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**Not their parents' prom** — The class of 2021, unlike the class of 2020, did have a chance to attend prom this year. It was different, for sure, but that didn't stop seniors from turning out for the Red Devil Gala Prom Event Saturday night at Dickinson Field. With a Red Carpet entrance, photo stations, Class of 2021 memory project, trackless train, music and raffle prizes, the two-hour events provided plenty to do for prom-goers. Mathilde Kokoszka, Kaitlin Mrksich, Ellie Haarlow, Emilie Meredith, Maria Rivera, Phoebe Gabel and Shannon Lynch strike a pose at one of the photo stations. Please turn to Page 16 for more pictures. (Jim Slonoff photo)



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# **NEWS**

# Trustees consider pact on pedestrian bridge

By Ken Knutson

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Hinsdale trustees Tuesday discussed a proposed intergovernmental agreement between the villages of Hinsdale and Western Springs and the Illinois Tollway Authority concerning a new pedestrian bridge over the Tri-State Tollway.

Last July, trustees expressed their desire that the bridge, which will be constructed along the north side of Chicago Avenue connecting Veeck Park in Hinsdale and Spring Rock Park in Western Springs, be designed with vertical pickets and be painted black. Their Western Springs counterparts agreed with that plan.

In addition, Hinsdale will pay an estimated \$38,400 to stain the concrete wall approaching the bridge in Veeck Park to match the color of the Oak Street Bridge wall. The bridge will replace the one that crosses over the tollway at Minneola Street as part of the project to widen the expressway.

Under the IGA, the Tollway Authority will be responsible for all engineering and construction costs, with the exception of the village's design changes for the approach wall. If after bidding, the actual cost exceeds the \$38,400 the village has projected, it will have the option to abandon the design changes.

Village President Tom Cauley asked village attorney Bill Ryan for clarification on the extent of the village's financial obligations with respect to the bridge. Ryan explained that the village's responsibility is two-fold.

"We have the obligation to do the routine maintenance on the path leading up to the bridge, and then we have the obligation to do routine maintenance over the bridge if it's within our budget to do so," Rvan said.

Routine maintenance exclusive of the design enhancements is expected to exceed \$20,000 annually for each village under the agreement. Because painting the bridge black is considered an enhancement, the villages also are responsible for the cost to repaint it.

"We'd be responsible for sharing that cost with Western Springs," said Brad Bloom, assistant village manager. "They estimated 25 years after the bridge went in, we would have to have it repainted, and they estimated the cost at an approximated \$100,000."

Trustees also are asked to indemnify the Tollway Authority against the village's failure to perform routine maintenance. Western Springs has identical indemnification, and the Tollway Authority is indemnifying both towns for design, construction, structural maintenance and their share of routine maintenance.

The IGA is expected to be on the board's May 18 agenda for a vote.

# Friends, family and firefighters gather to salute deputy chief

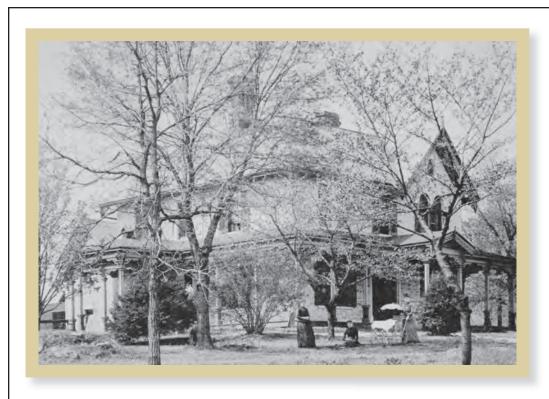






Members of the Hinsdale Fire Department and the community helped Deputy Chief Tim McElroy celebrate 48 years of service Friday prior to his retirement. Chief John Giannelli was one of several speakers who brought up highlights and antics from McElroy's career. McElroy's wife, Robin, shares a laugh with his many relatives who attended. McElroy received several proclamations as well as mementos of his career before the ceremony concluded with a "walkout." (Jim Slonoff photos)

# **ONCE UPON A TIME**



Founding matters — William Robbins, generally regarded as the father of Hinsdale, purchased land from Chicago Avenue to 55th and Madison Street to County Line Road in 1862 for \$9,000. "To be near his new venture, Robbins temporarily moved his family to Fullersburg," Sandy Williams writes in "Images of America -Hinsdale." "From here, he had direct supervision of Hinsdale's formation, from the street layout and grading to the tree planting and construction of his own estate. In 1863-64, on property near the grove on the county line, Robbins built the home he named "Woodside," shown here. The house still stands, altered by additions, at 425 E. Sixth St."

# **Happy Birthday!** Jason Doyle turns 14 May 8

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# **NEWS**

# Garfield treasure shines after 134 years

First installment of May series on vintage homes in town profiles centrally located stunner

**By Ken Knutson** 

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A painted lady can sure turn heads. The Queen Anne-style residence at 318 S. Garfield St. has been getting second looks since 1888, when it was built for early Hinsdaleans Robert and Mary Childs, their five sons, Mary's mother and brother, and Robert's sister.

Presumably its six bedrooms were sufficient to accommodate the entire brood. More than 130 years later, it is home to the six-member Prame family.

"It's a big house," remarked Amy Prame of the three-story, 6,000-squarefoot architectural gem that was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 2000. "It works well for our family."

Prame and husband Thomas purchased it in 2015, having already rehabbed a couple of historic homes. They weren't exactly keen on taking on another project.

"They're a lot of work," Prame remarked. "We said, 'Never again.'"

The family had been renting in the village for a few years when the house came on the market, compelling them to reconsider their resistance.

"You walk in and it's like, the character — we would never be able to build a house of this size in Hinsdale," Prame commented, noting it has six and a half bathrooms and four fireplaces.

There's nothing subtle about this Victorian-era beauty, with its cone capped turret that reaches nearly as high as the massive trees of the same vintage lining Garfield. Its red roof and distinctive fish scale shaker-clad exterior were hand-scraped by crews, Prame said.

"There was a lot of damaged wood that needed to be replaced. We had carpenters on site to replicate the damaged shakers," she explained.

Reclining lions flank the front steps, which lead onto an inviting wraparound porch. From here it's easy to imagine turn-of-the-century visitors paying a house call, being welcomed into the foyer with its fireplace and ushered into the adjacent parlor to await the host.

The original woodwork is striking, as are the exquisite stained glass windows placed throughout the home. Even the ornamental door knobs and hardware give a sense of the period's celebration of craftsmanship and artistry.

"That's why we like the old homes, all the detail," Prame remarked.

Across from the parlor is the living room with a circular bay window perfectly suited for the family's baby grand piano. The high ceilings only accentuate the interior's grandness, but that feature, combined with vintage



Amy Prame purchased the home at 318 S. Garfield St. with husband Thomas in 2015 after being enchanted by its vintage charm. "There was nothing wrong with it. It just needed a little TLC," Prame said of the ongoing effort to both preserve and modernize the former residence of prominent early Hinsdalean Robert Childs. "You just can't build a home like this today." (Jim Slonoff photos)





windows, also make for drafty winter days, Prame acknowledged. The chill a few months ago actually caused some unwanted dining room dampness.

"We finished the wallpaper on Friday. The next Monday, that's when we had that really cold weather, and our (upstairs) tub pipe broke," Prame said, pointing out some water stains on the ceiling. "It's always something that's never done."

Childs, an attorney, always seemed to be doing something civic minded, according to archival records of the Hinsdale Historical Society. He was president of local school board from 1879-94, and helped incorporate the Hinsdale Library Association, the forerunner to the Hinsdale Public Library, with Mary as its first president. Such service indubitably helped him win a seat in U.S. House of Representative in 1892, where he served one term.

Childs was also a charter member of The Hinsdale Club, the place to be when it opened at Garfield and First streets in 1899, as chronicled by Hugh Dugan in his book "Village on the County Line."

"The meetings, dances, plays, lectures, bowling tournaments and other functions that (took) place there (ran)

into the thousands, and many important decisions bearing upon village progress (were) formulated within its frame walls," Dugan wrote.

Childs died in 1915. But if he were alive for Prame to ask him one question, it might be about the purpose behind the spindled divider between the parlor and front staircase that swings open. She wonders if it had to do with in-home funerals.

"My husband I talk about this all the time," she said.

There have been a few significant alterations. The kitchen has been completely transformed, and a deteriorating greenhouse in the back was converted into a small living room and butler's pantry. An arched doorway was moved from one side of the kitchen to the other.

In the basement, the Prames found scraps of molding they could incorporate for some vintage flourishes in the renewed areas. Four of the bedrooms are on the second floor and two more on the third.

"We try to mix a little old with the new," Prame said.

"We've kind of been working our way down," she said of the renovation attack plan.

#### **■ HINSDALE LEGACIES**

This is one of an ongoing series of stories on historically significant homes in Hinsdale.

# On the house

Year built: 1888 Style: Queen Anne

Original owner: Robert Childs Recognitions: National Register of Historic Places, 2000 Square footage: 6,000

The project is not yet complete, but Prame said they don't let that keep them from enjoying a glass of wine on the porch and greeting neighbors.

"A lot the people that walk by thank us and say the house looks great. That makes you feel good," she said.

She admits that the feasibility of saving a historic home depends on the property — and the passion level.

"There are just some homes out there you can't save, but I'm all for (preservation)," she said. "It's a labor of love."

# **NEXT WEEK**

### **Community Consolidated Elementary Dist. 181 Board**

6 p.m. Monday, May 10 Hinsdale Middle School 100 S. Garfield Ave. https://www.d181.org

**On the draft agenda:** retiree celebrations (6-7:30 p.m.), COVID-19 update, digital learning environment equipment, 2021-22 assessment calendar, committee calendars, fiscal year 2022 tentative budget

#### **Hinsdale Firefighters Pension Board**

9 a.m. Friday, May 14 Memorial Building 19 E. Chicago Ave.

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

6 p.m. Thursday, May 13 Hinsdale Central High School 55th and Grant streets https://d86.hinsdale86.org

#### **Hinsdale Plan Commission**

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 12 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

**On the draft agenda:** findings and recommendations on 110 E. Ogden Ave., signs for Egg Harbor Cafe (29 E. First), Bake Homemade Pizza (34 E. Hinsdaleo, Expression Gallery of Fine Art (10 E. First), Meredith Jay (48 S. Washington)

# COVID-19 rise in cases holding steady in town

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

The DuPage County Health Department reported 29 new cases, and the Cook County Health Department reported nine new cases.

That brings the total number of reported cases in the village to 1,760, up from 1,722 last week.

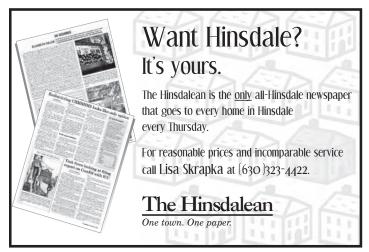
Amita Hinsdale Hospital had seven confirmed COVID-19 patients and two patients awaiting test results on Wednesday, a spokesman said.

Community Consolidated District 181 reported seven new cases from April 28 to May 4, all of which involved students.

Hinsdale High School District 86 reported 13 current positive cases April 30, with 29 people in isolation and 123 in quarantine.

The rolling seven-day positivity rate for Region 8, which includes DuPage County, was 5.3 percent on Saturday, compared to 5.6 percent a week prior.

Illinois has administered about 12 million doses of vaccines. An average of about 72,600 vaccines are being administered daily, compared to about 106,000 last week. About 36 percent of DuPage County residents are fully vaccinated.



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# Juniorettes offers invitation to service

Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club junior board exposes girls to volunteer opportunities

By Pamela Lannom

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Finding the right volunteer opportunity can be a challenge — especially for a seventh-grader.

Juniorettes — the junior board of the Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club — has helped Hinsdale's Laura Armstrong do just that.

"I've learned that I can help in different ways and Juniorettes has opened my eyes to different things I can do to be able to help," said Armstrong, whose in seventh grade at Hinsdale Middle School.

She has enjoyed dressing up to entertain pediatric cancer patients on a Zoom call and visiting the Hinsdale Humane Society.

"I never really thought about helping pets," she said. "It's opened my eyes to different opportunities and different places I can help."

Fellow HMS seventh-grader Maddie Henry agreed.

"I think that Juniorettes does a great job of showing us many different ways to volunteer," she said.

The woman making those volunteer opportunities happen this year is Denise Marron, who has been involved with HJWC for about six years. She said Juniorettes was started about four years ago when some of the moms in the club were thinking of ways to get their daughters involved.

The goal is to help the girls appreciate the importance of giving back, to highlight possible career opportunities and

#### ■ BATTLE OF THE BOARDS

This is another in a series of stories profiling seven junior bards that serve Hinsdale nonprofits

to introduce them to various nonprofit agencies.

Marrons said even with the pandemic, the girls had a great year. Hinsdale Central High School junior Fallon Limberg agreed.

"Contradicting what you would think, we've had more communication in pandemic times than before, just because the goal is so much higher, but we've risen to the occasion," the Hinsdale resident said.

Limberg, who has been in Juniorettes since eighth grade, said she enjoyed the career spotlight at the Hinsdale Humane Society.

"I have since joined that junior board as well," she said.

That's not the only agency she has been prompted to support outside of Juniorettes. She volunteers independent of the group at the HCS Family Services food pantry.

"Because I'm at this food pantry, I've also been volunteering at the PRC Westmont food pantry," she said. "I just love it so much because most of the people that are clients that come in are so appreciative and so thankful that you're there.

"I always come home in the best mood, according to my family. I just enjoy it," she added.

Henry said her volunteer work through Juniorettes has taught her to appreciate simple



**Juniorettes Laura Armstrong** (from left), chair Denise Marron, Fallon Limberg and Maddie Henry participate in a variety of volunteer opportunities throughout the year, including collecting food for HCS Family Services. (Jim Slonoff photo)

things in her life, like having a pair of gloves and a hat on a cold day.

"Juniorettes has made me very humble, and it really teaches you how lucky you really are to have the things you have on a daily basis at the touch of your finders," she said.

She, Henry and Armstrong like the ability to sign up for volunteer opportunities that most interest them. Henry especially enjoys that independence.

"We are on the email list. We sign up ourselves. We choose which events we want to participate in," Henry said, contrasting that with situations in which emails are sent to her parents.

"I like the freedom that you get to do things on your own to help the common cause," Limberg said, explaining that each Juniorette spearheaded their own food collection initiative for the Battle of the Boards food drive.

She reached out to neighbors, her mom's co-workers and her Central soccer teammates for help in the effort.

"People are welcome to do their own things that they put together. It's not like, 'Do this!' " she said.

Armstrong said she was surprised how much food her neighbors were willing to donate

"I had a whole trunkload of food. I think I had at least 10 bags," he said. "I was just overjoyed to see how many people wanted to help the Juniorettes in the competition. I'm so excited to see what we get."

The group is inviting the community to drop off food Saturday afternoon in Clarendon Hills. See Page 27

for details.

Armstrong credits Marron for keeping members interested and entertained.

"She has made it really fun and really enjoyable for all of us girls to learn not only is it great to help others, but we can have fun doing it," she said.

Marron has thoroughly enjoyed helping the girls develop a stronger sense of altruism.

"Of all the things I've chaired through my years, this has been one of the best and most rewarding, because I get to help them help others, creating our future philanthropists," she said.

— Seven junior boards in Hinsdale are currently working in partnership with The Hinsdalean on a seven-week food drive to benefit HCS Family Services (see the ad on Page 27).



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# **POLICE BEAT**

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports May 4.

#### **Felony theft arrest**

Wanda L. Bickerstaff, 62, 1109 Saylor St., Downers Grove, was arrested on a Class 2 felony charge of theft on April 28 for embezzling more than \$10,000 from Chris Crawford LTD, formerly at 22 W. First St., between Jan. 1, 2015, and March 15, 2018. She surrendered to the DuPage County Sheriff's Office after a warrant was issued for her arrest April 20.

#### **Felony controlled substance arrest**

Adan M. Ibarra, 35, 153 Plainview Drive, Bolingbrook, was arrested on a felony count of possession of a controlled substance and two counts of unlawful possession of drug paraphernalia at 3:15 p.m. April 29 in the 400 block of North Washington Street after police were called about a suspicious person. Police found a white powdery substance that field tested positive for heroin. He was charged and take to DuPage County Jail.

## **DUI arrest**

Michael A. Chappetto, 44, 9927 S. Sawyer Ave., Evergreen Park, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08 and speeding at 12:54 a.m. May 2 at Oak Street and Ogden Avenue. He was charged and released to appear in court.

# **Reckless driving arrest**

Samanta Cardona Cardenas, 25, 3645 S. 59th Ave., Cicero, was arrested for disobeying a stop sign, failure to signal (three charges), unlawful possession of cannabis by a driver, failure to yield to an emergency vehicle and reckless driving at 1:48 p.m. April 27 in the 5500 block of South Grant Street. She was charged and released to appear in court.

# **Unlawful possession of cannabis**

Maxwell K. Snodgrass, 22, 18 S. Park Ave., Hinsdale, was cited for speeding and unlawful possession of cannabis at 10:42 p.m. April 23 at York Road and Ogden Avenue. His passenger was served an arrest warrant out of North Riverside, as reported in last week's paper.

#### **Bike stolen from HMS**

An unlocked \$790 bicycle was taken from the bike rack at Hinsdale Middle School, 100 S. Washington St., between 8:20 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. April 29. The theft was reported May 3.

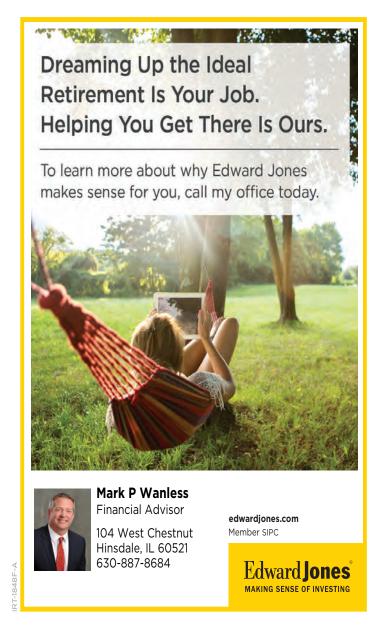
#### **Wallet taken from cart**

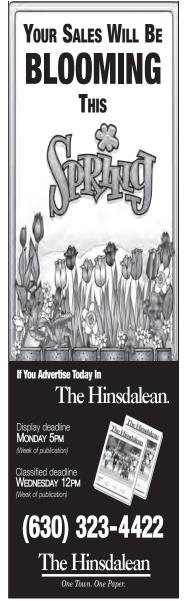
Someone took a wallet containing a drivers license, credit cards, checkbook and about \$200 from a shopping cart at Whole Foods, 500 E. Ogden Ave., at 4:44 p.m. May 2. The victim reported four fraudulent charges on her credit cards totaling \$1,987.17 after the theft.

# Windshield cracked

A woman reported her windshield was cracked by a blunt object while parked in the lot at 10 S. Vine St. between 6 and 7:21 a.m. April 26. No damage estimate was available.

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# **60 SECONDS**

# Hinsdale mom finds artful blessings in being a parent

For Allison Peters, motherhood has been an evolution, with each stage having its joys and struggles.

"I don't know that it gets better. It gets different," remarked the mom of four, ages 11 to 5. "When they're newborns and they're just a ball sleeping on your chest, I love that. Then being able to laugh with your 11-year-old to Monty Python is pretty great, too."

Eventually they'll be fully baked, so to speak, as Peters invoked a bread analogy.

"You're putting all these ingredients into your child," she explained. "At some point, probably by the time they're halfway through high school, you realize that loaf is in the oven, and you hope that you've put in everything they need."

A key ingredient throughout Peters' own life has been music. She grew up singing in children's choirs and school productions, then went to Vanderbilt University to pursue opera singing, among other subjects. There she also found harmony with Nick, who would become her husband.

Musical theater in her younger

days has given way to weekly vocal contributions at Grace Episcopal Church.

"It's like my own form of stress relief," she said.

As a member of Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club, Peters stepped into the role of fine arts chairwoman with a goal "to teach and delight" her peers through the Chicago area's array of creative venues.

"It's hard to find people who like to do same things that you like to do," she remarked, hoping to provide a new connection point for fellow members.

Peters recalled going out on a limb one year to purchase a block of 10 tickets to the Joffrey Ballet's production of "The Nutcracker." Turned out she picked a sturdy limb.

"By the end we had over 100 people who signed up for it," Peters remarked.

Other activities have included a private tour of the Art Institutes's modern wing, author talkbacks and painting workshops.

"People told me, 'I didn't think I liked arts. Now I'm all in,' " she said of the validating feedback.

Perhaps Peters' most notable conversion has been Nick, a former theater avoider she helped transform into a stage connoisseur.

Family movie nights during the pandemic have been a nice silver lining, as has the "human chain" challenge in which her kids lie head to toe down the staircase to chart their growth.

"Now they have reached of bottom of the stairs, which is a true triumph," Peters said.

She takes her job as nurturer seriously. "No matter how bad their day is at school, my kids know that when they come home, they're loved," Peters said.

New moms, she advised, should find ways to lean into their own passions.

"Don't lose who you are when you are on the motherhood journey," she said.

And find a community of supporters to nurture you.

"I would have been lost along the way without those people."

> — story by Ken Knutson, photo by Jim Slonoff



#### **ALLISON PETERS**

BORN IN MISSISSIPPI, RAISED IN DALLAS
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# **OPINION**

**EDITORIAL** 

# Past gets a fresh look during Preservation Month

Save the past. Enrich the future.

That's the motto guiding the work of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, which helps sponsor Preservation Month each May, in partnership with local organizations like the Hinsdale Historical Society.

Those of us who live or work in the village perhaps take for granted at times the stunning specimens of architectural heritage we encounter on a regular basis, whether on residential streets or in the central business district.

First-time visitors are certainly struck by the homes and buildings that hearken back to a era gone by, when horse hoofs, not car engines, marked one's approach.

Many are listed on the National Register of Historic Places, including 318 S. Garfield Ave., featured on Page 5 of today's issue to kick off our monthlong Hinsdale Legacies series spotlighting the town's vintage gems.

The village has long wrestled with how best to protect its treasured past while not obstructing the natural forces of modernization and the real estate market. That work continued Tuesday night as Hinsdale trustees listened to a presentation on the village's policies surrounding landmarking in hopes of ultimately devising a system that promotes preservation without impinging on homeowners' property rights.

Tomorrow, May 7, the Hinsdale Historical Society will host a luncheon version of its annual Hinsdale Cooks! Kitchen Walk. Themed "Making Old, New Again," ticket-holders can enjoy a prepared lunch by Vistro Prime, a signature cocktail, a sweet treat and one raffle ticket at home or at Immanuel Hall, with proceeds benefiting the society.

Those seeking information about the history of their own personal slice of village turf can pursue the extensive archives at the Roger and Ruth Anderson Architecture Center in the lower level of Immanuel Hall, 302 S. Grant St. Since access to the center is limited to Tuesdays and Wednesdays, be sure to make an appointment first through the online sign-up portal at https://www.hinsdalehistory.org.

The Hinsdale History Museum at 15 S. Clay St. is open to visitors on Fridays and Saturdays; reservations are required for the museum, too, and available at through the website above.

And for those eager to test their grasp of Hinsdale history, visit the historical society's Instagram page for a trivia test.

The Hinsdalean continues to help readers discover their town's vibrant past with stories touching on Hinsdale's early days and with the weekly Page 4 Once Upon a Time photo (we're always looking for submissions!). Those early chapters in the village's story form the foundation of its present, and today's denizens and their contributions will be instrumental in its future.

So take a walk through the Robbins subdivision or down to First and Washington streets. And imagine what your predecessors' day-to-day lives were like in the late 18th and early 19th centuries. Thanks to so many well-preserved structures from those days, it's not too hard if you try.

**COMMENTARY** 

# Mom's Day mix of mourning, celebrating this year

Charlie Harley stopped in Monday to let us know about the Armistice Day celebration in Burr Ridge May 15 — at which he will receive the Jack Schaus Patriot Award.

I told him I wished I could come, but we are having a small memorial service for my mom, who died in November.

"Of course you have to go to that," Charlie said. "After all, you only ever have one mother."

"Well," I responded. "I've got an interesting story for you."

And so I told him about being adopted and taking a DNA test and finding my birth mother in October (and my birth father and half-sister).

He's not the first person who has teared up listening to my story. I can get pretty emotional about it, myself.

And I imagine Sunday is going to be a pretty emotional day.

This will be the first Mother's Day that the mother I have always known is no longer part of my life and the mother I have never met is

I remember the first Father's Day after my dad died in 2002. It was not an easy one, and I'm feeling some trepidation as Sunday approaches.

My mother-in-law has been missing from our Mom's Day celebrations since she passed away in 2017. And Mom was missing last year, too, due to the pandemic. But we were able to write a huge Mother's Day message in chalk in the park-

assisted living facility.

This year, we remembered her
Sunday by participating in the
Walk for Wellness at Wellness
House in her honor. And next
Saturday — two days after her May
13 birthday — we will hold the
small memorial service we weren't

ing lot outside her window at her

I'll enjoy celebrating with Ainsley on Sunday and hearing her sing with the youth choir at church. I know I will spend some time on

able to have in the fall.



Pamela Lannom

Zoom with my birth mother, Pat. I imagine that will be an poignant conversation for both of us.

Here's what I wrote about her in a Mother's Day column for The Doings in 2000 — long before I ever dreamt of meeting her.

"I know there's another woman out there who is a part of me. I know

she was 17 years old and unmarried when I was born in 1967. I know, because of a mistake in the records my parents were sent, that she had given me a name before she gave me up in the hopes of finding a better home for me than she could provide. I know my mother cried when she learned the adoption agency had lied and told her I had not been named."

I know a little more about the story now, including the fact that my mom didn't need to cry about my name. She honored my birth mother without even knowing she was doing so. Only five letters separate Pamela Jane and Patricia Jane.

Pat and I have talked about how to fit all the pieces together, now that I have so many new relatives. A retired teacher, she reminded me of something she observed from her students. Families come in all shapes and sizes.

"I used to believe that Mother's Day was just about moms — my mom, Dan's mom, my grandma before she died," I wrote in 2009, just after Ainsley was born. "But now that I am a mom, it seems Mother's Day is really about families."

So this Mother's Day, I will celebrate the new relatives in my life — which also include aunts and uncles and cousins. And I will celebrate the relatives I have known all my life.

We are all family. And family is what Mother's Day is all about.

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

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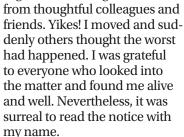
# **OPINION**

**GUEST COMMENTARY** 

# Lessons learned from own obituary

It's never too late to write a new beginning

A few years ago, in a strange turn of events, my law school mistakenly published that I had died. I had not seen that edition of the alumni magazine. So, I was surprised when I suddenly began receiving urgent text messages



I am not the only one who has had this sort of misprint happen to them. When I looked into it, I discovered that both Mark Twain and Ernest Hemmingway also had this bizarre experience.

However, the most notable tale I read was chemist Alfred Nobel, the inventor of dynamite. When Nobel's brother died, a newspaper was confused and mistakenly published an obituary calling Nobel "the merchant of death." The incident is thought to be the driving force behind his creation of the Nobel Prize.

Fortunately, after reading my "death notice" the friends that I heard from had kind words to share. Still, it's hard to see something like that and not reflect for a moment. When I moved to Chicago, I made the decision to leave my legal career in order to spend more time with my daughters. However, by the time that magazine came out I was feeling lost and wondering what I should learn from the experience.

The first thing I realized as I



**Amy McCauley** 

talked with a former boss is that seemingly insignificant moments of kindness matter. All those years I spent worrying about deadlines, motions and trials didn't mean quite as much as I thought they would. What people remember most is how you

made them feel.

The second lesson I learned is that when life takes an unexpected turn, lean into it. Looking back, if could give my 25-year-old self some words of wisdom, it would be to embrace change. Age has taught me that no matter how much you prepare in life there are always going to be things that spin out of your control. When life makes a mess of your plans, be brave and dream bigger.

Finally, time has taught me that I was not as lost as I had once believed. Around the time of that "obituary," I had begun writing a cooking and gardening blog. Although I liked to write, until then I had spent most of my time crafting legal briefs. However, what nine years as a trial attorney taught me was storytelling. My experience at the district attorney's office made me realize that it's important to share your truth and speak from the heart.

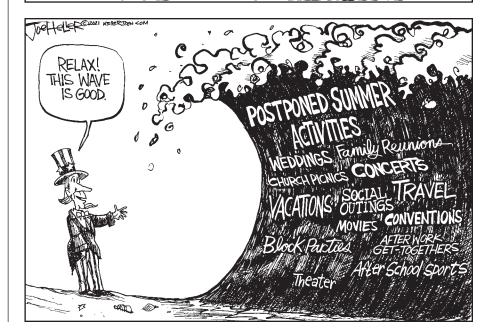
As I write my last column for The Hinsdalean, I am grateful for the opportunity to share a few tales of my own. Like Nobel, reading the end gave me perspective. I realized I had always been a storyteller. I just needed the courage to write a new beginning.

— Amy McCauley of Hinsdale is a contributing columnist. Readers can email her at news@thehinsdalean.com.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR







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# **OBITUARIES**

# Rosemary 'Terri' Barrett

Rosemary Therese Barrett, known fondly as Terri, passed away peacefully after suffering a stroke on May 2, 2021, at the age of 76.

Terri was born in 1945 in Harvey. The family included her parents, Joseph and Paula Gross, and her three beloved brothers, Joseph, Eric and Richard Gross.

Terri earned her nursing degree from St. Frances School of Nursing in Evanston. She worked as a rehabilitation nurse and

later as a hospice nurse. She met and married her husband, Richard Barrett, nearly 53 years ago. Dick and Terri settled initially in Hinsdale, then moved to Western Springs to start their family.

Each summer, Terri and family traveled to their beloved lake house retreat in Michigan. Terri and her husband also enjoyed traveling the world often times with their family as well. Another love of theirs was traveling to Hawaii regularly.



**Barrett** 

Terri had a contagious, joyous spirit and an incredible gift of love to others. Her generosity and smile were infectious, brightening the lives of all she came in contact with. Her family was of utmost importance to her as she prioritized the needs of her husband, children, daughter-in-law and grandson above her own.

Terri is survived by her husband Richard Barrett; her two children, Kelly Barrett and Jessie (Jessica) Barrett; and her grandchild, Chase.

A service is set for 11 a.m. Friday, May 7, at Christ Church of Oak Brook, 500 Oak Brook Road, will greetings held from 10 to 11 a.m.

The service will also will be streamed live at 11 a.m. on YouTube at https://tinyurl.com/rosemarybarrettfuneral In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to Wellness House at https://wellnesshouse.org/.

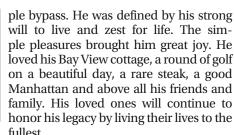
# Charles "Keith" Campbell

Charles "Keith" Campbell, 69, of Oak Brook died unexpectedly but peacefully April 29, 2021, surrounded by his loving wife and immediate family.

A devoted husband, cherished father and charismatic "Grampy," Keith was born to Mary Lou and Neil Campbell in St. Louis in 1952. After moving to Chicago in 1979, he met the love of his life, Linda Miller, six months later.

Keith was known for his quick wit, intellect and generous nature. Armed with a degree in chemical engineering from St. Louis University almost no task was insurmountable. For 20 years Keith led an illustrious career in chemical sales, where some of his proudest accomplishments were working with the NASA program in supplying the fuel that powered the solid rocket boosters for spacecraft launches and working with U.S. Defense Missile Initiative. He furthered his career by breaking into the telecom industry by leading a company that helped develop some of the technology that powers all of our cell phones today. At home, Keith was known as "Mr. Fix It" to his family, and would show up with his trusty bag of tools to help anyone at the mere mention of an issue.

Keith fought the good fight for 20 years, courageously facing cancer, COVID-19 and a tri-



Campbell He is survived by his wife, Linda Campbell; his three children, William

(Amanda) Campbell, Caitlin (Zach) Jecklin and Jonathan Campbell; his three grandchildren, Charles and Charlotte Campbell and Theodore Jecklin; his sister, Caroline (David) McCarthy; and many in-laws, nieces and nephews.

A funeral service was held May 4 at Notre Dame Church in Clarendon Hills.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may to the Cardinal Bernadine Cancer Center, 2160 S. First Ave., Maywood, IL 60153; or online to the Bay View Association at https://www.bayviewassoci-

Support the Campbell family by signing the online guestbook and tribute page at https:// www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

# Elizabeth "Penny" Jamison-Butler

Elizabeth ("Penny") Jamison-Butler, 80, of Clarendon Hills passed away Dec. 20, 2020.

After losing her husband, Skip, at 29 years old, Elizabeth passionately raised her two young children by herself, and was a celebrated first grade school teacher for 45 years. In addition to achieving her master's in education, she became a highly regarded reading specialist, which she continued post-retirement by volunteering and tutor-

Known for her gift of gab, Elizabeth was always interested, curious and learning. Generous with her spirit, time, knowledge and sense of humor, Elizabeth was not easily forgotten once you met her. An avid gardener, crafter, traveler and volunteer, above all else, Elizabeth loved her family and made them her priority in life.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Richard ("Skip") Jamison; and her son, John Richard Jamison



Jamison-Butler

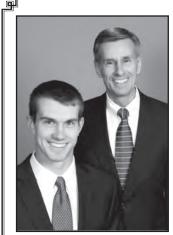
She is survived by her recent husband, Charles Butler; her daughter, Heather Jamison (Paul) Mortell; her brother, Michael "John" Sotak; her daughter-inlaw, Carla Jamison (Joseph) Cassidy; her grandchildren, John "Jack" and Molly Jamison; and many nieces, nephews, cousins and in-laws.

A celebration memorial will be held from noon to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 24, (COVID-19 permitting), at The Morton Arboretum, Sycamore Room, 4100 Illinois Route 53, Lisle, with a commemoration at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to the Cure Alzheimer's Fund at https:// www.curealz.org.

For information and updates on the Celebration Memorial, send an email to PennyCelebration21@

Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home in Downers Grove handled the arrangements.



Brian Powell, Sr. Brian Powell, Jr.

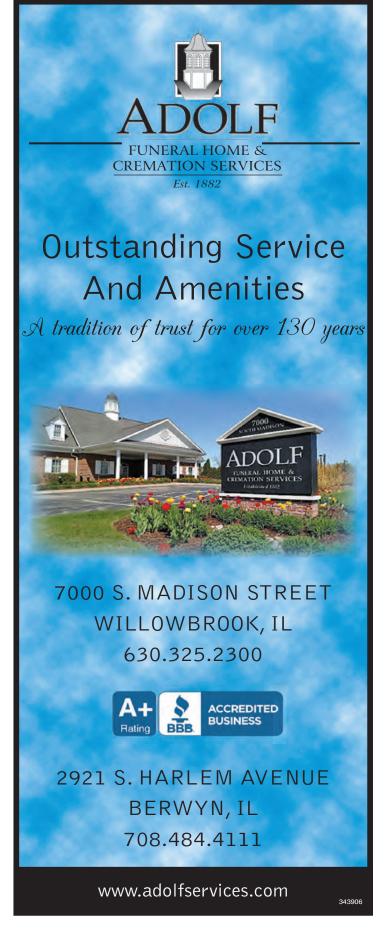
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# **NEWS**

# D86 struggles to choose new president

By Pamela Lannom plannom@thehinsdalean.com

Two and a half hours and 10 votes.

That's how long it took the Hinsdale High School District 86 Board to elect a new president Monday night.

Prior to officer elections, the four new board members elected April 6 were sworn in — Peggy James, Debbie Levinthal, Terri Walker and Jeff Waters.

The first order of business for the new board was to elect officers. Three were nominated to serve as president. Cynthia Hanson nominated Kathleen Hirsman; James proposed her running mate, Waters; and Levinthal recommended her running mate, Walker. A candidate needed support from a majority of the board — or four votes — to win the office.

No one was able to earn more than three votes in the first round. Hirsman earned three (herself, Hanson and Erik Held) and Waters and Walker receiving two each (themselves and their nominators).

A second attempt had the same results.

As did seven more rounds of voting. In between votes, board members made comments about the individuals they were supporting and why. Hirsman's supporters focused on her experience, while the Waters and Walker supporters pointed to a desire for change on the part of voters who elected them.

Held, who was serving as president pro tem, offered lengthy comments between votes, focused primarily on the learning curve for new board members and the time commitment of serving as president.

Hirsman spoke out in frustration after the sixth vote.

"I think this is just a ridiculous exercise," she said. "Let me be entirely candid. The four of you were elected a month ago. You came onto this board with a majority of four. You control the decision on who is going to be president if you can agree amongst yourselves.

"We are three. You are four. This is not our responsibility. This is your responsibility," she added.

Waters and Levinthal took issue with that opinion. Levinthal said she was approaching her vote as an individual board member, not as part of a four-person voting block.

"There are four of us and that is a majority, but there are seven of us that need to elect a president," Levinthal said.

After the ninth vote, Hirsman withdrew her name from consideration.

"We are not getting anywhere and this is not a good way to start out," she said. "You have insisted that a new board member be president. I'm not going to make that decision for you."

She offered to devote whatever time is necessary to help the new president get up to speed.

"I will be the example of someone who is not going to be entrenched," she said.

In the 10th round of voting, Waters received three yes votes, with Held joining him and James.

Walker earned the requisite four votes — herself, Levinthal, Hanson and James, who previously had supported Waters. Hirsman abstained from both votes.

The selection of vice president initially looked like it might lead to a similar stalemate, with James, Hirsman and Levinthal nominated for the office. Levinthal withdrew her name and Hirsman won with four votes. James then was selected secretary of the board with four votes.

Former board member and president Kay Gallo, one of two audience members to stay until the end of the meeting, congratulated the group.

"You guys did a tremendous job this evening," she said. "I'm really happy on how this is going."

The board also selected members and chairmen for the



Walker



finance and facilities committee and will fill the remaining committee and other open positions when it meets next on May 13.

#### **D181 names new officers**

The four board members elected April 6 — Bill Cotter, Margie Kleber, Michael Martin and Grace Shin — took the oath of office at the April 28 reorganization meeting of the Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 Board.

The new board also elected officers. Kleber will continue to serve as president. Sinead Duffy will be vice president and Cotter will serve as secretary.



Nick was a gifted athlete and played football for Hinsdale Falcons, Hinsdale Central and then went on to play at Drake University.

He is remembered for the caring, charismatic and conscientious way he treated everyone he met.

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# **ASK AN EXPERT**

CARRIE FRENCH, FINANCIAL ADVISOR

# What does it mean to be recognized by Forbes?

When Carrie French entered the world of wealth management, she was in a field dominated by men.

"When I started, I didn't even know any female financial advisors," French said. Times have changed.

Twenty years later, French has a female boss whose boss is also a woman. Earlier this year, French became one of 29 J.P. Morgan Wealth Management advisors to be named among Forbes' 1,000 Top Women Wealth Advisors for 2021.

Seeing how far women have come in the field of wealth management brings up a lot of emotions for French, who has worked in the Hinsdale office of J.P. Morgan Wealth Management for 12 years.

French was working in management for a weight loss company when she heard a financial advisor speak at a seminar. The speaker talked about the impact a financial advisor can have on a person's quality of life. She knew right away

that she had found her next career path.

"Investing and saving money isn't about being rich," French said. It's about planning and saving systematically, whatever a person's income level.

French said she wonders how different things might have been if her mother, who became a widow at 39, had someone to guide her financially.

"I wish she had someone she could talk to," said French, who now aims to be that person for other peoples' mothers, fathers, grandparents and children.

French's clients range from young people making plans for the decades ahead to older adults enjoying retirement. Working as a private client advisor, French helps each client discover and meet their financial goals.

"My favorite thing to do is goals-based planning," French said.
Those goals vary greatly from client to client. While a pair of new parents might be focused on a college fund, empty-nesters might want to travel, purchase a vacation home or set themselves up for retirement.

One young man recently came to French for help saving for an

engagement ring. When his goal was met, he sent her photos.

"It's so rewarding," French said. French said couples often don't spend enough time discussing their financial goals. Until they sit down with her, some have never explored the subject. She encourages couples to talk about their money and what they hope to do with it, whether that's an early retirement, a bigger house or money for the kids

"It's good to talk about it sooner than later," she said.

French said she is proud of where her industry has gone in the last two decades. Once alone as a female in her field, she's now surrounded by women who are using their skills and expertise to help others navigate the financial world.

"It's hard to see yourself in a role unless you see other faces that look like yours there," French said.

She said being recognized by Forbes was a validation of the role she's played in making her clients' lives better — and in making the world of finance a little friendlier for females.

"It just means so much to be recognized," she said.

— by Sandy Illian Bosch



Carrie French said her job as a private client advisor at J.P. Morgan comes down to one purpose — helping people. (Jim Slonoff photo)

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# **GOOD NEWS**

# STATE SCHOLARS NAMED AT CENTRAL

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They are Jake Adams, Mohammad Ahmadi, Moosa Ahmed, Sophie Aliaga, Thomas Ambrose, Jay Amin, Arthur Andersen, Abigail Antinossi

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Sophie Burns, Mia Butterbach, David Bynan, Quinton Cain, Charlotte Callahan, Kashif Carter, Julia Cashman

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Emily Gottschalk, Thomas Graeb, Ethan Greenwald, Chiara Gregor, Nicholas Grundberg, Alonso Guerrero, Olivia Guido

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# CENTRAL MAGAZINE EARNS TOP PRIZE

Solstice is one of eight high school print literary magazines in the country to be awarded a Gold Crown by the CSPA.

Editorial staff members include John Tischke, creative director; Selena Ren and Nina Tekkey, literary editors; Kaitlyn Zhu, head designer; and Riya Ghai, managing design editor.

Teachers Angelique Burrell and Michael Cousineau are the faculty sponsors for the magazine.

To access the 2019-20 edition of Solstice, visit http://bit.ly/3or2Q0N.

# Make Mom a Memorable Meal...

Dad and kids, you can do this! We have many grill or oven-ready items that will make mom's dinner easy for you, delicious for her. Here are some suggestions:

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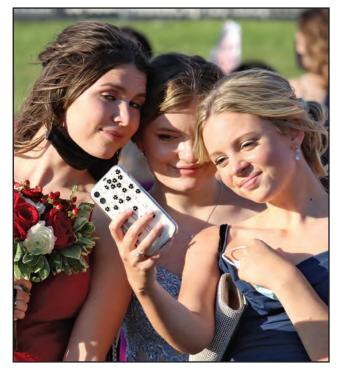
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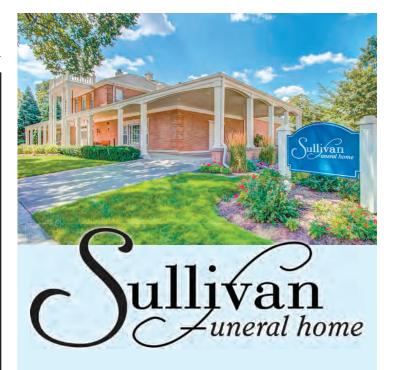






The Red Devil Gala Prom was held outdoors at Dickinson Field Saturday night. And while it was different than a traditional prom, at least the Class of 2021 could enjoy this milestone event. Terence Luzano and Maddie Tallard leave a message for the 2021 Memory Project. Bennet Willman, Nithin Reddy and David Melvin pose for a shot at one of the four photo stations on the field. Faith Drescher poses with Lizzo, one of the "celebrities" who were on hand for the event. And it was masks off for a second for a quick selfie for Abby Chute, Sophie Burns and Emily Ascher. (Jim Slonoff photos)





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# Central teachers are class acts

Retiring instructors share their memories, lessons from their Red Devil journey

By Ken Knutson

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With more than 100 years of commanding classrooms combined, retiring Hinsdale Central High School teachers Julie Baker, Chris Billie, Steve Gross and Pat Richards are well-known and well-loved members of the Red Devil community. In observance of Teacher Appreciation Week, the four offer their reflections on spending a career devoted to students.

#### **Julie Baker**

Julie Baker became a chemistry teacher at Central 21 years ago as a second career after working as a research assistant. But it was her work as a "lab rat" at the DuPage Children's Museum that revealed the rewards of education.

"I just really fell in love with watching children learn and watching their eyes light up," Baker said.

High school seemed the right fit, albeit challenging. "It's just a blur," she said of her first

"It's just a blur," she said of her first year on staff. "Just working hard every day and every night to make sure that lessons were good."

Recognizing science is daunting for some students, Baker said she crafted her lessons as critical thinking exercises.

"What my goal always was to increase their skills in problem solving," she related.

A highlight each year was the hot air balloon challenge in the field house.

"Just hearing the cheers of everybody able to take that knowledge and build that balloon so that it reached the fieldhouse ceiling," she remarked.

Last month Baker was named an Outstanding Activity Sponsor by the Illinois Directors of Student Activities for her service with the Women In Engineering Club.

"I'm really, really proud of that and proud of those girls," she said of the 45-member strong group

The collegial, family-like science department was an abiding source of support, she said, and the students never let her grow bored.

"Those kids sitting in front of me each year are different every year, and that's exciting," she said. "That's what I'm going to miss the most."



lives of kids," she said.

#### **Christine Billie**

Like Baker, Christine Billie made a professional shift into teaching 19 years ago, the last 16 of which she's spent at Central teaching English.

The loss of her job with a relocation company forced her to relocate — and reinvent — herself.

"I had always wanted to be a teacher, so I went back and got my certification," Billie related. "I've been extremely happy with my decision."

Teaching summer school at Hinsdale South opened the door for a permanent spot in the district. As a mom of teens educating teens, she brought a special understanding to the job.

"They're young adults on the precipice of becoming adults," she said. "Sometimes they think they know it all. Other times they admit they know nothing."

She relishes helping kids write honestly, and is gratified when her own writing, like a college recommendation letter, can provide a assist.

"One girl applied after taking a year off. She wrote me, 'I got in! I'm so excited and thank you so much.'" Billie recounted.

Having to become a morning person took sacrifice, but summers vacations have been a nice trade-off

Her normal graduation routine of standing by the tennis courts to high-five fresh graduates as they pass may be stymied by the pandemic. But she'll make sure to say her goodbyes.

"It really is rewarding to know that even in a small little way you're making a difference in the

### **Steve Gross**

Steve Gross remembers feeling like the rookie when he started as a social studies teacher at Central 34 years

"My first year teaching I was the youngest in the department by 16 years," he recalled.

The old guard soon retired and he felt the pressure to measure up.

"That first couple years of teaching, you literally just have your head down trying to stay ahead of everybody," Gross said. "Especially at a place like Central, you better know what you're talking about."

Gross would even eavesdrop on experienced colleagues to glean class management tips, particularly on the art of storytelling.

He coached the varsity girls basketball team for 15 years, winning a state championship in 2002.

His lengthy tenure means he's taught kids of former students.

"That's when you start to realize that you know families," he said.

Another mark of his longevity is the file cabinet full of letter from students after they've moved on.

"Many of them make a point to touch base after they're gone," Gross remarked.

Aspiring educators should appreciate young people as much as their subject area, Gross advised.

"You've got to be able to adapt a lot," he said. "The relationships with the kids and just having fun in class is what I enjoy."

#### **Pat Richards**

Pat Richards arrived at Hinsdale Central as a student teacher in 1986. And he never left.

Lonatime

Hinsdale Central

teachers Pat

Richards (from

left), Christine

Billie, Steve

Gross and

Julie Baker

(not pictured)

year, having

instructed, in

some cases, multiple gener-

ations of Red Devil students. (Jim Slonoff

photo)

are retiring this

The physical education and driver's ed instructor said training young drivers was especially eye-opening.

"It was rewarding to have the ability to help so many kids with a lifelong skill," he said. "I tell kids their grade is going to be based on how much grayer my hair is after riding with them."

Coaching has also been a significant part of his Red Devil Nation tenure, having been the girls varsity track coach since 1990.

"I love kids and sports so much," Richards said, adding he intends to continue coaching post-retirement.

Coming from a family where most men became Chicago police officers, Richards saw teaching as a way to serve the community from a different lane

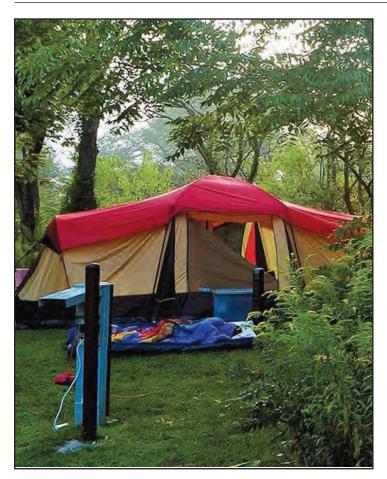
Young people are eager to learn and improve themselves, he asserted, but it's not a one-size-fits-all proposition.

"Patience," he said when asked his biggest teaching takeaway. "You don't teach all kids the same way because all kids are different. They just want somebody who cares about them."

Like Gross, he's had second-generation family members in class.

"But I say, 'Don't believe any of the negative things your parents told you about me,' " he joked.

"It's bittersweet," he said of retirement. "I'm very thankful. I'm blessed."



**The DuPage County** Forest Preserve District's Blackwell Family Campground — just a 30-minute drive from Hinsdale — opens Friday for the season. Turn to Page 20 for details. (photo provided)

#### **ARTFULLY DONE**

#### ■ Nature Photography Workshop: The Minimalist Image May 12, 15 & 19

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

In this online and in-person class, explore the stark beauty of minimalist nature photography, stripping compositions down to the bare essentials and removing clutter that distracts viewers from the main subject. Learn to use minimalism to produce artistic and visually soothing images with plenty of breathing room (white space) by creating a sense of scale and considering color, contrast, texture and patterns. The first and final sessions will be online, with outdoor field trip at the arboretum with the instructor in between. Times: 6:30 and 8:30 p.m. May 12 & 19 (online), 8 to 11 a.m. May 15 (in-person). Cost: \$80. RR, MD

■ Frida Kahlo: A Politics of Subjectivity and Self-

#### Representation

May 23 https://www.atthemac.org/ shows

Frida Kahlo's work, little known and appreciated during her lifetime, acquired importance and preeminence in the light of second-wave feminism, precisely because of its distinctive qualities that relate it to the feminist motto "The personal is political." This talk will examine and contextualize specific works by Kahlo in order to illuminate the relevance of her work to contemporary issues of subjectivity, performativity and self-representation, suggesting a reading of the upcoming "Frida Kahlo: Timeless" exhibit through this lens. Time: 3 p.m. Tickets: \$14.50.

#### **CELEBRATING MOM**

# ■ Mother Daughter Tea and Shopping Event

May 15 Work+Shop 14 W. First St., Hinsdale https://www.thework-shop. com/events In honor of Mother's Day, moms and daughters can spend some quality time together sipping some tea and enjoying a variety of finger sandwiches and sweets catered in by DiLeo's. Time: 1 to 3 p.m. Cost: \$20. RR

# ■ 'Marvelous Mothers of History and Today'

Available on demand throughout May (630) 323-8188 https://www.clarendonhillslibrary.org.

In honor of Mother's Day, the Clarendon Hills Library presents this program by educational entertainer Martina Mathisen, in which she will weave true stories of extraordinary women doing extraordinary things into a special tale for this annual celebration of mothers. The program may be viewed on demand through the website listed above.

#### **FAMILY FUN**

**■ Hinsdale Book Walks** 

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Hinsdale Village Hall - 20 E. Maple

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Cash or check donations to American Legion Post 250 are accepted for shredding. Shredding provided by Citadel Information Management. Citadelim.com

# Mental Health Month: There is help, there is hope

A few years ago, I was pushing my grocery cart down the aisle of the local Jewel-Osco when I heard someone behind me shout, "Mr. DiDomenico!" My initial reaction was one of confusion. Someone was calling out to my father?

But no, like many of us of a certain age, I was being formally addressed by a kind young man I knew from the community. After we had a good laugh and he agreed to call me Greg, the young man confided that he was seeking mental health resources, but he didn't know where to turn. Given my line of work, he thought I might be of some assistance.

At Community Memorial Foundation, we hear this sentiment repeated time and time again. Our neighbors need help, but they are unsure of what resources exist and unclear about how to access those resources.

I'm writing today to tell you that there is help. Over the course of The

Hinsdalean's two-year commitment (2016-18) to mental health coverage, several local organizations and professionals contributed their expertise to educate the public and debunk the stigma surrounding many common mental health issues. The organizations include AMITA Health Adventist Medical Center in Hinsdale, The Community House, NAMI

DuPage, NAMI Metro Suburban, Pillars Community Health and Candor Health Education. Each of these provides quality, confidential and accessible services to those in need.

And here's even better news: there are many others like them. I invite you to view our Mental Health Resource Guide, which contains a large list of community and hospital-based behavioral health resources



**Greg DiDomenico** *On mental health* 

for adults, youth and families. All of these are located in our own backyard and many accept both public and private insurance, often times at a sliding scale. Some of them, like The Living Room in La Grange, offer services at no cost, regardless of insurance status.

This brings me to my next, most important point: because there is help, there

is also hope. In my time at the foundation, I've witnessed firsthand how these programs transform people's lives; in fact, we've heard several of these stories within the pages of this very newspaper. I am heartened by the fact that our community is home to abundant resources that are available to all our neighbors, regardless of any perceived economic, cultural or language barrier.

I hope you will join the foundation

and its partners as we continue to advocate for behavioral health services and support in our community. Perhaps consider taking a free Mental Health First Aid Class or, better yet, consider hosting one at your school, church or community center.

Here's one simple thing we can all do: share the mental health resource guide with someone you know or print it and post it in your break room at work. Educate yourself about the many services offered in our community so that when your "Jewel moment" comes, you'll be ready to offer assistance to someone in need. There is help. There is hope.

— Greg DiDomenico is president and CEO of Community Memorial Foundation. Please visit cmfdn.org/ mentalhealth to download the mental health resource guide or register for Mental Health First Aid. This column was first published May 18, 2017.

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May 7-23 Burns Field 320 N. Vine St. https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/departments/parks\_ and\_recreation/book\_walks.

Discover a Hinsdale park and read a book during this new series co-sponsored by the village and the Hinsdale Public Library. Each month a book geared toward families with children under age 10 will be featured and displayed in a village park; this month's title is "Play Outside" by Laurent Moreau. Additional walks are planned for June, July and August in different parks. Participants are invited to tag the village and library using @HinsdaleParks and @ HinsdaleLibrary.

☐ Mom and Me Tea May 20 Westmont Community Center 75 Richmond St. (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

Moms with their daughters or sons ages 3-10 will design and decorate a teapot planter and bracelets or keychains with charms. Participants will be provided their own kit with supplies just for them to take home. A keepsake surprise also will be provided. Time: 6 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$28 per couple, \$26 for each additional child. RR

# **FOR A CAUSE**

#### **■** Shredding event

May 15 Hinsdale Village Hall 20 E. Maple St.

American Legion Post 250 is hosting a shredding event fundraiser, with shredding provided by Citadel Information Management. Cash donations or checks made out to American Legion Post 250 will be accepted. Hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

# **GAME ON**

**■ Chicago Elite Youth Volleyball** Tuesdays, May 11-June 1 The Community House

415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

This program is designed to introduce children to the game of volleyball and continue to improve their individual skill

development in the sport with instruction in passing, setting, attacking, blocking, serving, defense and movement. Players will be divided according to skill level and age and challenged accordingly. Times: 5 to 6 p.m. for ages 6-11, 6 to 7 p.m. for ages 11-14. Cost: \$80.

# **■ Pickleball Summer Kick-Off**

May 21 Brook Park Third and Columbia streets, Hinsdale https://www.villageofhinsdale.org Find out what pickleball is

all about. Players of all levels are invited to a fun night of open play, skills contests, round robins, prizes, music and pre-packaged snacks. Beginners are encouraged to come learn about the sport; some equipment will be available. All ages are welcome; those under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Time: 5 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$20 per person. RR

#### **GREAT OUTDOORS**

#### **■** Blackwell Family Campground **Opens**

May 7 Blackwell Forest Preserve Butterfield Road west of Winfield Road, Warrenville https://www.dupageforest. org (630) 933-7248

Spend a night under the stars at the DuPage County Forest Preserve District's family campground at Blackwell. The campground, open weekends through Sept. 25, has restrooms, showers and hand water pumps along with a water-fill station and a dump station for RVs. Campsites have electricity and can accommodate visitors with tents, trailers and motor homes. Each has a gravel parking pad, fire ring and picnic table and can hold up to eight people, two tents and one vehicle. Camping permits must be purchased at least three full business days in advance.

#### **■** World Migratory Bird Day Walk May 8

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

Take an early morning walk through various habitats in

search of birds making their way north. Bring binoculars; some are available for loan. Masks and physical distancing are required. Time: 7 to 8:30 a.m. RR

### **■** Warbler Walk

May 22 West DuPage Woods Route 59 just north of Roosevelt Road, West Chicago (630) 942-6200 https://www.dupageforest.

Search for the bright, colorful feathers of neotropical migrants on a guided hike. The program is for ages 18 and up, and masks are required. Participants should bring binoculars and water. Time: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Cost: \$5. RR

# ■ Mayslake by Moonlight

May 26 & 27 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook (630) 206-9566 https://www.dupageforest.

After the sun sets, enjoy an outdoor walking tour of Mayslake's grounds while hearing about urban legends, tales of hauntings, stories of mischief and the property's history and ownership. The program is for all ages; those under 18 must be with an adult. Masks are required, and participants should bring a flashlight and wear good walking shoes. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$15.

# **GREEN THUMB**

#### **■** Perennial and English Garden **Basket Sale**

May 8 Hinsdale History Museum 15 S. Clay St.

The Garden Study Club of Hinsdale will hold its yearly sale, offering perennials from members' gardens as well as English Garden Baskets, houseplants and more. Proceeds help fund the club's ongoing maintenance of the Hinsdale History Museum Garden and other community projects. Hours: 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## ■ Native Plant Sale

Through May 13 (630) 933-7247 https://www.dupageforest. org/native-plant-sale Gardeners are invited to

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plant local and think global by buying native plants through this annual DuPage County Forest Preserve District event. A catalog with photos, descriptions and prices is available at the website listed above. Plant pickup will be curbside May 14-15 at Mayslake Peabody Estate, 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook. There is a five-plant minimum on orders and no in-person shopping this year. Proceeds from the sale will support forest district educational programming.

■ LEAP Club plant sale May 15 & 16 pickup Casten home

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#### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**

**■ Color Theory Series** 

Wednesdays, May 19-June 30

https://www.wellnesshouse.org

Learn about and apply color theory using different mediums — colored pencils, crayons and markers. This is a six-week series that will build each week; participants are asked to commit to the full series. No class June 9. Time: 6 to 8 p.m. RR

■ Arboretum Wellness Challenge Through May 31

https://www/mortonarb.org/wellnesschallenge

This free month-long program is designed to inspire people to establish healthy habits and spend time in nature to gain the wellness benefits trees provide. Registrants will receive weekly wellness inspiration and be entered into prize drawings,

including arboretum classes and a one-year membership. Participants are asked to use #MortonArbChallenge to share how they're incorporating nature-centered wellness into their lives. RR

#### **JUST FOR KIDS**

**■** The Picture Book Club

May 20 https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info

The Hinsdale Public Library is sharing some of the best picture books each month over Zoom. This month's selections are "Black is a Rainbow Color" by Angela Joy, "Speak Up" by Miranda Paul and "One of These is Not Like the Others" by Barney Saltzberg. Read along by reserving a print copy at the library. The program is recommended for grades pre-K through third. Time: 4 to 4:30 p.m. RR

■ First Folio Bedtime Tales

Through July 15 https://www.firstfolio.org

First Folio Artistic Associates Diana Coates and Michael Goldberg will help read children to sleep with bedtime tales posted new each month and chosen specifically with little ones in mind. Two new videos are added each month.

#### **LISTEN & LEARN**

# ■ Your Smartphone Photo Safety Net

May 11 http://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Learn how photo tools from Google and Amazon can make it easier to save and share treasured images in this virtual program from the Hinsdale Public Library. Hear about services that automatically back up and organize digital pictures. Include an email address when registering to receive an online meeting invitation. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

#### ■ The Role of Veterinary Technicians in Animal Health and Conservation

May 12 https://www.CZS.org/ LectureSeries

Get a behind-the-scenes

look on Zoom into Brookfield Zoo's Animal Hospital's operations and the support that "vet techs" provide beyond their roles of caring for their animal patients, like support for anesthesia, diagnostic imaging, dentistry and laboratory analyses as well as for conservation projects and research. Time: 7 p.m. Cost: \$10 donations appreciated. RR

# ■ The Conservation of the Guam Kingfisher

May 25 https://www.CZS.org/ LectureSeries

Join Tim Snyder, curator of birds for the Chicago Zoological Society, as he shares the history and conservation efforts for the Guam kingfisher in this Zoom lecture. He will discuss how the species was close to extinction with the introduction of the invasive brown tree snake to the island as well as exciting current preparations being done in hopes of being able to release the bird back to protected areas on neighboring islands.

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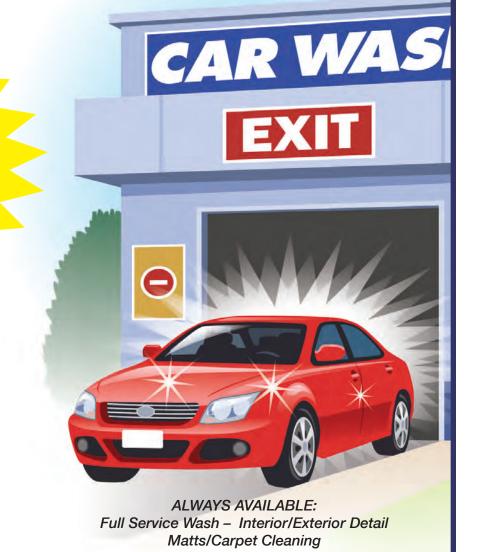
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Also learn how the CZS is contributing to this effort. Time: 7 p.m. Cost: \$10 donations appreciated. RR

# **■ Voyagers Travel Discussion Club: Destination Tokyo**

May 26 http://www.hinsdalelibrary.

Join this virtual trip to Tokyo through the Hinsdale Public Library, with stops at the city's most popular destinations, as well as historical context and cultural background, as Japan's capital prepares to host the 2021 Summer Olympics. Include an email address when registering to receive an online meeting invitation. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

#### **NOTEWORTHY**

#### **■ Chamber Orchestra**

May 11 https://www.atthemac.org

The orchestra, under the direction of Philip Bauman, is a mixed group of instrumentalists consisting of student and community members who will perform a livestreamed concert featuring traditional chamber music as well as jazz, contemporary classical, theater and film music. Time: 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$7 per household.

#### **■** The Tower Chorale Rocks Through May 11 https://www.towerchorale. org

The Tower Chorale's mini virtual pops concert, featuring classic rock songs, "I'm Still Standing" by Elton John, "You've Got a Friend" by Carole King and an exciting a cappella eight-part arrangement of "Mr. Blue Sky" by the Electric Light Orchestra, is available on the website listed above. There is no cost, but donations are appreciated and can be made through the website. Time: 3 p.m.

## ■ A Salute to Frida

May 15 premiere https://www.atthemac.org/ events/np-salute-to-frida/

Celebrate the heritage of Frida Kahlo through the rhythm and sounds of Mexico, in anticipation of the major exhibit of her works to be held at the MAC in June. The New Philharmonic will perform works by Mexican-born composers Agustin Lara, Arturo Márquez, Manuel Ponce,

Armando Manzanero and Rafael Mendez, and feature soprano Michelle Areyzaga, tenor Jesse Donner and bandoneon Ben Bogart. The virtual concert will continue to be available to ticketholders on-demand through June 15. Time: 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$51, \$49 for seniors.

# **■** Rachmaninoff Concertos

Available through June 15 https://www.atthemac.org/ events/np-rachmaninoff

International pianist Wael Farouk and the New Philharmonic orchestra performance from College of DuPage's McAninch Art Center of Rachmaninoff's Concerto 1 in F-sharp minor, Concerto 2 in C minor and Concerto 3 in D-minor is available on demand. A video interview of Wael Farouk with MAC Director Diana Martinez and Maestro Kirk Muspratt is also available. Time: 7:30 p.m. Cost: \$40 per household.

#### **ON SCREEN**

#### ■ 'Jason & Elvis'

Ongoing https://vimeo.

om/521546434/650888c78f

The Theatre of Western Springs' newest offering from its TWS Connections series is this 15-minute film written by Steven Simoncic, directed by Angelee Johns, and featuring TWS actor Jason McCargo and Children's Theatre student Cooper Brown. Use the link listed above and enjoy the sweet, funny and touching story of a shy boy who finds courage and self confidence from the King himself.

### **ON STAGE**

#### **■** Directors' Workshop

May 15 & 16 Laidlaw Park 4125 Hampton Ave., Western **Springs** https://theatreofwesternsprings.com (708) 246-4043

The Theatre of Western Springs presents three oneact plays about romance: "A Matter of Husbands" by Ferenc Molnar, "A Marriage Has Been Arranged" by Alfred Sutro and "Bothered" by Colleen Neuman. The program should last about an hour without intermission. Seating is limited, and walks-ups are allowed

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only if capacity is not reached. Audience members should bring chairs and a hat for the sun. Rain dates are May 22 and 23 Times: 2 and 6 p.m. Tickets: At-will donations accepted.

# ■ Shakespeare Appreciation Class

May 20 https://www.theatreofwesternsprings.com (708) 246-4043

Prepare for the Theatre of Western Springs' upcoming production of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" with a virtual evening of conversation featuring a lecture by Courtney Beresheim, followed by a discussion of the play. Beresheim is a high school English teacher and also a member of the Director's Workshop and Playwright Group. To access this Zoom meeting, go to https://us02web.zoom. us/j/81470695612?pwd=W-WM0aFM3aWZaeHVwWG-JEVlhtUmR0UT09 and enter meeting ID 814 7069 5612 and passcode 4384. Contact Nicole Leatherwood at nleatherwood@comcast.net for more information. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.

# **RUNS & WALKS**

#### ■ Walk the Walk for Mental Health

May 23 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org

This 14th annual fundraising event will take place in person to support access to mental health services in the community. Registrants are asked to walk a mile and take part as a team to collect donations from family and friends. The school team with the highest participation will win a special prize, as will teams with the highest fundraising total and highest number of participants. All participants will receive a commemorative T-shirt. Start times will be set to ensure social distancing; walkers must wear a mask. Time: 8:30 a.m. Registration: \$30 through May 7, then \$35.

# ■ Spring 5k Run/Walk

Through May 30 https://www.CZS.org/ SpringRun2021 Brookfield Zoo's first-ever Virtual Spring 5k Run/Walk allow participants to choose the time and place — through a forest preserve, along a waterfront trail or in a neighborhood — or, run the full 5K to compare times with other runners. Each participant receives a beanie, virtual medal and completion certificate. Race materials will be mailed. Cost: \$30. RR

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### **■** Armed Forces Day

May 15 Burr Ridge Veterans Memorial

7660 S. County Line Road Major General Robert Castellvi is the keynote speaker at this patriotic celebration hosted by the village of Burr Ridge and the Veterans Memorial Committee. World War II veteran Charlie Hartley and Honor Flight volunteer Pat Liss will be presented with the Jack Schaus Patriot Award for their exemplary patriotism in support of past and present military members. Water and snacks will be provided. COVID-19 protocols apply. All are welcome. Time: 10 a.m.

#### **■** Free mulch

May 15 & 22 Blackwell Forest Preserve 29W220 Mack Road, West Chicago (630) 876-5920 https://www.dupageforest. org

Homeowners may bring vehicles no larger than a pick-up truck to pick up free wood chips from DuPage Forest Preserve District's native plant nursery. A district employee will be on hand with a tractor to help; people who want smaller amounts should bring hand tools and containers.

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Masks and social distancing are required, and visitors must exit the nursery by 1 p.m. Hours: 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### **■** Aging Well Month

Through May 31 https://www.agingcareconnections.org/aging-wellmonth.html

Aging Care Connections is celebrating Older Adults Month by offering 45 free virtual programs tailored for older adults that encourage learning, self-care and socialization. Topics include fitness, estate planning, real estate, music, art and history. Programs are hosted by local businesses and organizations that have an interest in the health and well-being of older adults. To access the Zoom links, visit the website listed above.

#### **TEENS & TWEENS**

# Mindfulness for Teens April 30 (630) 986-1976

https://www.hinsdalelibrary.

info

Teens are invited to relax their bodies and minds by practicing mindfulness in this Hinsdale Public Library group Zoom session, using breathing methods, guided imagery and more to help reduce stress. Time: 4 to 5 p.m.

#### **WEE ONES**

# ■ Mother Nature and Me: Snakes

May 19
Little Red Schoolhouse
Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road,
Willow Springs
(708) 839-6897
https://www.fpdcc.com

Children ages 3-5 years old and their favorite adult will learn about snakes through outdoor adventures and activities. Masks and physical distancing are required. Time: 10 a.m. RR

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Each week, a different junior board is organizing a collection (see details below) and will be profiled on Page 7. The Hinsdalean will donate two full pages of ads to the winning junior board and \$1,000 to HCS in their name.

**APRIL 10-11** 

**Hinsdale Humane Society Junior Board** 

**APRIL 17-18** 

**Hinsdale Hospital Foundation Junior Board** 

**APRIL 24-25** 

The Community House Junior Board

**MAY 1-2** 

**Hinsdale Historical Society Junior Board** 

**MAY 15-16** 

**HCS Junior Board** 

**MAY 22-23** 

**Infant Welfare Society Junior Board** 

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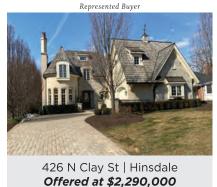
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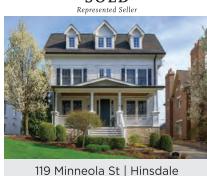
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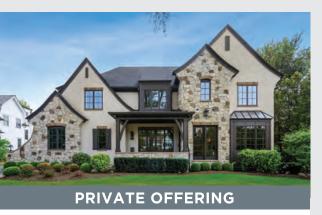




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# **SUMMER CAMPS**

#### **ART CAMPS**

#### ■ Mixed Media Art

June 14-17 Tianto Art 941 S. Monroe St., Hinsdale (630) 363-884 https://www.tiantoart.com

Students will participate in drawing and printmaking and create a mask and a kite in this outdoor summer art camp run by Hinsdale resident Chun Ye. An art show and reception will be held in October at the Hinsdale Public Library. Groups will be limited to four to six students. All materials are included. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. Cost: \$185

# ■ Drawing from Life

June 14-17 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

Kids ages 7-16 will learn foundational skills to take their work to the next level from master artist David Marcet. Learn to see and draw like a pro. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$213. RR, MD

### **■ Summer Arts Camp**

June 21-Aug. 13 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

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## ■ Multi-Art Week

June 21-24 Tianto Art 941 S. Monroe St., Hinsdale (630) 363-884 https://www.tiantoart.com

Students will participate in 3-D drawing, clay art, drawing and mask-making in this outdoor summer art camp run by Hinsdale resident Chun Ye. An art show and reception will be held in October at the Hinsdale Public Library. Groups will be limited to four to six students. All materials are included. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. Cost: \$185.

## **■** Paintbrush Camp

June 21-25 Burr Ridge Park District Community Center 15W400 Harvester Drive (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

Participants 6 and older will enjoy several hours of painting with nontoxic acrylic paints each day. Daily ideas and inspiration will be provided, with small group and individual instruction. Time: 1 to 4:30 p.m. Cost: \$125.

# **BAKING & COOKING CAMPS**

#### **■** Baking Camp

June 14-18
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
https://www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

This Whole Child Learning camp for ages 5 to 11 will teach participants the basics of baking as they measure, mix and knead their way to tasty treats. Kids will sample their creations and take some home, too. Masks must be worn. Additional sessions will be offered July 6-9 and Aug. 16-20. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$365, with early bird and member discounts.

# **■** Culinary Science Camp

June 21-25 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

Kids ages 5 to 11 will learn the basics of cooking and have a blast in this Whole Child Learning camp. They will make breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks; design an apron; and compete in a Chopped Challenge. Masks must be worn. Additional sessions will be offered July 12-16 and Aug. 9-13 (1 to 4 p.m.). Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$365, with early bird and member discounts.

### **CAMPS FOR YOUNG KIDS**

### **■** Guppies Kiddie Camp

June 14-Aug. 20 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

This day camp for kids ages 3-6 will offer fun, creative learning experiences including sports, drama and environmental awareness, with field trips and a different theme each week. All participants must be toilet trained. Sign up for the whole summer, individual weeks or individual days. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$200 a week, \$45 a day. RR, MD

# ■ Zion Early Childhood Summer Camp

June 14-Aug. 2 204 S. Grant St., Hinsdale https://www.zionhinsdale.org (630) 323-0384

Zion Early Childhood Education center is offering eight one-week sessions of summer camp for 2 1/2- to 6-year-olds. Campers participate in theme-based activities that are appropriate for the child's age group, including games, music, outdoor exploration, creative art, language arts, Jesus time, snack and free-choice time. Sign up for two days a week, full weeks or all eight weeks. The camp day can be extended to 2 p.m. with "Munch a Lunch and a Bunch of Fun." Jump Into Summer programs are offered from June 1-11; see website for details. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$37 a day for morning session, \$29 more to extend day (including lunch). RR

#### **■** Pokémon Engineering

June 21-25 Burr Ridge Park District Community Center 15W400 Harvester Drive (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

Campers ages 5 and 6 will join Ash and Pikachu as they build, capture, train and explore the vast world of Pokémon with tens of thousands of LEGO parts, all while exploring engineering with the guidance of a Play-Well instructor. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$156. RR

# ■ Little Wing British Invasion Camp

June 21-25 School of Rock 116 S. Washington St., Hinsdale (630) 936-4742 https://locations.schoolofrock.com/hinsdale/

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June 14-17, Draw on Brown Paper, Mask, Printmaking, Kite

# Multi- Art Week

June 21-24, Magic 3D Drawing Magic Clay Art Mask

#### Draw on Black Paper Mixed Craft

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July 5-8, Storyboard, Character, Working on Project, Finalize **Mixed Art** 

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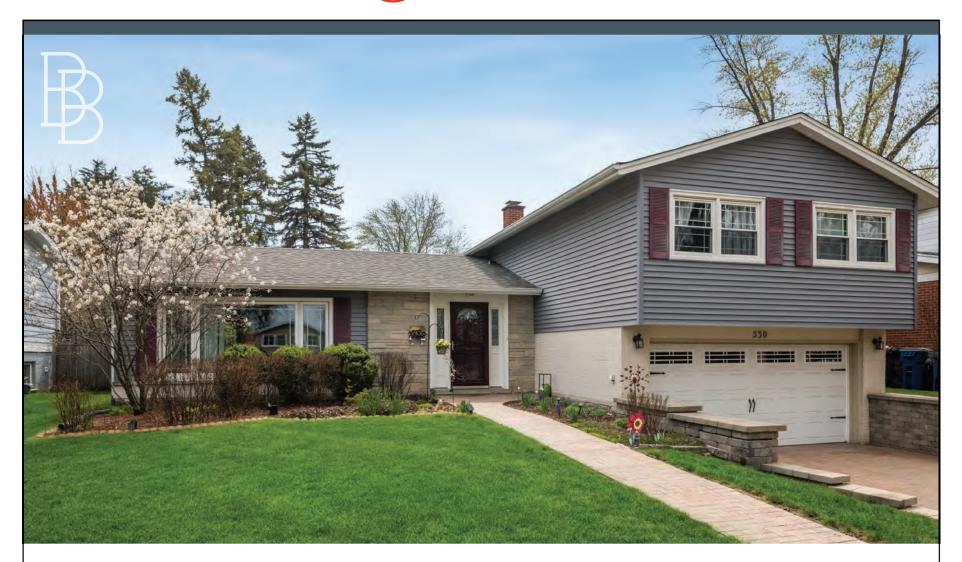
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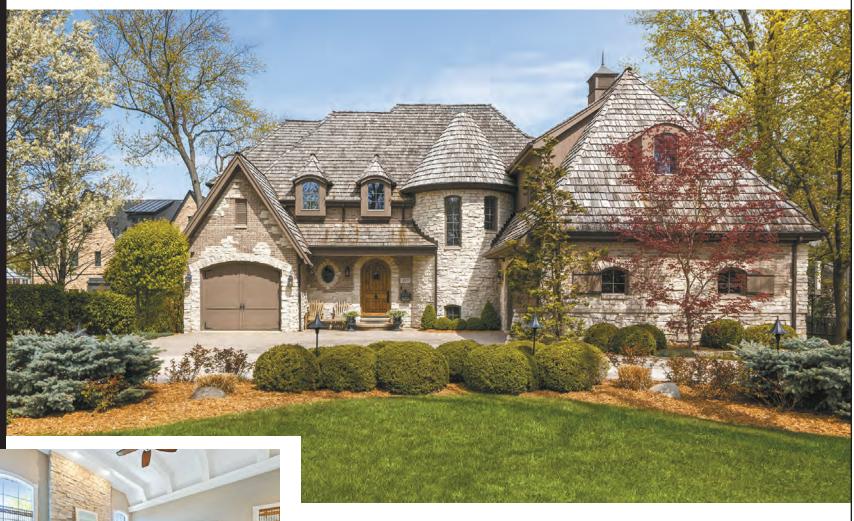
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music-camps

In this camp, 3- to 5-yearolds will learn about artists such as The Beatles, The Who, Queen and The Rolling Stones as they develop a love and understanding of music through play. Time: 10 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$199. RR

# ■ Nature Safari Mini Camp

June 21-22 Lake View Nature Center 17W063 Hodges Road, Oakbrook Terrace (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

Take a trip to the wild terrain of Terrace View Park and spot exciting native wildlife. Kids ages 4-7 will learn about local creatures and explore the urban jungle through handson activities, stories and crafts. Additional sessions are set for July 8-9 & 29-30. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. Cost: \$39. RR

#### **CODING CAMPS**

#### **■** Minecraft Builder

June 14-18 Code Ninjas 842 E. Ogden Ave., Westmont (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

Kids ages 7 to 14 will learn digital modeling processes and storytelling as they build scenes in Minecraft and produce stories in their digital world. They also will be introduced to recording, editing and mixing audio and visual. Another session is set for Aug. 9-13. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$299. RR

#### **■** Robotics Book Camp

June 14-18 Code Ninjas 842 E. Ogden Ave., Westmont (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

Campers will explore the wonders of robotics using the Ninja Toolkit to its full potential. Each day kids ages 5 to 14 will work through progressively more advanced projects, simultaneously learning engineering and programming. Time: 12:30 to 3:30. Cost: \$299.

#### **DAY CAMPS**

■ Summer Day Camp

June 14-Aug. 20 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

Kids ages 6 to 13 (grouped by age) will create memories and safely enjoy time with their peers as they experience sports, drama and environmental awareness, with field trips, special guests and a different theme each week. Sign up for the whole summer. individual weeks or individual days. Before and after care (7 to 9 a.m. and 3 to 6 p.m.) are available at an additional cost. Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost: \$300 a week. \$65 a day. RR, MD

#### **MUSIC CAMPS**

#### **■ Music Production Camp**

June 22-24
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
https://www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Obsessed with pop, rock or hip-hop music? Ever wonder what goes into making the catchiest songs you hear on the radio? Composer and musician Jon Kostal takes students 8 and older through the production process layer by layer. Campers will collaborate on making and recording their very own songs. No knowledge of playing an instrument is required — just curiosity and love of music. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$177. RR, MD

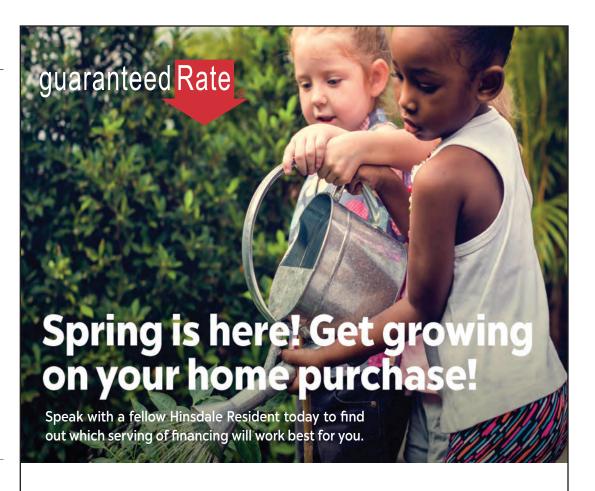
#### **MUSICAL THEATER CAMPS**

# ■ 'Seussical' Musical Theater Camp

Weekdays, June 7-18
First United Methodist
Church
4330 Howard Ave., Western
Springs
https://www.musicmakersstudio.com
(708) 246-8222

Music Makers is offering this intensive musical theater experience for children in kindergarten through eighth grade. Auditions are by appointment from 3 to 7 p.m. Wednesday, June 2. Visit the website listed above. Performances are at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, June 18-19, on the front porch of Music Makers, 4332 Howard Ave., Western Springs. Rehearsal times: noon to 2:30

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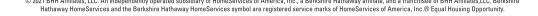
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p.m. for Cast A, 2:30 to 5 p.m. for Cast B. Tuition: \$400.

# ■ BAM Broadway Workshop Series

June 14-Aug. 14 https://ticketpeak.co/bam/ classes

This is the perfect summer camp for any kid who has a theatrical side. Each camp session offers a unique show and is skillfully designed for a specific age group. Students will learn the foundational practices for musical theater singing, acting and dance. Each session culminates with a final performance so each student gets to shine. Rehearsals and performances will take place at a location in the Hinsdale or Clarendon Hills area. Openings remain for Broadway Tots! "Peter Pan" (9 to 9:45 a.m. June 28-July 2 for ages 2 to 5), "SpongeBob Musical" (10 a.m. to 1 p.m. July 12-17 for ages 7 to 13) and "BWS Jedi Masters" (19 a.m. to 1 p.m. or 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. July 26-31 for ages 8 to 15). Cost: \$75 for Broadway Tots, \$255

plus fees for other camps.

# ■ CTWS 'The Little Mermaid' Summer Camp

June 28-July 9 Theatre of Western Spring 4384 Hampton Ave. https://www.theatreofwesternsprings.com

Kids in kindergarten through seventh grade will present this Disney classic. COVID-19 protocols will be practiced. Final performances will be filmed on the last day of camp. Additional sessions will be offered July 12-23 and July 26-Aug. 6. Times: 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$400.

# ■ CTWS 'Something Rotten' Summer Camp

July 5-23 Theatre of Western Springs 4384 Hampton Ave. (708) 246-4043 https://www.theatreofwesternsprings.com

Kids who will enter seventh grade this year through those who have completed high school will enjoy performing in this Broadway hit. The final performance will be filmed on the last day of camp. Sessions are limited to 50 people (campers and staff) and masks will be required. Times: 2 to 6 p.m. Cost: \$500. RR

#### **OUTDOOR CAMPS**

# **■** Survivor Mini Camp

June 28-30 Lake View Nature Center 17W063 Hodges Road, Oakbrook Terrace (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

Campers will learn fun skills like tent building, wayfinding, starting a campfire and being safe outdoors. The program is for kids ages 8-11 and will be outside rain or shine. A second session is set for July 21-23. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$85. RR

# Zombie Camp After Dark

July 12-15 Burr Ridge Park District Community Center 15W400 Harvester Drive (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org Kids ages 8-12 will meet at the center then head out to Harvester Park to learn to build a shelter, find their way through the wilderness and survive the "zombie disaster." Time: 6 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$130

### **SPECIAL INTEREST CAMPS**

#### **■ Volunteer Camp**

June 14-17 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

Rising seventh- through ninth-graders will travel by and from The Community House to a different location each morning following an orientation to volunteering. Participants will receive a T-shirt and pizza lunch on Thursday. Additional sessions will be offered June 21-24, June 28-July 1 and July 12-15. Sign up for one or all four. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$135. RR,

**■** Comedy Improv Camp

June 14-18 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

Kids ages 9-17 will enjoy working with award-winning actress Mina Dillard-Gits, trained at Second City and the Groundlings in L.A. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$213. RR, MD

# **■ EV Sewing Camp**

June 21-25 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

EV Sewing Camp promotes self-confidence, encouragement and more as students age 7 to 14 work on a different project each day, gaining a great sense of accomplishment after they see each garment come to life. There is a fashion show at the end of the week for the students to showcase all of their hard work. The atmosphere is

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### **SUMMER CAMPS**

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fun and light-hearted, and all levels of experience are welcome. Sewing machines will be provided for those who do not own one. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$400. RR, MD

#### **SPORTS CAMPS**

#### **■** 5 Star Soccer Camp

June 14-18 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

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June 14-18 Burns Field 320 N. Vine St., Hinsdale (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

Players ages 7-12 of all skill levels will work on passing, serving, defense, setting, blocking and hitting along with technique, set location, play sets, footwork and overall knowledge of the game. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$115. RR

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June 14-24 Robbins Park hockey field Seventh and Vine streets, Hinsdale (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

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#### S.T.E.M. CAMPS

#### ■ Harry Potter Science Camp June 14-18

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

Kids ages 5 to 11 are invited to join the wizarding class at Hogwarts and learn how to cast spells and mix potions that actually work in this Whole Child Learning camp. Masks must be worn. An additional session will be offered from 1 to 4 p.m. Aug. 2-6. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$325, with early bird and member discounts.

#### ■ Pokémon Master Engineering

June 21-25 Burr Ridge Park District Community Center 15W400 Harvester Drive (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

Campers ages 7 to 12 will start their training in Pallet Town and expand their Pokédex as they collect their favorite Pokémon with LEGO materials. Design and build as never before and explore crazy ideas while learning about STEM concepts. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$156. RR

#### **■** Minecraft Camp

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This Whole Child Learning camp for ages 5 to 11 will give kids — from beginners to advanced players — the chance to play games with their friends and make crafts. Masks must be worn. Additional sessions will be offered from 1 to 4 p.m. July 26-30 and Aug. 16-20. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$325, with early bird and member discounts.

### ■ **LEGO Engineering Camp** June 21-25

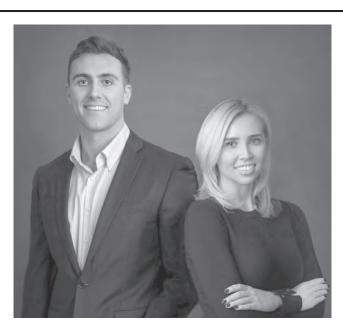
The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500 Kids ages 5 to 10 will design moving assemblies, build bridges and robots, and explore programming with WeDo Robotics in this Whole Child Learning camp. Masks must be worn. Additional sessions are July 19-22 and Aug. 16-20 (9 a.m. to noon). Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$325, with early bird and member discounts.

#### **■ Vet Science Camp**

June 28 to July 1 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.thecommunityhouse.org (630) 323-7500

In this Whole Child Learning camp, kids ages 5 to 11 will give pet exams, learn about caring for pets and have live encounters. Masks must be worn. Additional sessions will be offered July 12-16 (1 to 4 p.m.) and Aug. 9-13. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$260, with early bird and member discounts.

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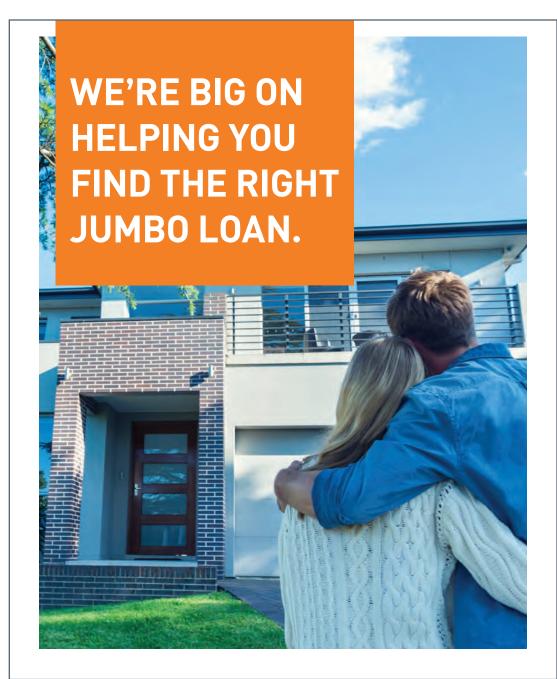
Deeds for the following properties in Hinsdale and Golfview Hills were recorded in DuPage County from March 23 to April 15.

- 1. 640 S. Bruner St., Neale Byrnes and Nickie Giannopoulos to Oakley Home Builders Inc., March 23, \$465,000
- **2. 1409 Burr Oak Road,** Cheryl, Alfonso and Angela Segreti to Douglas and Ellen Janson, March 24, \$392,000
- **3. 1401 Burr Oak Road,** John Lynch and the Patrick J. and Betty A. Lynch living trusts to Charles and Jean Preusser, March 24, \$373,000
- **4. 719 S. Bodin St.,** Benjamin and Jessica Jagoe to Robert DiGuardi, March 25, \$830,000
- **5. 920 Oakwood Terrace,** Leon Shen and Minli Wang to Matthew and Nicholas Makes, March 25, \$877,000
- **6. 414 N. Garfield Ave.,** Andrew and Caitlin Hazlett to Patrick and Rebecca Mardula, March 29, \$627,500
- **7. 5719 S. Monroe St.,** Thomas and Justine Randolph to Indika Edirisinghe and Samindi Gunasekara, March 30, \$950,000
- **8. 5508 S. Bruner St.,** Joshua and Molly Estrada to Brittney Blair, April 1, \$370,000
- **9. 573 N. Washington** St., Wells Fargo Bank NA to Lukson Matthew and Falix Chemmachel, April 2, \$944,000
- **10. 611 S. Quincy St.,** Patrick and Mary McGeever to Elvis Babila and Jacquelyn Sink, April 5, \$830,000
- 11.128 E. Eighth St., Donald J. and Marilynn J. Sliter trusts to John and Kristine Jeka, April 5, \$2,075,000
- **12. 404 S. Lincoln St.,** Dante and Patricia DeWitt to James and Jane Long, April 6, \$1,600,000
- **13. 725 S. Quincy St.,** Chicago Title Land Trust Co. to Jennifer Beringer, April 7, \$960.000
- **14. 360 Claymoor Road,** Midland States Bank to Wael

McTabi, April 7, \$170,000

- 15. 803 S. Lincoln St., Carole M. Quick Trust to Timothy and Natalie Heitmann, April 7, \$2,185,000
- **16. 436 Ashbury Drive,** Tao Xu and Aiwei Tian to Marwa Allahham and Abdelrahman Salem, April 8, \$491,000
- 17. 320 Claymoor Road, Pete and Yiota Alexopoulous to Charissa Herkel, April 8, \$173,000
- **18.119S. Quincy St.,** Daniel and Amanda McQuade to Nicholas and Kassandra Carreri, April 9, \$1,285,000
- **19. 331 Ravine Road,** Michele McKee to Brendan Lohr and Carly Wolfe, April 9, \$659,900
- **20. 730 S. Adams St.,** Laurence and Janice Rosenberg to Christ and McKenna Milkie, April 9, \$869,900
- **21. 220 S. Quincy St.,** Paul and Cynthia Busse to Richard and Christine Hennessey, April 9, \$1,700,000
- **22. 127 W. Third St.,** Lynn Ronchetto to Daniel and Elizabeth Bajadek, April 9, \$435,000
- **23.735 S. Quincy St.,** Jeffrey and Jennifer Giles to William Cartwright and the Erin L. Cartwright Living Trust, April 12, \$2,350,000
- **24. 106 E. 55th St.,** Rosalie Bataglia and the Jack P. and Lee M. Navarra trusts to Menra Family Living Trust, April 12, \$325,000
- **25. 207 N. Vine St.,** Kevin and Elizabeth O'Reilly to Markus and Christina Hiller, April 12, \$1,175,000
- **26. 625 S. Monroe St.,** Kevin and Elise Baskel revocable trusts to Amysley Upp and Katerina Mallios, April 14, \$1,365,000
- **27. 29 S. Thurlow St.,** Scott and Tamera Snyder to Kyle and Jillian Geers, April 14, \$689,900
- **28. 439 N. Madison St.,** Jacqueline G. Krug 1992 Trust to Alyssa and Alexander Harris, April 15, \$775,000

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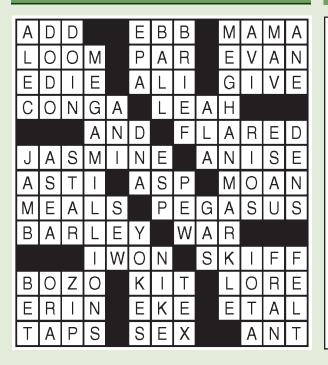
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by Linda Thistle

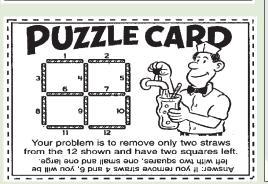
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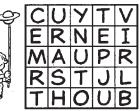
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May 2021 Horoscopes · Week 2



CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
It's not possible to transform the people you know with a magic wand or a twinkle of your nose, Capricorn. Let others be who they are and apprewho they are and appreciate their individuality.



ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20 ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
It could be that you are very aware of things going on around you this week, Aries. Unfortunate ly, many of them will be out of your control. Still, keep an open mind.

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, if you need to confront someone this week, do so tactfully. Remember the adage about catching more flies with noney. You'll find that tactic is handy.





LIBHA - Sept 23/Uct 23
Libra, write down new
goals, as it seems your
emotions have changed
over the past several days.
This way you can channel



AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18 Aquarius, if you are feeling a bit neglected and unloved this week, ask your partner for some support. He or she will take the cue and the snark will reignite spark will reignite.



Relax and settle down for a few days, Taurus. Take some time to enjoy the people around you and try to travel to some new locales along the way.

A little vacation can be helpful

helpful.



Leo, this week could be-come a tad challenging as strong astrological ener-gies are affecting people's emotions. Maintain your composure at all costs.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22



SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, this week you dare to go against the grain and make your voice hear. Embrace your self-confidence and don't hesitate to take on a leadership role.



PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20 PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20 Some conflicts within the family have you serving as peacemaker, Pisces. Negotiate with others to resolve their differences.





GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Don't be surprised if some relatively minor details cause a setback in the days ahead, Gemini. Some heightened focus might be in order. Try to zone in.

WIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Your organizational skills are about to increase productivity ten-fold this week, Virgo. Don't be afraid to take big chances and even grab the helm on a large project.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Your presence will be remarkable this week, Sagittarius. You radiate confidence and energy for all to see, and the people around you could be counting on you for leadership.



### **SPORTS**

# Competition is heating up for Red Devils

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because they already have that connection. Cullen Bradley, he's a senior middle blocker. He's also very spunky. You could put him anywhere. Very coachable kid as well.

Outlook: Honestly, from scouting other teams, this week is going to be a pretty rough week for us. I feel like every match we've had this season has gotten more difficult than the previous match. We are definitely going to be right there at the top. It's whether we push through the hard times with matches and evolve if the changes occur. The top teams are Glenbard West and Downers Grove South, which we are playing this week. We're 4-0 on the season and we really showed grit through the two matches we played last week, the York match and the LT match. We won both those matches in three sets. This week is definitely going to show us how well we are going to do this season.

**Furthermore:** This team, I just feel like they are good friends off the court, which is a nice thing for a team to be gelling well. Something our captains do a really good job of is making sure everyone is included.

#### **Wrestling**

**First meet:** April 28 vs. LT **Last year:** third at regionals, four competed at sectional, two state qualifiers

**Head coach:** Jason Hayes Seasons as head coach: 12th **No. team members:** 14 on varsity

Strengths: There's a good group of seniors. We have good senior leadership. We have good lightweights, middleweights and some at the top. We have a lot of good student-athletes. They want to better themselves as humans.

They have high goals past wrestling, past sports. I wish they could have competed for a regional championship, but it is what it is.

**Challenges:** I think it was

going to be one of our toughest teams from top to bottom, from 106 to heavyweight. Due to the pandemic, guys are going different weights. That's a challenge for some of the guys. Every year we always talk about getting guys to the state championship or on the podium. There is no state championship or podium this year. Motivating the guys from a different angle is a challenge. Also just getting guys to come out again. There are five other sports going on right now – baseball, track, wrestling, rugby, volleyball. They have to pick from those sports. Our numbers have dropped a little. Usually we have around 60 to 70. This year we have 40 to 45

is dealing with the same issues. Logistics — like actually getting your team to another school as far as buses and weigh-ins — that's been a lot of work. I really feel for our administrators this year. Hat's off to them. They are getting tugged every which way. There are so many unknowns and you are constantly making changes. I think it's also making stronger people, stronger human beings.

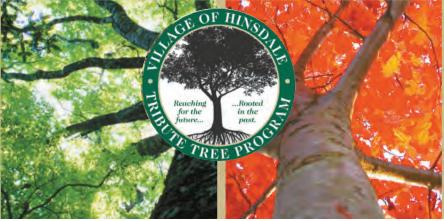
Who to watch: Andrew Perez, he's at 132 pounds, senior, two-time sectional qualifier. I know his goal was to get to state this year and place. Chris Robinson, also a two-time sectional qualifier at heavyweight. I know his goal was to get down to state and place. We have returning state placer Cody Tavaso. He took sixth as a freshman. He's a sophomore. JT Pyle, he's coming back, he's our current 195-pounder, he's a junior. Kim Song, at 152 and 160, he was a sectional qualifier last year and his goal was to get

down to the state championship and place this year, too.

Outlook: I think it will be up and down with people at different weights. Our motto this year is just go out and compete hard and have fun. I think we'll be competing with all of (our conference opponents) at a high level.

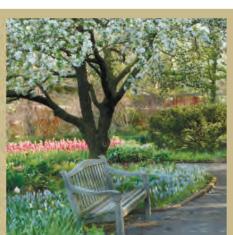
Furthermore: I am just blessed that the kids get an opportunity to wrestle and compete. There was a time when we didn't think there was going to be a wrestling season. I'm extremely happy for this senior group. Our staff has been working with (some of them) for 12 years. We're also trying to change something up. We're trying to have a wrestling meet outside on the football field to get more fans. It's something for the seniors to finish off on a positive note. The kids are working hard. I'm truly blessed to be able to teach and coach





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- Jim C., Downers Grove, IL

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### **SPORTS** — ROUNDUP

#### STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



Name: Jack Salerno Year: senior Hometown: Hinsdale

### When did you start playing lacrosse?

I started in third grade with the Western Springs lacrosse program. My older brother played it, and I always loved the physicality of it without having to tackle anybody.

### What was it like having last season canceled?

It was tough because we knew that we had a great team and a great senior class, and they weren't able to have a final season.

### What do you love about the sport?

I've grown to love the energy that comes from lacrosse players. Every lacrosse player has a couple of screws loose in their head, so I love just being around other players.

#### What's the toughest part?

This season just being mentally ready to go all the time. With as many as three games a week, making sure that your mind and body are ready to play your hardest.

### How would your teammates describe you?

Probably fun and funny. I just like to get out there and have some fun but get serious when I need to be.

### Do you have any pregame routines?

Just listening to a lot of rock music and getting my mind-

set right with my teammates.

#### How do you exert leadership as a co-captain?

Definitely trying to make sure that the team knows all the practice times and what we're doing that day and that everyone feel like they're a part of the team.

### What are your season goals?

To make it to state if we can do it. Personally to become a better team member and grow into my leadership role.

### Where might we find you 10 years from now?

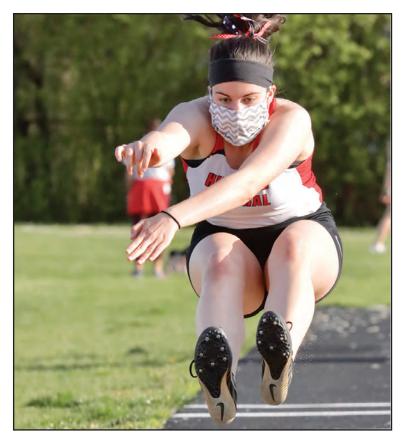
Probably sitting lakeside somewhere with a fishing rod in my hand and friends by my side.

#### Why does coach Dave Demasi like having Salerno on the squad?

Jack is a senior attackman and captain who leads by example. He is extremely coachable and is always looking to become a better player and teammate. With his size and strength, Jack can take any player one-on-one and, in many cases, two- or threeon-one. Jack is the type of player who will do anything in his power to make the team better, and we are lucky to have him as a leader for this team. Jack will be missed next year, as a player, captain and person.

> — profile by Ken Knutson, photo by Jim Slonoff

### Instant replay



**Hinsdale Central** long jumper Alexis Lincoln extends on an attempt while teammate shot putter Teagan Dunn releases her throw during the WSC Triangular April 26 at Central. Leena Abu-Ghazalah and Ellen Simmons compete in the 300-meter hurdle sprint event. The meet with **Downers Grove** South and Leyden was not scored. (Jim Slonoff photos)





### **SPORTS** — ROUNDUP

#### STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



Name: AJ Hood Year: senior Hometown: Hinsdale

# What's your earliest memory of playing volleyball?

I played at Hinsdale Middle School and we had fun, but it wasn't great volleyball. Then I played club volleyball in the off-season and had fun and I realized I was kind of good.

### What do you enjoy about the sport?

It's such a fast-paced game, and it's really a sport that relies on teamwork and communication between you and your teammates and having good chemistry.

# Is this year extra special after last season's cancellation?

It's amazing. We had just had tryouts when we heard the season was canceled. It was devastating at first, So this year, to even think that we'll have a state tournament is incredible. I wasn't even sure If I'd have a senior season.

# As a team captain, what does leadership mean to you?

Trying to help everyone as best as I can and give out tips. Leadership means connecting the entire team, making sure we're all on the same page and working toward a common goal

What's your goal for the

#### season?

I'm hoping for state championship, and I think we can get there. We're really playing cohesively as a unit. I think the sky's the limit.

#### What's next for you?

I'm committed to the University of Illinois, and I hope to play club volleyball there.

### What are you going to miss most about Central?

I'm really going to miss the teachers and friends I've gotten to know.

### Who should play you in "The AJ Hood Story"?

Definitely Leonardo DiCaprio.

#### Why does coach Stephanie Kaegebein like having Hood on the squad?

When AJ tried out his freshman year, he made the JV team and was an impact player and leader right away. AJ stepped up during the 2019 season when a starting outside hitter injured himself. Two years later, AJ has stepped up his game even more. His leadership qualities have never ceased, his high level of play is awe-inspiring to watch, and many of his teammates look up to him. I see AJ pushing his team to go to state at the end of our season and being a leader offensively and defensively on the court.

> — profile by Ken Knutson, photo by Jim Slonoff

#### RESULTS

Baseball May 3 @ York V wins 12-4 J. Adams, 3 RBIs L. Adams, home run, 2 RBIs, 3 runs Oosterbaan, 2 RBI, run, 8 strikeouts Jurgenson, 2 runs Daker, run

Lacrosse, boys May 3 @ Glenbard West

Mulvihill, run

V loses 4-13
Galassi, goal
McCarter, goal
Murphy, goal, assist
Salerno, goal
May 1 @ Downers
South
V wins 13-12 (OT)
April 30 vs. St. Ignatius
V wins 19-3
April 28 vs. OP-RF
V loses 7-9

Lacrosse, girls May 1 @ Downers North V wins 21-1 April 28 @ OP-RF V wins 20-3

Soccer, girls
May 4 @ Downers
North
V loses 0-1
April 29 @ Glenbard
West
V wins 3-2 (shootout)

Softball May 3 @ Addison Trail V loses 2-12 April 30 @ Downers North V loses 4-11

Tennis, boys
May 4 vs. OP-RF
V wins 7-0
Shah, 6-2, 6-1
Wafai, 6-1, 6-1
Sahgal, 6-2, 6-1
A. Hernandez/N.
Hernandez, 6-0, 6-1
Treiber/Lipari, 6-2, 6-1
Amin/Alden, 6-1, 6-0
Tolani/Koranda, 6-0, 6-0
April 30 vs. LT
V wins 6-1
V wins 6-1
April 29 @ Downers
North

V wins 7-0

Track, girls
May 3 @ Proviso West
Triangular
V places 1st with 65
points
100 meters
Lincoln, 2nd, 14.9
Koularis, 4th, 16.88
Kizior, 5th, 16.97
Yopp, 6th, 17.69
200 meters
Sommers, 2nd, 29.04
McInerney, 4th, 32.15
Kizior, 6th, 34.61
Yopp, 7th, 35.42
400 meters
Shtogryn, 1st, 1:03.54
Milligan, 2nd, 1:04.15
800 meters
Boyd, 1st, 2:41.55
1,600 meters
Fischer, 1st, 5:43.1
Terry, 2nd, 5:43.55
Sakho, 3rd, 6:13.66
Gilmartin, 4th, 6:30.74
Maxwell, 5th, 6:30.83
Wilson, 9th, 7:02.64
300-meter hurdles
Griffin, 1st, 51.31
4×100-meter relay

4x400-meter relay V, 1st, 4:22.1 Shot put Burt, 2nd, 6.65 Schuuman, 5th, 6.19 Discus Schuuman, 1st, 26.06 Burt, 4th, 19.38 Long jump Griffin, 1st, 4.89 McInerney, 2nd, 4.59 Lincoln, 3rd, 4.37 Schuuman, 5th, 4.19 Koularis, 6th, 3.85

Triple jump Schuuman, 1st, 8.47 Volleyball, boys May 4 @ Downers South V loses 25-27. 20-25 Lange, 11 kills Snyder, 12 assists April 29 vs. LT V wins 25-18, 22-25, 25-23 Hood, 12 kills Lange, 10 kills, block Snyder, 38 assists, 2 blocks, kill

Water polo, boys April 28 @ St. Charles North V loses 1-18

Water polo, girls May 3 vs. Glenbrook South V wins 15-5 April 29 vs. St. Charels V wins 18-7 Thomas, 5 goals, 2 assists Barber, 3 goals Geiersbach, 3 goals. assist McMillin, 3 goals Theoharous, 3 goals, 2 assists Gucius, goal, assist Berger, assist Boggs, assist Zelenka, 9 saves Hanlon, 2 saves April 28 vs. St. Charles North V loses 2-4 Barber, goal Thomas, goal Berger, assist Zelenka, 8 saves

### Instant replay

V, 1st, 53.91





**Senior single players** Karem Wafai (top) and Ansh Shah take on their Oak Park-River Forest opponents Tuesday afternoon at Burns Field. The Red Devils vanquished their conference rival Huskies 7-0. (Jim Slonoff photos)

## **SPORTS**

# Competition is heating up for Devils

COVID-19 canceled two teams' 2020 seasons, created change for all 'summer' sports

By Pamela Lannom plannom@thehinsdalean.com

After missing out on an entire season last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Hinsdale Central girls soccer and boys volleyball teams are working to get this year's seniors — and underclassmen — up to speed. Meanwhile the wrestling team, which was able to complete its season last year and sent two individuals to state, is competing at a completely different time of year and working through changes in wrestlers' weight classes.

The teams' coaches offer a look at the athletes and the season as a whole in this, the final article in a three-part series. The other seven summer sports were previewed in the April 22 and 29 issues.

#### **Girls soccer**

**First meet:** April 20 vs. OP-RF (V wins 4-2)

Last year: season canceled

due to COVID-19

**Head coach:** Tony Madonia

Seasons as head coach:

No. team members: 18 Strengths: Grit is the word that keeps being used by them and the coaching staff. They are just very gritty gritty and probably united.

Challenges: Lack of varsity playing experience and I guess that we're kind of young. We have two freshmen who get a lot of playing time, two sophomores who start pretty much every single game and only three seniors who are always playing.

Who to watch: All of them are really fun to watch and they are all emerging in a lot of ways and developing together. It's not a one-woman show, that's for sure.

Outlook: We've gotten off to a nice start. I think that we're going to do well. I think we're going to have a good season. We're going to have a lot more wins that losses. So far, we're on the right track. We're 4-1 with our only loss coming to Lyons, but we have a tough schedule because we have a tough conference and we're only playing conference teams. I always tell the girls the only team that is going to beat us is ourselves.

Furthermore: The four seniors who lost their season last year, the way they've been leading the team is just really impressive. They are nothing but encouraging to our younger athletes. Lauren Olererchik, Emma Elliott, Francesca Schiavitti and Grace Clopton — between the four of them, they are really good kids and really, really inspiring to be around. Really great teammates.

#### **Boys volleyball**

**First meet:** April 20 vs. Proviso West (V wins 25-10, 25-12)

Last year: season canceled due to COVID-19 Head coach: Stephanie

Kaegebein

Seasons as head coach:

4th

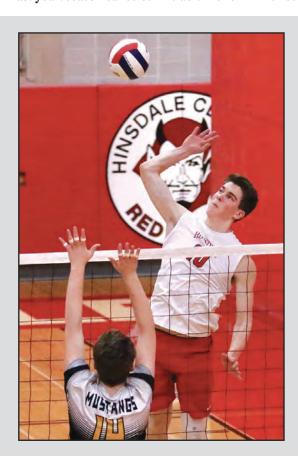
No. team members: 14 Strengths: Overall, I'm really excited about this team. We have five seniors. Our pin hitters are very, very strong overall. I think in every position we're pretty strong. We have three middles that are really good, very dynamic. Our back row defense is definitely very strong. We have three of the strongest liberos in the area. Our two seniors have been on varsity since their sophomore year, AJ Hood and Sam Schneider. Two really strong leaders and they are also captains, too. They know what I expect and they do a really good job of leading the team through some of the challenges we've been having.

Challenges: Our biggest challenge — and it probably is for most teams — is the fact that we didn't have a season last year. Last year was going to be a rebuilding season because we graduated so many the year before that. We need to make sure

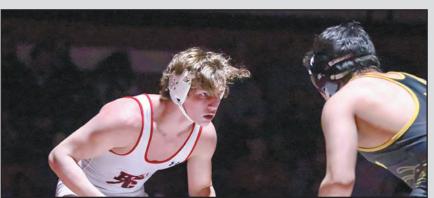
that every player that is new to the team gets on the same page. I think we're getting there. I feel like everything that comes up in a match, we pull out. Usually our team bounces back the next time we have a match and does a lot better. They've been pretty dynamic with being able to do better from their challenges.

Who to watch: AJ Hood is our 6th rotation right side or outside hitter and Sam Schneider is our 5-1 (offensive) 6th rotation setter. Our three liberos — our senior, Matt Schwab, our junior, which is Aiden Bonino, and our sophomore, who is Nick Kujalowicz, who is our starting libero currently. Jakobi Lange, hes another one of our 6th rotation outside hitters. He's actually a sophomore. He plays at a very high level for his age. One of our middles, Ethan Du, he's also a sophomore. The three of those sophomores play club together. That's kind of nice

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**After losing** the 2020 season to the coronavirus pandemic, the boys volleyball and girls soccer teams are excited to be back in competition. Wrestlers, who were able to compete last year, have had to wait a little longer for their 2020-21 season. The spot was moved from winter to the new "summer" season. (file photos)



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