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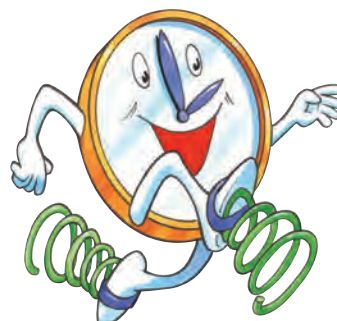
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NEWS

Parents should have answers by March 22

By Pamela Lannom
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Administrators said they are focused on finalizing protocols and procedures for the return to full-time in person school in Community Consolidated District 181 next month.

"As you know, we have school going on in full mode, and we've been working hard to get ready for April 5," Superintendent Hector Garcia said at Monday night's board meeting.

The board voted 4-3 Feb. 8 to return to full in-person instruction and agreed to send out a survey asking parents if they want their children to return. Sixty-two percent of families (1,665 students) who responded said they preferred full-time in person learning.

Starting April 5, the district will add to the safety protocols already in place, such as face coverings, social distancing and increased cleaning, said Rick Engstrom, assistant superintendent of business and operations.

"Surgical masks will be available and we've put HEPA air filters in all areas that will have students," he said.

At lunch, students will sit at individual desks at least 6 feet apart, and no more than 50 students will be seated in the same area, he said. HEPA air filters have been installed in these areas as well.

Elementary students will have a 50-minute lunch period, with 25 minutes to eat and 25 minutes for outdoor recess and indoor activities. Middle school students will have a 32-minute lunch.

Parents will be able to pick up students for lunch.

Details about lunch pickup and other procedures regarding full-time in person school will be sent to parents by March 22, Garcia said. He did note that coordinating lunches for families with kids in multiple grade levels would be impossible and that the middle school lunch period is brief.

"We know it's going to be challenging, but we want to give that option to parents," he said.

While administrators said they are doing all they can to maximize social distancing, it will not always be possible to have students 6 feet apart in classrooms.

Board member Margie Kleber said she sees 4 or 5 feet of separation as adequate but does not think 3 feet is

sufficient. Nor does she believe it's fair for students in some classes to sit closer together and students in other classes to be farther apart.

Board member Sheetal Rao agreed that 6 feet is preferable. But anything less than that creates the same problem, she noted.

"When it comes to quarantining, if it's under 6, whether its 3, 4, 5, they are quarantining," she said.

Another question parents have is why students are returning to school the Monday after spring break, Rao said. Garcia confirmed her statement that standardized testing is a factor. The testing window for the Illinois Assessment and Readiness test (formerly PARCC) opens April 12.

Garcia said delaying the start date might not have the desired effect.

"When you extend that period of time, that doesn't mean our parents are going to be coming back at the same time from their vacations," he said. "It could be extended and then we'd be back to square one."

Surveillance testing will begin March 19 for elementary school students and March 22 for middle schools. It will provide another layer of mitigation, district leaders said.

Key indicators of virus transmis-

sion are trending in the right direction, Garcia said.

"For the first time since week 5, we did not have any cases last week," he said. "We continue not to have any outbreaks. Our student attendance continues to be strong."

On Tuesday, the Illinois State Board of Education released revised public health guidance for schools. The new guidelines make allowances for social distancing of 3 to 6 feet for students and fully vaccinated staff. They also allow capacity to be determined by a space's ability to accommodate social distancing rather than a set number (50) or a percentage (20).

"The new guidance has not changed our plans," Garcia told The Hinsdalean on Wednesday. "We will continue to ensure 6 feet of social distancing during the lunch period. We'll also continue our process of maximizing spacing between desks."

"While 6 feet of distance between students is not possible in all situations, this condition will be minimized and no desk configuration will have less than 3 feet between desks," he added. "More detailed information will be shared from the building level once scheduling is complete."

Camp teaches all the right moves



A mini soccer camp provided a perfect place to learn all the basics of the game last month at The Community House. Luke Lawson does a bear crawl across the gym during warm ups. Conor Byrne finds a perfect seat and Ellie Merchant works on her aim. (Jim Slonoff photos)

NEWS

D86 candidates address host of topics

Ten vying for four open seats on Hinsdale High School District 86 Board

Where do the candidates stand on the issues?

Pamela Lannom compiled these responses from personal interviews and questionnaires.



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Recently signed teachers contract

Fact that he doesn't know much about it means the process must have been smoother than it was when teachers were hours away from going on strike. Teachers are a little too highly paid, but the district does get a great return on that investment.

Board started working with teachers a year before contract expired and would have finished had it not been for COVID-19. Agreement is equitable with reasonable wage increases. District is better off paying higher retirement incentives than reimbursing retirees for medical insurance premiums, with medical inflation at 8 to 12 percent.

Both parties gave something up and neither walked away too happy, which is the sign of a good contract. While the district doesn't rely on the state for as much money as other districts do, is always a concern those funds might dry up. Administration needs to continue to look at opportunities to save money.

Values teachers and is comfortable with pay increase. Concerned about pension spiking and associated costs if state shifts pension liability to the district. Either way, taxpayers are paying the pensions.

Increasing retirement incentives and ending reimbursement for retirees' health insurance gives the district more financial control. A 2011 TRS change will cap income for Tier 2 teachers, lessening the problem as those teachers reach retirement. Knows only highlights as bargaining sessions are not open to the public. With all bargaining comes compromise and consensus-building.

Equity among schools

The board treats the two schools differently. Central is over-utilized and South is under capacity. Moving school boundaries should be a nonissue. The district wouldn't have to go to the community for more resources if it properly used the resources it already has. Believes enrollment imbalance and racial imbalance are linked.

Board is addressing it. District is doing a better job identifying inequities in grading or other issues. Goal is to make sure each of the three schools have what they need and students are being served. Equity does not necessarily mean parity.

Students have not always had the opportunity to express their challenges. Recent conversations are helping illuminate the needs of students from different demographics, races, sexual orientations. CELT is allowing those conversations to take place, with students leading by their graceful examples. Important to function as a community, not just pay homage to the word.

Board members need to listen and consider all sides of this difficult and sensitive topic. Goal should be to provide every student with equitable opportunity to be successful. Equitable doesn't always mean equal. Challenges should be appropriate to each student. Rigor of curriculum cannot be lessened to provide that equity.

Define equity not as everyone getting the same thing, but everyone getting what they need to be as successful as they can. Curriculum alignment seems to have morphed into one-size-fits-all approach. Best meeting students' needs could look different at Central, South and Transition Center. Need to have difficult conversations, be open-minded enough to address issues.

Most pressing issue the district faces

The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on state revenue and how that shortfall will affect local schools. District has the resources to take care of itself in the event the state cuts off funding. Other districts in the state don't have the same resources.

Possibility of state handing down unfunded mandates as a result of COVID-19. Believes Illinois' budget, which counts on \$3.5 billion from the federal government, is fiction. Concerned about having to do more with local dollars.

The district received \$900,000 in the Cares act grant but costs associated with the pandemic still present significant challenges. If state doesn't receive anticipated federal dollars and is forced to make cuts, the district could be financially impacted. And despite the referendum, money is needed to improve technology, instructional and physical education equipment.

Getting students back in school full-time and addressing the educational, social and emotional gaps caused by students' isolation. Also listed a curriculum that provides the appropriate level of rigor for each student and the need to negotiate another teachers contract in 18 months.

Addressing community's frustration over the past year regarding suppression of meaningful engagement, violation of free speech, moving public comment to bottom of agenda. Community members don't feel heard or like they have a voice at the table. Need to rebuild trust in open governance, faith that board members will act on behalf of students.

Top three priorities if elected

1. Balance enrollment between the two schools
2. Stop using fear for political gains
3. Create stability so board can have a laissez-faire approach to running the schools

1. Complete implementation of the strategic plan
2. Complete construction projects connected to the referendum
3. Continue to offer outstanding educational opportunities, including expanding the transition center

1. Responsibly and safely return students to full in-person instruction and address any education gaps that occurred during the past year
2. Champion opportunities and growth for all students
3. Maintain collaborative relationships with administration, staff and community

1. Create a plan for 100 percent in-person, on-site learning for the fall that addresses educational gaps and provides most optimal platform for remote learners
2. Ensure implementation of Goal 1 of the strategic plan, to engage all students in a rigorous education
3. Schedule ongoing parent and community engagement sessions to gain feedback

1. Hold administration accountable for bringing data-driven proposals to the board, especially for curriculum and special services
2. Ensure community members and stakeholders have the chance to engage in meaningful, respectful dialogue around board decisions
3. Ask questions at the board table and engage in productive discourse with administrators and fellow board members

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Some of complications over last six to nine months are due to fact previous teachers contract had expired. Would like to collaborate with union to reduce retirement incentives. Lack of planning on district's part might have made teachers uncomfortable returning to teach in person. Believes most provisions of contract are fairly typical for area districts.

Was surprised that 2.2 percent salary increase was considered low. Doesn't know enough about pension spike or how other districts are approaching retirement incentives. Philosophically wishes teachers were paid as much as professional athletes.

Tough to ratify contract working remotely, but end result was financially proper and fair to both sides. Not a fan of pension spiking and worked hard to undo it while on D181 board. Recognizes collective bargaining occurs with small steps.

Pleased it was resolved, since previous contract had already expired. Trading larger retirement incentives for retirees' health insurance premium reimbursement gives district opportunity to limit financial liability. Contract also added language that caps years of service at 35.

Imagines teachers, who are one of district's most coveted assets, were not comfortable working without a contract. With labor costs at 72 percent of budget, is concerned about financial implications of some families choosing private schools, rumors surrounding teacher dissatisfaction and state's financial condition.

Equity among schools

Board has not addressed this issue adequately. District needs to agree on a definition and communicate it. District schools have different needs and requirements. Use more data and analytics to compare two schools and reference how other districts have approached this issue.

Declining enrollment at South is affecting curriculum offerings and upsetting parents there and should be investigated. Would like to see focus on equity of achievement, with every student the best they can be at graduation. Stop revisiting old solutions and look to 21st-century resources for answers.

Sees equity between Central and South while recognizing one building might have a need that the other does not. Need to work to try to close achievement gap and maximize every student's achievement.

Board is attempting to move toward equity and treating campuses equally. Equitable doesn't necessarily mean equal; a one-size-fits-all approach is not necessary desirable. Having an equity statement is important. The district has defined and implemented it differently than she would have anticipated.

Two schools are similar but different. Community needs to recognize different needs and demands of each student body (namely curriculum and activities). Remote learning platform could satisfy some course demands across campuses.

Most pressing issue the district faces

Getting kids back in school immediately and planning for the COVID-19 gap that has developed over the past year.

Assessing the gap created by the pandemic so district can help students catch up in all affected areas. Also, how the district will integrate social justice into the school system in a way that is appropriate and does not conflict with parents' teaching.

Making continued investments in facilities so another \$100 million referendum isn't needed in the future. Board must have discipline to invest in infrastructure and equipment.

After-effects of the pandemic. Hopefully students will be back full-time in person in the fall, but there might be learning gaps that need to be identified and closed.

Schools are competing for business and Illinois has been witnessing a mass exodus. School leaders must embrace role in marketplace to avoid exacerbating migration to private/parochial schools. If exodus occurs, district will see drops in funding, school rankings and real estate values.

Top three priorities if elected

1. Design and implement a district plan to resuming in-person learning
2. Develop and establish clear and quantifiable measures for district performance, including assessment of the "COVID gap" and the development of a remediation plan to address it
3. Strengthen relationships, transparency and trust between board, administration and community and formalize collaboration with feeder districts

1. Rebuild community's trust by actively listening to input and conducting business in an open format
2. Identify and provide resources to close learning gaps created during pandemic
3. Restore the S.T.E.M. curriculum by tabling integrated math and physics; do not make major curriculum changes until normalcy is restored

1. Work with state and local officials to get students and staff back in school full-time ASAP
2. Continue to maintain fiscal responsibility at all levels
3. Maintain excellence in all areas of D86: academics, extra-curricular activities, sports, etc.

1. Champion open government through respectful communication, community engagement and collaboration with all stakeholders
2. Make student-centered, data-driven decisions regarding curriculum, grading and equity
3. Preserve high standards of academic excellence and implement performance management tools that allow board to be transparent about goals and progress

1. Employ best practices for board governance, including open and collaborative communication
2. Make data-driven decisions and prioritize agenda to maximize outcomes
3. Exercise latitude to best represent community's desire to get kids back to school safely; enhance current remote platform for students who want or need it

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Pool will hike lap lane fees, limit spaces

Officials say lap lane rates due for increase as COVID-19 pandemic keeps cap on capacity

By Ken Knutson

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Some Hinsdale Community Pool fees are going up as the village adjusts to last year's minimum wage increase and also looks to keep its pricing commensurate with other area swim facilities.

At Monday's parks and recreation commission meeting, commissioners approved increasing the hourly lap rental rate from \$15 to \$18 for resident groups and from \$26 to \$28 for nonresident groups for the 2021 season. A group must be comprised of at least 75 percent Hinsdale residents to qualify for the resident rate.

Heather Bereckis, superintendent of parks and recreation, had recommended the hike as one that was financially prudent for the village but not harmful to its competitive standing in the marketplace.

"We have not changed any of our pool fees since 2014," Bereckis reported. "We did an evaluation of the lap lane rates that other local pools charge and found that we're undercharging."

"We wanted to make sure that we're getting a fair rate with what we're doing," she added.

Bereckis indicated that the new rates are still lower than other pools but that she didn't want the increase to be too dramatic.

"I just don't want to out-price us and I don't want to make the jump too high too quickly," Bereckis remarked.



The Hinsdale Community Pool will charge higher rental rates for groups that use its lap lanes in the wake of Illinois raising the minimum wage last year and to be more in line with the fees charged by neighboring swim facilities. (file photo)

"I think for at least a couple of years, these would be good rates."

Bereckis said demand was high last year since many area pools remained closed because of the pandemic. She listed off a number of parties interested in renting lanes this season, including groups from Elmhurst, Downers Grove, Lyons Township and an underwater hockey league.

"So we have all of these renters looking for lap lane space," Bereckis said. "There's a chance we may not be able to accommodate all of them."

Commission Chair Alice

Waverley asked Bereckis if she expected the high demand for lap lane space to continue.

"I anticipate we will for a while because we're a 50-meter outdoor pool, and people want to be outdoors," she said. "We know that people are going to pay it, and we're still getting a number of requests for spaces. We will have all of our lap lanes mostly rented out for the summer again."

Waverley said she was fine with the increases "if you've reached out the clubs and people are comfortable with that, and we're aligned with what our competition out

there is."

Bereckis also gave an update on regular pool visits, noting that a reservation system will be in place again this summer in order to conduct contact tracing in the event of a positive COVID-19 case connected to the pool. This year, however, bookings can be made online instead of only by phone.

"You will basically sign up for a pool reservation the same way you sign up for any other activity with us right now," she said.

The pool is allowed to be at 25 percent capacity under current guidelines, which is about 250 people, Bereckis

related, and each time block would have 150 spaces.

"We normally don't exceed that, so we don't see (lack of spaces) being a huge issue," Bereckis said.

Swim classes and other activities also will be limited.

"We only doing programming for part of the summer this year, just like a condensed version of the programming we used to do," she said.

The pool is scheduled to open Memorial Day weekend. Memberships will go on sale May 1, with early-bird pricing through May 28 and then regular rates after that.



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<https://d86.hinsdale86.org>

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Hinsdale Public Library Board

7 p.m. Tuesday, March 16
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

On the draft agenda: family bathroom proposal, extension of paid family leave for COVID-19 related illnesses, emergency operational changes

Hinsdale Village Board

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 16
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org>

On the draft agenda: contract for Phase 1 pool improvements, ordinance adding zoning code provision regarding group homes serving people with disabilities, liquor license request for Nabuki

Hinsdale Zoning Board of Appeals

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 17
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org>

On the draft agenda: public hearing on 505 S. County Line Road; approval of final decisions for 425 & 417 Elm, 428 E. 55th and 33 S. Garfield; pre-hearing and agenda setting for 120 E. Fifth

MEETING ROUNDUP

Community Consolidated District 181 Board

Among other business at their meeting Monday, board members

- awarded about \$1.7 million in bids for summer capital projects. Two of the larger projects are floor replacement at Clarendon Hills Middle School for \$665,000 and gym floor replacement at Madison, Prospect, Oak, The Lane and Monroe for \$390,720.
- reviewed scores from the winter MAP tests, which students took Jan. 11-29. In reading, 77.3 percent of in-person students are meeting or exceeding expectations, and 77.6 percent are doing so in math. Administrators say the scores show students are not experiencing an achievement gap due to COVID-19.
- accepted gifts and contributions totaling more than \$20,700 from school PTOs and the District 181 Foundation for items such as the Math Assistance Hotline and a music cart and accessories

A dozen new COVID-19 cases reported in village

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

The DuPage County Health Department reported 11 new cases, and the Cook County Health Department reported one new case.

That brings the total number of reported cases in the village to 1,353, up from 1,341 last week.

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

Community Consolidated District 181 reported seven new cases from March 2-9, all

of which involved students.

Hinsdale High School District 86 reported seven current positive cases March 5, with 50 people in isolation and 43 in quarantine.

The rolling seven-day positivity rate for Region 8, which includes DuPage County, was 4.7 percent on Saturday, compared to 3.4 percent a week prior.

Illinois has administered almost 3.5 million doses of vaccines. An average of 92,180 vaccines are being administered daily, compared to 84,202 last week. More than 9.6 percent of DuPage County residents are fully vaccinated.



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Hinsdale woman right at home in outreach effort

Last Friday was shaping up to be a big day for the Fussaro family.

"We're actually getting a puppy today," mom Tracy Fussaro revealed during a conversation with The Hinsdalean that morning. "We're getting a chocolate Lab puppy."

"Let's add to the craziness!" she added with a smile, speculating as to the level of house dog-proofing required.

With her flexible schedule as a real estate agent and her husband Tom working from home, she envisions lots of neighborhood walks with 8-year-old son Thomas.

"We're all home, so we figured it's a good time (to get a dog)," Fussaro said.

A Lyons Township alum, Hinsdale was where her aunt and uncle lived but enemy territory otherwise. She recognized the village's virtues when she and Tom were looking to put down roots.

"I think people are generous. However you want to give back, there are so many opportunities."

Fussaro found her philanthropic outlet through the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago Hinsdale

Auxiliary, which she was led to by a friend. The group's support of the Angel Harvey Family Health Center in the city has shown her the power of outreach to impact under-resourced people.

"A patient can go (to the health center) and have everything done from dental to optometry to pediatrics to mental health service."

The need is considerable, and the motivation behind this year's virtual Tablescapes benefit March 14-21 (read more on Page 20). Fussaro is co-chair of the event, with fellow Hinsdalean Natalya Lisa Amond. She was last year, too, when it was canceled less than two weeks before it was scheduled due to the COVID-19 lockdown.

After a series of postponements, organizers decided to go the online route and let supporters experience it from home.

"There's been a lot of getting creative and finding a creative way to still host our event," she said. "We want to get our guests excited about it, raise money and have fun doing it."

As a youth, Fussaro was a regular presence at her father's

Western Springs business The Competitive Foot, the first store dedicated to athletic shoes in the state. Although it has been closed for a decade, memories of the shop still run through her mind.

"It was in our (family's) life for 40 years," she said.

Outfitted with a bachelor's degree in architectural studies, Fussaro took a job in sales with a window distributorship in Washington D.C.

"I worked with architects and builders — loved it," she said.

Fussaro also fell in love there and, with Tom, ultimately found her way back to the Midwest. She enjoys leveraging her design skills in her current career.

"There's a such a nice mix of really cool new homes and old homes with a lot of charm here," she said of the area.

Seeing people's generosity over the last year has been another charming feature.

"That has been a really bright spot in a really dark time. People still want to give back."

— story by Ken Knutson,
photo by Jim Slonoff



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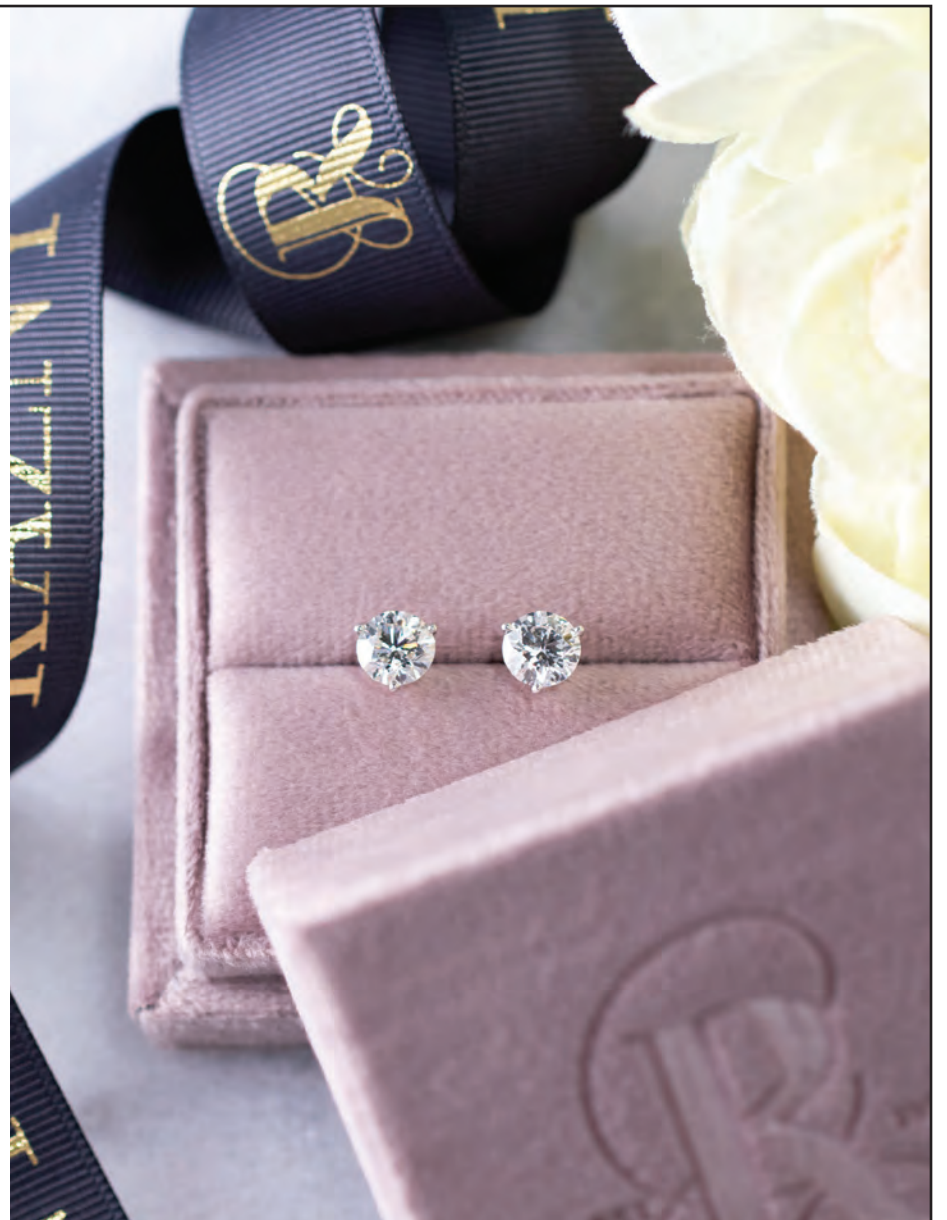
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POLICE BEAT

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports March 2. This week's reports were not available by press time Wednesday afternoon.

Scam purchase leads to arrest

Donald Rowell, 54, 3661 School Drive, Country Club Hills, was arrested on two felony forgery counts on Feb. 25 for an incident that occurred at 6 p.m. Jan. 22, 2020, at Hinsdale Advanced Eye Care, 133 E. Ogden Ave. The suspect purchased a pair of glasses for \$376.48 using a bad check; a second suspect came to the store on Jan. 25 and attempted to purchase three pairs of glasses using a check. The employee declined the transaction and it was later determined the drivers license the suspect presented was fraudulent. An arrest warrant was obtained on May 27 and he was taken into custody Feb. 25. He was charged and taken to DuPage County Jail. An arrest warrant also has been obtained for the second suspect, who remains at large.

Trespass to garage reported

A known suspect entered a detached garage without permission in the 5600 block of South Elm Street between 5 p.m. Feb. 25 and 6 p.m. Feb. 28.

Assault at restaurant

A person made contact of an unwanted and harassing nature with a co-worker between 4 and 5 p.m. Feb. 6 at Nabuki, 18 E. First St. The incident was reported Feb. 26.

Telephone threats made

A resident of the 200 block of South Thurlow Street received text messages of a threatening nature from a known suspect on Feb. 28.

Packages stolen from porch

Packages containing clothing valued at \$35.87 were stolen from a porch in the 10 block of North County Line Road between 3:44 and 5 p.m. Feb. 28.

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

Hinsdaleans can buy vehicle stickers now

Vehicle stickers for Hinsdale residents are now available for purchase.

All vehicles registered in the state of Illinois with a Hinsdale address must also be registered with the village through the purchase of a vehicle license sticker. Stickers must be displayed by May 1st. Residents who purchase a sticker after May 1 will incur a \$ 25 late fee per sticker. Vehicles not displaying the current year's vehicle sticker are also subject to a citation.

Stickers cost \$48 for passenger vehicles, \$24 for motorcycles, \$63 for trucks with a B plate and \$108 for trucks with a C plate.

Senior citizens 65 and older are eligible for a discount.

Stickers that are lost or stolen may be replaced by purchasing a duplicate sticker at a cost of \$2.

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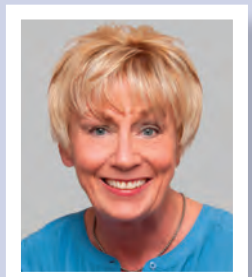
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OPINION

EDITORIALS

Kleber deserves another two years on D181 Board

✓ **Margaret Kleber**
Christine Dannhausen-Brun

Incumbent Margie Kleber and challenger Christine Dannhausen-Brun are vying for the two-year seat on the Community Consolidated District 181 Board.

We endorse Kleber to complete the term of Bill Merchantz, who resigned in February 2020.

Dannhausen-Brun is a strong candidate and we have no doubt she would be a constructive board member. Her voluminous resume of service activities demonstrates a deep appreciation for the community and a heart to give back. She clearly follows developments in the district, has a strong grasp of the issues and is thoughtful in her responses.

No matter how facile one's understanding is, however, there's still a lot to learn as a new board member, and our concern is that, in running for a two-year term, a good portion of Dannhausen-Brun's tenure would be dedicated to just getting up to speed on matters. Add to that her expressed consideration of running



Kleber

for a seat on the Hinsdale High School District 86 Board and we're left wondering to what degree she would, or could, ever truly settle into the position.

Kleber has served as board president for the last year, which has been dominated by decisions relating to the pandemic, including implementing safety measures and navigating the return-to-school path. Kleber has exercised capable leadership during this time, keeping the board on task but not trying to impose her agenda on her colleagues.

She also served as chair of the facilities committee during the design refinement and construction of the new Hinsdale Middle School. The finished result of an on-time and under-budget faculty, as well as her mention her resolute advocacy for district priorities in negotiations with the village of Hinsdale over specifications for the shared parking deck, testify to a pragmatic approach that also keeps



taxpayers' bottom line in mind.

Although Kleber was on the losing side of a 4-3 vote to fully reopen schools to students April 5, her desire to gather more health guidance before moving forward was not unreasonable.

We should note that Kleber worked part-time for The Hinsdalean for 13 months more than a decade ago. We do not believe that relationship requires us to recuse ourselves from making endorsements in this race.

Kleber said she decided to seek the two-year seat instead of a four-year term because she felt the shorter commitment was more workable for her.

We believe she has worked well as a board member these last four years and has certainly qualified for another two.

Incumbents, newcomer get nod for library board

✓ **Mary Bock**
✓ **Amy Glynn**
✓ **Kristin McDaniel**
✓ **Richard Munson**
Ryan Trombly

In the race for Hinsdale Public Library Board, incumbent candidates Mary Bock, Amy Glynn, Kristin McDaniel are joined by newcomers Richard Munson and Ryan Trombly in seeking one of four open trustee seats.

We believe the three incumbents and Munson are best suited to serve on the board for the next four years.

This is first election in recent memory featuring a contested library board race, which can primarily attributed to the absence of the village caucus, which sought out candidates for local races who often ran uncontested. The organization disbanded a couple of years ago.

The result of a contested race is a higher profile for the library board,



Bock

and we think that's a good thing.

Bock has contributed to stable operations at the library, even amid the unprecedented challenges of the pandemic. As member of the facilities committee, she has helped steward library upgrades and has earned another term to implement more recommendations from the 2018 facility assessment audit.

Glynn has brought her marketing and business acumen to bear as chair of the finance/personnel committee during her first term on the board. The library is in solid shape financially, with high-quality administrators and a well-structured staffing model in place. She



Glynn



McDaniel

sees the library continuing a transition to more digital materials, thereby opening floor space for in-person meeting and programs.

McDaniel's data-driven approach to decision making is the right approach to ensuring the library uses its resources most effectively. We are persuaded that she will be active in scrutinizing the annual levy so the library's needs are met without overburdening taxpayers. And her desire to provide diverse programming that better reflects the community is a commendable one.

Munson knows libraries. As a published author, he has done



Munson



readings in libraries around the country, affording him a unique perspective as to what makes for an inviting space. His vision for the library to host more author visits is intriguing, and we expect he will continue to both sharpen and expand on that concept if elected. His fresh voice will be welcome.

Trombly is clearly an enthusiastic library supporter who wants to see as many people as possible benefit from this community resource. We would like to see him gain a better handle on the workings of the library by watching or attending the board meetings and becoming more familiar with the issues. That way if he runs again in two years and is elected, he will be prepared to hit the ground running.

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OPINION

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Central students defends practice of tying ribbons

My name is Haley Dynis, I'm a junior at Hinsdale Central High School and a life-long friend of Kendall Pickering. I've recently seen articles regarding the ribbons around town honoring the life of Kendall. As residents have displayed disapproval of the ribbons, I too would like to voice my opinion of their disrespect to our honorable gesture.

Loved ones of Kendall took the week after her passing to put up ribbons in her honor. The ribbons stayed up for less than two months before being deemed a controversy in our town. By the time we heard the ribbons were a "nuisance", as labeled in The Hinsdalean article, "Untangling Ribbon Row," it was Kendall's 16th birthday.

To think there were "600+ emails" sent to the village makes me believe

those people might need a hobby or perhaps they can take them down themselves. The ribbons were on "parkway trees," insinuating that they're on public property. Anyone can take them down as they please.

The insensitive comments regarding the ribbons are entirely hurtful to loved ones of Kendall. The ribbons may have been up too long, but the response to this harmless gesture is inconsiderate.

Finally, to the 600+ people voicing their opinions to the village, I hope you never experience this type of grief. I hope your community members don't label your remembrance a "nuisance." And I hope that as a community, we can work together to try and be more empathetic in similar situations. — **Haley Dynis, Hinsdale**

Waters, James understand what is at stake in D86

I am writing to announce my enthusiastic endorsement of Jeff Waters and Peggy James for the D86 Board of Education.

As the campaign manager for the 2019 D86 referendum, I spent countless hours working alongside Jeff. While attending meetings, knocking on doors and having great dialogue with both "Yes" and "No" voters across the district, I personally witnessed Jeff work tirelessly and passionately for the betterment of all 4,000 students in our district for over five months. I observed him consistently respond to various difficult issues with eloquence and true concern. Through that process, Jeff gained a strong awareness of the nuances and issues within our district. This hard-working attitude combined with Jeff's temperament and district knowledge make him well-suited for

the BOE role.

Additionally, Jeff has chosen Peggy as his running mate; a decision I fully endorse. Jeff and Peggy align on three major issues facing the district: the need to revisit damaging changes to our S.T.E.M. program, the need for greater urgency to safely reopen schools and the need for transparent BOE governance. Peggy and Jeff are data driven; they will make decisions based on evidence and with consideration of community concerns.

The issues facing our district are dire. As such, I request earnestly that our community members make every effort to understand what is at stake. On April 6, please cast your vote for Jeff Waters and Peggy James as they are determined to protect the interests of our children and our district. — **Kari Galassi, Hinsdale**

Levinthal will work for D86 students, community

I am extremely pleased to support Debbie Levinthal, candidate for the District 86 Board, and in my view, one of the original advocates for maintaining academic excellence in our district.

She has been "part of the conversation" since 2019 when the first of the high school curriculum changes was proposed for the science program. Months later, when a new math curriculum was presented, Debbie did extensive research on the proposal and proactively reached out to district administrators to advocate against this curriculum change and in favor of keeping the traditional math program. Significantly, Debbie has recognized that the curriculum redesign under way will lead to fewer choices for students at both high schools. Debbie wants all students to have more

options to pursue their dreams, not fewer.

As a board member, Debbie will open the lines of communication within the district by working with all stakeholders and promoting a transparent environment. She is committed to listening to all points of view and envisions residents being able to voice their opinions in district focus groups and town halls. She has spoken to the principals at Hinsdale South and Hinsdale Central and has held meet and greets to connect with community members. Debbie puts herself out there, and if elected, she will do so for all of our students and families.

For all of these reasons, I hope you will join me in giving Debbie Levinthal one of your votes for the District 86 Board. — **Andrew Packer, Hinsdale**

Village president supports Waters, James for D86

I strongly support Jeff Waters and Peggy James for the Hinsdale High School District 86 Board. Jeff and Peggy will bring much needed good governance to the school board. Our high school is the gem of our community. It is widely regarded as one of the best high schools in Illinois, and we need to ensure that remains the case. School board decisions not only affect the quality of our children's education, they also affect home values, which are directly tied to the quality of our schools.

A top quality high school must have a properly functioning school board. To function properly, school board members must really listen (not just pretend to listen) to parents and residents. The recent practice of limiting public comment at school board meetings is inexcusable and should not be tolerated. A school

board that adopts an "us versus them" mentality in interacting with parents fails to serve the community. School board members who blindly follow advice from so-called "experts" in making key decisions and avoid public discussion before implementing those decisions have effectively abdicated their responsibilities to parents and the community.

Jeff and Peggy are committed to listening to District 86 parents. While they will give due consideration to the advice of experts, they will make decisions only after open, public discussions in which all relevant information is considered. That is how our school board needs to function. We need Jeff and Peggy on our school board to ensure that good governance returns to District 86. — **Tom Cauley, Hinsdale**

Levinthal will bring integrity, objectivity to D86

I am writing to share my enthusiastic support for Debbie Levinthal for the District 86 Board of Education this April. Debbie is a dear family friend, respected neighbor and an amazingly caring mother to four wonderful children, two of whom currently attend Hinsdale Central.

When first meeting Debbie years ago, it was a comical turn of events when my husband recognized her as his algebra II and trigonometry teacher from New Trier High School. From my husband's personal experience, I quickly learned that Debbie was an esteemed teacher with knowledge and passion for all students and families in public education.

Ever since my first interaction with Debbie, my respect for her has only grown. I have sought her opinion

on several issues within our school district and am always impressed with her ability to look at issues from all angles. Debbie has always been patient, actively listens and is respectful when speaking to her perspective. This type of integrity and objective thinking is exactly what Hinsdale needs in our board members. She is knowledgeable, makes sound, evidence based decisions and is thoughtful when listening to all viewpoints.

I have zero doubt that Debbie is the best candidate for the District 86 Board of Education and will come to the table prepared to make intelligent and impactful decisions. I will be voting for Debbie Levinthal on April 6 and urge others to do the same. — **Ashley Pearson, Hinsdale**

Levinthal has right qualities to serve District 86

I am writing to express my enthusiastic support of Debbie Levinthal for the District 86 Board of Education. I've known Debbie for 10 years. The first time I heard Debbie speak was at a parent meeting for our children's preschool. I remember being blown away by her articulate advocacy about food allergy precautions in the classroom. Over the years, I've had the opportunity to work with Debbie on school-related committees. I've also sought her opinion on various education topics. Debbie has served as a guide for me as I navigate my children's education.

I believe Debbie would be an incredible asset to the D86 Board. Debbie is smart, dedicated, hardworking and able to balance listening openly to all sides of an issue with advocating for

students. I have watched her take on issues that impact students other than her own with grace and persistence. Debbie is one of the most thorough, organized, and curious people I know. Over the years, I've appreciated how she always researches an issue before offering an opinion. She is humble about what she knows and what she needs to learn more about. When Debbie commits to something, she puts the work in. These are the kinds of qualities that are important in a board member. I have never written a letter to the editor. But when your good friend tells you she's running for the BOE, you write to get the word out to as many people as possible. Please vote for Debbie on April 6. — **Cara Lanza Hurley, Hinsdale**

OPINION

GUEST COMMENTARY

Wonderstruck by splendor of spring

Waist deep in a flowerbed full of colorful zinnias, I stopped weeding. I looked up and saw a monarch butterfly and then it hit me — I was wonderstruck. Its beauty was so captivating that it filled me with awe. I often feel



Amy McCauley

this way when I experience the presence of something bigger than myself. Perhaps you have felt it, too.

It's easy to get lost in a nature's great splendor — a starry sky, a technicolor sunset, a summer garden in full bloom. Have you ever observed the way flower petals open or watched a hummingbird in flight? Small moments like these are how I caught the gardening bug. I have always loved flowers, but I didn't begin gardening in earnest until I came to Illinois.

After a long first winter I watched in wonder as everything began to wake from its snow-covered slumber. The trees were suddenly covered in brilliant green buds. Everywhere I looked there were cheerful snowdrops and daffodils.

One Midwest spring and I was smitten. I had to find a way to create my own spectacular spring garden. I began studying flowers at botanical gardens and stopping to look at every beautiful yard on my walks. Then I began to dream and plant. The next year I planted 200 bulbs, mostly grape hyacinths and tulips.

The only problem with being a gardener is the

temptation to grow more every year. I now grow dahlias, zinnias and hollyhocks. My big project last spring was to create a new kitchen garden. This fall, at my home and my daughters' school, I planted

nearly 1,000 spring bulbs. I love the thrill of creating something beautiful.

Early March has me eagerly awaiting all those spring flowers. I am already growing seedlings in my basement. A large stack of seed catalogs and gardening books sit on my desk as I plan for summer. Reflecting on this past year, I realize all the digging, weeding and watering has been a balm for these anxious times. My garden is where I find joy and peace.

I've always found gardening to be very hopeful, as planting requires the belief that with time beautiful flowers will come. As naturalist John Muir once said, "Everybody needs beauty as well as bread, places to play in and pray in where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul."

Like that monarch butterfly that flits from flower to flower, I too have been chasing small wonders. I look forward to traveling again, as I long to see more of nature's great miracles. But for now, I am grateful for homegrown moments that connect me to nature and leave me wonderstruck.

— Amy McCauley
of Hinsdale is a
contributing columnist.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Consider Democratic slate for DG township positions

The upcoming election on April 6 covers municipal positions including our school, library and village boards. These are probably on your radar. But the election also includes board and key staff of Downers Grove Township, the unit of local government that you probably don't know much about (it's the largest of the nine townships in DuPage County).

Most of Hinsdale (the portion west of County Line Road) is in Downers Grove Township, and the township also includes adjacent suburbs to the west and south. The township annual budget is approximately \$5 million, largely derived from property taxes. There are four elected positions (supervisor, clerk, assessor and highway commissioner)

plus four elected trustees. These elected positions are partisan.

I ask you to consider the Democratic candidates for these positions because they will bring a new perspective to these historically Republican-held positions. The Democratic slate will re-imagine Downers Grove Township government into one that is responsive to community needs, proactive and based on Democratic philosophy and ideals. The April municipal elections are typically low turnout, but they are very important as they are our first line of local government. Please check out the Democratic slate at <https://www.newchoicefortownship.com> and of course be sure to vote on or before April 6. — Laurie McMahon, Hinsdale

Walker will bring the change needed to the D86 Board

Hinsdale, we have a problem. Many of us moved to Hinsdale because it is best in class. Consistently ranked one of the top places to live in Illinois, Hinsdale has enjoyed a sterling reputation for its public education system, which ensures our children are prepared for success and our property values remain strong.

That reputation is in danger due to the D86 board's inability to lead. Lack of transparency in governance. Suppression of different views. Curriculum decisions apparently being made without sufficient analysis of data or a communicated rationale. What? This is not how we do things here.

Luckily, we have an answer — Terri Walker. Terri is a thoughtful, strong and

intelligent HR executive and mother of two Hinsdale students. I have known Terri for several years, as our boys attended Madison (and now HMS) together. Terri is not seeking the role because of ego or as a hobby. Terri has skin in the game and wants to preserve Hinsdale's high standards of academic excellence and support for all students.

Terri will champion open governance, accountability for our administration, and decisions about curriculum based on facts, evidence and what is best for our children and community.

Vote for Terri Walker for D86 Board. She is the right leader at the right time. — Felicia Manno, Hinsdale

Kleber is the right choice to continue on D181 Board

I hope you will join me in supporting Margie Kleber in her candidacy for the District 181 Board. As the current president of the board, Margie is in the unique position of providing to the new board not only solid leadership but also experience and continuity of leadership, something her opponent lacks. This has been a challenging year for our children and our schools, and Margie has provided the leadership that we needed to get children back in the classroom safely.

I have known Margie for many years and worked closely with her as a member of the D181 Facilities Committee, which she chaired. She is a committed and conscientious leader, and her role on that commit-

tee insured the on time and under budget construction of the new Hinsdale Middle School. She also led the negotiations with the village on the parking deck, resulting in a fair inter-governmental agreement and an aesthetically pleasing and safe parking structure. Margie is a fair and collaborative leader who I believe listens to everyone and bases her decisions on that input, together with her good judgment and years of experience as a parent and board member.

Margie's dedication to our community, our children and our schools is unmatched. On April 6, please cast your vote for Margie Kleber for the District 181 School Board. — Laura LaPlaca, Hinsdale

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OBITUARIES

Peter D. Cook

Peter D. Cook, 85, of Downers Grove, a former longtime Hinsdale resident, passed away peacefully Feb. 24, 2021.

Peter was born in 1935, in Chicago to Junius Ford Jr. and Barbara (nee Jacobus) Cook. He grew up in Hinsdale and graduated from Hinsdale High School in 1953. Following graduation, Peter attended the University of Colorado, where he was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, discovered the joy of skiing, and met Beverly Ann Pollard of Topeka, Kan., who would become his bride in 1958.

Peter's storied career included time spent at LaSalle National Bank, the National Association of Realtors and American Flyers, just to name a few. His pastimes included bridge with friends, reading books, playing Spider Solitaire and watching sports and scary movies.

He loved his church and was a very active member. Most of all, he loved spending time with family and celebrating holiday traditions.

He is survived by his children, Courtenay Cook and Darcy Cook; his granddaughter, Hannah Ovcharchyn; and his sister, Catherine Powell.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Beverly nee Pollard; and his brother, Terry Cook.

Peter will be interred with his wife Beverly at Grace Episcopal Church in Hinsdale.

A private memorial service will be held at the church, 120 E. First St., at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 20. The service will also be live-streamed via the Grace Church website at <http://www.gracehinsdale.org>.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Christopher Joseph Nash

Christopher Joseph Nash, 83, a longtime Hinsdale resident, passed away peacefully March 8, 2021, after a long battle with dementia.

He was born in 1937 in Bodyke, County Clare, and grew up in Dublin, Ireland. His parents, Patrick and Isabel, had eight other children — Gerry, Paddy, Maureen, John, Austin, Kay, Isabel and Jim.

Chris and Jim immigrated to the United States in 1957 at the age of 19. Chris met his beloved future bride, Barbara, at a Chicago Northside Irish dance. They were married on Nov 28, 1964.

Chris was an avid golfer and could be found many

days out on "the links" with his identical twin and best friend, Jim.

Chris is survived by his wife, Barbara; his sons, Christopher (Julie) and Paul; his grandchildren, Kelly, Megan and Sidney; and his sister, Maureen.

He was preceded in death by his grandson, Ryan; and seven siblings.

Unfortunately, due to COVID-19, the burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention fund at <https://www.asfp.org>

Thomas Lewis Keck

Thomas Lewis Keck, 83, passed away at his Oak Brook home on Feb. 27, 2021.

He was born in 1937 in Chicago (Hyde Park) to Alice and William S. Keck. He graduated from St. Ignatius High School in Chicago, and, after service in the Army, went on to receive his master's in higher mathematics from the University of Oklahoma-Tulsa.

He moved to Alaska in 1960 and began teaching high school math in the towns of Kodiak and Cordova, Alaska. Tom discovered that many of his students made more money fishing during the summers than he did teaching, and he decided to become a commercial fishermen. He built a cabin in a remote area of Uyak Bay, Kodiak, and founded a successful commercial fishing business named Greenbanks, which he managed from 1961-86. Greenbanks was one of the largest fishing operations of its type in Alaska. After selling Greenbanks, he turned his attention to developing his painting and general contracting business, Keck & Co, in Elmhurst. Tom took great pride in restoring homes to their original grandeur, earning praise and loyalty from customers. His eye for detail and color matching was exceptional.

In his spare time, he channeled his drive into the

creation of stain glass art and the cultivation of a horticultural paradise at his Oak Brook home. Over many years, Tom imported ornamental grasses, seeds and trees from around the world and laboriously planted and pruned to create a spectacular floral sanctuary. Without fail, he could name every tree, plant and bird on his property. In addition to gardening, Tom loved travel, reading, telling colorful stories, politics and lively debate with friends.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents; and his two brothers, Bill Keck and John Keck.

He is survived by his wife, Jan Berg Keck, nee Rauch; his six step-children, Peter (Martha), John (Shannon), Patty, James (Carmen), Matthew (Veronika) and Kristin; 15 grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral will take place at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 13, at Visitation Catholic Church, 779 S. York Road, Elmhurst. Guests are welcome to arrive at 9 a.m. for prayer and visitation in the Fireplace Room at the church.

Marin Funeral Home in Chicago handled the arrangements.

Frank William Swan

Frank William Swan, 89, of Hinsdale passed away peacefully on March 2, 2021.

Frank was born in 1931 and spent his childhood on the farm in Oakville, Iowa, the proud son of Frances and Harold Swan. His love of baseball started as a youngster and it led him to play ball at Iowa State University.

After graduating, Frank moved to Chicago and began his 58 years in the meat business. Early in his career, he and his partner, Frank Vaia, started Nationwide Beef on Fulton Street and became a force in the industry. In the following years, he formed companies specializing in both pork and the "best ever" corned beef.

Along with his work, Frank was a passionate golfer, skeet shooter, lifelong White Sox fan and a loyal friend to many. He and Sue Sue loved their many travels, standard poodles, and loyal companion Honeybun.

Frank was president of the Oak Brook Breakfast Club, was a major part in raising money to build Christ Church of Oak Brook, co-chaired the fundraising project to rebuild Union Church of Hinsdale and in 1982

became board chairman of The Community House, where he met the love of his life, Sue Sue. He was a member of Chicago Golf Club and a president of the Hinsdale Golf Club. Frank was also a devoted member of his beloved Friday morning Bible study group.

Frank was preceded in death by his two brothers, Roger and Roy.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Sue; her children, Stacy (Chris) Carlstead and Scott Smith; his sister, Colleen Sethrie; his daughters, Sheryl (Charles) Travis and Cynthia Swan; and his grandchildren, Sandy, Jamie, Cooper, Sarah, Elizabeth, Sam, Kit, Annie and Audrey.

A virtual memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, March 10. Please visit <https://www.powellfuneraldirectors.com> to attend.

Memorials may be made to the Evans Scholar Foundation, 2501 Patriot Blvd., Glenview, IL 60626 or online at <https://www.thepromisecampaign.org>. Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.



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WHITNEY WILDA, HINSDALE CENTRAL TEACHER

How do you approach teaching women's history?

In Whitney Wilda's civics class, Women's History Month lasts all year.

"It's not just a month for us," said Wilda, who has taught the course at Hinsdale Central High School since it became a graduation requirement in 2016. Wilda said she embeds stories of the contributions of women, past and present, into her lessons all year long.

Civics, Wilda said, is the study of the rights and responsibilities of citizenship. She said the class is helping to make active, educated citizens of today's students — students who will be tomorrow's voters and decision makers.

In examining their own rights and responsibilities as citizens, students learn about how those rights came to be, and how that path continues to vary for certain groups, including women.

"We really try to use the course content in conjunction with current events," Wilda said.

Her classes watched the inaugura-

tion of the nation's first female vice president. They talked about the fact that for the first time in history, two women are in direct succession of the presidency, and the growing role of women in the country's legislature.

"Right now we have more women in Congress than we have ever had in this country," Wilda said.

Most recently, Wilda's students discussed the gender policy council recently established by President Joe Biden and its potential impact on rights for all genders.

While students generally have knowledge of women's suffrage, some are surprised to learn of the other rights that women and girls more recently obtained. Title 9, for example — the law that prohibits sex-based discrimination in public education — was passed in 1972. Students learn that their own grandmothers were denied opportunities to play sports simply because they were female.

As part of Women's History Month, students are encouraged to talk to women in their lives about how women's roles and their rights have changed in their lifetimes.

"It's opening up the students to looking beyond the month that is

designated," Wilda said, to see how women have impacted history and how history has impacted women.

Wilda's students learn about how far women have come throughout America's history, but also how far they still can go. There are glass ceilings yet to be broken, political offices to be won and CEO positions to be filled, Wilda said.

Throughout the course, students exercise civic engagement by attending local government meetings, writing and even delivering soapbox speeches about causes that matter to them, and writing letters to their lawmakers.

Outside the classroom, students are required to engage in what Wilda calls "service learning." Rather than simply volunteering, students are required to actively support an organization or initiative associated with a cause they believe in.

"That is the most important experience," Wilda said.

Wilda said civics is important for the future of the country and the health of its democracy.

"Democracy is fragile," she said, and will continue to survive only if its citizens advocate for their rights and fulfill their responsibilities.

— by Sandy Illian Bosch



Social studies teacher and literacy interventionist Whitney Wilda has been part of the Hinsdale Central faculty since 2007. (Jim Slonoff photo)

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The return of St. Pat's

A number of festivities planned this March 17 after last year's cancellations

The COVID-19 shutdown fell last March, just as local communities and businesses were readying for their St. Patrick's Day celebrations. While life is not back to normal yet, many are feeling lucky to be able to once again welcome people to participate in the Irish fun. Here are opportunities near Hinsdale to go green:

• Shamrock Fest

March 12-14 & 17
Palmer Place
56 S. La Grange Road, La Grange
(708) 482-7127
<https://www.palmerslagrange.com>

Palmer Place will hold its 38th annual St. Patrick's Day celebration with capacity restrictions and time limits on tables. The band "Corned Beef" Burrito (aka "Evil") will kick things off at 6 p.m. Friday. On Saturday, Blarney Stone'd will perform at 11 a.m., followed by the Scott Allan Band at 2 p.m., The Shannon Rovers Irish Pipe Band at 5:30 p.m. and Kickin' Jimmy at 7:30 p.m. Stepping on stage on Sunday will be JD Kostyk at noon and the Shannon Rovers at 4 p.m. And on Wednesday, guests will be treated to the musical stylings of Katie & Kelly at 1 p.m., the Shannon Rovers at 5 p.m., and Chicks with Picks at 6:30 p.m. Masks and social distancing are mandatory. For more information, visit the website listed above.

• St. Patrick's Day Celebration

March 12-13
Imperial Oak Brewing
501 Willow Blvd., Willow Springs
(708) 330-5096
<https://www.imperialoakbrewing.com>

Imperial Oak Brewing will hold its annual St. Patrick's Day event outside featuring Irish dancers, food trucks and special beverages. On Friday enjoy Trinity Dance performances at 6 and 8 p.m. while being on hand for the brewery's release of its Udder Madness milk stout with Irish infusions. Trinity Dance also will perform Saturday at 2, 4, 6 and 8 p.m.. Tacos Mario will serve up Mexican fare on Friday, and Twisted Classics and Smoke Daddy's will be on site on Saturday. For more information,



Milwaukee-based Celtic band Reilly is among the live musical acts planned at the St. Patrick's Day celebration March 17 at Ballydoyle Pub in Downers Grove. The event is one of several festivities in the area to mark the occasion as COVID-19 restrictions begin to ease. (photo provided)

visit the website listed above.

• St. Patrick's at BuckleDown

March 13
8700 47th St., Lyons
<https://www.facebook.com/BuckleDownBrewing>
BuckleDown brewery will hold its St. Patrick's Day party from noon to 8 p.m., which will include the release of the brewery's Irish stout The Shane, corned beef and cabbage and Irishman burgers courtesy of Wild Monk's pop-up food service and a pipes and drums performance at 3 p.m. Visit the Facebook page listed above for a full schedule.

• St. Patty's @ Ballydoyle

March 13-14 & 17
Ballydoyle Irish Pub & Restaurant
5157 Main St., Downers Grove
(630) 969-0600
<https://www.ballydoylepub.com>
The party begins Saturday night with the Blarney Brothers performing at 7 p.m. All ages are welcome Sunday for the "Safe" Patrick's Family Day with limited capacity from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to enjoy an Irish brunch, Irish dancers, live music and craft kits for kids. Patrons will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. Free entry tickets are available on the website listed above. The festivities start at 8 a.m. on Wednesday with Kegs and Eggs, with the Oswego Fire Department Pipe and Drum Corps performing at 9 a.m., the Aidan O'Toole Duo at noon, bagpiper Mike Courtney at 3 p.m., Reilly at

5 p.m., a Knights of Ballydoyle Procession at 9 p.m. and Semple at 9:30 p.m. The McNulty Irish Dancers will also perform throughout the day.

Feed me, I'm Irish

• Kenny's Irish Pub

March 17-18
917 W. 55th St., Countryside
<https://www.kennysirishpub.com>
Kenny's is serving up corned beef family meals for dine-in and carry-out. The four-person meal comes with two pounds of corned beef and costs \$46.95. The six-person portion features three pounds of corned beef and costs \$69.95. Meals also include cabbage, red potatoes and carrots. Sliced bread and Swiss cheese is available for an extra \$1 each, and a quart of Guinness stew can be purchased for \$14.95. Individual dinners are also available and green beer will be served in the restaurant. Carry-out orders must be made at least 24 hours in advance. Visit the website listed above.

• Pinstripes

7 Oakbrook Center Mall, Oak Brook
March 13-21
<https://www.pinstripes.com/oak-brook>
Pinstripes is offering St. Patrick's Day treats including house-made pistachio gelato, \$8 Guinness Floats and \$4 green beer. Visit the website listed above

for more information.

• Irish Times

Ongoing
8869 Burlington Ave., Brookfield
<https://irishtimespub.com>
Enjoy a family meal with tender homemade corned beef, red potatoes, shredded cabbage and steamed carrots served with creamy horseradish for \$49.95 or fresh vegetables and tender beef braised in a rich Guinness broth served with homemade Irish soda bread for \$59.95. Visit the website listed above to order online for pick up or delivery.

St. Patty's Day 5K

The Rotary Club of Naperville's 2021 Sunrise Rotary St. Patty's Day 5K will be a virtual event this year. Runners who register for \$35 at <https://www.stpaddysday5k.org> will receive a link to log their race time via email through March 31. Participants will receive their swag bags and shirts via mail and also will be eligible to win gift cards to downtown Naperville stores. The top three male and female runners will receive awards of \$150, \$100 and \$50, respectively. Proceeds will benefit the critical COVID-related food, shelter and mental health needs of Naperville area youth. Additional discounts and offers from downtown Naperville businesses are listed on the Downtown Naperville website at <https://www.downtownnaperville.com>.

— compiled by Ken Knutson



While Brookfield Zoo was temporarily closed to the public, staff welcomed a new addition — Hope, a 5-year-old female polar bear — on Jan. 29. Guests can visit her in one of the outdoor habitats at Great Bear Wilderness. For more on what's happening at the zoo, turn to Page 30. (Jim Schulz photo courtesy of Brookfield Zoo)

ARTFULLY DONE

■ Paola Aguirre Serrano

March 17
(630) 942-4000
<https://www.atthemac.org>

The Cleve Carney Museum of Art and College of DuPage present Paola Aguirre Serrano, founder of the Chicago-based urban design and research practice Borderless, in this virtual lecture as part of its Visiting Artists Series. Borderless is focused on cultivating collaborative design through interdisciplinary projects and exploring creative civic design and engagement interventions that address the complexity of urban systems and social equity. Serrano currently teaches architecture at The School of the Art Institute of Chicago and was recently appointed by the Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot as commissioner of Chicago Landmarks and member of the Cultural Advisory Council. Time: 11 a.m. RR

■ **For the Love of Frida Gala:**
Bringing it Home

March 20
<https://www.atthemac.org/events/love-of-frida>
The College of DuPage and the COD Foundation are celebrating the upcoming "Frida Kahlo: Timeless" exhibition with a virtual evening of dinner, cocktails and community featuring a virtual tour of the Olmedo Museum in Mexico, silent auction prizes, music from Mariachi Divas and more. The live-streamed gala will begin with a mixologist demonstration followed by a culinary encounter with Chef Carlos Gaytán of the internationally-acclaimed restaurant, Tzucu. Purchasers of the party pack can follow along with Gaytán's demonstration and gain insight into Mexican cuisine and tequila as it relates to Frida Kahlo's life and favorites. Packages range from livestream only to livestream plus delivered three-course dinner and cocktails. Time: 6 to 7 p.m. Tickets: \$50-250.

■ **Human+Nature**

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Infant Welfare Tablescapes to be weeklong affair

Ten days prior to hosting the 23rd annual Tablescapes Illuminate luncheon in March of last year, the Hinsdale chapter of the Infant Welfare Society was forced to postpone its event due to the pandemic. Now, a year later, the chapter will hold its coveted event virtually.

While the women of the Hinsdale chapter fundraise throughout the year, Tablescapes has long been the chapter's largest fundraising event benefiting the Infant Welfare Society's Angel Harvey Family Health Center. The health center is one of the oldest, independent health centers in Chicago.

According to Tracy Fussaro, who is chairing the event along with Natalya Lisa Amond, the chapter holds various events throughout the year, including an annual coat drive to collect gently used winter coats, snow boots and new hats and gloves for families in need. The chapter also hosts a baby shower in the fall to collect to diapers and new baby items for the mothers at the Center. However, Tablescapes is by far the largest, having raised on average \$100,000.

"Through the (Infant Welfare

Society) Endowment, the center is preparing for the future needs of its patients," Fussaro said. "The goal is to provide the very best health care to those in need. Every dollar raised gives the center the stability and security to maintain and grow their health care services for years to come."

Ever since the founding days of the center, the staff at the Infant Welfare Society have provided services ahead of their time. Now, more than a century later, fundraising efforts will help support patients with COVID-19 including in person care and telehealth visits.

The weeklong virtual Tablescapes Illuminate event will go live at 9 a.m. Sunday, March 14. From the comfort of their own homes, event-goers can view the thoughtfully-curated tablescapes, learn more about the Infant Welfare Society, and view auction items and raffles. The link will allow guests to purchase tickets for a chance to win one of the seven themed table settings as well as to partake in the auction. The event closes



Alexis Braden
Society spotlight

Sunday, March 21.

Raffle items include a three-night stay in Scottsdale, Ariz., a diamond and gold Meredith Marks bracelet from Sweet William and a case of various wines and accessories.

"This is our way of shining light to those who need it," Fussaro said. "Our goal is to raise as much money as possible as the need at the Angel Harvey Family Health

Center in Chicago is greater than ever."

For more information and to participate in the event, please visit <https://HIWS2021.givesmart.com>.

HJWC Platinum Unplugged

The Hinsdale Junior Women's Club will host its annual benefit, Platinum Unplugged: The Remix, on Saturday, April 24, at Burdi Clothing in Hinsdale.

"With many small businesses struggling to keep their doors open during the pandemic, HJWC felt a responsibility to bring the event back 'home' to try to support as many of its beloved

local businesses as possible," event co-chair Juhl Patterson said.

Rather than a typical four-plus-hour event with food, beverage and entertainment, HJWC will purchase gift cards for each attendee to use at downtown Hinsdale stores and restaurants of their choice. At the immersive red carpet experience, which will be held in multiple one-hour time slots to ensure social distancing, attendees will receive their gifts cards to enjoy that evening.

Patterson added that guests will then be encouraged to take their red carpet looks out on the town to celebrate in smaller groups of their own choosing at local bars, restaurants or even from the comfort of their own home. Guests will also have the opportunity to participate in silent auction and raffle items.

All funds raised through this event will benefit various local nonprofits via HJWC's grant program. To purchase tickets, \$225 per person, please visit <https://e.givesmart.com/events/exi/>.

— Alexis Braden of Hinsdale is the paper's society columnist.

Readers can email her at news@thehinsdalean.com.



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April 9 opening
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4100 Route 53, Lisle
<https://www.mortonarb.org>

This exhibition will be the largest display of artist Daniel Popper's sculptures anywhere in the world to date, crafted especially for sites at the arboretum. Built to create a sense of awe and wonder, five 15- to 26-foot-tall sculptures will

be featured in less frequently explored areas. They include a towering female figure with room to step inside, large-scale human hands that are joined by intertwining roots and a huge figure that has been split in half. The exhibition is included with time-themed admission to the arboretum. Passes for members are available now, and tickets for guests will be available March 15. Admission: \$15, \$13 for

seniors, \$10 for ages 2-17, free for age 1 and under.

CENTRAL TIME

■ '10 Ways to Survive Life in Quarantine'

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<http://www.hinsdaledrama.com>

Hinsdale Central Drama presents its Freshman Show all-virtual production, featuring 17 members of the class

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**Thursday, March 18
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Tuesday, April 6

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We like to give our best support to District 86 Board of Education candidates, **Peggy James, Terri Walker, Jeff Waters, and Debbie Levinthal**. Vote #4, 5, 6, 7 on the ballot!

As neighbors, we truly know all candidates have long time track records of supporting D86. They are part of D86's past and truly care about the future of the district and sustainable growth of D86. **James, Walker, Waters, and Levinthal** aim at reversing damaging changes made to our original nationally-ranked STEM programs. Before the change, the original D86.

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40 Village Place
 (630) 734-1500
<https://www.giulianospizza.com>

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■ Hua Ting

777 N. York Road
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<https://www.huatinghinsdale.com>

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8 E. First St.
 (630) 734-9400
<https://www.ilpoggiolohinsdale.com>

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■ Jade Dragon

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

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

Limited indoor dining, out-

door dining in heated tent, curbside pickup available. Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday to Thursday, 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 4 to 9 p.m. Sunday and Monday.

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26 1/2 E. First St.
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The Board of Trustees of the Village of Hinsdale will hold their regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 7:30 p.m. (electronically), and will conduct the annual Integrated Pest Management review. The meeting shall specifically consider the issue of chemical pesticide use on Village property, alternative means for the management of pests on Village property and any recommendations of the Pest Management Coordinator concerning pest management on Village property.

Written information and comments concerning pest management on Village property will be solicited. Public participation is encouraged, and a registry will be available for anyone wishing to receive additional information. Any technical or scientific questions regarding chemical pesticide use must be submitted in writing, no less than seven days before the Integrated Pest Management review meeting.

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13 Grant Square
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<https://www.yiayiasinsdale.com>

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EGGCETERA

■ The Great Hinsdale Eggs-ploration

March 19-April 4
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

How many eggs can be found in Hinsdale? Mark the calendar to join in this village-

wide hunt sponsored by the Hinsdale Parks and Recreation Department and The Community House. Watch this listing for more details.

■ Pictures with the Bunny

March 27 & 28
The Lodge
Katherine Legge Memorial Park
5901 S. County Line Road,
Hinsdale
[https://www.villageofhins-](https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/departments/parks_and_recreation/pictures_with_the_bunny.php)

[sdale.org/departments/parks_and_recreation/pictures_with_the_bunny.php](https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/departments/parks_and_recreation/pictures_with_the_bunny.php)

Hinsdale residents and key-holders for The Community House are invited to sign up for free pictures with the Easter Bunny. The Bunny will practice social distancing, and families should have their own phone or camera to take photos. Visitors also will receive a goodie bag and can spin the wheel for a grand prize. The

registration deadline is March 15. People are encouraged to register for the wait list, if necessary, in the event more times become available. Time: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

■ Easter Champagne Brunch

April 4
Drury Lane Theatre
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace
<https://lucillerestaurant.com/spring-2021>

Celebrate Easter Sunday with food and fun for the entire family at Lucille restaurant at Drury Lane. Take a socially distanced photo with the Easter Bunny before indulging in roasted leg of lamb, crab cakes and more. Top it off with unlimited champagne, mimosas and Bellinis. Hours: 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost: \$75, \$30 for ages 12 and under, free for ages 2 and under. RR

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FAMILY FUN

■ Young Writers Night Webinar

March 11
<https://www.d181.org>
 The whole family is invited to join in on a fun evening as author, illustrator and cartoonist Nathan Hale illustrates as he speaks, drawing live on the screen. He will fascinate viewers with history and the art of drawing comics. This program, sponsored by the District 181 Foundation, is free and open to all. Registrants will also be able to access a recording of the program. For more information, email Meg Cooper at mcooper@d181foundation.org. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

■ Private Play Time!

Ongoing
 DuPage Children's Museum
 301 N. Washington St.,
 Naperville
 (630) 637-8000
<https://www.dupagechildrens.org>

The DuPage Children's Museum invites families to explore, create, build, discover, think, play and more during a 90-minute Private Play Time. The museum has been divided into two separate play experiences — Explore and Discover — each offering exclusive access to select exhibits for a small group of up to 10 children and adults. Face masks are required of everyone age 2 and up, and each group is assigned a private restroom. Times: 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tickets: \$250 per group.

■ Dinosaurs Everywhere!

Through Sept. 6
 Brookfield Zoo
 3300 Golf Road
 (708) 688-8400
<https://www.czs.org>

This popular exhibit returns for a limited time now that the zoo has re-opened. A few surprises will be featured on some of the 40 animatronic dinosaurs to make them even more lifelike. Also new since the zoo temporarily closed due to the pandemic are Hope, a 5-year-old female polar bear; and Sibi and Lorena, two female Mexican wolves. Guest capacity is limited and advanced admission and parking tickets are required. Guests must wear face coverings when entering the zoo and if 6 feet of distance from others cannot

be maintained. Hours: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily through March 13, then open until 6 p.m. on weekends. Admission: \$24.95, \$17.95 for kids 3-11, \$19.95 for seniors 65 and older plus \$15 parking.

■ Farm Life in Winter

Ongoing
 Kline Creek Farm
 1N600 County Farm Road,
 West Chicago
 (630) 876-5900

<https://www.dupageforest.org>

Watch a working blacksmith sharpen tools and repair equipment, help prune the orchard or join in on the ice harvest when the lake freezes. Follow the farm on Facebook and check daily posts for activities. Visitors must wear a mask that covers the nose and mouth. Time: 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.

FOR A CAUSE

■ Class of 2021 Yard Signs



Through March 12
<https://www.theboosters.com/signs>

Celebrate the Hinsdale Central Class of 2021 by purchasing a yard sign from the Central Boosters. Orders will be available for pickup from 10 a.m. to noon March 21 at the school's gym doors at 5500 S. Grant Street. Cost: \$15.

■ Illuminate Tablescapes 2021

March 14-21
<https://hinsdaleiws.com>
 Hinsdale Infant Welfare Society will hold its annual Tablescapes fundraiser as a weeklong virtual event. The event supports Infant Welfare Society of Chicago and features beautiful tablescapes, raffle offerings, trips and more. Time: 1 p.m. March 14 to 5 p.m. March 21. Tickets: varied

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GAME ON

■ Pickleball programs

Tuesdays & Thursdays,
March 16-25

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

<https://www.thecommunity-house.org> to register

Aspiring players and veterans are invited to sharpen their pickleball games in small-class programs. The Learn to Play Pickleball Workshop will teach students the basic rules, strokes, scoring and strategy of the "fastest growing sport in America." The Pickleball Workshop — Improving Your Game will focus on active, fun and purposeful drills matched to one's skill level. Participants in either workshop need to bring their own paddles.

Times: 10 to 11 a.m. for Learn to Play Pickleball, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for Improving Your Game. Cost: \$100. RR, MD

GREAT OUTDOORS

■ DIY Maple Sugaring: The Basics

March 13

Fullersburg Woods
3609 Springs Road, Oak Brook

(630) 933-7248

<https://www.dupageforest.org>

Learn how to tap maple trees at home and make syrup with just a little know-how and a few tools. The program is for ages 18 and up; participants must wear a mask. Times: 9 to 10:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$10 per person. RR

■ Spring Migratory Bird Hike

March 14

Little Red Schoolhouse
Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road,
Willow Springs

(708) 839-6897

<https://fpdccc.com>

Join a naturalist and bring a pair of binoculars along on a hike for sighting of spring migratory birds. The program is for anyone 12 and older, and the hiking pace is slow. Participants must wear masks and practice physical distancing. Time: 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. RR

■ Signs of Spring Hike

March 16

Little Red Schoolhouse

Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road,
Willow Springs

(708) 839-6897

<https://fpdccc.com>

Search the Black Oak Trail for plants and animals that signify the arrival of spring. Time: 1 to 2 p.m. RR

■ Mayslake by Moonlight

March 19 & 20

Mayslake Peabody Estate
1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook
(630) 206-9566

<https://www.dupageforest.org>

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.

■ Watch Out for Woodcocks!

March 24

Mayslake Peabody Estate
1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook
(630) 933-7248

<https://www.dupageforest.org>

Look for the amazing mating displays of the American woodcock on a guided hike. Participants must wear a mask over nose and mouth and should bring binoculars and water. This program is for adults 18 and older. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$5. RR

GREEN THUMB

■ Native Landscaping: Design

Through April 30

(630) 933-7247

<https://www.dupageforest.org>

Share drawings and photos of one's yard and get one-on-one help from a naturalist who will help pick out plants and design a native oasis. Learn why having native plants is important not only for one's landscaping, but for local wildlife as well. Call the number above to schedule an online appointment; the meeting will be held using Microsoft Teams. Cost: \$15. RR

HEALTH & WELLNESS

■ Coping with Stress

March 11

<https://www.AMITAhealth.org/DrSaper>

Join this virtual program with Dr. Clifton Saper, lead clinical psychologist at the AMITA Health Behavioral Medicine Institute, as he explains strategies for managing one's stress level and boosting emotional and physical wellness. Music therapist Victoria Storm also will discuss how music can be instrumental in managing stress and anxiety. The final 20 minutes will be reserved for Q&A. Registrants will receive a link to the meeting. Time: 6 to 7 p.m. RR

■ Managing Weight After Cancer

March 16

(630) 323-5150

<https://www.wellnesshouse.org>

Many cancer survivors struggle with weight-related issues following cancer treatments. Learn about simple tips to improve diet and increase physical activity. Time: 5 to 6:30 p.m. RR

■ Live Healthy, Discover Nature Hike

March 21

Little Red Schoolhouse
Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road,
Willow Springs
(708) 839-6897

<https://www.fpdccc.com>

Tap into the health benefits nature provides and get active in the forest with a vigorous hike along White Oak and Black Oak Trail. The trek is part of the Little Red Schoolhouse's monthly hiking club series. Ages 12 and up are welcome; participants must wear masks and practice physical distancing. Time: 10 a.m. RR

JUST FOR KIDS

■ The Picture Book Club

March 18

(630) 986-1976

<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Kids in preschool through third grade can enjoy readings of "The Bear and the Moon," "Digging for Words: José Alberto Gutiérrez and the Library He Built" and "Evelyn Del Rey Is Moving Away" over Zoom. Read along by reserving print copies at the library. Time: 4 to 4:30 p.m. RR

■ Hour of Code

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March 22
(630) 986-1976
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Kids will learn how to program their own Dance Party! via Zoom. The program is recommended for grades four and five. Time: 4 to 5 p.m. RR

■ AI and Machine Learning for Kids

March 27
(630) 986-1976
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Kids in grades three to six can learn about artificial intelligence in this fun and easy-to-understand virtual program from Hinsdale resident Harry Gao, complete with hands-on activities that show how AI works and how it's used. Time: 4 to 5 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. Coates will be reading selections from some of her own favorite bedtime stories, and Goldberg will pick up where he left off in December, reading tales of Uncle Wiggily, the Gentleman Rabbit created by Howard Garis. Two new videos are added each month.

LISTEN & LEARN

■ Coffee With ...

March 17
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org>

The Hinsdale Economic Development Commission is hosting this Zoom virtual workshop with business community leaders. This open forum will provide an opportunity to learn about current resources and programs available to local businesses. Time: 9 a.m. RR

■ Rosa Parks & the Montgomery Bus Boycott

March 17
(630) 986-1976
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Storyteller Linda Gorham will tell the story of Rosa Parks and the Montgomery Bus Boycott in this virtual Hinsdale

Public Library program for Women's History Month. Hear the accounts of three people: Claudette Colvin, the teen that was arrested on the bus six months prior to Rosa; James Blake, the bus driver; and, of course, Rosa Parks herself. Include an email address when registering to receive the online meeting invitation. Time: 7 to 8:15 p.m. RR

■ Climate Change Close to Home

March 18
(630) 719-2468
<https://www.mortonarb.org/learn-experience>

Whether you live in Chicago, the suburbs or the surrounding rural areas, climate change is affecting everyone, though in different ways. This online discussion will explore the local impacts of climate change across northeastern Illinois' natural communities, from the woodlands concentrated near the Chicago region to the savannah and prairie that stretch inland across rural Illinois. Responding to climate change in Chicago's urban communities may look very different than responses in rural and agricultural communities to the south and west. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$23. RR, MD

■ Clear the Clutter with the KonMari Method

March 23
(630) 986-1976
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Join this online program with Dr. Jessica Louie, declutter and burnout coach, to clear the clutter from the home and life. Using the Kon-Mari method, Louie will show how to transform one's home. Include an email address when registering to receive the online meeting invitation. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. RR

■ 'Connecting One Landscape for Wildlife and People'

March 24
<https://www/CZS.org/LectureSeries>

This final virtual lecture in the Chicago Zoological Society's virtual lecture series will feature Ryan Lutey and Mitch Doherty of the Montana-based Vital Ground Foundation giving an overview on the organization's efforts to protect and restore North America's grizzly bear populations for future generations by conserving wildlife habitat and

encouraging ways to reduce conflicts between bears and humans. Time: 7 p.m. Cost: a \$10 donation is suggested. RR

NOTEWORTHY

■ Baroque Brilliance

Through March 14
<http://www.elmhurstsymphony.org>

Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra musicians present this virtual performance of lesser-known gems of the Baroque period. The program includes Johann Pachelbel's Canon and Gigue, Antonio Caldara's Sinfonia in C, J.S. Bach's "Brandenburg Concerto No. 3" in G, Georg Philipp Telemann's Concerto for Three Violins, and Jean-Philippe Rameau's "Overture to Naïs." This video-on-demand program will remain available for two weeks after clicking to view the program or through midnight March 14, whichever comes first. Tickets: \$25.

ON SCREEN

■ First Folio Storytellers Series

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

Join First Folio Artistic Associates as well as guest artists in this online streaming series as they read a selection of short stories and poems chosen to help provide joy and illumination each month for holidays from Valentine's Day to Mother's Day and beyond. New videos are added each month.

ON STAGE

■ 'Rhythm of the Dance'

March 13-17
(630) 942-4000
<https://www.atthemac.org/events/rhythm-of-the-dance>

College of DuPage's McAninch Arts Center invites people to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with this virtual National Dance Company of Ireland performance, a richly costumed show that marries traditional music with modern forms of Irish step dancing and song while showcasing a wealth of talent. The 90-minute performance was shot during a European tour and recorded in a six-camera shoot by at the Odessa National Academic Theatre of Opera

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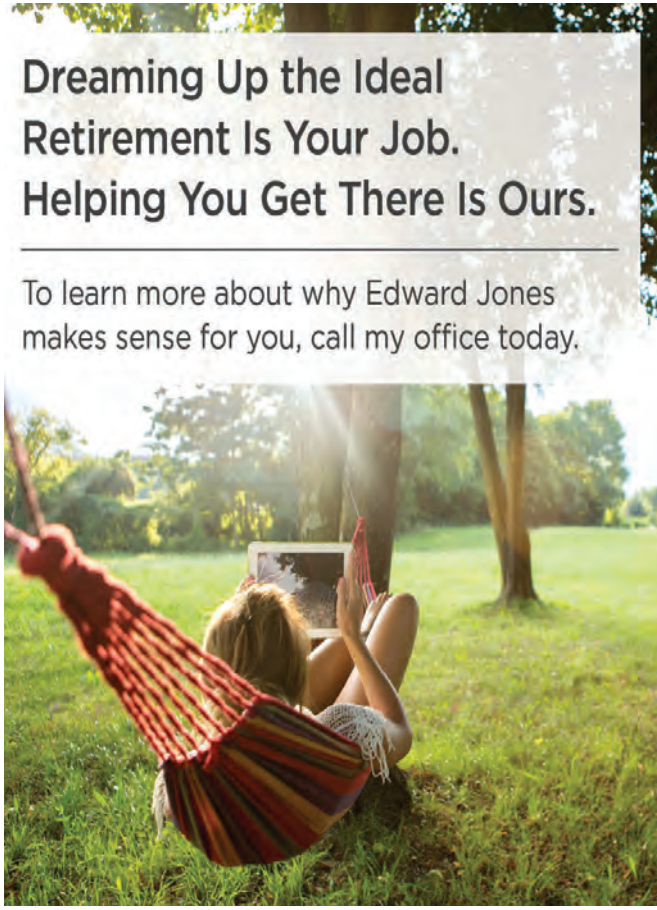


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and Ballet in Ukraine. Viewing time: from 7 p.m. March 13 to 11:55 p.m. March 17. Tickets: \$25.

■ TWS Story Slam

March 19-April 16
<https://theatreofwesternsprings.com>

The Theatre of Western Springs presents this series of true, life-changing stories performed by the authors. These 10 artists went through a vigorous selection process and are participating in a series of writing and performing workshops to deliver their stories. Part 1 will be released the weekend of March 19, part 2 the weekend of March 26. The programs will be recorded and viewable at any time until April 16. Tickets: \$10 recommended (only one ticket needed for both shows).

RUNS & WALKS

■ Road Less Traveled Race

March 27
Columbia Woods

Willow Springs & Corcoran roads, Willow Springs
<https://www.eventbrite.com>

This half-marathon event is part of a series that aims to bring the Chicago running community together and raise funds for Black-run clubs to help bridge the worlds of underrepresented populations and the fitness mainstream through a diversity of programming and content curation. All members of the community are invited to participate. Public health guidelines will be followed. To register, visit the website listed above and type "Road Less Traveled Race Series" in the search bar. Time: 8:30 a.m. Cost: \$110. RR

SENIOR SCENE

■ Sing-a-Long Memory Café

Second Wednesday of the month
<https://www.agingcareconnections.org>
(708) 354-1323

People living with memory loss and their caregivers are

invited to join this monthly interactive sing-a-long via Zoom to enjoy stimulating and interactive musical experience. Find the link on the website listed above under Programs > Caregiver Support. Email Jessica Haines at jhaines@agingcareconnections.org for more information. Time: 1 to 2 p.m.

SPECIAL EVENTS

■ Virtual Wedding Showcase

March 14
<https://www.DiscoverDuPage.com/virtual-wedding-showcase>

The DuPage Convention & Visitors Bureau invites brides, grooms and planners to explore the many wedding services and beautiful, unique venues in DuPage County through this virtual trade show. Meet "face-to-face" with numerous venues along with businesses such as transportation, florists and caterers, all in the matter of hours. The showcase will also include a fashion show and raffle. Reserve time to speak

with vendor representatives through Zoom. Proceeds from ticket sales will benefit Giving DuPage, People's Resource Center and Special Olympics Illinois. Hours: 1 to 4 p.m. Tickets: \$10. RR

SPRING BREAK CAMPS

■ Pitcher, Catcher and Infielder Skills Camp

March 29-April 2
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
(630) 789-7090
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

Boys and girls ages 7-12 can prepare for the upcoming baseball and softball seasons with work on infield positioning, footwork and double plays; proper pitching form and age-appropriate grips for both baseball and softball; and pitch-framing and throwing techniques for catchers. Time: 11:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Cost: \$60. RR

■ Youth Volleyball Camp

March 29-April 2
The Community House

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

Aspiring players ages 6-14 and will learn the game of volleyball or continue to improve their skills in areas such as passing, setting, attacking, blocking, serving, defense and movement. Players will be divided by skill level and age and challenged accordingly. Masks and physical distancing will be required. Time: 1 to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$90. RR, MD.

STEPPING BACK

■ Typhoid Mary

March 15
<https://www.clarendonhillslibrary.org>

The Clarendon Hills Library welcomes historian Leslie Goddard in this virtual program to tell the remarkable story of the woman known as Typhoid Mary and why she is remembered as the first "healthy" carrier of a deadly bacteria when she infected

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Pet pic of the week

Arrow is a handsome tabby kitten who is looking for his forever home with kids 8 years and older. He's a gentle and sweet 5-month-old whose adoption fee is \$100. The Hinsdale Humane Society Tuthill Family Pet Rescue & Resource Center is currently closed to the public, but anyone who is interested in adopting a pet can fill out an online application at <https://www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org> and then call (630) 323-5630 for an interview. Temporary adoption hours are 1 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, noon to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. (photo provided)



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dozens of New Yorkers with typhoid fever in the beginning of the 20th century. Time: 7 p.m. RR

■ Battle of Attu: The Storm on Our Shores

March 18
<https://cantigny.org>
Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Mark Obmascik will virtually discuss his national bestseller, "The Storm on Our Shores: One Island, Two Soldiers, and the Forgotten Battle of World War II." The book recounts the heart-wrenching but ultimately redemptive story of a Japanese surgeon and an American sergeant during a brutal Alaskan battle in which the sergeant discovers the medic's revelatory and fascinating diary that changed the war-torn society's perceptions of Japan. The program is part of Cantigny Park's Virtual Date with History series. Time: 7 to 8:15 p.m. RR

■ Mayslake Hall Exterior Tour

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Learn about the history and design of Mayslake Hall in this docent-guided tour of the building's exterior. You must wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth. Ages 12 and up; under 18 with an adult. Time: 10 to 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$8. RR

TEENS & TWEENS

■ S.T.E.A.M. for Teens

March 15
(630) 986-1976
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

S.T.E.A.M. kits created especially with teens in mind will be available for curbside or in-house pick up at the Hinsdale Public Library. Limit 30. RR

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This is an absolute winner. So clean. So charming. Such an impressively convenient neighborhood. Well-located in-town within a quick and easy stroll to Monroe school, the Metra station, downtown Hinsdale and the Hinsdale Community Pool. It's a pretty Queen Anne with gorgeous moldings and the covered front porch you've dreamt of. A floor plan that makes sense: three bedrooms 'up' and a fourth bedroom on the first floor (currently an office). Updated, eat-in kitchen. Finished lower level with above ground windows. Private, fenced back yard with tiered deck, pergola and paver patio. Two-car garage with off-street parking for car #3.

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420 N LINCOLN STREET, HINSDALE
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Here's a rare combination of a close-to-everything location in the Monroe school neighborhood with a super private, super deep lot. So gently lived in, it looks & feels even newer than it is. It's flawlessly maintained in perfect condition. The personality is extraordinarily light, bright & open. The kitchen is so large it has two islands and a breakfast room. Decadent primary suite with private sitting room (doubles as a nursery).

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GOOD NEWS

CENTRAL NAMES LANGUAGE STARS

World language teachers at Hinsdale Central select Star Students two times a semester, recognizing them for having a strong interest in a world or classical language, making positive contributions to the classroom environment, exhibiting a passion for learning a second language and inspiring their peers.

Students recently recognized are Avery Andersen, Heidi Angelopoulos, Lauren Biegel, Nate Bittner, Riley Boshardt, Katie Brophy, Sarah Brosius, Hannah Brown, Nadia Burt, Andrew Callen, Elyssa Chandler, Gianna Ciezadlo, Cole Clawson, Stephanie Cochlan, Thomas DeBruin, Priya Dhananjaya, Julia DiT-rani, Elyse Empamano, Jack Erickson, Grace Fan, Tyler Folkman, Piper Frankiewicz, Conor Furlong, Olivia Guido, Jinyi (Angela) Guo, John Hines-Shah, Preston Hutchens, Xavier Jash-nani, Yanning Jiao, Deona Julary, Fatima Khan, Zoryana Kuropas, Max Lai, Izzy Levinthal, Katie Lynch, Gabby Manko, Holly Marcus, Drew McMillin, Aarav Mittal, Ava Newcomer, Sarah Jane Nicholson, John Olsen, Derek Pancratz, Emmaleigh Parrillo, Esha Patel, Lauren Pencyla, Sophia Ponakala, Zahrah Qureshi, Sophia Rahman, Sami Raslan, Dilan Reddy, Mikayel Sardaryan, Sebrina Sebastian, Riahna Sidhu, Zuzanna Sokolowski, Isabel Sunderland, Nicholas Tarasi, Ari Tavoso, Steven Tobia, Katie Tschosik, Jackie Vogel, Veronica Walsh, Elliot Welch, Brian Williams, Evi Zervas and Leeland Zhang.

D181 STUDENTS WIN POETRY CONTEST

Several English language learner students in Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 were named winners in the Illinois Teachers of English — Bilingual Education 17th annual statewide Elementary Poetry Contest.

Hinsdale winners are Second-graders Andrea Mugnolo, Madison School, 1st place, Diamante, "Soccer/Baseball"

Jay Zang, Madison School, 2nd place, Haiku, "Rain" Fourth-graders

Claire Sang, Madison School, 1st place, Diamante, "Singapore/United States," Best of the Best, "Singapore/United States"

Flora Shao, Madison School, 2nd place, Haiku, "Snow"

COLLEGE STUDENTS MAKE DEAN'S LISTS

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

- Katherine Beja, University of Kansas
- Olivia Giammanco, University of Minnesota Twin Cities
- Madison Heimsoth, University of Kansas
- William Kallas, University of Minnesota Twin Cities
- Francesca Lucente, University of South Carolina
- Emma Reedy, University of Minnesota Twin Cities
- Michael Usher, University of Kansas

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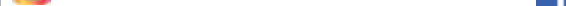
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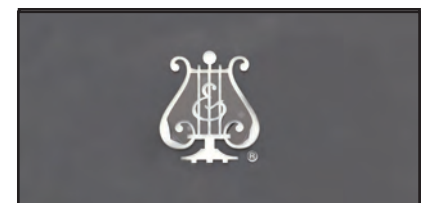
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STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



Name: Angelia Berti
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What was the feeling last year when the season was canceled?

I was extremely disappointed because I only play one sport, and when you train for something all year and then for it to get canceled, it just feels like you wasted a lot of time.

Does this season have more significance?

In a way because it's my last year, and I think I have to do my best. My goal is to win a state medal with my doubles partner Lily (McCain).

What got you into playing badminton?

I started when I was in fourth grade playing recreationally in my backyard with my older brother and my twin sister, Natalia.

What do you enjoy most about the sport?

I like that you can hit the birdie anywhere with different techniques and trick shots. Because it's such a fast game, it's very intriguing to me. It's easy to play but it's hard to master.

How have your skills improved since freshman year?

I started out as a singles players and now I'm hoping to go to state for doubles. It's a lot harder when you have a partner because it's not just

your success on the line.

How would your teammates describe you?

They'd describe me as eccentric and hardworking. I love doing fun activities with the team like tie-dying shirts or going out to breakfast. We still did our tie-dying (during the pandemic) but we had different stations so people could be distanced.

Do you have any pre-match rituals?

Since my sophomore year, I've brought a pack of heart stickers before every match, and we'll just give them out to everyone and put them all over our uniforms.

What else are you involved in?

I'm co-founder of the Hinsdale Central Greek Club.

Any special skills?

I've taught myself to speak Korean. And I'm trying to learn how to skateboard.

Why does coach Katie Maley enjoy having Berti on the squad?

She is a fantastic and incredibly skilled player. She is awesome on and off the court. She is one of our captains and leads by playing her hardest every day in practice and making sure everyone is included and working hard as well. She definitely leads by example.

— profile by Ken Knutson,
photo by Jim Slonoff

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Hinsdale Central's Kelly Klobach performs her balance beam routine Saturday as Central hosted conference rival Glenbard West. The Hilltoppers vaulted over the Red Devils by a score of 145.6-137.85. See more photos at <https://www.thehinsdalean.com>. Select 'Photos' from the green bar at the top. (Jim Slonoff photo)



Dr. Grant Garrigues of Hinsdale, an orthopaedic surgeon specializing in shoulder and elbow surgery at Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush, said athletes should pay attention to pain and swelling and seek treatment early when an injection or physical therapy might solve the problem. If they ignore the problem, a more invasive solution might be necessary. (Jim Slonoff photo)

Hinsdale surgeons operate in unique role

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number of substitutions in a game from three to five and to schedule water breaks during competitions.

"The overall injury rates were similar, fortunately, because of the water breaks and the increased number of substitutions," he said.

The event was a success, due to daily testing and strict quarantining protocols, Forsythe said.

While the three surgeons also maintain a regular practice, they said they enjoy the time they spend with professional athletes.

"It is the locker room and the camaraderie and the excitement," Bush-Joseph said of the perks of serving as a team physician. "I would add that it's a lot of fun when they win. It's hard when they lose.

"2005 was one of the funnest years I've ever had," he continued. "It was three weeks of absolute joy as the Sox won the World Series."

More recently, especially in 2017 and 2018, the mood was more subdued.

"Players get injured more often. It becomes more of the August and September blues," he said.

The energy is back this year as the team has its sights set on returning to the World Series.

The doctors take care of all levels of players, from the rookie league to the majors. Bush-

Joseph said he enjoys watching players mature.

"It's almost like watching your kids grow up, going from St. Isaac's to Hinsdale Middle to Hinsdale Central. That's something I really enjoy," he remarked.

Garrigues said it's fun to know big-name athletes — and his kids get a kick out of it — but he really appreciates the opportunity to get to know them as people, meeting their families and watching them fight their way back from injuries.

"You really share in that joy of the highs and lows of being professional athletes. It's very rewarding to be an insider in that world and sort of share in their victories," he said. "When they win a game, obviously I'm not out there pitching and I didn't take a single swing. You feel a real profound joy in the team's success because you feel like, 'I gave my all to keep these players healthy on the field.'"

Forsythe said his work has given him a new perspective on professional sports.

"You realize that sports and athletics is really the same fundamentally, whether it's the high school or college or professional level, and that those professional athletes have the same sort of challenges that the rest of us do," he said.

"They are human, and just as we have all had to cope and struggle with COVID over the past year, it has been the same challenge for them."

Advice for amateur athletes

Returning to athletics this season will present some unique challenges for athletes, according to three surgeons from Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush who also serve as team physicians for Chicago's baseball, basketball and soccer teams.

"We're seeing a lot of these overuse achy shoulders and elbows in our high school and junior high athletes who were not throwing," said Dr. Chuck Bush-Joseph, who has been team doc for the White Sox since 2003.

"A lot of high school kids want to get up on the mound and throw as hard as they can for 30 or 40 throws," he said.

Pitchers typically start training with short throws and move to on-the-mound pitching over the course of six weeks, he said.

"Most people are trying to do it in two, three at most," he said.

Kids are very flexible and able to whip the ball with their arm, he said, rather than throwing with their whole body and relying on the strength in their core and legs. This causes strain to the shoulder and elbow and can create rotator cuff or growth plate inflammation. Bush-Joseph said it's important for athletes to listen to their bodies.

"Luckily the families and parents and coaches know they don't make kids throw through pain any more," he said.

Aches and pains means it's time to ease up on throwing, he advised.

"Go from long toss to short, work on conditioning, core exercises to make sure the whole body is ready to throw," he said.

Dr. Brian Forsythe, who works with the Chicago Fire, the Chicago Bulls and the White Sox, agrees about the importance of conditioning.

"Most injuries happen at increasing rates when athletes fatigue," Forsythe said. "We know that if you're playing in a soccer game, after the 60th or 70th minute, you are more likely to get injured. You lose some of that protective muscle strength with fatigue. The longer you play, the more likely you are to get hurt.

"If you are coming off of nine months of inactivity because of COVID, your conditioning level is probably not what it normally is," he added.

Forsythe recommended putting added emphasis on aerobic training and weight training and to practice jumping, twisting and a plyometric progression.

Dr. Grant Garrigues, team doc for the White Sox, said those who have had COVID-19 might want to take some extra precautions.

"There is some data that COVID may cause some longterm myocardial issues in certain patients," he said. "If someone has actually suffered from COVID, I would recommend they consult with their primary care physician prior to returning to sports."

Despite the excitement created by warmer weather and promising news on the pandemic front, people need to take it slow even as they get out and enjoy the nice weather. Garrigues noted that athletes who miss time during the season because of an injury are at a higher risk of a different injury when they return to play.

"While they were out recovering from the first injury, everything got a little bit stiffer, a little bit weaker, a little bit out of shape," he said. "I think the same things can be said of COVID, only we're not recovering from an injury, we're recovering from a global pandemic. As much as you want to, you can't just pick up exactly where you left off. You have to give it a little time to ramp up."

SPORTS



Monitoring spring training for the Chicago White Sox in Glendale, Ariz., is one of the responsibilities of the Hinsdale surgeons and other medical professionals who work with the team. While many

COVID-19 safety protocols are in place, including social distancing for fans, the 2021 season promises to be better than 2020. (photo courtesy of Grant Garrigues)

Surgeons operate in unique roles

Team docs for White Sox, Bulls, Chicago Fire reflect on COVID-19, joys of the job

By Pamela Lannom
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Last year was a year like no other — especially for the docs who take care of Chicago's professional athletes.

"It was kind of eerie — kind of like watching a men's softball league game," Dr. Chuck Bush-Joseph of Hinsdale, a surgeon at Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush and one of the team doctors for the Chicago White Sox, said of the team's games in empty stadiums.

This March looks much different. Spring training is in full swing, and the Sox home opener is set for April 8. But COVID-19 precautions are in place for the players and those who support the team.

"Everyone had appropriate PRC testing and antibody testing

before they could even get into the parking lot," Bush-Joseph said.

Dr. Grant Garrigues of Hinsdale, who specializes in shoulder and elbow surgery, was recruited by Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush 2 1/2 years ago to work with Chicago teams and now is assigned to the White Sox and Chicago Bulls. He too spoke about the COVID-19 protocols in place to keep everyone safe.

"We have multiple COVID tests every time we are going to interact with a player. We have tests for days leading up to the time we're awith them," he said.

He's already spent two weeks at spring training in Arizona and said all employees there wear bracelets that register when they are within 6 feet of someone else.

"If someone does turn positive,

they can very quickly figure out who may have been in contact with those people and isolate them," Garrigues said. "It's pretty impressive what they have done to try to keep everybody safe. The NBA has put in very similar protocols."

The players returned in good physical shape, Bush-Joseph said, but skills training was a struggle for some during the off-season. That meant more attention had to be paid to the speed at which athletes ramped up.

"That's a problem, but it's been a much bigger problem with our recreational athletes, our high school athletes," he said (see sidebar).

Chicago Fire athletes faced similar challenges, said Dr. Brian Forsythe of Hinsdale, team physician for the Fire and the Chicago

Bulls and a sports medicine surgeon at Midwest Orthopaedics at Rush.

"These athletes, they're all in the top 1 percentile athletically," he said, noting that soccer players run about 7 miles every game, with lots of stops and start.

"Then there is match fitness, which is impossible to replicate without actually playing games," he added.

After four months of not playing last year, athletes gathered in Orlando for the MLS is Back tournament in July.

"Players were forced to ramp up their level of fitness and competition in an expedited manner," Forsythe said.

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- 89** – Clay Cutinelli
- 88** – Michael McCormick
- 87** – Sam Balice
- 81** – Jack Czerwiec
- 71** – Thomas Graeb
- 67** – Louis Naphin
- 40** – Richie Christopher
- 31** – Ben Ognibene
- 27** – Nick Grundberg
- 26** – Nate Bittner
- 11** – Charlie Boomer
- 9** – Zach Laskowski
- 1** – James Rallo

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A noteworthy home situated on a beautifully wooded lot with volume ceilings to scale and an abundance of quality detail throughout.

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