: chief of staff, state of Illinois Capital Development Board

Community service: member, D86 joint facilities and special committee, D86 Culture and Equity Leadership Team; mentor, Growing and Empowering Myself Successfully; EMBA Legacy Project; Green Apple Day; MLK Day of Service; distributes toiletry care packages to homeless for Thanksgiving and Christmas

Board experience: D86 board; former board member, Wells Temple of Deliverance

### Qualifications

Edwards pointed to her experience with mission-driven focus, collaboration with stakeholders, finance, organization, interpersonal relationships and making tradeoffs to maximize outputs.

"These types of experiences are helpful as I engage in my role as a board member for D86, because respecting differing views and building consensus is the only way to ensure we are acting in the best interest of the students and community."

### Why is she running?

Edwards agreed to fill a vacancy on the board in August 2020 to help out as needed and sees there is still much to be done.

"I would like to continue to contribute and assist the district by responsibly returning the students to full-time, in-person learning; participating in important discussions around district curriculum initiatives; ensuring open and transparent dialogue between the community, board and district; and supporting the facilities special committee in delivering the referendum funded facility updates."



**Peggy James** 

### Background

Age: 53
Attendance area: Central
Years in district: 17
Education: BA, communications
Michigan State University
Occupation: conjugations business

Occupation: seniors business analysts at insurance company

Community service: active PTO and parent volunteer during kids' elementary years, Boy Scout Troop 8 parent volunteer, HJWC Gifts of the Season

Board experience: The Lane School PTO Executive Board, VP communications, various committees

### Qualifications

James pointed to her experiences researching district initiatives as the parent of four children (former, current and future D86 students) and her professional experience.

"Applying my strong business acumen and knowledge of data and analytics, I am committed to making data-driven decisions that most benefit our students and ensure we are best utilizing the community's tax dollars.

### Why is she running?

She believes the board has not addressed community concerns and is running to ensure student needs are at the core of any and all changes.

"I will effect change and be part of the solution by being committed to keeping an open mind, listening to different points of view and analyzing all available data to make student-centered, data-driven decisions."



**Debbie Levinthal** 

### Background

Age: 53 Attendance area: Central Years in district: 5 Education: MST, University of Illinois at Chicago; BS, actuarial mathematics, University of Michigan

Occupation: former high school math teacher, full-time mom

Community service: Community Speaker Series committee member; former PTA president, vice president and committee chair; involved in referendum initiatives

Board experience: PTA executive board member

### Qualifications

Levinthal said her 13-year background in education gives her an understanding of the roles of the board, administration, teachers, support staff, students and families and an in-depth understanding of special education, 504 plans and IEPs. She also sat on her department's hiring committee.

"Moreover, my work as a New Trier adviser gave me insight into the whole high school experience and how to help students plan for their post-high school aspirations."

### Why is she running?

The mother of four — two now at Central — said she is concerned with recent board decisions on curriculum, differentiation, opportunity and the ability of the high schools to meet the needs of all students.

"My past professional experience and experience advocating for my own children gives me insight into the issues at hand and the ability to analyze proposals that come before the board, vet them for their ability to increase student outcomes and question the data that is or is not provided to support them."

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### **Hinsdale High School District 86**



**Mark Pinnow** 

### Background

Age: 55
Attendance area: Central
Years in district: 14
Education: BS, accounting and
finance, and MBA, international
finance, DePaul University

Occupation: director of financial systems and analysis for international manufacturing firm

Community service: Friends First Mentoring program volunteer for Mercy Home in Chicago, Gower 62 2010 Referendum Committee member and 2020 Referendum Committee co-chair

Board experience: former co-treasurer and board member, Apna Ghar in Chicago

### Qualifications

He pointed to his work on the Gower referendum committee and his professional experience working with boards and senior management, presenting financial information and establishing strategic key performance indicators and measures of organizational efficiency.

"I am a pragmatic, data-driven person, and I believe that my professional experience will allow me to be a positive influence on the board's decision-making process and allow the board to be more effective in setting the vision and goals for the school district, as well as hold the district administration accountable for achieving these goals."

### Why is he running?

Professional travel has prevented him from running in the past. He also will have two children in D86 this fall, making this a natural time to run.

"Over the past 15 years, much of my professional work experience has focused on establishing and measuring organizational performance and efficiency, and I would like to apply this experience to help D86 achieve its strategic goals and objectives."



**Karen Shannon** 

### Background

Age: 54 Attendance area: Central Years in district: 15 Education: JD, Georgetown Law Center; PhD, chemistry, California Institute of Technology; BS, chem-

istry & biology, Houghton College Occupation: vice president of intellectual property for a diagnostic firm

Community service: handled pro bono cases for Legal Assistance Foundation, participated in community improvement projects through Beckman Foundation, People's Resource Center Westmont Food pantry volunteer

Board experience: Legal Assistance Foundation board member, vice president, fundraising committee chair, strategic planning committee and budget committee member

### Qualifications

She has professional experience attending strategic planning meetings, reviewing new product business plans, monitoring products in development and monitoring competitors, along with 11 years of experience serving as a board member for a nonprofit.

"My job requires that I understand what success looks like, how to analyze data to identify gaps, how to identify the root cause of gaps and possible solutions and how to set metrics to monitor progress — all skills needed to be an active board member.

### Why is she running?

Shannon said her daughters have benefited from the strong schools and she wants to give back. The critical issues before the board — S.T.E.M. curriculum and operating during the pandemic — are ones in which she has particular expertise.

"I am interested in serving because it blends my work experience with COVID-19 and my desire to serve my community."



**Marty Turek** 

### Background

Age: 50 Attendance area: Central Years in district: 42 Education: MBA & BA, University of Illinois

Occupation: vice president of a cyber security company Board experience: 8 years on

Board experience: 8 years on D181 board, almost 2 years on D86 board

### Qualifications

Turek cited his experience overseeing construction of the new Hinsdale Middle School, balancing budgets, hiring a superintendent and implementing updated curriculum.

"In addition, my current responsibility as a board member for D86 and sitting on the D86 Facilities Committee puts me in a unique position to be a very effective board member."

### Why is he running?

He believes it is important to continue to maintain incredibly high academic standards and a balanced budget and to complete the Master Facilities Plan.

"I think it is extremely important, especially midway through major referendum projects, to have continuity on the board. There are still many projects to complete."



Terri Walker

### Background

Age: did not provide Attendance area: Central Years in district: almost 5 Education: BS, Miami University (Oxford)

Occupation: human resources executive

Community service: Jack and Jill of America, Madison School room parent, Delta Simga Theta Sorority, D86 assistant superintendent hiring committee

Board experience: board member, The Cara Program

### Qualifications

Walker said she is a values-driven leader who relies on facts and data to advance the success of an organization. She is also global head of diversity and inclusion and has experience making tough decisions.

"I am known for successfully leading teams, solving complex problems, being a thought leader/ trusted advisor to executives, driving talent/culture/business transformation and revenue growth."

### Why is she running?

As the mother of a Central freshman and a sixth-grader, she wants to lend her voice, perspective and expertise to the board as it works in partnership with administrators, teachers and parents to improve learning for all.

"After regular participation in board meetings and engaging with the board, I believe we are experiencing a crisis within our district as it relates to curriculum, remote/ in-person learning, equity and communication/listening."



**Ieff Waters** 

### **Background**

Age: 49 Attendance area: Central Years in district: 17 Education: BS, economics, University of Colorado at Boulder

Occupation: derivatives trader, co-founder and owner of trading group

Community service: AYSO, Jodie Harrison and Hinsdale Little League coach; Hinsdale Humane Society and Wellness House supporter; Horizons for Youth volunteer; Vote Yes D86 referendum committee member

Board experience: CME Globex Oversight Committee member, 2000; Hinsdale Little League Board member, 2008-13

### Qualifications

Waters said he is data centric and diplomatic and has had acute involvement in D86 for a few years.

"I firmly believe my ability to foster open and honest communication and drive cohesion with both like- and opposite-minded individuals will help the district arrive at a position which best serves the residents of the district, including the most important variable in the D86 equation: the kids — all 4,000 of them at both schools."

### Why is he running?

Curriculum changes, returning students to full-time in-person learning and teacher dissatisfaction (according to a recent anonymous survey) are critical issues that require open dialogue with the community, an exhaustive review of data and board conversation.

"That is the path for optimal decision making, especially in this precarious environment, and, in my estimation, the road less traveled by the current board."

# **ONCE UPON A TIME**



Vintage hotels in the village — Hinsdale used to be the home of a few hotels, according to Sandy Williams' book, "Images in America - Hinsdale." "In 1851 with business booming at Castle Inn, Fuller built a second hotel across the street on the north side of the plank road. (Ogden Avenue) This hotel, shown here in 1869, was known over the years as Fullersburg Tavern, the Deutches Gast Haus and the Grand Pacific Hotel. Often both inns in Brush Hill were filled to capacity, requiring some families to sleep outside." 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.

**Happy Birthday!** Adam Korza turns 2 today

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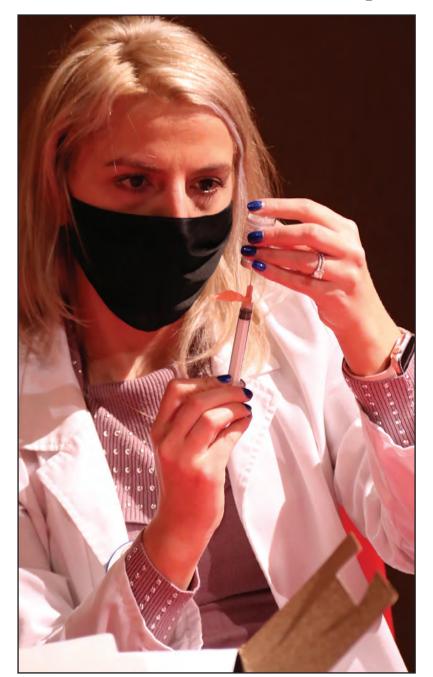
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# **IN FOCUS**

# District 86 opens doors for vaccination site







Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South high schools served as COVID-19 vaccinations sites Feb. 4-6. The first groups to receive the first dose of the vaccine were Hinsdale High School District 86 employees and vendors as well as employees feeder districts, the La Grange Area Department of Special Education and essential workers in category 1b from nearby towns. This week 750 doses of the vaccine have been

administered to community members age 65 and older, for a total of almost 3,000 doses administered. Employees of Osco were on hand to coordinate and administer the shots. Keti Berberi prepares a syringe with the Moderna vaccine. Jessica Scharf, a pyschologist at Cass District 63, was one of the first to receive her shot. (Jim Slonoff photos)



# **NEXT WEEK**

### **Hinsdale High School District 86 Board**

6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11 Hinsdale South High School 7401 Clarendon Hills Road, Darien https://d86.hinsdale86.org

### **Hinsdale Public Library Board**

7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16 https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info

### **Hinsdale Village Board**

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

### **Hinsdale Zoning Board of Appeals**

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

# MEETING ROUNDUP

### **Community Consolidated District 181**

Among other business Monday, board members:

- voted to abate the operating fund in the amount of \$311,100 and the bond and interest fund in the amount of \$6.44 million. This would save the average Hinsdale home (market value \$858,775) \$621 in taxes. Rick Engstrom, assistant superintendent of business and operations, told board members the abatement was a credit to sound financial planning. "We're especially pleased to share the news of an abatement during a time when many families have been financially impacted by the pandemic."
- learned that Prospect School has been nominated by the Illinois State Board of Education to apply for the esteemed U.S. Department of Education Blue Ribbon Schools Award. This is the first nomination for Prospect and the ninth for District 181 schools

# **CAMPAIGN CALENDAR**

### • Feb. 21 —D86 Board Candidate Forum

Independent Voters for D86 will host this live non-partisan forum from 3:30 to 5:45 p.m. via Zoom to provide an opportunity for voters to hear the candidates discuss issues of importance. Written questions may be submitted until Feb. 16 to independentvotersford86@gmail.com or privately by direct message through the event Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/ independentvotersford86/?modal=admin\_todo\_tour. Submitted questions will be used to help formulate the moderator's questions. The

event page can be found at https://fb.me/e/3VSVcDhKs.

### • Feb. 24 — D86 Board Candidates Night

The Hinsdalean will host a candidates night for the 10 individuals running for four seats on the District 86 Board from 6:15 to 8 p.m. The event will be broadcast live on the paper's You Tube channel at https://www.youtube.com/ channel/UCApqGQE7E8-MmReB5pkaYQg and available for viewing after the event. Candidates will be asked about questions written by paper's staff and suggested by readers. Email questions to news@thehinsdalean.com by Feb. 22.

# COVID-19 count rises by 37

Thirty-seven Hinsdale residents have tested positive for COVID-19 over the past week.

The DuPage County Health Department reported 33 new cases, and the Cook County Health Department reported four new cases.

That brings the total number

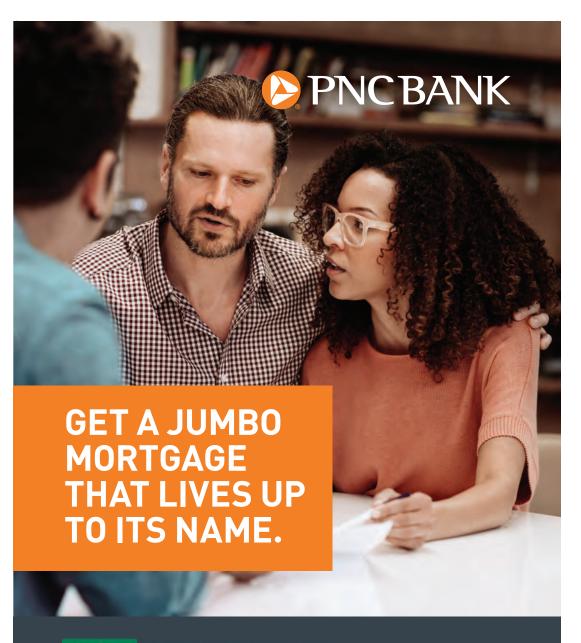
of reported cases in the village to 1,298, up from 1,261 last week.

Amita Hinsdale Hospital was treating eight confirmed COVID-19 patients and had two patients awaiting test

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### Correction

The chart for Hinsdale High School District 86 Board candidate Christine Dannhausen-Brun in last week's issue should have stated that she has a master's degree in public health.



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# **60 SECONDS**

# Resident makes it her mission to serve

Laurie McMahon never had a dog growing up. Neither had her husband, Bob. But they decided in 2007 that their Hinsdale household was ready for a four-legged addition.

"Bob did the research to find a breed that had a good disposition with families," said McMahon, whose three children are now grown. "He recommended a Welsh springer spaniel."

Sadly, Bob passed away in 2013. Now Ranger, the Welsh springer spaniel, is 12, and McMahon is thankful they took the pet plunge.

"Ranger makes me laugh and is a good companion," she said. McMahon joined the Hinsdale

McMahon joined the Hinsdale Humane Society Board of Directors two years ago, and the role has been a rewarding one.

"I love the passion that the staff and volunteers have for what they do — caring for and finding forever homes for cats and dogs," she remarked. "It really permeates the whole shelter."

She underscored that praise in light of the fact that the humane society adopted out an average of 27 animals per week during the pandemic-fueled frenzy of 2020.

"(I'm impressed with) the caliber of the leadership team, their collaborative efforts in the wider shelter community and that they strive to really be a model for other shelters with their best practices," she said.

The oldest of six, McMahon studied at Northwestern
University and stayed in the
Chicago area for her professional pursuits. She counts her last job in investor relations with Northern
Trust as her favorite stop.

"I loved working with executive management to communicate Northern Trust's story and unique business model to buy-side and sell-side investors," she said. "It was a dream job."

McMahon also served as a Hinsdale plan commissioner for several years, citing the Hinsdale Meadows project as one of the more contentious proposals the group reviewed during her tenure.

"The decisions are often not black and white, but sometimes a difficult balancing act between the involved constituents," she said.

Finding ways to give back is a

way to demonstrate her appreciation of the place she calls home.

"It's gratifying to be able to contribute to the community in which I live. I have been fortunate. I worked into my mid-40s, and then switched gears to be with my family and to volunteer. I've met so many lovely people doing so many wonderful things for our community."

In 2018, she was honored with a Voice from the Heart award from Child's Voice, an organization that works to support students with hearing loss and their families.

An avid traveler, she looks forward to visiting the Arctic's unspoiled landscape this summer.

"I was inspired to plan this after a trip to Antarctica a few years ago," she said.

In the meantime, she and her humane society cohorts are gearing up for the Unleashed fundraiser Feb. 27 (see Page 22 for details).

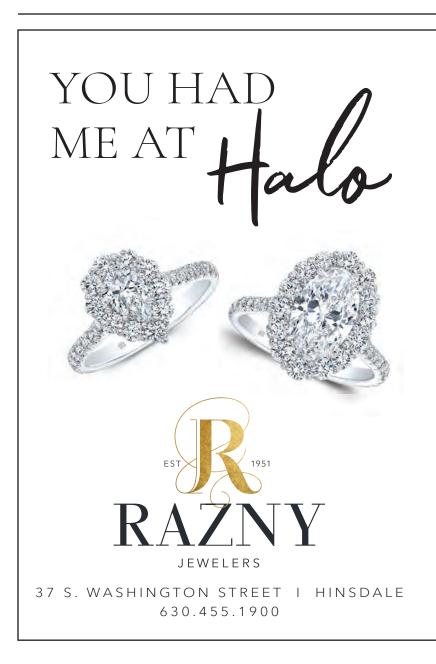
"We hope it will increase the visibility of HHS, raise operating funds in a difficult year, and provide some virtual fun together."

story by Ken Knutson, photo by Jim Slonoff



### **LAURIE MCMAHON**

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# **OPINION**

**EDITORIAL** 

# Saluting those who show heart for helping others

Happy Valentines Day! Sunday is the 14th, of course, but it's never to early to spread the love. Each year at this time, The Hinsdalean extends "valentines" to those helping to make the community a little more loving place. With a focus on Hinsdale's nonprofit agencies, we present this year's honorees as nominated by those organizations.

- Charlton Gronlund has been a tireless supporter of Candor Health Education's mission and has leveraged his position as a leader in the Hinsdale community to continuously advocate for the Candor Health programs as well as fundraising efforts. Charlton always has creative ideas that help to move the organization forward.
- Linda Hatcher spends 90 to 100 hours a month with the Hinsdale Humane Society, helping clean and socialize cats, putting together cat kits and even decorating the shelter. She spends several days a week working with adoptable felines as well as those who are not quite ready for adoption yet. Linda has helped many new and nervous kitties come out of their shell and find their forever homes. She also makes special adoption goodies for new pet parents.
- Jeffrey Deutsch has been a Wellness House volunteer since 2015 and a Volunteer Ambassador since 2017, spreading the word about Wellness House to potential participants in the Chicagoland area. He enthusiastically supports Wellness House through special outreach initiatives and shares his talents at special events. He is a skilled musician who has performed virtually for the organization's holiday events and, in costume, for its kids' parties.
- Jerry and Carolyn Burjan, Moira and Paul Naffah, and Jeff and Corlyn Simmons are sponsors of Community Memorial Foundation's youth philanthropy program YC2, inspiring the next generation of west suburban changemakers by supporting the program's expansion into two additional schools, including Hinsdale Central. Through their support, 60 local high school students are able to identify social needs in the community, learn about philanthropic theory and grant-making and, ultimately, award up to \$30,000 to nonprofit organizations.
- Joel Pundmann has leaned in to support HCS Family Services in every sense of the word, volunteering weekly distributing food to the com-

munity's most vulnerable as well as serving on the board of directors as chair of the building project team and on the volunteer committee and program committee.

- Carrie Rozich, Hinsdale Historical Society Board member and president of the Women's Board is an efficient, hard worker who seems to always have time to do more. She never complains and is able to keep the rest of the society on task in a unique way that is supportive and motivating.
- Janet Miller has volunteered in the Hinsdale Historical Society's archives since 2001, fielding requests from the public about archival materials and helping maintain the collections. She has a nearly endless collection of stories and memories of Hinsdale history to share.
- Natalya Lisa Amond and Tracy Fussaro are the benefit chairs of this year's Tablescapes event for Infant Welfare Society Hinsdale Auxiliary. They've worked tirelessly to put together exciting raffle and silent auction packages, take care of existing ticket holders, and handle all of the many details going into putting an event on for the first time virtually.

**COMMENTARY** 

# Daughters, dictionary leave us feeling inadequate

My favorite ads on TV right now are ones that feature kids of various ages expressing some level of disgust with their parents.

First, there's the Geico "Scoop,
There It Is" commercial. Dan and I
have friends — with no adolescent
children living at home — who
thought watching hip hop group
Tag Team dish up ice cream and
the play on their hit "Whoop, There
It Is" was hilarious. They didn't
even notice the teenage daughter
— or her look of disgust as she exits
the room after her dad starts dancing. That's my favorite part of the
whole commercial. It's a look with
which I am quite familiar.

Then, on Sunday, we got to watch John Travolta groove with his daughter, Ella, for a Tik Tok video (on a lovely lawn designed to advertise Scotts Miracle-Gro of all things) — but only after she instructs him on how to properly set up the camera.

"He's John Travolta, for crying out loud!" I yelled at the television. "He doesn't need your help!" I know what it's like to receive unsolicited instruction from a daughter. There's nothing that makes you feel less accomplished as parent than having a 12-year-old talk to you like you're an idiot. My Ainsley doesn't even mean to be disrespectful. She honestly believes I'm an idiot.

But it's not just Ainsley who can make me feel stupid.
Merriam-Webster is giving her an assist this week with its annual announcement of the 520 new words and definitions that have been added to the dictionary.

I typically am not a fan of new words, especially given the plethora of old words that sit unused most of the time. Equinox, as you might know from reading past columns, is one example. Binge watch some Jane Austen movies if you'd like to hear some more.

Of course, I'm not opposed to truly pragmatic choices, like



Pamela Lannom

added to the dictionary in a record 34 days. And I don't mind the

"COVID-19," which was

and I don't mind the addition of "second gentleman" to describe Vice President Kamala Harris' husband, Doug Emhoff.

But A.S.M.R.? Is this really used "in a wide variety of texts by a wide variety of people over an extended period of time?" I've never heard

of it.

Maybe that just shows how stupid I am. If I did a better job keeping up on New York Times articles, I would have known everything there is to know about A.S.M.R. almost two years ago. (Instead, I first heard of it on Tuesday.)

So you don't have to look it up, it stands for "autonomous sensory meridian response" and is defined as "a pleasant tingling sensation that originates on the back of the scalp and often spreads to the neck and upper spine, that occurs

in some people in response to a stimulus (such as a particular kind of sound or movement) and that tends to have a calming effect."

It is not, as Ainsley would suggest after reading that, inappropriate. You really have to read the article. The definition doesn't do it justice.

A word that might actually deserve her "inappropriate" stamp is "sapiosexual" — a romantic attraction to highly intelligent people. There's nothing wrong with being attracted to highly intelligent people. But do we really need a special word to describe the phenomenon? I think not.

I also learned from the article I read that "@" is no longer just part of an email address, but also means "to respond to, challenge or disparage the claim or opinion of," such as "Don't @ me."

Maybe I'll try that one with Ainsley. She might just think I'm a genius.

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

"He's John Travolta, for crying out loud!" I yelled at the television. "He doesn't need your help!"

# **OPINION**

**GUEST COMMENTARY** 

# Coming in from the rain

In my last column, I wrote about getting drenched. I said that the sky above our family was falling and our roof was leaking. Since that column, our monsoon has thankfully passed. My family is dry, and we are together.

I mentioned the buckets we placed to stave off flooding. Today, I want to tell you about the umbrellas that shielded us from the worst of the storm. They do not, cannot, mop up the messiness of our lives, collect our pain in buckets and hope it will be meaningful in the end. Instead, they allow us to stand right in the middle of our cluttered chaos and protect us from the discomfort of being soaked.

This column is meant to celebrate them, the umbrellas in our lives. Here are a few examples of mine:

One friend texts me silly things or one-line messages that don't require responses. When I am overwhelmed and spinning all my plates, if my text alert sounds, I grab my phone with annoyance, bracing myself for the next demand. Instead, I see Chandler Bing dancing his dorky dance. I can't help but pause and smile.

Friends who don't ask permission before they help. A colleague made meals for my family when my dad was in the hospital. I could have figured out dinner for my husband and kids, could have cooked something simple or ordered carry-out. But this friend literally just handed me bags of filled Tupperware after work.

If she'd asked beforehand if she could help me in this way,



**Kelly Abate Kallas** 

I would have politely declined, uncomfortable at the thought of someone going out of their way for us. But when I was handed those bags, when the meals were already lovingly prepared and ready to go, I accepted them gratefully.

Some umbrellas are invisible and quiet, as if they know exactly when you need to pull into yourself and focus on keeping it together, on getting through the downpour at hand. Some friends instinctively know when to ask questions and when to wrap us in loving silence. This one is hard, I think, because we fear that if we don't ask the questions, we may be thought to be indifferent. But when the bond is strong, the understanding is deep. Sometimes the language of friendship is quiet. When the need to talk bubbles up. there is nothing indifferent about these friends. They lis-

An unexpected umbrella is a woman with whom I don't communicate often enough. When she called to catch up, she told me about her own deluge. She shared her emotions, her fatigue. And in listening, I realized how connected we were, how she trusted me to be there for her. She was unafraid to reveal her humanity, her fear, and she emboldened me to do the same. In reaching for an umbrella, she became one herself. Protector and protected, in one beautiful friend.

With heartfelt gratitude to my friends, my umbrellas.

— Kelly Abate Kallas of Hinsdale is a contributing columnist. Readers can email her at news@thehinsdalean.com.

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### A shout out to District 86 and village leadership

As an over 30-year resident of Hinsdale, I am more grateful than ever for the thoughtful vision, courageous initiative and effective execution of Superintendent Tammy Prentiss and her team in negotiating a relationship that made COVID-19 vaccinations available to all critical employees of District 86 and the LADSE cooperative last week. While there are many more hurdles before our teens, their families, faculty, and supporting staff can achieve their new normal, it is a real gift to the village that Superintendent Prentiss and her team made this happen. As the mother of a proud Oak, HMS and HCHS grad who benefited from the inclusive education LADSE guided and supported, I am especially grateful that those educators were included.

And, I am grateful for the village's collaboration with District 86 that enabled vaccinations to be offered to 850 residents of Hinsdale and surrounding villages over the age of 65 this week.

In the midst of this record-setting freezing cold snowy February, what a great pleasure it is to savor the light of their leadership and the warmth of their attentive care for our vulnerable residents and critical workers. Yes, there are many more steps to be taken. But this is a week to celebrate and be thankful. Thank you, Superintendent Prentiss, the District 86 team and the village of Hinsdale!

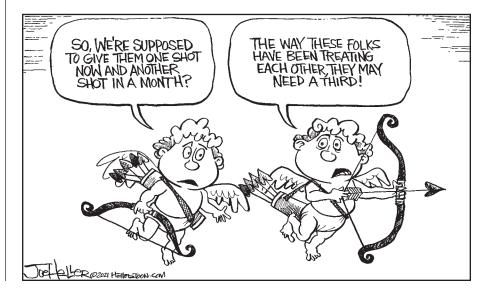
— Nancy Harvey, Hinsdale

### Partnership to deliver vaccines a true public service

What a service to the community! As vice president of the DuPage County Board of Health, I have come to appreciate the importance of public-private partnerships for the good of the whole community. It is praiseworthy that Hinsdale High School District 86 has developed a partnership with Osco in order to vaccinate teachers and older residents.

The DuPage County Health Department has been seeking additional vaccination sites to help increase the rate of vaccination delivery, and District 86 became one of the health department's important partners to help end the COVID-19 pandemic by opening its doors to help vaccinate our community. This "Culture of Collaboration' makes me proud to be a Hinsdalean.

Special thanks go out to District 86 Board President Kevin Camden for his leadership in this endeavor; to Superintendent Tammy Prentiss for her kindness as she demonstrates how to be an exemplary servant-leader; to former Hinsdale Police Chief Kevin Simpson for his help in guiding participants safely through the process; and to all involved in making our community safer by helping with vaccination distribution. — Lanny F. Wilson, MD, Hinsdale



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# **POLICE BEAT**

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports Feb. 9.

### **DUI** arrest

Andrew J. Hietpas, 27, 8913 W. Southview Ave., Brookfield, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, speeding and improper lane use at 1:35 a.m. Feb. 7 in the 300 block of East Ogden Avenue. He was charged and released to appear in court.

### **Drivers arrested for leaving the scene**

- Mateo Luis Ayala, 18, 928 College Blvd., No. 204, Addison, was arrested for leaving the scene of an accident, driving an uninsured vehicle, improper lane use and driving without a valid license at 9:57 a.m. Feb. 4 at Ogden Avenue and Oak Street. The suspect sideswiped another car and fled the scene of the crash. The victim followed the suspect and blocked him in the cul-de-sac in the 700 block of Franklin Street. Ayala was charged and released to appear in court.
- Roberto J. Vasquez, 45, 4731 S. Harding Ave., Chicago, was arrested for failure to give information to owner after striking unattended property and failure to reduce speed to avoid a crash at 2:31 a.m. Feb. 7 in the 200 block of East 55th Street. The suspect drove off the road, struck a wooden utility pole and fled the scene. He was stopped by Westmont police at Fairview Avenue and 55th Street and cited while in their custody for a DUI investigation.

### **Hit-and-run collision**

A suspect described as a white female in her 40s with blond hair driving a white sedan crashed into another vehicle in the intersection at 55th Street and Garfield Avenue at 3:25 p.m. Feb. 3 and left the scene.

### **Home burglarized**

Someone rang the doorbell of a home in the 500 block of West Chicago Avenue at 5:27 p.m. Feb. 2 and advised the owner that he needed to show him work that needed to be done in the backyard. After spending 10 minutes in the backyard, the victim went back inside and discovered his master bedroom had been ransacked. The suspect is described as a Hispanic man of medium build in his 30s, wearing tan or gray clothing and a winter hat driving a white pickup truck. The victim observed a second Hispanic man inside the truck as they drove away.

### **Cell phone taken**

A patient at ManorCare, 600 W. Ogden Ave., reported that her cell phone went missing from her nightstand between midnight and 8:30 a.m. Feb. 1.

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.

# Hinsdale COVID-19 cases up

### Continued from Page 6

results on Wednesday, a spokeswoman said.

Community Consolidated
District 181 reported eight
new cases from Feb. 3 to Feb.
8, including six students, one
teacher and one staff member.
Hinsdale High School

District 86 reported 10 current positive cases Feb. 5, with 62 people in isolation and 43 in quarantine.

The rolling seven-day positivity rate for Region 8, which includes DuPage County, was 4.9 percent on Saturday, compared to 6.4 percent a week prior.



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# **OBITUARIES**

## Corey Sean Chakeen

Corey Sean Chakeen, loving husband, father, brother and son, passed away at the age of 31 on Feb. 5, 2021.

There are two things about Corey that everyone knows to be true: he loved his family and friends and he loved hockey. His two true loves intersected in Lincoln, Neb., when he met his wife-to-be, Ashley, while playing in the USHL for the Lincoln Stars. His

hockey career took him to Canada and then to University of Massachusetts, Boston, where he played for the Beacons. Corey's devotion to his first love was most apparent when he chose to walk away from hockey to support his family, shortly after the birth of his first child, Chloe Ann. Thereafter, Corey's focus remained solely on supporting his growing family (though, more often than not, you would probably catch Corey checking his phone for the score of his beloved Chicago Blackhawks — he never missed a game).

Corey was born in 1989 and grew up in Clarendon Hills. His bright, brown eyes and sturdy, strong frame quickly got him nicknamed "The Little Bear," a nomenclature that stuck with him his entire life. He spent his youth following around one of his older brothers, Connor, with whom he shared a love of all things athletic. (His other older brother, Cullen, may have been more available as a playmate had he not been already claimed by sister, Cailley). Corey and Connor were "two of a kind" from the moment Corey could walk. When Corey's younger brother, Chase, came along, Corey took him under his wing, as well. Corey always wanted to win, but not badly enough to beat Baby Chase.

Frombaseballtogolf, tennistohockey, Corey excelled at almost every sport he touched. He could have done without the academics part of school, but Corey made lifelong friends at every high school he attended, including Fenwick and Hinsdale Central high schools and Culver Military Academy. After attending the University of Massachusetts, Boston, Corey worked at Command Transportation before finding his home at Hub Group, where he started and grew an entire account development team. Hub Group was a place where



Chakeen

he excelled professionally and truly loved to work.

On Jan. 24, 2015, Corey married Ashley Arlene Swenson. They soon welcomed Chloe's little brother, Cashton Corey, and little sister, Clarabelle Lynn. They settled into their dream home in Westmont, and Corey's happiest times were spent with his wife and children enjoying

that home. He loved spending time with friends and family, watching "Top Gun" and the Chicago Blackhawks on his (absurdly) big screen TV and ground-shaking sound system. Some of Corey's favorite memories included summer days at Dewey Lake and playing rounds of golf with his father, brothers, wife and daughter.

Corey was a great leader and friend. He was known for his infectious smile, compassionate spirit and unwavering loyalty. More than anything, Corey had a big heart, with nothing but love for everyone. Chloe, Cashton, and Clarabelle now have a very special guardian angel who will watch over them every day of their lives.

Corey is survived by his wife, Ashley; his three children, Chloe, Cashton and Clarabelle; his parents, Tobin and Laura Chakeen; his three brothers, Cullen, Connor and Chase; his sister, Cailley (Drew) Tonn; his nephews, Harrison and Brooks; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Family and friends are invited to a memorial visitation from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 13, at Notre Dame Church, 64 Norfolk Ave., Clarendon Hills.

A private family Mass will follow at noon; it will be livestreamed at https://vimeo.com/510393480/12308bcfle.

Share memories and photos on the tribute page at https://www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to the American Liver Foundation at https://liverfoundation.org/for-patients/donate-now/ or to support Corey's wife and children at https://gofund.me/816f6249.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

### Donovan Moller

Donovan Moller, 94, a former longtime Hinsdale resident, passed away Feb. 5, 2021.

He was born in 1926 in Berwyn and worked as a manufacturing company foreman before retiring.

Don served his country in World War II and was a veteran of the United States Navy. He had the privilege to take part in an honor flight to Washington, D.C. with his son.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Alice Moller.

He is survived by his children, Susan (Ralph)



Droz, Donovan P., Pat (Scott) Fisher and John (Denise) Moller; his grand-children, Jennifer Moller, Kevin (Lena) Droz, Katie-Sue (Joe Anello) Fisher, Christine (John) Sgro, Keith (Rebecca) Droz, Alyssa and Emma Moller; and his great-grandson, Nolan Moller.

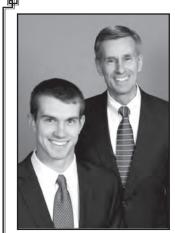
Services and interment will be private.

Moller vate.

Donovan will be buried next to his wife, Alice, at Fairmount Willow Hills Cemetery ce in Willow Springs with full military honors.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

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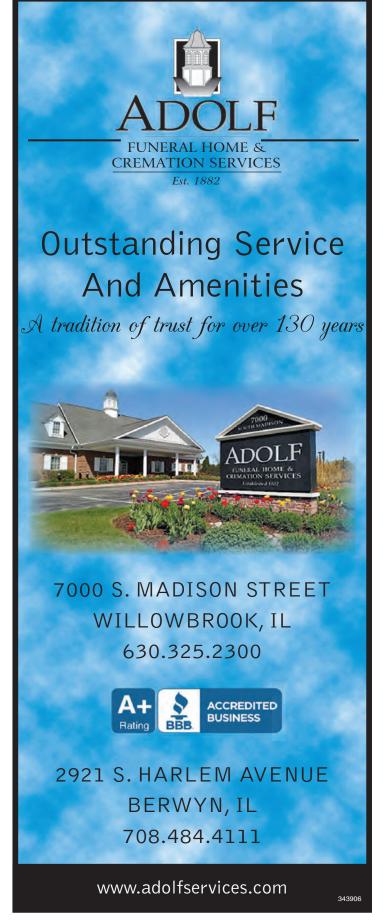
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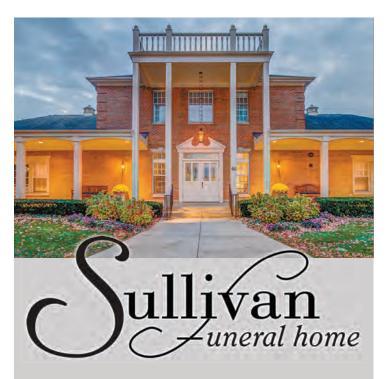
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# **OBITUARIES**

### Carol Hanson

Carol Jean Hanson passed away Jan. 16,

Born in Chicago in 1924, she was raised in a Norwegian, Christian family by her parents, Magnus and Henrietta Ronning, in the Logan Square neighborhood. She remained close with her older brother, John, younger brother, Paul, and sister, Mary, throughout their lives; they moved to La Grange and subsequently to the Hinsdale area.

Carol earned her nursing degree at Lutheran Deaconess Hospital in 1945 and began her career at the Army Hospital in Galesburg. She was hired to be the resident nurse at a hotel in Glacier National Park for the summer of 1947, and it was there that she met Minnard "Dusty" Hanson, a fellow Norwegian who was employed in the reservation department of the same hotel. Their love blossomed and they were married in 1948. Carol and Dusty enjoyed 68 years of marriage before Dusty's death

Carol and Dusty moved to La Grange to raise their three daughters. In 1960, the Hansons purchased Schweidler and Mewherter, an office, art and school supply store that became a local landmark for 44 years. Carol was known for her beautiful store windows and abundant creativity. Her Christmas and Easter displays reflected her deep Christian faith. The Hansons were active members of Grace Lutheran Church in La Grange and later longtime members of



Hanson

Christ Church of Oak Brook.

The Hansons moved to Godair Park in 1980 and began a relationship with the King-Bruwaert House that lasted until Carol's passing. They remained in Godair Park until 2012, when declining health made their move to the Manor House a safe transition. Carol was active in Manor House activities, arranging displays for the dining room and flowers for the common areas. She co-founded Warm Hearts, a group of knitters who

donated untold numbers of warm afghans, hats and scarves to nonprofit organizations. She became an avid reader and wrote several short essays recalling her life. Carol was known for her attention to her thank-you notes and remained connected to family and friends in multiple ways. With the restrictions of the pandemic eliminating face-to-face visits, she continued to converse with her family through the magic of FaceTime.

She is survived by three daughters, Beth (Jack) Afflebach, Christine (John) Payne and Paula Hanson; her three granddaughters, Charity Ellis, Britta (David) Marmon and Margit Vogele; and three great-grandchildren, Desmond Wilkinson and Maddox and Bo

Services were private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the King-Bruwaert House Nursing Scholarship Fund, 6101 S. County Line Road, Burr Ridge, IL 60527.

# John J. Hardy

John J Hardy, 98, of Burr Ridge, a World War II veteran and former Hinsdale resident, passed away Feb. 3, 2021, from complications with aspiration pneumonia.

Mr. Hardy served in both the U.S. Navy and the Navy Reserve. As a navy pilot, he led air reconnaissance missions during his deployment in the Pacific Theater.

He was born in Chicago in 1922. At age 3, he moved with his mother, Rose, to Nebraska where they lived with his three aunts while

completing his primary school education. He went on to attend Robert Bellarmine Prep School in Santa Clara, Calif., before enrolling at Loyola University. After graduation, his tour of duty began with the U.S. Navy. He was commissioned as on officer in November 1942 and stationed on Eniwetok Atoll in the Marshall Islands. He flew the Corsair Fighter in more than 200 missions before retiring from active duty in 1945.

Wedding bells followed on Aug. 27, 1949. He continued to serve in the Navy Reserve until 1962.

John relocated with his family to Hinsdale, in the summer of 1964. He worked as an aviation claims adjuster for 23 years at a prominent Chicago law firm.

His passions included airplanes, baseball, music



Hardy

and dogs. For a few years he assisted his son, Brian, as a Little League coach in Burr Ridge. Regarded by many as a generous man of principle, John was also young at heart with a congenial personality and was a consistent instrument of peace. To those who knew him, John had become the example of what every man can be. He was the "possibility. He was preceded in death by his wife of 66

years, Marjorie D. Hardy. He is survived by his children, Christine (Jeffrey) Atwell, Brian Hardy and Mark (Mary Beth) Hardy; his nine grandchildren; and his 15 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 18, at Adolf Funeral Home, 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook.

Family and friends will meet for prayers at 9:15 a.m. Friday, Feb. 19, at the funeral home, before proceeding to a 10 a.m. Mass at St Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, 306 W. Fourth St., Hinsdale.

Interment is at the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to Wreaths Across America at https://www.wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/167238.

# Barbara Burgoyne Schanck

Barbara Burgoyne Schanck, 88, of Glen Carbon, formerly of Hinsdale, passed away Feb. 2, 2021, in Maryville due to complications from COVID-19.

She was born in 1932 and grew up spending her summers as a child on her grandparents' farm in Fairfield. She would talk about this often and it was one of her favorite child-

Barbara was an active member of Christ Church of Oak Brook and loved the Lord.

She loved to paint, read and travel. She took many amazing trips with her family and friends over the years and especially enjoyed spending her winters in Florida and summers in Maine. Barbara had a soft spot in her heart for animals. Over the years, she donated to several animal rescue organizations regularly. Her final donation was to sponsor a rescue kitten named Petunia that she loved to see pictures



Schanck

of. She enjoyed spending the last few years of her life close to her family in Glen Carbon.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 60 years, Jordan Thomas Schanck.

She is survived by her children, Karen (Brian) Lynch, William (Maureen) Schanck and Rebecca Nelson; her grandchildren, Kaitlin (Michael) Self, Margaret (Jordan) Petry, Jordan Thomas (Kaylyn) Lynch, Abygail Nelson and Ashley Schanck; and her great-grandchildren, Wyatt, Sam, Ben, Beau,

Addison and Hannah. A private family graveside service will take place at Bronswood Cemetery in Oak

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Partners 4 Pets, PO Box 445 Troy, IL 62294 or online at https://www.paypal.me/partnersforpets.

Adolf Funeral Home in Willowbrook handled the arrangements.

# **ASK AN EXPERT**

### BOB SMITH, HINSDALE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOARD CHAIR

# What do you hope to accomplish during your term?

When independent insurance agent Bob Smith moved his office from downtown Hinsdale to Westmont, part of his heart remained in the village. A graduate of Hinsdale Central High School, Smith said he feels a strong bond to this community.

"Hinsdale has a special place in my heart. I want to see it succeed and grow," said Smith, who will do his best to see that happen in his role as chairman of the 2021 Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

Having served as vice chair of the 2020 board, Smith moved into the role of chair on Jan. 1. As chair, he leads the chamber's governing board and advisors, all of whom are charged with finding ways to support Hinsdale businesses and to drive customers to the village's stores, service providers and restaurants.

Smith said 2020 Chair Melissa Waters skillfully guided the chamber through the throes of COVID-19, which included the decision to cancel the Chamber's weekly summer concert series, Uniquely Thursdays.

"That's the largest revenue generator for the Chamber," Smith said.

As 2021 chair, Smith is tasked with what he hopes will be a recovery — and a return to the beloved Thursday evening concerts in the park.

"As of now, it's a wait-and-see situation," Smith said.

Limited in its ability to raise money, Smith said the chamber switched its focus in 2020 to being a resource for local businesses. Rather than hosting public events, the chamber did what it could to help members navigate a new world of PPE, payroll protection loans and ever-changing restrictions.

"We were involved with advocating for the local restaurants, to open up the downtown," Smith said.

Smith said the chamber will continue to work closely with the village to find safe ways to support local businesses while protecting employees and consumers. That includes plans to extend the Farmer's Market again this year. And Smith said discussions are taking place about the return of the downtown wine walk this fall.

"We have a lot of different ideas," he said, all geared toward driving business to Hinsdale. With the opening of the downtown parking deck in July 2020, there is plenty of room for shoppers and diners alike to discover and rediscover all the village has to offer.

Smith joined the Chamber in 2012 and worked in downtown Hinsdale for six years. An independent insurance agent with Corporate Risk Management Strategy in Westmont, Smith's customer base includes Hinsdale.

Smith said his work with the chamber requires several meetings a month, all of which are taking place remotely. But like the summer concerts and the downtown wine walk, Smith said he hopes that face-to-face meetings will make a return this year, even if they have to be held outdoors.

"I'm confident that sometime in 2021, we will meet face to face," he said.

As part of his commitment to support and improve his community, Smith also sits on the board of AIM-CIL, a DuPage County nonprofit that helps people with disabilities live independently.

— by Sandy Illian Bosch



After more than eight years as a member, independent insurance agent Bob Smith is serving as chairman of the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors in 2021. (Jim Slonoff photo)

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# Honoring Black heritage

Local, virtual programs this month afford learning opportunities

February is Black History Month, and there are plenty of ways to observe the occasion from the comfort of one's home.

Hinsdale Public Library staff members have recommended the following book titles as ones that will provide insight into the Black experience.

• "The Warmth of Other Suns: The Epic Story of America's Great Migration" by Isabel Wilkerson

In this epic, beautifully written masterwork, Pulitzer Prize-winning author Isabel Wilkerson chronicles one of the great untold stories of American history: the decades-long migration of black citizens who fled the South for northern and western cities, in search of a better life.

• "White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk about Racism" by Robin DiAngelo

The New York Times best-selling book explores the counterproductive reactions white people have when their assumptions about race are challenged and how these reactions maintain racial inequality.

• "The Kindest Lie" by Nancy Johnson

Set in the Midwest against the backdrop of the Obama election of 2008 and the lingering effects of the recession, this work of fiction is an engrossing story about race, family and coming to grips with your past.

The library also invites people to watch the Oscar-nominated documentary "I Am Not Your Negro: James Baldwin and Race in America" and then exchange thoughts during a virtual Zoom discussion from 3 to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 16. The film is available through the Kanopy platform with a library card. Participants should include an email address when registering to receive an online meeting invitation. Call (630) 986-1976 or visit https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info.

### Films to talk about

Recent movies have shined a light on noteworthy people and events both influential and inspiring in the fight against racial discrimination. Hinsdale Central High School directs community members to USA Today's "15 Great Movies for Families to Watch" to help shine





**Composer Jessica Montgomery** is among those being featured as part CSOtv's Black History Month video playlist to showcases musicians of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and the Civic Orchestra of Chicago. For movie fans, the film "Selma" is a powerful retelling of a key event during the Civil Rights Movement of the 1950s and 1960s that will stir both adult and youth viewers. (photos courtesy of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Paramount Pictures)

light on the black experience. Here are a few from the list.

• 'Hidden Figures" (2016)

A group of African-American women serve as human computers and make crucial contributions to NASA during the 1950s and '60s that helped launched the unmanned space flight program.

• "A Ballerina's Tale" (2015)

This documentary examines race and body image in the elite ballet world with the rise of African-American ballerina Misty Copeland, the first principal dancer at New York's American Ballet Theater.

• "Selma" (2014)

Civil rights activists such as Martin Luther King Jr. led marches in Alabama from Selma to Montgomery to secure equal voting rights. Facing violent resistance from local law enforcement, the brave marchers paved the way for passage of the country's landmark Voting Rights Act.

• "42" (2013)

This inspiring biopic cover the two years in which Jackie Robinson broke Major League Baseball's color barrier. The movie features uses of racial slurs and racial themes, so it is recommended for older children.

• "Loving" (2016)

Richard and Mildred Loving's interracial marriage got them arrested, roughed up, insulted and booted from their home. But it also led to a

historic 1967 Supreme Court decision The movie features many uses of racial slurs and racial themes, so it is recommended for older children.

• "To Kill a Mockingbird" (1962)
Based on Harper Lee's 1960
Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, lawyer
Atticus Finch defends a black man,
Tom Robinson, after he's accused
of raping a white girl. The accusation and trail turn the Finch's small
Depression-era Alabama town
upside down.

### Take a walk for freedom

For those who want to get out, the Cook County Forest Preserve District is facilitating self-guided Underground Railroad walks from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Sand Ridge Nature Center, 15891 Paxton Ave., South Holland. Participants will take a journey that follows the Underground Railroad route connected to the Calumet Region during the mid-1800s. Masks and physical distancing are required. The walks are free, and registration is not required. Call (708) 868-0606 or visit https://www. fpdcc.com for more information.

### **CSO** celebrates BHM

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra is turning the volume up on artistry

and creative contributions of Black musicians from around the world with special offerings at https:// experience.cso.org.

Audiences can access a Black
History Month video playlist on
CSOtv that features 2020 performances of Saint-Georges' Violin
Sonata in A Major for violin duo,
Coleridge-Taylor Perkinson's
"Calvary" string quartet and Pulitzer
Prize-winning George Walker's
"Lyric for Strings," as well an excerpt
previewing a new work by contemporary composer Courtney Bryan.

The video playlist also showcases 2020 performances by members of the Civic Orchestra of Chicago, including Florence Price's Juba Dance from Symphony No. 1 and works by Jessie Montgomery and Tyshawn Sorey.

Featured audio clips include the CSO's 2019 Chicago premiere performance of James Lee III's "Sukkot Through Orion's Nebula," a 2018 performance of Walker's Lyric for Strings led by Riccardo Muti, and the orchestra's first performance of William Grant Still's "In Memoriam: The Colored Soldiers Who Died for Democracy."

Throughout February, new articles on Experience CSO will continue to offer opportunities to learn more about Black composers and their music.

— by Ken Knutson



**Rick McIntyre, author** of the "Alpha Wolves of Yellowstone" book series, is the fetured speaker this month in Brookfield Zoo's lecture series. See Page 28 for details. (photo provided)

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Feb. 27
The Community House
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Kids in second through eighth grades are invited to try out for this musical based on the story of the Ugly Duckling. Those in fifth grade and younger will sing a song from the show. Those in sixth grade and older will sing a song of choice in the contemporary musical theater/Disney style of the show. An accompaniment track with no vocals must be brought to the auditions (no a capella singing). A dance audition will be taught at auditions. Video auditions will be accepted for those unavailable on our audition date; contact info@stagedoorfinearts.com before signing up for a video audition slot. Callbacks will be held from 1 to 8 p.m. Feb. 28 if needed. Rehearsals will be held from 4 to 9 p.m. Fridays and, starting in April, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Social distancing and masks will be required. The musical will be filmed the weekend of June 10-12 to be streamed at a later date. Tuition: \$400 plus additional costume fees. Audition hours: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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# Women's league devotes its heart to Misericordia

While reflecting on her nearly decade-long tenure with the Misericordia Women's League, this year's Heart of Gold award recipient, Kathy Connor, attributes the league's success to Sister Rosemary Connelly, whose heart has been at the crux of the organization since

"Sister Rosemary is like a beacon of light," said the Hinsdale resident, who was named by Connelly to receive this year's award, along with her husband, Kevin. "She inspires all of us. She has made this her life's work and look what has come from it."

Misericordia's Heart of Mercy campus and residences support more than 600 children and adults living with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Connelly has been at the forefront — creating programs and services to help foster the gifts and abilities of residents

— with the organization's Women's League serving as its vital fundraising arm.

"We work hard, have fun and take pleasure in trying to find every dollar we can for Misericordia," Connor added. "We believe in it so much and what it's doing." And, year after year, the league continues to exceed its fundraising benchmarks at its annual benefit. This year, according

to league President Ann Weithers, the "Heart of Gold — A Night at the Races" fundraising event will be held virtually at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 26.

"We've had to reimagine many of our traditional fundraising initiatives," Weithers said. "While it will be hard not to celebrate this night together (in person), one positive thing about going virtual is



Alexis Braden
Society spotlight

that we are able to open our doors to more guests, more entertainment and even more ways to support Misericordia."

Last year's event raised more than \$600,000 for Misericordia. Weithers hopes the league can raise at least \$650,000 to help offset the pandemic's impact on funding.

Funds raised at this event will support the new drive-

through bakery and coffee shop, which is currently being built in close proximity to the Misericordia campus and will provide programming and employment opportunities to residents. Misericordia is also planning to build additional homes on the expanded campus to accommodate more families moving forward.

"As the parent of a Misericordia

resident, I am so lucky to be involved with the Women's League," Weithers added. "The residents at Misericordia are given so many opportunities for personal growth, purpose and friendship in a loving, caring and happy environment. Every dollar raised, raffle ticket sold, and everyone who participates in our event directly impacts the lives of Misericordia residents."

Event-goers will be able to join virtually from the comfort of their own home while enjoying entertainment, a silent auction and special messages from Misericordia residents and celebrities including former Chicago White Sox star Jim Thome and actress Jane Lynch. Registration is free. Visit https://heartofgoldbenefit.org.

— Alexis Braden of Hinsdale is the paper's society columnist. Readers can email her at news@thehinsdalean.com.

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### ■ Café la Fortuna

46 Village Place (630) 537-1586 https://www.lafortunahinsdale.com

Curbside pickup and Door Dash available. Hours: 7 a.m. to noon Monday to Saturday.

### **■** Casa Margarita

25 E. Hinsdale Ave. (630) 455-9000 https://www.casamargarita.

Limited indoor seating, delivery available through DoorDash, Grubhub and Uber Eats. Hours: noon to 9 p.m.

### **■** Egg Harbor

777 N. York Road (630) 920-1344 https://www.eggharborcafe.

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### **■** Fontano's Subs

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Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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Limited indoor dining, outdoor dining in heated tent, curbside carryout and delivery with DoorDash and Grub Hub available. Hours: noon to 2:30 p.m. weekdays for lunch, 5 to 9 p.m. weekdays, 5 to 10 p.m. weekends for dinner.

### **■** Jade Dragon

43 S. Washington St. (630) 323-6959 https://www.jadedragonhinsdale.com

Limited indoor dining, carryout available. Hours: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Fridays, 11:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Saturdays, 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Sundays.

### ■ Nabuki

18 E. First St. (630) 654-8880 https://www.nabukihinsdale. com

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### **FAMILY FUN**

### **■** Birdhouse Workshop

Feb. 13, 14, 20 or 21 Morton Arboretum 4100 Route 53, Lisle (630) 719-2468 https://www.mortonarb.org

Learn about birds and decorate a wooden birdhouse to take home. Discover the perfect place for your bird house and explore some winter birds that live at the arboretum on a short walk through the woods.

Strollers welcome. Each family must purchase a minimum of one birdhouse. All participants, including children under 2, need a ticket. Time: 10 to 11:30 a.m. or 1 to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$17 for class, \$6 per birdhouse. RR, MD

### **■ Family Trivia Night**

Feb. 25 (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Test one's knowledge as the Hinsdale Public Library hosts Kahoot! games based on a variety of topics. The program is for kids in grades three and up. Time: 4 to 5 p.m. RR

### **■** Farm Life in Winter

Ongoing Kline Creek Farm 1N600 County Farm Road, West Chicago (630) 876-5900 https://www.dupageforest.

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### **■** Donations for seniors https://dpccfoundation.org

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### ■ Unleashed

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will begin with a livestreamed VIP Happy Hour, where host Larry Little will share the biggest needs of the organization followed by lessons in drink mixing by Diliana Lee of TAO Chicago and cooking chicken satay and cucumber salad by Kai MacNicol of Rough Edges Confectionery & Cookery. Guitarist Jimmy Fastiggi will also perform. VIP kits will be mailed to attendees prior to the event. For the main event, Little will guide the evening filled with fundraising, special two- and four-legged friends, alumni stories, live and silent auctions and sale of \$20 Celebration Kits to help fund medical treatments and equipment critical to animal care at the Pet Rescue and Resource Center. Time: 6 to 7 p.m. happy hour, 7 to 8 p.m. main event. Cost: \$50 for happy hour, freewill donations for main program. RR

### **GREAT OUTDOORS**

**■** Lantern-Lit Night Hike

Feb. 13 Fullersburg Woods 3609 Spring Road, Oak Brook (630) 933-7248 https://www.dupageforest.

Take a self-guided 1.5-mile walk along a scenic lantern-lit trail. Walks leave every 20 minutes to allow for social distancing between groups. Masks are required, and participants should bring a flashlight. Those under age 18 must be with an adult. Times: slots from 6 to 8:40 p.m. Time: \$10. RR

### **■** Guided Arboretum Hike

Feb. 19 Morton Arboretum 4100 Route 53, Lisle https://www.mortonarb.org (630) 719-2468

Hike the arboretum's lesser-known trails with a naturalist guide and get some fresh air while learning about the history of the arboretum and the plants and animals that call it home. Time: 8:30 to 10 a.m. Cost: \$23. RR, MD

**■** Creature Feature: The Barred

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Feb. 19 (708) 839-6897 https://www.facebook.com/ ittleRedSchoolhouseNature-

Join this Facebook Live event from Little Red Schoolhouse in Willow Springs featuring the center's barred owl ambassador. Learn about how this unique raptor has adapted to live in this region and parts of the U.S. and Canada. Questions are encouraged. The program is for all ages. Time: 11 a.m.

### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**

### **■ Self-Love Day Retreat**

Feb. 13 https://www.artdepth.com/ selflove

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Vedic Principles," guided meditation, mindfulness exercises and more. Participants have the option to choose which "virtual rooms" to attend; select sessions will be recorded and viewable later in the day. Time: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. RR

# ■ A Conversation with Jack's Caregiver Coalition

Feb. 16 https://www.wellnesshouse.org

Kyle Woody, founder and executive director of Jack's Caregiver Coalition, will talk about the organization that provides a community for guys caring for a loved one with a catastrophic illness. Learn about the inspiration behind the coalition, common challenges faced by male caregivers — like uncertainty or isolation — and connect in an open forum with other men who are caregivers. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. RR

### ■ Addressing Medical Concerns around Cancer and Bone Health March 4

https://www.wellnesshouse.org

Dr. June McKoy of Northwestern Medicine will discuss how certain cancer treatments can impact bones and ways to work with one's medical care team to prevent adverse effects. Bone health after cancer treatment will also be discussed. Time: 1 to 2:30 p.m. RR

### ■ Caregiver Stress-busting Wednesdays through March

(262) 745-8227 https://www.agingcareconnections.org

Those providing care for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease or dementia are invited to this program via Zoom to learn stress management techniques and relaxation and coping strategies. The program is open to up to eight people and meets for nine weeks. Time: 1 to 2:30 p.m. RR

# ■ Jumpstart weight loss program

Ongoing (630) 527-6363 https://www.eehealth.org/ classes-events

People interested in losing weight, increasing activity and preventing disease are invited to join Edward-Elmhurst Health's Jumpstart Your Health, a virtual yearlong, group lifestyle change program. Through 22 one-hour virtual group classes with a registered dietitian/trained lifestyle coach, participants will learn about nutrition, physical activity and behavior modification, along with self-monitoring of weight, food and activity. Jumpstart is for ages 26 and up, and a one-year commitment is required. Participants must first attend one of the free virtual information sessions, which are scheduled for Feb. 11 & 25 and March 11 & 25. Cost: \$249. RR

### **JUST FOR KIDS**

### ■ Monarch 2021 Read Aloud

Feb. 18 (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info

Librarians will read Monarch nominees over Zoom in this program for kids in preschool through third grade. Read along by reserving a print copy at the library or download on Hoopla or Libby/Overdrive. This month's selections are "Planting Stories: The Life of Librarian and Storyteller Pura Belpre" by Anika Aldamuy Denise, "How to Give Your Cat a Bath in Five Easy Steps" by Nicola Winstanley, and "Dreamers" by Yuyi Morales. Time: 4 to 4:35 p.m.

### **■** Windy City Ninjas

Mondays, Feb. 22-March 22 Windy City Ninjas 684 W. Lake St., Elmhurst (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

Working off an integrated curriculum, this class is appropriate for beginners ages 5-8 and advanced participants ages 9-12. Participants will be able to challenge themselves with obstacles aimed at building strength, agility and balance. Classes will typically include four circuits with 5-8 obstacles per circuit. Class members will get a temperature check at the door and must wear a mask when in the building and sanitize hands before entering the gym area. Social distancing will be practiced, and only one parent is allowed in per family. Time: 6 to 6:50 p.m. Cost: \$135.

# ■ Wimpy Kid Virtual Escape Room

Ongoing https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info

Assist Greg Heffley of the "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" book series in navigating life in middle school through this digital escape room available on the Hinsdale Public Library website.

### **■ Cabin Fever Crafts**

Ongoing (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info

Got cabin fever? The Hinsdale Public Library is making previous summer craft kits available. Request a kit in and stop by to pick up. RR

### **LISTEN & LEARN**

### ■ COVID Vaccine Webinar

Feb. 16 https://www.RepMazzochi. com

Illinois state Rep. Deanne Mazzochi (R-47, Elmhurst) is hosting this program for residents interested in learning more about the COVID-19 vaccines and the distribution process. Mazzochi will be joined by the DuPage County Public Health Department and other experts to explain the process for signing up for vaccines in DuPage, the effectiveness of all three current vaccines, and to give an update on latest treatments. Registration is available at the website above; the webinar will be accessible via Zoom or Facebook live at https://www.facebook.com/ IllinoisHouse47. Time: 5 p.m.

### **■** Upping your Zoom Game

Feb. 17 (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info

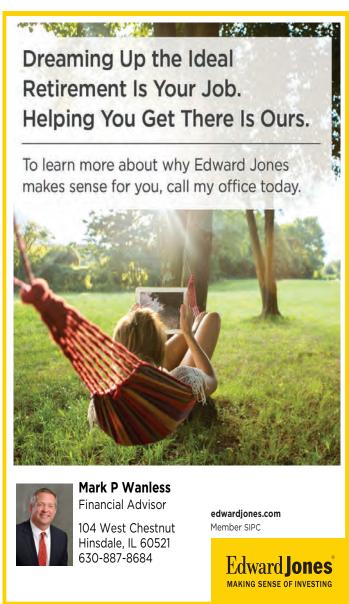
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this online walk-through of the principles for creating slide presentations with more punch. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

### ■ 'The Reign of Wolf 21'

Feb. 25 https://www/CZS.org/ **LectureSeries** 

Rick McIntyre, acclaimed author of the "Alpha Wolves of Yellowstone" book series, will share the true story of a wolf pup called 21 whose father was shot and killed the day he was born. He, along with his seven siblings, were raised by a single mother for a time and eventually left the pack and joined a neighboring one as its new alpha male. The death of a female wolf he became close with deeply affected him, and he did something especially poignant at the end of his long life. Time: 7 p.m. Cost: Free; a \$10 donation is appreciated.

### **NOTEWORTHY**

### ■ A Night of Broadway and Opera

Through Feb. 28 (630) 942-3008 https://www.atthemac.org

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### **■** The Music of John Williams Through Feb. 28 (630) 942-3008

https://www.atthemac.org An encore stream of this New Philharmonic October performance is available on demand, showcasing works by the celebrated American composer including selections from "Star Wars," "Indiana Jones," "Jurassic Park," "Superman," "E.T.," "Harry Potter," "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" and "Jaws." Cost: \$40 per household.

### **ON SCREEN**

**■** 'Otelo Burning' Feb. 17 (630) 942-3008

https://atthemac.org

Set in South Africa in 1989 against a backdrop of brewing conflict, this 2011 drama follow 16-year-old Otelo Buthelezi as he takes to the water for the first time. It is clear that this township kid was born to surf, but then tragedy strikes. On the day that Nelson Mandela is released from prison, Otelo is forced to choose between surfing success and justice. This insightful and entertaining film captures a turbulent time in the history of South Africa. Watch the film at any time at home (available on YouTube, Amazon Prime & iTunes), then join a moderated discussion on Zoom, Times: 1:30 or 7:30

### **ON STAGE**

### **■ TWS & CTWS Polar Bear Club**

Saturdays in February Theatre of Western Springs front porch 4384 Hampton Ave. (708) 246-4043 https://theatreofwesternsprings.com/category/ featured

Members of the Theatre of Western Springs and Children's Theatre community are invited to enjoy fun outdoor activities to keep theater lovers' hearts warm. Staff members will moderate, and all events will be masked, socially distant and outdoors. Feb. 13 is "Improv Jam and Theatre Games" for students in second grade to high school. The session will last about 90 minutes; coffee and hot cocoa will be provided. Attendees should bundle up and bring a chair. Participation is limited to 10 people per session; those unable to attend are asked to delete their reservation. Time: noon. Cost: freewill donations will be collected. RR

### **SENIOR SCENE**

### ■ Sing-a-Long Memory Café Second Wednesday of the month

https://www.agingcareconnections.org (708) 354-1323

People living with memory loss and their caregivers are invited to join this monthly interactive sing-a-long via Zoom to enjoy stimulating and interactive musical experience. Find the link on the website listed above under Programs

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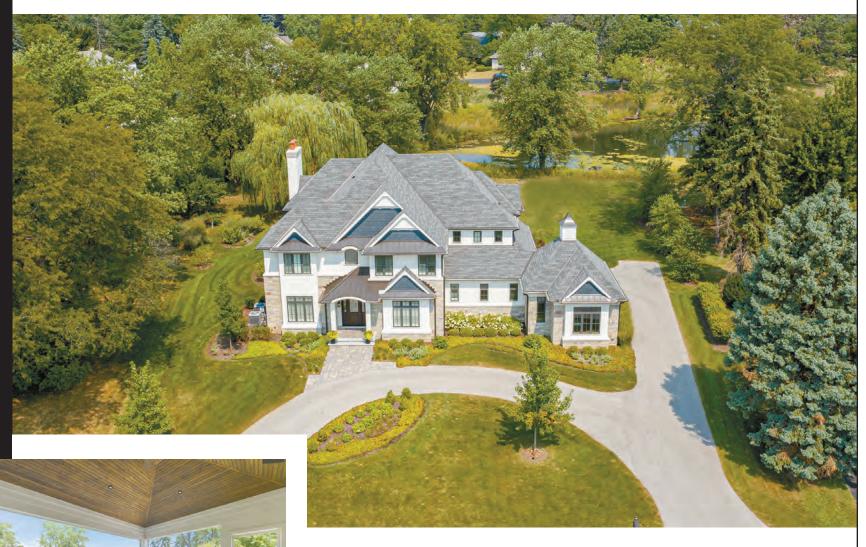


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> Caregiver Support. Email Jessica Haines at jhaines@ agingcareconnections.org for more information. Time: 1 to 2 p.m.

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■ E-Learning Care Program Ongoing

The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org/back-to-schoolplan-2020-21

Kids in first through fifth grades can learn virtually with assistance from an experienced staff of child care professionals during their morning or afternoon sessions. Cohorts will also receive academic support from one Village Tutor up to an hour per day, when

needed. Students also will have the opportunity to interact with peers and participate in enrichment activities through the LyArts Program. Times: 8 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. or 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$325 per week, with discounts for siblings. RR, MD

### **STEPPING BACK**

■ 'Desert Redleg: Artillery

### Warfare in the First Gulf War' Feb. 24

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Division will recount the logistical and strategic decisions
that led to a coalition victory in
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in this virtual Date with History
program. In his book, "Desert
Redleg: Artillery Warfare in the
First Gulf War," Lingamfelter

describes the experience of the First Gulf War through a soldier's eyes and attempts to answer the question of whether the United States "got the job done" in its first sustained Middle Eastern conflict and the largest U.S. artillery bombardment since World War II. Time: 7 to 8:15 p.m. RR

### **TEENS & TWEENS**

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### ■ Intro to the SAT

Feb. 27 & March 6 (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Boost confidence on the SAT with this two-session workshop covering the format, types of questions and key strategies for taking the SAT. Participants will take a pretest prior to the start of class. The workshop is open to high school students who live in Hinsdale or attend Hinsdale Central. Include an email address when registering to receive an online meeting invitation. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. RR

### **WEE ONES**

**■** Sportsters and Lunchsters Mondays, Feb. 22-April 5 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 789-7090

https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

Kids ages 3-6 can join the SportsKids staff for lunch and

sporting fun, learning skills used in soccer, basketball, floor hockey, T-ball and other sports. Organized games will emphasize sportsmanship and teamwork. Time: 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$87. RR, MD

### **■ Kid Rock II**

Tuesdays, Feb. 23-March 23 Christian Church of Clarendon Hills 5750 Holmes Ave. (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

Kids ages 3-5 will wiggle, giggle, dance and sway in this movement-based learning and imaginative play class with music and a focus on S.T.E.A.M. learning. Activities are age appropriate by class and include songs and rhymes, rhythm and coordination, fine and gross motor, imagination and sensory, listening and following directions skills. Time: 11 to 11:40 a.m. Cost: \$50. RR

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"Diane brings a wealth of expertise to our cooperative with her extensive and varied background in design, home furnishings, real estate and building products," said Rebecca Austin, design center manager. "In addition, she has a vast network locally here in Hinsdale with her past work at Trumeau Design & Décor, as a broker with Berkshire Hathaway and with her volunteer work with the Hinsdale Assembly Board and Misericordia. We are excited to have her on board."

Before joining County Line Home Design Center, Chiappe served as a design and sales consultant for Pella Corp., consulting with homeowners on window and door remodeling projects and prior to that as a designer at Walter E. Smithe furniture in Oak Brook. She began her career at Heritage Church Furniture in La Grange and was involved with 61 church renovations in 14 years. She also consulted on church restoration and design.

### **COLLEGE STUDENTS** MAKE DEAN'S LISTS

Several Hinsdale students earned a place on the dean's list for the fall 2020 semester at their respective colleges and universities.

- Nicholas Alfano, University
- Jaffar Ali, University of Iowa
- Molly Allen, University of Iowa
- Haley Arnold, University of Iowa
- Christina Aucoin, University of Iowa
- Carolyn Bone, Wheaton College
- Danielle Burich, University
- Jared Callaway, Columbia College Chicago\*
- Ella Centracchio, University of Alabama
- Sophie Eck, University of
- Lucy Fischer, Kansas State University

- Olivia Fix, University of Alabama\*
- Eva Folks, Elmhurst University
- Jenna Frizell, University of Alabama
- Anna Gruvberger, Cornell University
- Stanley Heimke, Carthage
- Madison Helm, Fort Lewis College
- Elizabeth Hepding, University of Iowa
- Ryan Hood, University of
- Anna Hughes, University of Georgia\*
- Katie Hughes, University of Georgia\*
- Alex Kerekes, Elmhurst University
- Daniel Klein, Kansas State University
- Christopher Koldras, Lewis University
- · Joseph Leahy, University of Iowa
- Megan McKay, University of Alabama
- Peter Mercurio, University of Notre Dame
- Thomas Mercurio, University of Notre Dame
- Maxwell Midlash, University of Alabama\*
- Elijah Nazario, Elmhurst University
- · Sophie Palo, University of Iowa
- · Charles Parse, University of Alabama\*
- Lauren Qualizza, Lewis University
- Matthew Ritz, University of Alabama
- Emma Rosenberg, University of Iowa
- Kathleen Ryndak, Elmhurst University
- Nicolas Salerno, Elmhurst University
- Andrew Stevenson, University of Alabama\*
- Andrew Tobia, University of Delaware
- Patricia Weeks, Elmhurst University
- Thomas Willemse, Fairfield
  - \* president's list for all A's

### STUDENTS EARN **COLLEGE DEGREES**

Two Hinsdale students were among more than 1,800 undergraduates from the University of Iowa at the conclusion of the fall 2020 semester.

They are

- Jacob Corcoran, bachelor's in engineering
- Anna Mazure, bachelor's in business administration





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by Linda Thistle

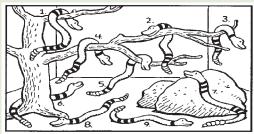
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### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆

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February 2021 Horoscopes · Week 3



CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, even if you don't say much, there is a lot of chatter going on in your head. Take some time to find a quiet place capricorn and meditate for a while.



ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20 ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, you are feeling ambitious this week, so it might be time to try a new hobby or other interest. Write down your goals and see if any align with notential hobbies







LIBRA - Sept 23/0ct 23
Even though the holidays are over you may still want to continue the celebration, Libra. Find a way to socialize with friends or family in a responsible manner.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22



AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18 Sometimes you just have to take a risk without vetto take a risk without vet-ting all of the possible outcomes, Aquarius. If it feels like it's a good time to make a change, em-brace the opportunity.



TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, some nice sur-Taurus, some nice surprises are likely to come
your way, especially in
your private life. Enjoy
every moment as it unfolds and express your
appreciation when applicable



LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23 Leo, you have a goal to meet someone new and there's a good chance you will discover that person in the days to come.

Accept the possibility that hopes and dreams can



Scorpio, you may be finished with the business that made last month hectic. Now you are ready to start a new chapter. A calm period is ahead.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
This week is the ideal opportunity to show strength and exhibit your organizational skills, Pisces. Don't be afraid to think big.



GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, you are likely to upstage everyone else this week because people simply cannot get enough of your magnetic personality. If you grow weary of the limelight, take a break.



VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, friends often end up filling familial roles. Even though a person may not be related by blood, certain friends can be relied upon through thick and thin.



SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, a potentially lucrative opportunity may present itself in the days to come. Consider all of your options and give equal though to all of them.

# **SPORTS**

# Winter sports season on, will be brief

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go out and compete and have fun.

### **Girls gymnastics**

**First meet:** Feb. 3 vs. OP-RF (V loses 13.5-13.85)

**Last year:** 2nd in conference, 5th at sectionals, one gymnast qualified for state

Head coach: Kim Estoque Seasons as head coach: 30th year coaching, 16th as head coach

No. team members: 20 Strengths: They're all hard workers. It's a very talented group. I wish we had more time to workout, because now they are rusty from all the pauses.

**Challenges:** I think the biggest thing is our season is so short, and then with a lot of them coming off not having done gymnastics for a little bit, I think that's

the biggest thing.

Who to watch: Kelly Klobach, shes a junior all-arounder, she's just coming up for her first year. Audrey Austin, she a sophomore all-arounder. Megan McDonnell, a senior all-arounder

**Outlook:** I think they're going to do pretty well. They have a lot of talent. It's just a matter of trying to get back what they had before all of this. Hopefully with the (shortened) season, we can get it all together.

**Furthermore:** They're a great, hard-working group and they're fun to be with. I'm glad that we're having some kind of season.

### **Boys swimming**

**First meet:** Feb. 5 vs. OP-RF **Last year:** 8th at state, 2nd at sectionals,

2nd at conference

**Head coach:** Bob Barber **Seasons as head coach:** 7 **No. team members:** 52

**Strengths:** I think they're a group that's going to show people how to persevere. No matter what is thrown at them, they keep trying to take the positive, as much as possible, and make a plan. We definitely have some seniors that would like an opportunity to go out on top, so we have great leadership out of them. A couple of guys are returning state champions and would like an opportunity to swim as fast as they can in a high school environment one more

Challenges: Essentially, I think it's maneuvering a season that is so interrupted. Not knowing how hard to practice for how long and when to shut things down is mentally a challenge, and we are trying to evaluate where we are

physically day by day. I have 31 days to figure out where we are and how to start slowing it down.

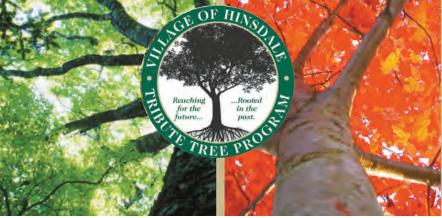
Who to watch: I'm excited to see quite a few people. I'd start off with Nolan Lahmann. He's been really impressive in practice. He currently signed with Emory for the fall. I think he still has a few things he would like to accomplish at the high school level. John Tischke has been an incredible team player and this senior year was his chance to shine. We're excited to see what conference will bring for him, especially in the fly. Erkan Ozgen recently signed with Ball State. As the anchor of our state championship relay last year, I'd love to see him go out with a lot of success in the spring freestyles. I think I'm excited to see our freshman class establish a place on this team, with six of them being part of our varsity

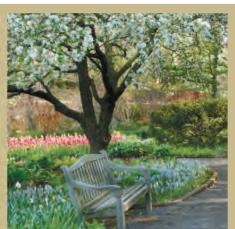
group this year. To have that many freshmen able to handle the training, we are very excited. We hope their speed follows through.

Outlook: I don't know how the state is going to evaluate anybody. We are limited to five conference meets and a conference championship. I think that we're going to be competitive at conference, clearly, with tying one of our dual meets already and having another meet coming up against LT. We're going to be competitive at the conference level, but it's going to take some work.

Furthermore: The guys did a really nice job of staying in shape during the pause, finding water and abiding by social distancing restrictions so they did come back in shape. We are in mid-season stride even though we're on Day 16 of the official season.







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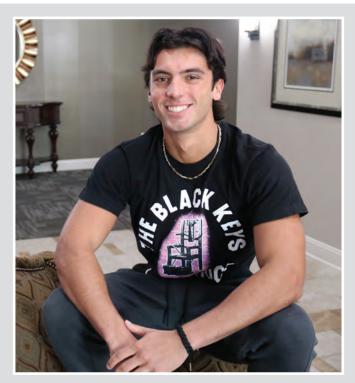
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# **SPORTS** — ROUNDUP

### STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



Name: Gavin Chami Year: senior Hometown: Hinsdale

# How does it feel to be playing again?

It feels great. I feel like athletics at Hinsdale Central are back in big way.

# When did bowling become a pursuit of yours?

I really only started bowling in high school. I had a neighbor across the street, and he would tell me about what a great after-school sport bowling was, going to practice to throw a few balls and hang out with the guys.

# You also play soccer. How do the sports differ?

Soccer is more of a team commitment, whereas bowling is more of an individual one. But bowling is also a little more casual and more about the sense of camaraderie with teammates.

# How do you prepare for a bowling match?

I'll play hype music on the bus, and we do huddles before matches and I give pre-game speech.

# What is your role as team captain?

You really have to bring the team together. We have members from freshmen to seniors, and for the most part they'll hang out with one other friend on the team. You've got to let them know we came to bowl and to win a match. It's important that

we compete as well as have fun. Because if you're not having fun bowling, you're doing it wrong.

# How would your teammates describe you?

Relaxed. composed but goofy.

# How have you developed as a bowler since freshman year?

I'm more accurate in hitting pins. We practice a lot, and we'll bowl anywhere between five and 10 games at practice,

# How do you like to kick back?

I keep busy. I lift (weights) a lot and hang out with friends.

# Where do you see yourself 10 years from now?

I'd love to say that I could see myself partying on a yacht in the Bahamas, rich off of commissions working on Wall Street.

# What's your goal for the season?

I'd love to either bowl a 600 series or bowl a perfect 300 game.

### Why does coach Alex Hipskind like having Chami on the team?

He helps out the other bowlers. The other guys like having him on the team. He's a kid that listens well.

> — profile by Ken Knutson, photo by Jim Slonoff

### **RESULTS**

Bowling, boys Feb. 9 @ IC Catholic V wins 2,477-1,706 Speziale, 232/573 Feb. 2 @ LT V loses 2,545-2,825

Bowling, girls Feb. 9 vs. York V loses 2,241-3,324 Harvey, 548 Venis, 376 Riehle, 357 Baran, 355 Yopp. 325 Brankin, 280

Gymnastics, girls Feb. 3 @ OP-RF V loses 134.85-135 Vault McDonnell, 3rd, 8.7 McLaughlin, 5th (tie), 8.4 Klobach, 8th (tie), 8.2 Austin, 8th (tie), 8.2 Uneven bars
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Floor exercise
Klobach, 3rd, 8.7
Austin, 5th, 8.6
McDonnell, 7th, 8
McLaughlin, 8th, 7.9
All-around
Klobach, 1st, 34.6
McDonnell, 4th, 33.85
Austin, 5th, 33.2

Swimming, boys Feb. 6 @ OP-RF V ties 93-93 200-yard medley relay Lahmann, Harris, Tischke, Ozgen, 2nd, 1:39.39 Daw, Song, Hou, Gilbert, 4th 1:46 23 200-yard freestyle Priest, 2nd, 1:52.67 Bokos, 3rd, 1:52.85 Shvydkoy, 4th, 1:52.96 200-yard IM Harris, 2nd, 2:06.15 Wang, 3rd, 2:08.44 Daw, 5th, 2:11.47 50-yard freestyle Ozgen, 2nd, 23.21 Gilbert, 4th, 23,53 Marcet, 5th, 23.76 1-meter diving Furlong, 1st, 203.3 Kassir, 2nd, 190.8 Brown, 3rd, 145 100-yard butterfly Hou, 1st, 53.25 Tischke, 3rd, 56.57 Wang, 5th, 58.87 100-yard freestyle Marcet 2nd 51 01

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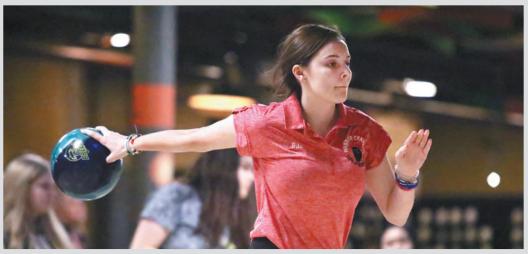




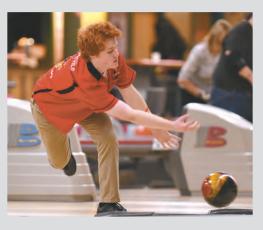
**Hinsdale Central senior** bowler Caitlin Brankin prepares to release her throw while teammate and fellow senior Lauren Riehle eyes her target during the team's first match of the season Tuesday against York at Suburbanite Bowl in Westmont. The Red Devils fell to the Dukes 2,241-3,324. (Jim Slonoff photos)

# **SPORTS**









The boys and girls bowling teams, girls gymnastics team and boys swimming and diving team all started competition this month after their seasons were postponed in November due to the COVID-19

pandemic. In total seven sports will play abbreviated winter campaigns. No state championships will be played, and the season will end March 13. (file photos)

# Winter sports season on, will be brief

Red Devil teams anxious to get back to competition, even with a truncated schedule

**By Pamela Lannom** plannom@thehinsdalean.com

After months of waiting, Hinsdale Central athletes and coaches in late January heard the words they've been waiting for: Game time!

The Illinois High School Association announced the start of the winter season Jan. 27. After holding the requisite number of practices, teams faced their first opponents earlier this month.

Seven Red Devil teams are competing this season. Previews of the boys and girls basketball and girls badminton teams will run in the Feb. 18 issue.

### **Boys bowling**

First match: Feb. 2 vs. LT (V lost 2.545-2.825)

Head coach: Alex Hipskind Seasons as head coach: 19

No. team members: 12

Strengths: Very nice group to work with. Very committed and eager to learn.

Challenges: We do not have a lot of experience but, again, they are willing to learn.

Who to watch: All of them are unique, whether it is their throw or approach.

Outlook: This season will be very different than any other. The season is abbreviated so it is hard to say. We'll see.

### **Girls bowling**

First meet: Feb. 9 vs. York Last year: 6th at regionals, one bowler qualified for sectionals Head coach: Paul Parpet Seasons as head coach: six No. team members: 15 Strengths: Their dependability. because we started in November, we had two practices and then we got shut down. When we restarted, we've had really good attendance. Their dependability and their interest in bowling, I think that's a strength.

Challenges: The West Suburban Silver conference in bowling is very competitive. There are some good teams. Last year, two teams qualified for the state meet. It's like that all the time.

Who to watch: I think that this year we will have one of the better bowlers in the conference. She's a senior. This is her fourth year bowling for me — Lainey Harvey. My varsity this year is going to be all seniors. We're doing that on purpose because the girls that have been with us, we're going to keep them on the varsity and give them a chance to compete. They are Lainey Harvey, Lauren Riehle, They're there all the time. This year | Emily Venis, Alli Fuller, Corryn

Baran, Caitlin Brankin and Colleen Yopp. We have Avery Andersen, Megan Katsis, two sophomores. We have five sophomores down on the JV, which I'm happy for. I think next year it's going to be their turn along with some other sophomores we have. We also have two new seniors that came out because their sports aren't running right now.

Outlook: I think they've shown improvement. I think they will compete, and we'll see who knocks down more pins. We have no tournaments. We are bowling conference matches and that's it. We'll go until the first week of March.

Furthermore: I was looking forward so much to that meet last Thursday (that was canceled due to snow). There was no baseball last year, no football. The last competition I had with Lainey was at the sectional. It was a year ago. Let's

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