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Wash and wear

Elyse Decaigny and Chiara Jovic take a break from the Hinsdale Central girls swim and dive team car wash at the school's front entrance Aug. 12. The whole team — more than 70 girls — participated in the event and washed more than 250 cars. The money raised will be used for video equipment in the pool. (Photo for The Hinsdalean by Sam Wheeler)



Officer Friendly Police department's Kowal enjoys interacting with community. Page 9



Profitable partnership Hinsdale natives enjoy time together at home, at the office. Page 14

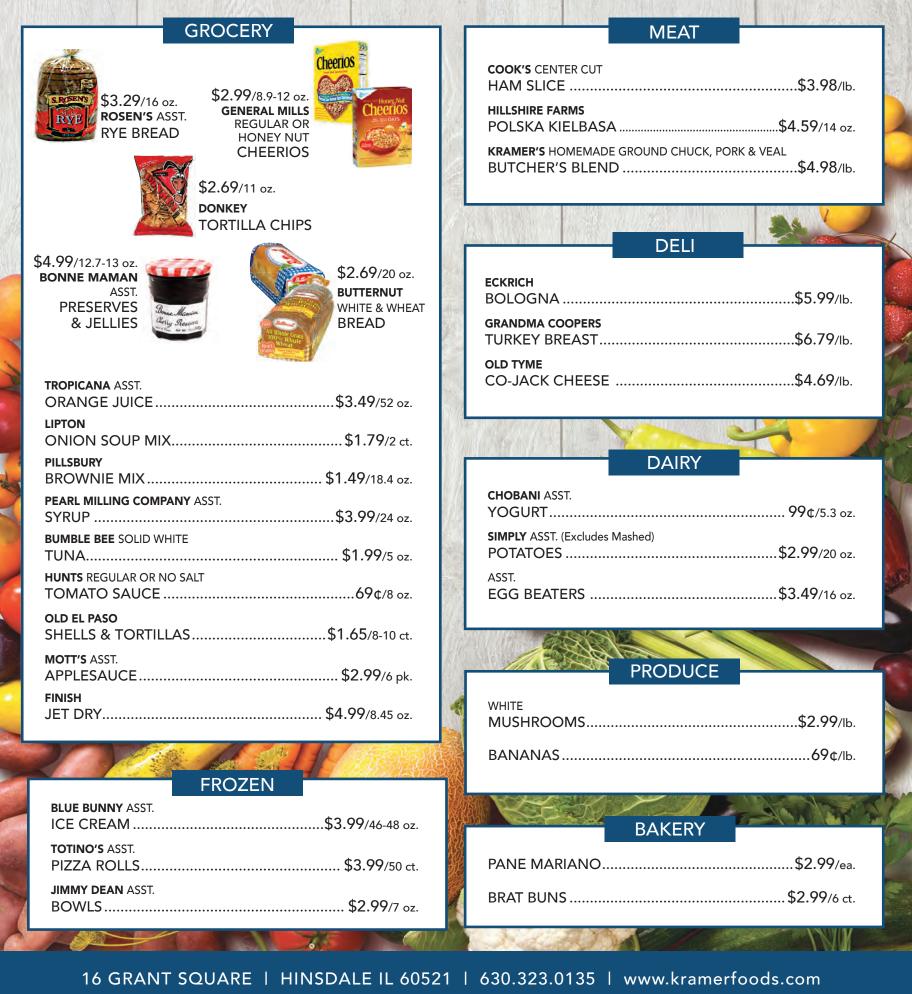


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NEWS

New law won't change full-day plans

By Pamela Lannom

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All Illinois schools will be required to offer full-day kindergarten by 2027-28, but Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 is on track to do so for the 2025-26 school year.

Gov. JB Pritzker signed House Bill 2396 Aug. 2, Superintendent Hector Garcia reported at the Aug. 14 school board meeting. No announcement has been made about whether the state will offer any funding, but District 181 is not likely to qualify.

"Due to the formula they use,

that funding," Garcia said.

The district plans to borrow the money to pay for construction of additional classrooms and has included \$26 million in debt certificates in the 2023-24 budget as a placeholder, according to a budget presentation in May.

Just how many classrooms are needed will be based on enrollment projections from demographer John Kasarda. His recent study shows district enrollment is expected to climb from about 3,588 this year to 3,700 by 2032-33, Garcia said.

Kindergarten classes are expect-

District 181 will not receive any of ed to increase by 49 students districtwide.

"We don't see a whole lot of variability. We're not going to see massive spikes in that data," Garcia said.

Overall increases at individual schools could range from seven more students at Elm School to 33 more at Madison Schools. Some schools, like Oak and Prospect, are expected to see a drop in enrollment during that time frame.

"We're analyzing those schoolby-school numbers and taking into account what is the likely enrollment," Garcia said. "These enrollment numbers and projections are not simple. There could be a particular year when a cohort of students is larger than the previous year."

Officials expect to have bids on construction work in December and a preliminary budget in January.

Significant construction will take place in the summer of 2024, with the shell of additions built and basic utility installation completed. Then the classroom spaces would be finished during the 2024-25 school year. Garcia said he does not anticipate a need to start school later than usual in 2024 or 2025.

"Our commitment is to ensure that we not only open on time, but that we minimize disruptions to the learning environment," he said.

> As part of Hinsdale's sesquicenten-

Memorial Building lights up in the night



ONCE UPON A TIME



Hidden treasure — Hinsdale's Chaudhry Sean came across a box of old photos tucked in a corner of his store's basement. These photos show work being done on Hinsdale Avenue in 1939. Do you have a Hinsdale photo that is at least 25 years old? We'd love to share it with our readers. Stop by our office at 7 W. First St. or email it to jslonoff@thehinsdalean. com.







Happy Birthday! Claire Riordan turns 10 Aug. 31

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NEWS



Hinsdale Central teacher Leah Giarritano is a fan of the movable work stations that have replaced traditional teacher desks as part of recent schoolwide classroom renovations, most completed this summer. The upgrades, part of the \$140 million facility improvement plan, also include new student desks and wheeled chairs that allow for group work, large trays under the chairs for backpack storage and new tables in science labs and other rooms so projects can be spread out. (Jim Slonoff photos)





Hinsdale Central classrooms get refresh

Students return to '21st-century' learning spaces as part of Future Ready Facilities work

By Ken Knutson kknutson@thehinsdalean.com

Hinsdale Central classrooms got a makeover during the summer, complete with upgrades officials hope will enhance students' educational experience in the school year just underway.

Assistant Principal Ryan Maita last week showed The Hinsdalean several of the 86 renovated classrooms across the campus. He said the improvements were comprehensive.

"We did flooring, ceiling, lighting, walls, new tech, projectors, projector screens, 21st-century student desks and new teacher work stations as well," he said.

Stepping into a second-floor special education classroom, perhaps the most striking items initially are the trapezoid-shaped desks trapezoid-shaped desks.

Maita said the desks can easily be arranged in a circle for working in pods of up to eight students.

"They're easy to put together and move around," Maita said. "They're very flexible to it's easy for students to collaborate."

Each desk has an accompanying chair — unattached and with wheels for mobility. A large basket-like tray is located under the seat for backpacks, as laptops have replaced bulky textbooks and allow students to tote all of their supplies.

"No one uses lockers anymore," Maita remarked, noting lockers have become an optional feature at other high schools. "They just carry their stuff. So it's nice that now they have space to actually put it under the desk."

The light gray carpeting and new lighting combine to create a more airy, well-lit environment similar to modern office spaces. Instead of the classic big wooden teacher desks, instructors have movable stand-up work stations and separate cabinets with countertops that can be positioned next to the work station as an extended counter.

"It's no more 'sit and get' from the teacher," Maita said. "(Teachers) now are standing and moving around, so it allows for that flexibility." The Hinsdale High School District 86 Board approved \$1.05 million for the furnishings earlier this year, a piece of the \$140 million Future Ready Facilities improvement project voters passed in 2019. Among the other outlays for this phase of the work, awarded to lowest bidding contractors last fall, were \$2.8 million in electrical upgrades, \$519,000 for flooring and \$306,475 for acoustical ceiling installation.

Maita said the work proceeded smoothly overall, with a few snags like when some of the old whiteboards were removed.

"We found like 27 rooms that needed to be abated (from asbestos) that we didn't have on the abatement plan," he said.

Maita acknowledged that some of the school's faculty were skeptical as to how the new student desks would function compared to the traditional models. When the first set of classrooms were redone a couple of years ago, he gave a demonstration showing their versatility and value. "It went a long way to easing some of those fears," he said.

Business teacher Leah Giarritano, whose room was one of the first ones renovated, appreciates the improvements.

"I love it — it's beautiful," she said.

Some rooms like those for marketing and art are outfitted with rectangular tables to accommodate larger-scale assignments like poster and banner design. The art and science rooms kept their tile flooring instead of the getting new carpet because of potential for spills. Science rooms feature a juxtaposition of classic-looking lab stations mixed with the contemporary alterations.

"In the science rooms, it's mainly the lighting, the ceiling, the paint," Maita said while walking through one of the lab rooms.

"It made it brighter," interjected science department Chair Julie May, during a meeting with colleagues. "The lighting makes a huge difference. It just feels more like daylight in here."

NEXT WEEK

Hinsdale High School District 86 Board

6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24 Hinsdale South High School 7401 Clarendon Hills Road, Darien www.hinsdale86.org/board-of-education/board-meetings

On the agenda: superintendent search planning workshop

MEETING ROUNDUP

Hinsdale Village Board

Among other business Aug. 15, trustees:

• heard a proposal for a three-year garbage removal contract extension with Republic Services, which includes annual 4.25 percent price increases each year for the standard weekly curbside collection and a larger initial year increase for premium collection services such as backdoor and twice-per-week collections, with 4.25 percent increases in years two and three. Village officials said the proposal provides a smaller increase to the 86 percent of residents enrolled in standard service. The majority of residents would see a first year increase of about \$12. The "senior rate" pricing for backdoor collection for eligible disabled individuals would be extended. The item will be on the consent agenda for the next meeting Sept. 5.

• held a first read on a liquor license request from the proprietors of the new Que Miso restaurant at 114 S. Washington St. The Mexican/Asian fusion eatery intends to serve wine, beer and cocktails as well as packaged liquor sales. It's slated for a mid-September opening.

• heard a recommendation to hire B&B Holiday Decorating to put up holiday lights in the downtown for \$36,548. The original bid proposal of \$40,751 was \$10,751 over the village's budget, which officials attribute to the rising cost of labor and a discrepancy in the number of lights included in the contract. To save \$4,203, public services staff will install the lights/decorations for the Memorial Building grounds. Officials reported that there are sufficient funds available in the budget to cover the rest of the overage. The item will be on the consent agenda for the Sept. 5 meeting.

• listened to a proposal to replace the Memorial Hall carillon, restore the bell ringing mechanism, and clean and digitally upgrade the clock for a total cost of \$41,960. The item will be on the consent agenda for the Sept. 5 meeting.

Clarification

An Aug. 17 update on an investigation of a fatal accident stated the Jeep involved accelerated unexpectedly while exiting the bay at Fuller's Car Wash on July 17. That wording was not meant to imply a malfunction in the Jeep. The results of the investigation, which have not been made public, will indicate whether the acceleration was caused by a malfunction or driver error.







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Lightning struck twice one August day

By Pamela Lannom plannom@thehinsdalean.com

Eight years ago this month, lightning struck twice in Hinsdale on the same day, causing one house to catch fire and destroying the chimney of another.

These excerpts are from the article that ran Aug. 6, 2015.

Shortly before midnight, lightning struck the home at 561 Walker St., causing \$75,000 in damage.

"The guys did a great job," Chief Rick Ronovsky said of the firefighters who responded. "They got there and there was fire coming out of the roof of the house."

They located the fire in the cathedral ceiling of a bedroom above the garage.

"They had to pull some of that ceiling down to get to that void space to what was on fire," Ronovsky said. "It didn't take them long, but there was a lot of work involved. Then they had to make sure it wasn't spreading along the top of the roof."

At the same time, lightning struck a chimney on South Grant Street, causing it to crumble to the ground.

The homeowner at 838 S. Grant heard a clap of thunder followed by a loud noise. He went outside and discovered his chimney was on the ground in the yard.

An engine company from the Westmont Fire Department and Chief Pat Kenny from the Western Springs Fire Department, who were already en route to help assist with the Walker Street incident, were redirected to Grant Street. Once on the scene, Kenny determined there was no smoke or fire at the structure. Damage to the home is estimated at about \$10,000. No one was injured in

either incident.

Ronovsky is grateful for the assistance from neighboring companies from Clarendon Hills, La Grange, Pleasantview, Western Springs, Westmont, LaGrange Park, Lemont and Oakbrook Terrace.

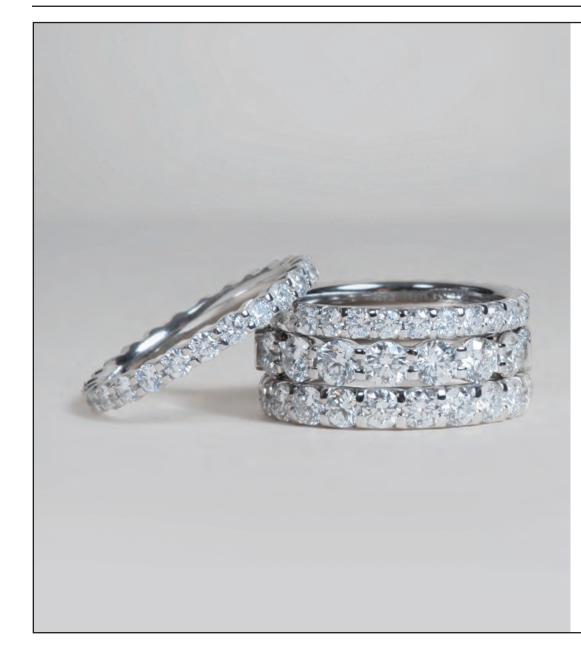
"Several of the other communities were busy, too," he said. "Everybody that responded, they did a great job."

The two incidents illustrate the unpredictability of lightning strikes, Ronovsky said.

"The energy that lightning bolt creates certainly holds the potential for starting a fire," he said. "It doesn't happen all the time, but it happens. There is no rhyme or reason to it."



Clarendon Hills firefighters added water to the portion of the roof that caught fire after being struck by lightning in August 2015. Lightning struck two Hinsdale homes the night of Aug. 2, causing the chimney of the second to collapse. (file photo)



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POLICE BEAT

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports Aug. 22.

DUI arrest

Lashawn Herron, 31, 1408 N. Burling St., Chicago, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08, improper lane use, operating an uninsured vehicle and a tail light violation at 2:01 a.m. Aug. 17 at Ogden Avenue and York Road. He was charged and released to appear in court.

Woman arrested multiple times

Amy E. Colomb, 56, 10S320 Jamie Lane, Willowbrook, was arrested for disorderly conduct and violations of the litter control act, criminal trespass to property and vandalism on three separate occasions between 7:23 p.m. Aug. 16 and 10:15 a.m. Aug. 20. She was observed urinating and defecating on public property, littering, and creating a disturbance inside the train depot (where she has a no trespass order). She was charged and released to appear in court on all counts.

Jeep and BMW stolen

A Jeep Wrangler and BMW X5 were stolen from the 100 block of Ravine Road at 2:11 a.m. Aug. 21. The vehicles were recovered in the 14700 block of Evers Street in Dolton and the 10800 block of South Bensley in Chicago. Police are investigating.

Controlled substance suspected

A driver was stopped for using a cell phone and found to be in possession of plastic bags containing a suspected controlled substance in pill form at 12:20 p.m. Aug. 17 at Ogden Avenue and Elm Street. He was cited for operating a vehicle while using an electronic communication device and operating an uninsured motor vehicle and released. Additional charges are pending the results of lab testing.

Burglary to vehicle

Suspects entered unlocked vehicles in the 200 block of North Park Avenue and rummaged through the interiors between 1 and 6:30 a.m. Aug. 21.

Hit and run

Someone hit a vehicle while it was parked in the lot at RML Specialty Hospital, 5601 S. County Line Road, between 6:45 and 7:05 a.m. Aug. 20.

Identity thefts reported

• Someone used the identity of a resident of the 200 block of South Monroe Street to open a credit card account and make \$2,007 worth of purchases May 1. The incident was reported Aug. 17.

• The identity of a resident of the 400 block of Pamela Circle was used to open a credit card account between July 27 and 30. The incident was reported Aug. 17.

• Someone tried to open credit card accounts using the identity of a resident of the 700 block of South Washington Street on July 28. The incident was reported Aug. 21.

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



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■ "I got into because I like helping people and I wanted to help people, and I wanted to work with kids. I got into it for the community aspect." — Karen Kowal

Hinsdale police officer values serving others

In the early 2000s, Elmhurst native Karen Kowal aspired to start her law enforcement career with her hometown police force.

"There were, like, 300 applicants and no openings in the department at the time," Kowal related. "The numbers were much different than what they are today."

So she explored other opportunities nearby.

⁴I just started applying and Hinsdale was one of my top choices, and I came up as No. 1 on (the village's) list and got hired," she said.

Now as a 20-year veteran of the Hinsdale Police Department, Kowal endeavors to educate those she serves as well as build connections with residents by leading the Hinsdale Citizen Police Academy. The free 11-week program is held on Wednesday evenings beginning Sept. 13 and is currently accepting applicants (see Page 24 for details).

Kowal described the course as bridge between the community and the department for residents "to see the wide expanse of what we do."

Through classroom instruction and hands-on exercises, students gain insight on various areas of police work. Topics include processing crime scenes, investigations and critical incidents. Participants get a primer on the law from a former village prosecutor and hear from a mental health specialist.

"We have a night specifically dedicated to traffic stops they always love that — and it's eye-opening for them to get to experience walking up to a car and role-playing out what happens," Kowal said. "It's focused on how much you have to watch all of different things that you're looking for, that you're listening for, (knowing) where's your backup."

Being a backup for others led her into the job, she said, especially in support of youth.

"I got into because I like helping people and I wanted to help people, and I wanted to work with kids," Kowal said. "I got into it for the community aspect."

In the fall of 2019 she became the department's school resource officer for elementary and middle school students.

"My first year as (school liaison) was the year that COVID started. So I made it like nine months into the school year,"



KAREN KOWAL

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she related.

That delayed Kowal's face becoming a familiar one in the hallways, but she's happy to report progress today.

"Last year was my first year where the kids actually recognized me coming back around," Kowal said. "It's definitely what I've been working toward. I enjoy seeing their smiles.

"They're so ready to learn,

and it's good for them to see positive role models," she added, noting she was Hinsdale's only female officer the first half of her tenure. Reflecting on her early years

on the force, Kowal said each day was unpredictable.

"Every call you go on, you think, 'Do I really know what I'm doing?' " she said.

Kowal has come to appreciate spirit of mutual support among her colleagues.

"The officers have all been great. Everybody helps each other. It's like a team."

The Citizen Police Academy, she suggested, fosters a similar fellowship with residents.

"It's awesome to see the community get to really understand what it is that we do," she said.

> — story by Ken Knutson, photo by Jim Slonoff



OPINION

EDITORIAL

Students, start smart this new school year

Hinsdale youth are back in class! Stepping up a grade means a higher level of academic rigor — and a greater need for effective study habits.

Here are some tips from "The Princeton Review' to help make the year a success.

1. Have multiple study spaces.

A quiet place at home is key, but variety can help, too. Libraries, parks or even just moving from the bedroom to the kitchen table can stimulate the brain to retain information better.

2. Keep a catch-all calendar.

In addition to jotting down homework assignments, mark extracurricular and social commitments in a planner to make sure nothing gets overlooked.

3. Start small.

Take a piecemeal approach to big assignments like a research paper, maybe writing one or two paragraphs each night.

4. Get organized.

Come up with a system and keep to it. Whether it's one big binder for all classes or separate

notebooks and folders for each, keep the system simple so you're more apt to keep it up everyday.

5. Get into a routine.

Find the time that works best to get that homework done (with flexibility when needed) and commit to finishing all assignments.

6. Create a distraction-free zone.

Try turning off phone notifications and blocking social media (temporarily) in order to concentrate on the tasks at hand.

7. Get real.

Be realistic about how long that list of the night's assignments will actually take. Gauging that reading a history chapter will take 20 minutes and writing a response will take another 20 minutes will help in planning how to apportion time.

8. Use class time wisely.

Have a few minutes of downtime at the end of class before the bell rings? Get a jump on that chemistry homework while it's still fresh or use the time to ask the teacher about concepts still proving elusive.

9. Study a little every day.

Cramming Spanish vocabulary the night before a quiz that's been on the calendar for weeks might work sometimes, but the more effective way to learn and retain information is by reinforcement over several sessions. Go over the material more than once — and review it afterwards because it's a safe bet it'll be needed again down the road.

10. Use bad grades for good.

A rough start to a class is not the end of the world. Talk with the teacher about ways to improve and make the class a priority during study/homework time rather than pushing it off until the end. The perseverance will pay off.

12. Make a friend in every class.

Build connections among classmates for when homework questions come up or when a recap is needed due to a missed class. Hopefully fostering networks for support will become a lifelong pursuit.

COMMENTARY

Columnists back, with some new faces in the mix

You might recall from previous columns how much I detest the use of June 1 and Sept. 1 as the start of summer and fall, given the existence of actual events that mark the seasons.

That said, the summer solstice and autumn equinox are not always the most pragmatic dates to use. Autumn won't officially start until Sept. 23, but practically speaking, summer is over here at The Hinsdalean.

I know because my summer column-writing sabbatical has ended. I've spent the past 10 weeks using the time I normally spend on this piece working on a special section on the village's 150th anniversary that we will publish Sept. 28.

I've also spent time this summer reading submissions from interested writers and choosing new individuals to join the contributing columnist pool. It's my pleasure to introduce these new writers to you today.

Carissa Kapcar is a 17-year resident, wife and mom of three. She describes herself as a "happy, grateful, and often-times tired mom shuttling a minivan around the Chicago suburbs and clinging to just enough irreverence to stay sane."

ence to stay sane." She attended Miami University before working in advertising on the East Coast. She currently works as a facilitator at the Union Church Early Childhood Program, curating topics and leading a class for young mothers. And

she writes when she

can. Her work has been featured on The Huffington Post, Erma Bombeck Writers' Workshop, Today Parenting Team, Allergy Kids Foundation and in more places than I have space to list.

Also new to the group is Leah Packer, who will fill the role of high school columnist. A junior at Hinsdale Central, she is a member of the school's Mock Trial team and a writer for the school newspaper, The Devil's Advocate.

"This experience in the (school) newspaper has definitely influenced me to want to write a column, but even outside of the newspaper, writing a column seems like a great opportunity to express ideas and share a part of myself," she



Pamela Lannom

annom launched the paper in 2006, is coming back after some time off following her most recent stint as a contributing writer. She is the mom of three Hinsdale Central graduates

first columnists when we

three Hinsdale Central graduates, two of whom also have graduated from college. An email asking former col-

umnists to write a summer piece prompted her to re-apply.

"When you reached out to previous columnists and gave me the opportunity to consider writing again, it just sparked something in me. It made me realize how much I missed it," she said.

These three will be joined by the writers you got to know over the last year or two — Jade Cook (whose column is on the facing page), Bill Barre and Kevin Cook (no relation to Jade!) along with Katie Hughes, who has been sharing her perspectives as a student at the University of Georgia. I'm so pleased to welcome them all back.

We also have a new society columnist as well. Alexis Braden, whom has done an excellent job, has new responsibilities as a Hinsdale trustee following last spring's election. We are lucky to have Allison Peters ready to take her place. Peters will write her first column next month and will tell readers more about herself there.

I'm excited to be back as well. While writing the column some weeks is more of an obligation than a joy, I do appreciate the opportunity to share what I'm thinking and feeling with readers. And I enjoy hearing what they think about what I'm thinking and feeling.

Well, I'm running over my word limit here (so out of practice!). So I'll see you next week, with some thoughts on this past summer. No mentions of the equinox. I promise.

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

OPINION

GUEST COMMENTARY

You are braver than you know

This summer while browsing in a used bookstore in Michigan with aisles upon aisles of books stacked floor to ceiling, I stumbled upon a devotional entitled "100 Days to Brave." I'm not sure what drew me to this partic-

ular book. Perhaps these days we all need a nudge toward courage, a boost out of our comfort zones.

Picking it up, the jacket read: "For the next 100 days, let Annie F. Downs show you that you are braver than you know, and with that knowledge in your back pocket, you can change the world.'

I want my kids to believe this, to know with a sureness they can effect change in their lives and the lives of others. So \$4 later, I had a conversation starter for our lazy family lunches spent lakeside on the back porch in Michigan.

Sandwiched between mornings and afternoons on the water, our family of four took turns reading aloud from this little square book, analyzing bravery in its many forms, its obstacles and its trademarks.

Because we are a forgetful people, it helps to be reminded of inherent truths that spur us on and unshackle us from tired habits and thought patterns. We encourage one another when we remember there is no bravery without the simultaneous presence of fear, that we can choose what we fill our time and minds with, that we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

I wouldn't say the contents of the book or our discussions were particularly revolution-



Jade Cook

a light on something, it shifts your perspective and alters the landscape. Suddenly bravery is everywhere, and it becomes ever so subtly infectious.

I see it in my friends sending their kids off to college and, in juxtaposition, those with littles headed to kindergarten.

They are tearful and maybe a little terrified, but they're full of faith and hope for their children's futures. I see it in my loved ones forging new career paths, building lives in new communities and chasing new dreams while juggling uncertainties and setbacks. I see it in those navigating through grief, parenting dilemmas, health challenges, mental illness and marital turmoil. Each day is full of its own quiet, unseen valor because they're doing their best to hold on through the hard.

As my kids return to school this week, I know they're summoning courage in their own unique ways because everyone wears bravery differently. We've stocked the lockers and filled the backpacks, but what I hope they carry with them are the truths we unpacked this summer: be brave enough to get started, to be themselves, to extend and receive grace, to dream, to serve, to work hard, to love others, to face change, to persevere through life's inevitable challenges and to do it all with the confidence of knowing they are incredibly valuable to an incredible Creator, and they are never, not ever, alone.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Letter on scooters, electric bikes, omits key factor

Of course motorists need to be aware and use caution regarding kids on electric scooters and bikes and the writer (July 13 letter) correctly points out that a parent's worst nightmare is losing a child and parents should be teaching safety to their kids. This misses a most important element: Why do parents purchase these electric bikes and scooters and leave their kids unsupervised?

Senior citizens have had close encounters with riders on sidewalks crossing storefronts. Kids are observed riding fast the wrong way on First Street, behind cars backing from diagonal spaces, in a driver's blind spot.

Even on sidewalks kids are crossing driveways and alley exits rapidly without caution. Very few obey basic traffic laws. The letter states that the bikes

Dogs deserved more than 1 point in columnist's tally

In contrast to a recent guest commentary, I posit the case is overwhelmingly for dogs. Not against dogs.

On behalf of dogs everywhere, I humbly offer this partial inventory and recount. Seeing-eye dogs. Bombsniffing dogs. Guard dogs. Hunting dogs. Police dogs. Seizure-sensing dogs. Service dogs. Sheep herding dogs. Sled dogs. Search and rescue dogs. Drug-sniffing dogs.

And these are just the top-of-mind jobs dogs perform for us. We ask and dogs willingly meet the challenge. They perform at 8-15 mph, but the class 3 bikes have a top end over 30 mph and kids have been observed with class 3 bikes in violation of state law regarding age requirements.

If a parent gave a loaded weapon to a child and it resulted in injury, the parent would be cited for endangering the life and welfare of a child or worse. If a child is seriously injured or injures another person on an electric device, why wouldn't that parent be cited in a similar manner?

As a former first responder who has seen seriously injured kids, I become increasingly concerned when a child is observed riding in a hazardous manner. The pertinent question here is why a parent would places their child and others in harm's way? - Joe Craig, Hinsdale

love us more than they love themselves, channeling their exceptional abilities in an ever-expanding number of lifesaving and life-improving ways upon which we depend. It is no wonder dog owners live longer lives. Yes, it begins with love, but it certainly does not end there.

I am not sure what the final score is for dogs, but it is far greater than one. As Will Rogers said: "If there are no dogs in Heaven, then when I die, I want to go where they went." - Karen Moberly, Hinsdale

Burdi's world-class car show is an asset to the village

Hinsdale owes a thank you to Burdi Clothing and the other organizers of the car show held several weeks ago. Notwithstanding the rainy weather, a sizable crowd enjoyed walking among the many exotic and collectible supercars. The sheer number of collector cars in attendance, the majority of which have never seen rain, was a testament to the organizers' influence

in the small community of supercar owners. The interest and reach of this show were far from local and attracted visitors from across the country, as it was the subject of numerous car collector forums and car groups worldwide. The car show Burdi has created is world-class and hopefully will be an annual tradition. — Mario Cirignani, Hinsdale

Intelligence plus character — that is the true goal of education. - Martin Luther King Jr.

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OBITUARIES

Sophie Mineo

Sophie Mineo, 99, a longtime resident of Hinsdale and Clarendon Hills, passed away Aug. 15, 2023, at Burgess Square in Westmont.

She was born in Hinsdale in 1924 to Joseph and Lidia Cozma. Mrs. Mineo was a 40-year clerk at Odegaards in Hinsdale.

She is survived by her two sons, James Mineo (Linda) Mineo Jr. and Ronald (Harriet Rahn) Mineo; her grandchildren Denise,

Chelee, James Edward, Clinton and Steven; and many great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Mineo; her daughter, Kathleen Messer; her grandson, Lewis; and her five siblings.

A funeral service took place Aug. 21 at Adolf and Powell Funeral Home in Willowbrook.

Interment was at Clarendon Hills Cemetery in Darien.

Dr. Gabriel O. Mooney

Dr. Gabriel O. Mooney, 77, of Burr Ridge, formerly of Hinsdale, passed peacefully at home Aug. 17, 2023, after a long illness.

Gabriel grew up on a farm in Skryne, Co. Meath, Ireland. He regaled in telling tales of his youth, family, the farm and Irish football.

After completing secondary school Mooney he went on to graduate from medical school at the University College Dublin in 1970. Seeking to continue his education abroad, he emigrated to the United States in 1971, where he completed residencies in general and plastic surgery and a hand surgery fellowship.

Together with his wife, Cathy, he was privileged to serve patients in private practice throughout the Chicagoland area for more than 25 years, primarily at Advocate Christ Hospital and Little Company of Mary Hospital. His leadership was evidenced by the many positions he held, including vice chairman of the surgery department, chairman of plastic surgery division, assistant professor of plastic surgery at University of Illinois Chicago and clinical instructor in plastic surgery at Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Medical Center. He was a past president of the Chicago Society of Plastic Surgeons (now The Illinois Society of Plastic Surgeons), a diplomat of the American Board of Plastic Surgery and a fellow of the American College of Surgeons.

He had a beautifully gentle bedside manner, and in addition to his medical career, he volunteered on surgical missions to Guatemala, Peru and Bolivia, at the Little Company of Mary Skin Cancer Clinic and at Hinsdale Hospital as a Eucharistic minister. He enjoyed a variety of sports with a highlight being the runner-up in the All Ireland Handball Colleges Final 1964.



His competitive nature and gift for conversation served him well on the racquetball court and at the 19th hole on many great golf courses with family,

friends and colleagues. A man of many interests, he enjoyed flying small planes and scuba diving the Great Barrier Reef at the Hayman Islands. He was always ready with a joke. A devout Catholic, he was a man of deep faith.

He loved to reminisce about his childhood, argue politics, watch all types of sporting events, he tinkered with everything and his kids and grandkids were blessed that he was incredibly involved in their lives.

He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Catherine, née Hickey; his children, David and Anita (Dane) Robinson; his grandchildren, Molly, Quinn and Declan Robinson; and many brothers- and sisters-in-law and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Tommy and Bernadette Mooney; and his brothers, Ray and Tex (Ann).

Visitation is at 9 a.m. today, Aug. 24, at St. Isaac Jogues Church, 306 W. Fourth St., Hinsdale.

A Mass of Christian burial will follow at the church at 10 a.m. The Mass will be livestreamed at www.//sij.net/special-event-livestream.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to Advocate Hospice at www.nhpco. org/providers/advocate-hospice-2/ or Benet Academy (Memo: Gabriel Mooney Fund), 2200 Maple Ave., Lisle, Illinois 60532 (online at www.benet.org).

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Richard W. Sidor

Richard W. Sidor, 73, a 45-year resident of Clarendon Hills, passed away Aug. 16, 2023.

He was born in 1949 in Chicago to Walter and Emily Sidor.

Rich will be remembered as a savvy businessman dedicating his career in the flooring industry. He was proud to

be part of project teams that created beautiful interior designs. He and his wife, Nancy, shared a passion for Frank Lloyd

Wright architecture and design, which inspired them to build their dream home. Rich enjoyed time in Wisconsin, finding

pleasure in fishing and being on the water. He was the 2002 Pro Walleye Tour Amateur fisherman of the year. He also enjoyed bowling and was an avid golfer, having played in a pro-am tournament in Greensboro, N.C.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 48 years, Nancy; his father, Walter; his mother, Emily; his sister, Christine; and his brother-in-law, James Reeder.

He is survived by his brother, John (Cheryl); his nephew, Blake; and his niece, Carly.

A funeral Mass was held Aug. 22 at St. Mathews Catholic Church in Schaumburg.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to St. Jude Children's hospital at www. stjude.org/donate.

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SARAH AND MIKE SWANSON, COMPASS REAL ESTATE

The Swanson Group of Compass Real Estate was a team long before they sold their first house.

"We started dating in high school," said Sarah, who along with husband Michael make up the Swanson Group real estate team. She was Sarah Buddig before marrying fellow Hinsdale Central grad and lifelong Hinsdalean Michael after college.

The son of two real estate agents, Michael got his real estate license right after college, while Sarah headed to law school. As Michael's downtown real estate business grew, Sarah made the choice to join him, and the Swanson Group was born.

Sarah said clients who choose the Swanson Group benefit from the time, attention and experience of two dedicated agents.

"Doing it together makes it so much more manageable," said the mother of three little boys.

By working as a pair, the Swansons said they have time and energy for their family and their business.

"We're ultra available to everyone," Sarah said.

Like many of their clients, the Swansons made their home in Chicago after college, but headed back to Hinsdale when it came time to start a family. Sarah said their oldest son was just two weeks old when they left Lincoln Park for the familiar surroundings where they grew up and where their extended families still live.

"We have a lot of people who we sold their first condo to downtown," said Michael.

Now, those same people are turning to the Swanson Group to help them make the move back to the suburbs. Along with young parents moving back to their hometown, Michael and Sarah said their clients range from first-time buyers to empty nesters looking to downsize.

"We have a very, very big range," Sarah said.

Unlike many Chicago area agents, the Swansons don't do business throughout the suburbs. Sarah said she and Michael choose to focus on what they know — Hinsdale and Chicago.

"We make it a point to be hyper, hyper local," Sarah said.

That makes it possible for the Swansons to offer personal, handson service. If a client is having work done at their new home, for instance, Sarah can stop by to check on the progress while the buyer or seller is out of town.

The couple's deep Hinsdale roots

and love of the village equip them with a knowledge and familiarity that they're eager to share with new buyers. Sarah said she and Michael can help new Hinsdale residents with tips and information to make their move easier and make them feel at home.

Even in a seller's market, Hinsdale buyers expect a certain level of quality when it comes to buying a home, Sarah said.

"The product has to be great," she said, adding that a home that doesn't sell quickly, for whatever reason, raises questions and doubts in the potential buyer. The Swansons help their sellers to prepare their homes for a quick sale, reminding them that a small investment of time and money can bring bigger dollars and a quicker closing.

With few homes on the market, buyers looking for their Hinsdale home need patience and an open mind, Sarah said. While an available home might not look perfect to the buyer at first glance, she and Michael can help the buyer see the changes that could make it so. They even have a network of trusted contractors, business owners and craftspeople to get the job done.

"We'll make those things happen," Sarah said. — by Sandy Illian Bosch



Sarah and Michael Swanson both have deep roots in Hinsdale and a love of the village that they're eager to share with everyone searching for a Hinsdale home. (Jim Slonoff photo)



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Paige Stewart & Brendan Kelly



Ginny and Tom Stewart of Hinsdale have announced the engagement of their daughter, Paige Stewart of Chicago, to Brendan Kelly of Chicago.

Paige is a 2008 graduate of Hinsdale Central High School and a 2012 graduate of the University of Missouri. She is a real estate agent at Jameson Sotheby's in Hinsdale.

Brendan is the son of Lisa and Mike Kelly of Fayetteville, Ga. He graduated in 2007 from Normal Community High School and 2011 from the Kelley Business School at Indiana University. He is a director at Ulta Beauty.

He surprised Paige with a trip to Paris and proposed in front of the Eiffel Tower. The two are still planning their wedding date and location.

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Lilian Arrowsmith & Francis Carey

Jean and Francis Carey of Hinsdale have announced the marriage of their son, Francis James Carey of Plantation, Fla., to Lilian Arrowsmith, daughter of Ileana Arrowsmith and the late Ricardo Arrowsmith of Miami, Fla. The couple was married July 1, 2023, at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church, in Doral, Fla. Francis graduated from Fenwick High School and the University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana. He teaches social studies at St. Thomas Aquinas High School in Ft. Lauderdale. Lilian is a graduate of Florida International University. She is a chemist, currently employed by Miami-Dade County. The couple is currently

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PULSE

Farmers market keeps producing

Now in its 47th year, the village venue is a summertime pleasure for many

By Ken Knutson kknutson@thehinsdalean.com

Henry Fredian, 2, was the picture of delight as his newly acquired string-tethered balloon floated above his head at the Hinsdale Farmers Market on Monday.

Contentment was abundant on the warm, sunny August morning, as people perused and stopped at the vendor stalls along Chicago Avenue. Families took advantage of one of the final days before school's resumption to let kids frolic around the fountain in adjacent Burlington Park.

Henry's mom, Hinsdale's Gabriele Fredian, said she's a weekly market patron, favoring the fresh produce trucked in by participating farmers as well as bread from ButterCrumb Bakery and heat-beating selections from Gandi the Juice Guru.

"I really appreciate that there are real farmers here with fresh fruits and vegetables," she said. "There's always something for the kids to enjoy, and we love getting a yummy juice, too."

In her stroller was 6-month-old James, getting early exposure to the sights and sounds of the market. Suddenly Henry makes the

Market morsel

Olivaceto's Josie Rivas offered this recipe for creamy avocado dip with Persian lime olive oil.

Ingredients:

- two large ripe avocados
- 1/4 cup Persian lime olive oil
- 1/4 cup sour cream
- 1/2 red onion
- six cloves fresh garlic
- one jalapeño pepper
- 1/4 cup cilantro, chopped
- one teaspoon salt

Preparation:

Add all ingredients to a high-speed blender or food processor. When thoroughly mixed, transfer the dip to a bowl and enjoy with chips, crisp raw veggies or on tacos or nachos.



sound of a boy who has lost grip of his balloon. He laments as it floats up, up and away.

No worries, as representatives at the Great American Exteriors booth have a replacement inflated and ready to go.

"Another one's on the way!" Gabriele assures him.

Happiness is restored. Nearby fellow Hinsdalean Jennifer Schwartz restocks her supply of

olive oil and balsamic vinegar at Olivaceto. Schwartz, accompanied by soon-to-be preschooler Oliver, 3, and daughter Sophia, 1 1/2, said the market never disappoints.

"The kids have a ton of fun here, and (I like) just the variety of things," she said, praising the quality of the products she finds. Her mom and sisters will even

venture out from the city on occasion to take in the suburban amenity.

Olivaceto owner Josie Rivas remarked how even the kids have a taste for the oil/vinegar blends she specializes in. She estimated she's been a Hinsdale market vendor for eight or nine years.

"It's a one-stop shop," she said of





the annual May-to-October openair attraction sponsored by the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce. "You come get you veggies, your

eggs, your meat, your cheese." Rivas offered up a tasting cup of Tuscan herb olive oil paired with an 18-year Trebbiano grape-derived balsamic vinegar from Modena, Italy.

"It's going to be sweet, but it doesn't have any added sugar," she advised. "The sugar comes only from the white Trebbiano grapes."

Surprisingly sweet for such a combination. Rivas said there's a sweetness also in the relationships she's cultivated with market customers over the years.

"I get my usual customers, and I've seen their kids grow up, since they were born," she said, citing the Schwartz family as a case in point. "That's the wonderful thing

 — you get to know their names." Resident Jill Dart, completing her purchase at ButterCrumb Bakery, said she doesn't mind queuing up when necessary.

"This one is worth the wait on Mondays because it is the best one in the area," Dart said, citing Felisha Orchid of Seed Living tends to microgreens she sells on Monday at the Hinsdale Farmer's Market. Almost 20 vendors take part in the weekly event, which draws shoppers from the village and nearby towns in pursuit of fresh produce and a variety of other tasty, artisanal items. (Jim Slonoff photos)

a couple of other area markets she frequents. "It has just the right amount of everything and the perfect vendors."

It's a short walk from her home, and her young son, Finn, avails himself of the chance to splash in the fountain.

ButterCrumb Bakery's Natalie Komperda said the season has seen strong sales, particularly of her sourdough and cinnamon raisin breads.

"And the pretzel bread, for sure. The kids love that, it's one of their favorites," she said. "(Customers) usually get the same things."

The line at Magic Crepes lengthens as the lunch hour draws closer. That's where Clarendon Hills resident Joelle Brower and twin 12-year-old daughters Reese and Kendall have just taken possession of their tasty-looking orders.

"We come for the crepes and the (Lincoln Land Kettle Corn) popcorn and fresh fruits and vegetables," Joelle said of their typical stops. "There's a lot of options for a lot of different things here. It's always really friendly."

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West

FAMILY FUN Pedal the Preserves: Salt Creek Greenway Aug. 26 Twenty-Sixth Street Woods-East of South 25th Avenue, LaGrange Park www.fpdcc.com (312) 533-5751 Learn safety tips and cycling techniques, then go on a guided ride. Helmets and loaner bikes are available for this family-friendly event. Time: 10 a.m. to noon. RR Edward Jones Back to School Scavenger Hunt Sept. 1-30 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. **Compare our CD Rates** www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976 Bank-issued, FDIC-insured Visit the library for a backto-school themed scavenger hunt around the youth services 3-month 5.25 department. Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. 5.30 to 5 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m. 6-month Sunday, closed Labor Day. 5.35 FOR A CAUSE 1-year Pet adoption and supply drive Aug. 26 Oakbrook Center 199 Oakbrook Center, Oak **Financial Advisor** www.hinsdalehumanesociety.

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Tuesdays, Sept. 5-26

introduce children to the game of volleyball and continue to improve their individual skill development in passing, setting, attacking, blocking, serving, defense and movement.

Players will be divided by skill level and age and challenged accordingly. Times: 5 to 6 p.m. for grades one through five, 6 to 7 p.m. for grades six through eight. Cost: \$120. RR, MD

Youth Karate

Tuesdays, Sept. 5-Dec. 19 Clarendon Hills Community Center 315 Chicago Ave. www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr (630) 789-7090

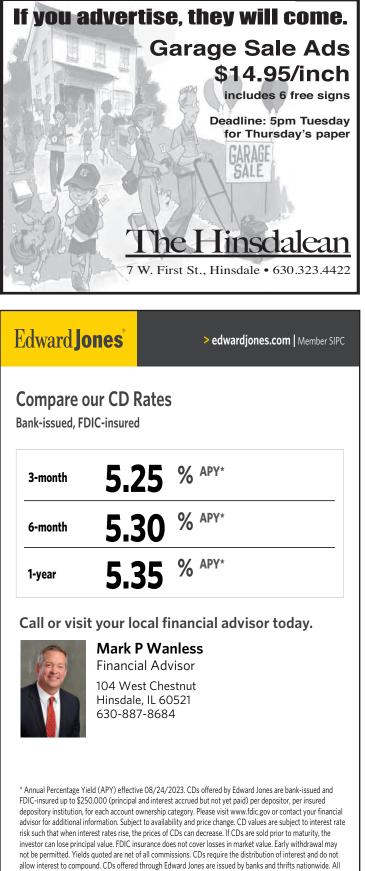
Children can develop flexibility, strength and coordination in fun, yet disciplined activities. Pre-karate classes are for ages 4-6, and other classes are for ages 7 and up. Times: 4:10 to 4:55 p.m. for beginner pre-karate; 5 to 5:45 p.m. for novice/ intermediate pre-karate; 5:50 to 6:45 p.m. for beginner/ continuing (white belt); 6:50 to 7:45 p.m. for novice/intermediate (red-green belts); 7:50 to 8:45 p.m. for advanced (purple-black belts) Cost: \$206. RR

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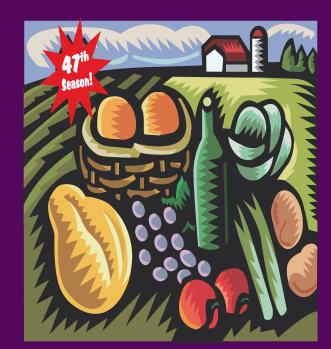
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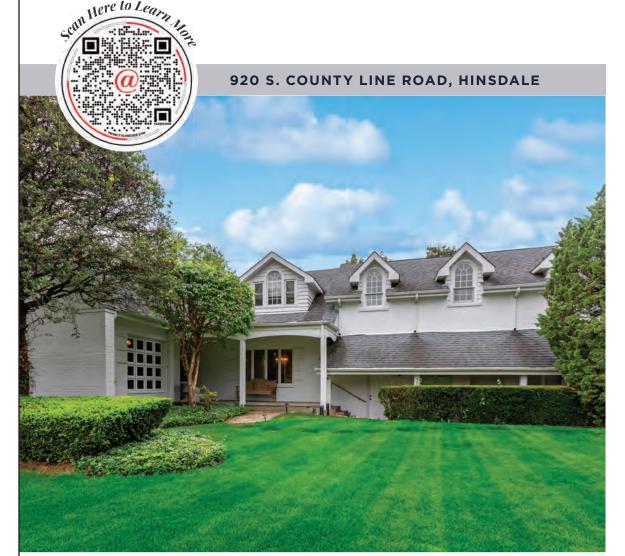


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rebounding and defensive skills and then play games to apply those skills. Participants will be assigned to different teams each week, and games will be played with an emphasis on equal participation, teamwork and sportsmanship. Please bring a labeled water bottle. Time: 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$117. RR, MD

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Cocktails and Conservation

Aug. 25 The Preserve at Oak Meadows 900 N. Wood Dale Road, Addison www.dupageforest.org (630) 933-7248

Raise a glass to toast DuPage bats and moths during "Beers and Bats, Mules and Moths.' Grab a bat- or moth-themed signature cocktail at the Greenway Tap while learning about these local creatures, then join experts on a nighttime stroll through the preserve to identify these nocturnal animals and discover how the **DuPage County Forest Preserve** District monitors their populations. The program is for ages 21 and older. Time: 7 to 9 p.m. Cost: \$25 per person. RR

Fishing: All Ages

Aug. 26 Herrick Lake Butterfield Road east of Herrick Road, Wheaton (630) 933-7248 www.dupageforest.org

Learn basic skills to help make family outings successful. All ages are welcome; those under 18 must be with an adult. Time: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person for age 5 and up. RR

Moon Walk

Aug. 30 Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs www.fpdcc.com (708) 839-6897 Let the full moon be the guide on this hike in the largest Urban Night Sky Place in the world. Time: 8:45 p.m. RR

JUST FOR KIDS

■ Self-Esteem/Leadership Lab Aug. 29 Westmont Community Center 75 E. Richmond St. www.villageofhinsdale.org (630) 789-7090

This Lisa Lombardi Coaching program for ages 6-13 will help children lean into their gifts and talents for the new school year. Kids will cultivate self-worth through interactive games like Splat Ball Scatter, Lollipop Marathon, King's Throne, Balloon Bust, Whirling Confetti Storm, Compliment Café and more. Time: 6 to 7

p.m. Cost: \$31. RR

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Sept. 1

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Kids in kindergarten through second grade can create a torn paper owl with cupcake liner eyes by picking up the materials at the library. RR

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Blue Zones: Learning from the World's Healthiest People

Aug. 30 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

Join this fascinating journey to the world's Blue Zones, where people live longer, healthier lives, and learn how to incorporate these diets, habits and lifestyle practices into one's life. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

Andy Warhol's New York City

Aug. 31 McAninch Arts Center College of DuPage 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn www.atthemac.org (630) 942-4000 Thomas Kiedrowski, author

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The Hinsdalean will publish a special section Sept. 28, 2023, to commemorate the village of Hinsdale's 150th anniversary.

This keepsake publication will offer a unique look at the past century and a half in the village, featuring a combination of feature articles talking to people who live and work in Hinsdale today, historic photos and information gleaned from a variety of sources on topics ranging from the history of the Hinsdale school system to sports achievements to the village's wonderful business community.

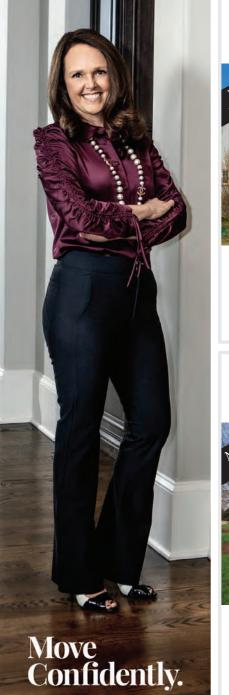
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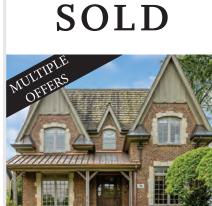
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(630) 323-7500

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■ Ice Cream Social

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

UCM AdventHealth Hinsdale and the Hinsdale Hospital Foundation Junior Board invite the community to this 69th annual afternoon of ice cream, entertainment, games, arts and crafts and fun activities. Hours: 1 to 4 p.m.

■ Neighborhood block party Aug. 27

427 E. Walnut St. Trinity Presbyterian Church is hosting this event on the church grounds with free barbecue, games, a DJ and fun activities for kids and families. Time: 5 to 8 p.m. **SUMMER SERIES**

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Mondays through Oct. 9 Chicago Avenue Burlington Park www.hinsdalechamber.com/

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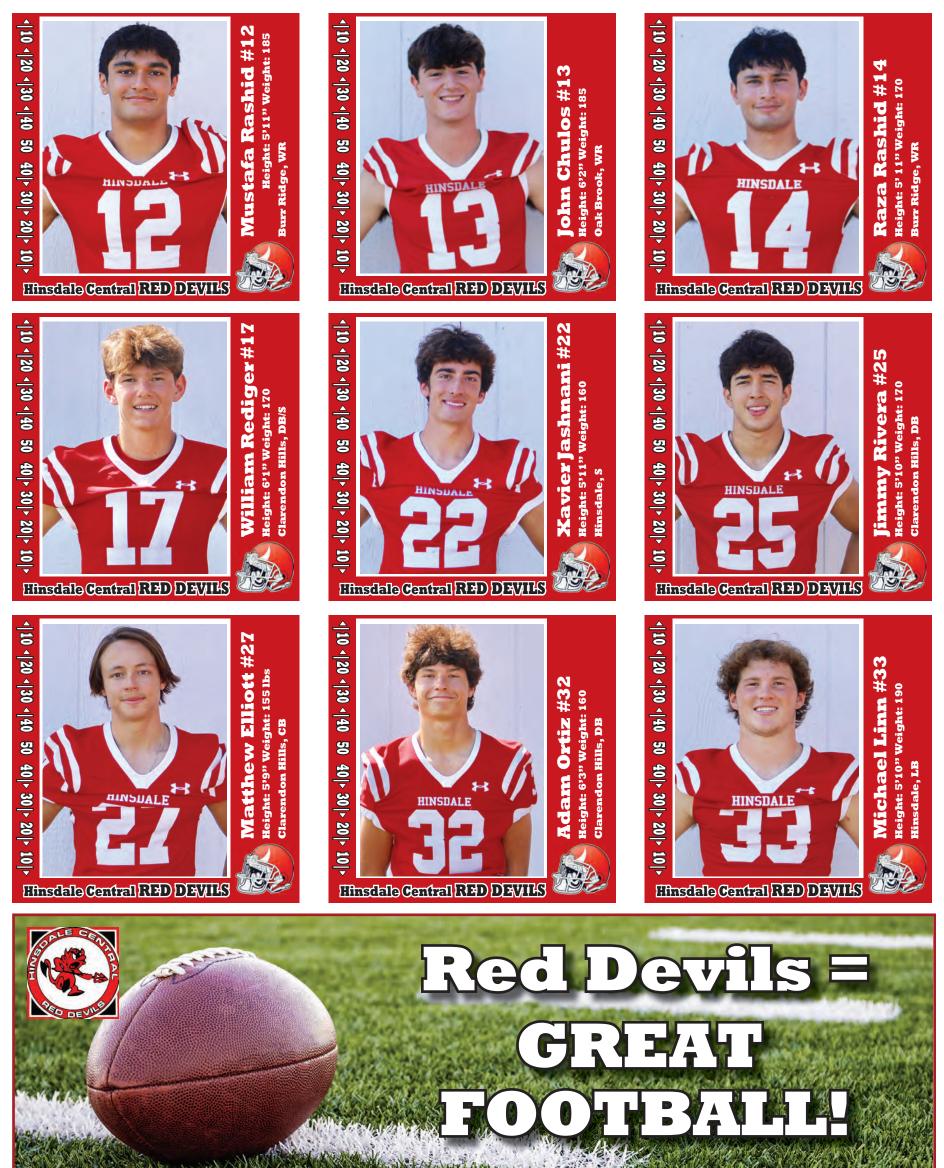
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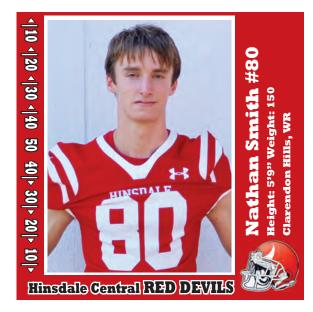
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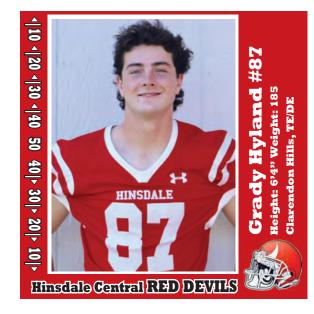


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Athletes ready for next-level contests

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spent in football and with my teammates, even if it wasn't spent on the field. They treated me like one of their brothers. For that I will always be grateful.

I'm looking forward to: showing people what I can do and compete for Trine University, to hopefully earn a national championship and a fine degree.

Ari Tavoso

UC Berkeley, lacrosse

I'll remember: the clubs I was in and the people who made those clubs so enjoyable and an awesome outlet away from school and sports. But I will also remember being on a team for four years. The girls on the team became my family and playing with people you love to be around is so special. Playing for a school with a great team culture and a great support/fan base makes playing a lot of fun.

I'm looking forward to: being challenged at another level that I've only dreamed about. Playing at college, everyone is good, everyone is competing, everyone is so strong and fast. Even though I've been playing this sport for so long, it's a brand new experience I am not used to, and I can't wait to become an entirely new and better player from it. Sarah Thornton Northwestern University, golf

I'll remember: all of the amazing opportunities I was given while on the HC golf team, as well as what it was like to be on a team with such dedicated and passionate players.

I'm looking forward to: playing on the highly competitive scale and improving as much as I can in college.

Dan Watcke

University of Oregon, CC/track & field

I'll remember: the 4x8 from Nike nationals in 2023.

I'm looking forward to: competing at a higher level and building relationships with runners from across the country.

The Hinsdalean was unable to connect with these athletes prior to deadline.

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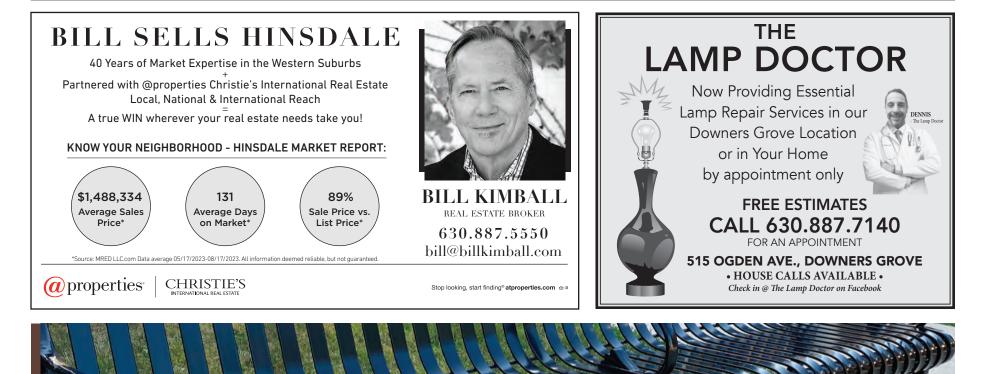
• Sean Lynch, University of Wisconsin-Platteville, football

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Athletes ready for next-level contests

High school grads set to continue their athletic careers on college, university teams

By Pamela Lannom plannom@thehinsdalean.com

This is the second installment in a two-part series on high school student-athletes who will continue to pursue their sport in college. All but Grace Carstensen, a graduate of Nazareth Academy, attended Hinsdale Central High School.

Alex Burt University of Chicago, track & field

I'll remember: my teachers. I've had a lot of teachers that were fun or inspiring or interesting or annoying, and there have been a lot that are memorable for different reasons.

I'm looking forward to: hitting new PR's in high jump and triple jump. The best part of high school track was the adrenaline rush of hitting a new height or distance and I hope to carry that into college.

Grace Carstensen DePaul University, basketball

I'll remember: my Nazareth teammates and coaches who pushed me nonstop to be a better person on and off the court. I will miss playing with my best friends and the fun the team had together.

I'm looking forward to: traveling with my new team as well as learning new things and getting better. I'm very excited for my new coaches and all I will experience at DePaul.

Chase Collignon Carnegie Mellon University, basketball

Ill remember: winning the Holiday Classic. I'm looking forward to: meeting new people and competing at the next level.

Ava Elliott **IUPUI**, soccer









Gallagher



O'Rourke

I'll remember: high school soccer the most. The experience and feeling it brought me was unmatchable.

I'm looking forward to: competing against fellow friends and teammates, especially playing my sisters.

Sarah Fischer **University of** Pennsylvania, CC/track & field

I'll remember: all of the amazing friends and teammates I had throughout all of my four years.

I'm looking forward to: competing at higher level meets and developing and improving as a runner.

Michael Gallagher University of Wisconsin-Platteville, football I'll remember: making new friends and being part

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of a team.

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track & field

four years.

Reese Kolke

Carnegie Mellon

University, football

night football games,

Jesse Gamboa

I'm looking forward to:

meeting new people from

other states and countries

and getting better to play at

DePaul University, CC/

I'll remember: winning

I'm looking forward to:

and competing for another

I'll remember: the Friday

having the community all

our team. We had a very

— felt like a family — so being able to go out on the

coming out and supporting

strong bond with the team

meeting new teammates

and losing with my team

throughout the season.



Tavoso

Kolke

Collignon

football field and make great memories is what I'll cherish most from my time at Central.

I'm looking forward to: competing with talent from all around the country, and the intensity with which the game goes up.

Catie McCabe Indiana University, CC/ track & field

I'll remember: my teammates from cross country and track. My best memories were made on that team and I won't forgot them.

I'm looking forward to: meeting new people and being able to train at a higher level.

Ben Oosterbaan University of St.

Thomas, basketball I'll remember: the great friendships and bonds I



Elliott

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Watcke

made. I met so many great people and friends in both sports and school at HC.

I'm looking forward to: getting the opportunity to learn and compete with and against a bunch of great players and people from all over the country.

Brady O'Rourke Wabash College, football

I'll remember: the friends I made and my experience playing for the football team.

I'm looking forward to: start competing and making an impact as soon as possible (I'll be out with an injury this season).

Gio Pamfili Trine University, football

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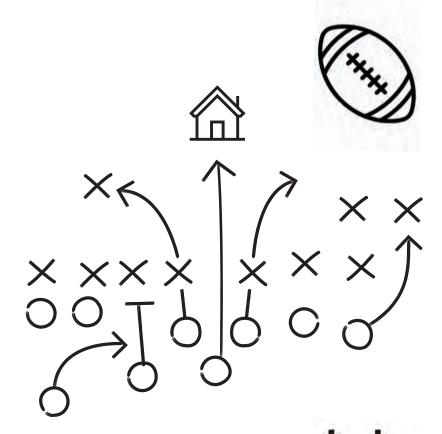
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