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Honoring the fallen

Members of Hinsdale's Scout Troop 10 salute during the National Anthem at the Hinsdale American Legion's Post 250 Memorial Day service Monday morning. The Scouts, along with hundreds of Hinsdaleans, gathered after the procession down Washington Street to participate in the annual service at the Memorial Building. Retired Lt. Col. Ryan Yantis was the guest speaker. Yantis is a decorated survivor of the 9/11 attack on the Pentagon. Yantis with other volunteer rescuers spent the day carrying victims on stretchers to safety. Please turn to Page 16 for more pictures. (Jim Slonoff photo)

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D86 board is focused on curriculum

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A new assistant superintendent of academics will work with a new academic committee in Hinsdale High School District 86, following board action at the May 25 meeting.

The board approved hiring Jason Markey as the new assistant superintendent of academics, effective July 1. He will replace Chris Covino, who is leaving to become superintendent in La Grange Elementary District 102.

Markey, who attended the meeting, told board members he has admired the district from afar for some time and acknowledged its proud tradition.

"I'm really enthusiastic about this opportunity — very excited to be here," he said.

Markey has more than 20 years of experience in education, serving the past three years as principal of Glenbrook High school. He has a bachelor's degree in social science education from the University of Northern Iowa, a master's in school leadership from Concordia University and his superintendent licensure from Western Illinois University.

One of Markey's responsibilities will be working with a new academic committee the board created Monday night. Board member Debbie Levinthal said she has wanted to see such a committee for some time.

"It has been discussed for years, beginning when I first started on the board, and it was most recently discussed at the last board meeting," said Levinthal, who was appointed by board President Cat Greenspon to chair the committee.

Levinthal suggested the group would function similar to the finance committee, hearing presentations from administrators before bringing recommendations to the full board. Topics could include curriculum proposals, academic data, the process by which new curriculums and courses are adopted and analyzing special education data, she said. With more time for discussion and questions at committee meetings, presentations could be streamlined for board meetings, she added. And the meetings could provide an opportunity for more collaboration between board members and administrators.

"We've seen a lot of pushback on a lot of our curriculum and a lot of our curriculum initiatives," she said.

Board member Terri Walker questioned whether the committee would be overseeing the new superintendent and micromanaging curriculum decisions.

"There's no explicit implication of oversight other than oversight of academics, which the board is actually charged with overseeing," Levinthal responded.

The committee could help the board and administration establish more trust with the community, board member Kay Gallo said. "We had many in the community who felt things were being done to them," she said. "I think this is a really good first step with the community with the new assistant superintendent."

The board ultimately voted 5-1 to create the committee, with Terri Walker voting no. Asma Akhras was absent. In addition to Levinthal, Akhras and board President Cat Greenspon will serve on the committee.

Social studies revisited

The board also tackled another curriculum issue at the meeting — upcoming changes to the social studies curriculum that were approved in the fall of 2021 as part of the program of studies. Board members cited the decision to offer AP modern world history to sophomores instead of AP European history, which would be available to juniors and seniors, as one of their primary concerns.

During public comment, Hinsdale Central

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A tree grows in KLM

Several trees that is, including these Jack pines and Eastern white pines, were planted in KLM on Arbor Day this year. Monroe School fifth-grade Girl Scouts were in charge of digging and planting the trees near County Line Road inside the park. John Finnell, Hinsdale superintendent of parks and forestry, supervised the efforts and also gave the Scouts a lesson in planting trees properly. On the left Hollie Eden, Lilia Pajak and Annie Gilman begin to dig. On the right Riley Asher, Elyse Yarzagaray and Kiera Thorpe are working on a spot for a second tree. In addition to the tree planting, several other Hinsdaleans volunteered to clean up parks across the village. (Jim Slonoff photos)

ONCE UPON A TIME

Underground railroad — This photo in Sandy Williams' book, "Images of America — Hinsdale," is of Graue Mill. "Due to its location, access to transportation and antislavery sympathies, Fullersburg served as a stop and transfer point for fugitive slaves traveling the Underground Railroad. Graue Mill harbored runaways and it is believed that Castle Inn (near York and Ogden) also sheltered slaves on their journey to freedom. Some residents recalled seeing wagons or sleighs stopping to unload disguised human cargo."

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D86 support staff get new three-year deal

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Support staff, administrators and board members in Hinsdale High School District 86 hope a new three-year contract will help the district fill positions to support students.

The contract, approved May 22 by the Hinsdale Township High School Support Staff Association and May 25 by the board, lists a new hire rate of $18.50 for paraprofessionals and student supervisors and $40 for 1-to-1 nurses. All current employees will have their pay increased to at least these rates.

Negotiations took place a year early, as the previous contract didn't expire until 2024, Cheryl Moore, assistant superintendent of human resources, told The Hinsdalean.

"We did that because we saw a need to increase the hourly rate," she said. "We're fine at the (school) average, but the problem is McDonald's is now paying $20 an hour."

All school districts are struggling to fill paraprofessional positions, he said.

"We acknowledged that and wanted to address it rather than wait another whole year," she said.

The new rate represents a minimum 5 percent increase, Moore said. Stipends that have been paid for longevity, education and other reasons have been rolled into employees' hourly rates. After those adjustments, any rate that was below $18.50 was increased to $18.50, Moore said.

The contract calls for a new job category called personal care assistant that will feature a $2/hour differential for those who are assigned to serve in the role a minimum of 60 percent of the day for at least a full semester. These are individuals who work with students who need physical assistance with tasks such as eating and toileting, Moore said.

The cost structure for medical and dental insurance will be aligned with provisions of the Hinsdale High School Teachers Association contract. The agreement also calls for 10 sick days and four personal days a year, up from eight and two, respectively, and modifications to allow for a 50-minute lunch to align with students' new schedule next year.

A press release issued by the district said the board, administration and association recognize the critical role support staff play in the success of schools and students.

"We want to thank the members of the negotiating teams for the collegiality and collaborative spirit they have exhibited throughout this process," the release states. "We also want to acknowledge and celebrate the strong partnership that exists between our groups. It is through this partnership that we will continue to advance the important work that is shaping the future of our schools and helping our students learn, grow and lead."

Board member Debbie Levinthal, who was on the negotiating team, also described the process as collaborative.

"I'm happy that this is before us tonight," she said.

The contract runs through June 30, 2026.

Convicted car thief to serve 18 years

The man arrested for stealing a $250,000 Ferrari in May 2021 from Continental Motor Sports of Hinsdale has been sentenced to 18 years in the Illinois Department of Corrections.

RaJohn Stewart, 26, formerly of Country Club Hills, plead guilty to one count of aggravated unlawful possession of a stolen motor vehicle, a Class 1 felony, according to a press release from DuPage County State's Attorney Bob Berlin's office. He was sentenced by Judge Ann O'Hallaren Walsh.

"An armed burglary crew is inherently dangerous to the public and law enforcement officers," Hinsdale Police Chief Brian King told The Hinsdalean. "A gun with a 30-round extended magazine was held by one of the juvenile offenders during the commission of this offense. The stiff sentence handed down in this case reflects the recklessness of the burglary crew's actions.

Stewart

"Had it not been for the restraint shown by the responding officers, we could have experienced a tragic outcome."

Hinsdale police responded to an activated alarm at the Land Rover/Jaguar dealership at 336 E. Ogden Ave. at about 2:21 a.m. May 17, 2021. While investigating that site, officers were dispatched to another alarm at Continental Motor sports, according to the release.

There they found a broken window and a running 2018 red Ferrari convertible driven outside of the service bay into the rear lot. When officers encountered an individual with a crowbar next to the padlock on the rear gate, the individual ran to a nearby car, got in and fled the scene. A Hinsdale squad car located the vehicle and disabled it, and four individuals — Stewart and three juveniles — fled on foot. Police took Stewart into custody after a brief pursuit.

"The quick apprehension, prosecution and significant sentence sends the message that in DuPage County, my office and law enforcement are 100 percent committed to protecting our businesses from violent criminal activity such as that committed by Mr. Stewart and his co-defendants," Berlin stated.

The juvenile co-defendants received sentences to the Illinois Department of Juvenile Justice.

— by Pamela Lannom

Police restraint saves armed teen's life

Two in custody after break-ins at luxury car dealerships, two more arrests expected

By Pamela Lannom
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Break-ins at two luxury Hinsdale car dealerships early Monday morning could have ended in tragedy, Police Chief Brian King said.

Police responded to an activated alarm at Continental Motor Sports, 420 E. Ogden Ave., shortly after 2:20 a.m. and pinned the suspects' vehicle against the building with two squad cars. Three suspects then exited the vehicle and fled on foot.

"The third is a 16-year-old juvenile that is holding the hand gun with a 30-round extended magazine clip," King said. "The officer recognizes that a juvenile is coming out of the car with a gun. He yells 'Gun!' to alert his fellow officers and then he yells at the juvenile multiple times, 'Stop! Put the gun down!' as the juvenile flees eastbound from the scene."

The 16-year-old made it as far as the first residential yard on County Line Road just south of Ogden when he was tased by an officer and taken into custody.

The juvenile and RaJohn Stewart, 24, of the 100 block of Williamsburg Road, Country Club Hills, have been charged with one count of aggravated unlawful possession of a stolen motor vehicle (Class 1 felony), two counts of burglary (Class 2 felony), two counts of attempted unlawful possession of a stolen motor vehicle (Class 2 felony) and

Gun

POLICE

Three suspects, including an armed 16-year-old (bottom right) fled from a Chrysler 300 after Hinsdale squad cars pinned it against the side of the building at Continental Autosports, one of two Ogden Avenue dealerships burglarized early Monday morning. Security video shows the offenders inside one of the dealerships. (photos courtesy of Hinsdale police)

dow and a running 2018 red Ferrari convertible, valued at more than $250,000, driven outside of the service bay into the rear lot.

cal evidence from the stolen vehicle they drove up here in and we've recovered physical evidence from the crime scene," King said. "We

dealerships that have been hit.

"This is a very active crew," he said. "It's satisfying to be able to get an arrest on a couple of individuals.

RaJohn Stewart received a hefty sentence for his involvement in a May 2021 theft from Continental Motorsports. The incident made headlines at the time, with Police Chief Brian King crediting his officers for restraint in dealing with the offenders, one of whom was armed.

D181 hires new business leader

Mindy Bradford will join the Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 administrative team July 1 as the new assistant superintendent of business and operations. She is replacing Rick Engstrom, who resigned to join the staff at Plainfield Community Consolidated District 202.

Bradford

Bradford currently is the director of finance and operations in Libertyville School District 70.

"Mrs. Bradford brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to this position, and we are confident she will be a strong leader and contributor to our financial and operations efforts," Superintendent Hector Garcia said. "We were impressed by her financial background, experiences and enthusiasm for working with people to ensure student success."

In District 70, Bradford oversaw budget and financial planning along with operations of the schools and district office, construction projects, food service and transportation. Before working in Libertyville, she was the executive director of finance and operations in Yorkville Community Unit School District 115. She also has 25 years of experience in public accounting, internal auditing, budgeting, reporting, variance analysis, risk management and facilities management.

"The board agrees with Dr. Garcia's recommendation and are confident that Mrs. Bradford will bring a wealth of knowledge, experience and enthusiasm to her new role," board President Mike Martin said. "The board is excited to have someone with her level of expertise and background join our district."

Bradford has a master's in business administration from Northwestern University; a master's in leadership, education, psychology and foundation from Northern Illinois University; and a bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Dayton. She is a licensed chief school business official.

"I am beyond excited to join D181 and be part of a team committed to providing a premier educational experience for our students," Bradford said. "I look forward to working with our staff, students and community to ensure our district continues providing quality education and services."

The board approved a three-year contract May 25 for Bradford with a base salary the first year of $186,500.

NEXT WEEK

Hinsdale Historic Preservation Commission
6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 7
Memorial Building
19 E. Chicago Ave.

On the draft agenda: public hearings on 225 E. First St. (demolish old home, build new one) and properties to include on the Historically Significant Structures Property List; public meeting on 420 E. Seventh St. (construction of detached garage)

D181 seeks parents to serve on committees

The Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 Board is seeking three or four parents or community representatives to join its academic, facilities and finance committees for a two-year term. The deadline to receive the application (including those sent via U.S. mail) is 4 p.m. Friday, June 2. Late applications cannot be accepted.

Applications are available on the district's website at www.d181.org/board-of-education/boe-committees. Click on BOE Applications and the desired committee on the right-hand side of the page.

All applicants will be contacted no later than June 22 with news regarding committee membership.

Residents with questions should contact Jean Duggan at (630) 861.4922 or jduggan@d181.org

Pool open now, regular hours begin June 10

The Hinsdale Community Swimming Pool will run on an abbreviated schedule until regular hours begin Saturday, June 10.

The pool is open for lap swim only today and tomorrow, June 1 and 2, from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

The pool will offer open swim and lap swim June 3-9. Hours are 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. for the baby pool and 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. for the whole facility on Saturday and Sunday, June 3 and 4. The whole facility will be open from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday to Friday, June 5-9. Lap swim will be from 10 to 11:30 a.m. over the weekend and 5:45 to 9:15 a.m. weekdays.

Regular open swim hours, which run from June 10-Aug. 20, are 11:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday to Sunday, with the baby pool only open from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Lap swim is offered from 5:45 to 9:15 a.m. weekdays and 10 to 11:30 a.m. weekends.

The pool will be closed on the following dates for swim meets.

- June 15 — closes at 5 p.m.
- June 17 — lap swim and baby pool open an hour late at 10:30 a.m.
- June 20 — closes at 5 p.m.
- June 23-25 — closed all day
- June 27 — closes at 5 p.m.
- July 6 — closes at 5 p.m.
- July 8 — lap swim and baby pool open an hour late at 10:30 a.m.
- July 15 — closed all day (tentative)

Daily admission is $10, $7 for seniors and $8 after 5 p.m. Ten-visit passes sell for $90. Memberships for families, individuals, seniors and nannies (must be purchased with family membership) also are available.

For up-to-date information regarding pool closures due to inclement weather, call the pool at (630) 789-7098 or visit the Facebook page @HinsdaleParks or the rainout line at www.villageofhinsdale.org/fieldandfacilitystatus.

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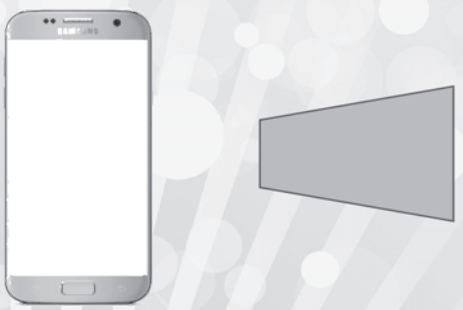

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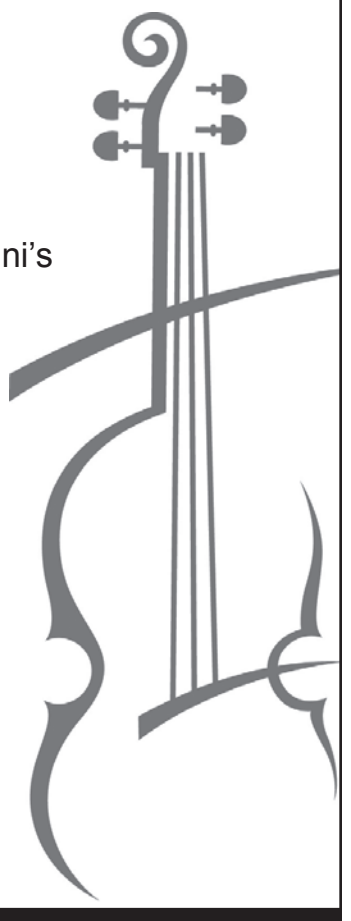

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Riessen and a racquet were potent combo

By Ken Knutson
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Dubbed the "Ace of Burns Field" for his tennis exploits locally, Hinsdale native Marty Riessen went on to make a name for himself far beyond the village.

The Hinsdalean chronicled Riessen's life in as part of the "Hinsdale Originals" series in 2011, portions of which are included here.

Growing up in the 400 block of West Hickory Street, Riessen could often be found across the street on Burns' courts honing his game. His father Clare started the tennis program at then-Hinsdale Township High School, and Riessen (also a standout basketball player) became the first to win the Illinois singles title four years in a row. He capped his Red Devil career in dominant fashion, winning 49 out of 53 sets 6-0.

Riessen moved on to Northwestern in 1960, where his father had recently become head tennis coach. He reached the NCAA singles finals three times and played in events around the world while earning bachelor's and master's degrees.

With competitive tennis exclusively amateur in those days, Riessen planned to get his Ph.D. in school administration for a career in education. That same year of 1968, Texas businessman Lamar Hunt launched his World Championship Tennis circuit as a professional alternative to the amateur league. Riessen signed on.

"Hunt made a huge difference in tennis. Up until he started, there were no professionals. There wasn't that option. It was a very exciting time," he said.

As a pro Riessen became a doubles specialist, playing with legends like Arthur Ashe and Margaret Court to capture a total of nine Grand Slam titles in men's and mixed doubles. Riessen said his pairing with Ashe, which resulted in the 1971 French Open championship, came about by happenstance.

"We were on the Davis Cup team together. I guess that summer, we were each looking for a partner and we ended up playing together," he said. "For an American to win anything at the French was very good. Arthur wasn't considered a great doubles player. He was better known for his singles."

During a 10-year run with partner Tom Okker, the duo captured the 1976 U.S. Open along with three Grand Slam runners-up trophies and reached No. 2 in the world rankings. Riessen also won several singles titles over the likes of Rod Laver and Roscoe Tanner. Dunlop even came out with a "Marty Riessen" wooden racquet.

Riessen retired from the main tour in the early 1980s but continued playing both singles and doubles on the senior tour. Turning to coaching, he helped Tracy Austin win her 1981 U.S. Open championship and led two U.S. Olympic teams.

Riessen was inducted into the International Tennis Association Hall of Fame in 1989, and was similarly honored by his high school alma mater in 2000.

"Hinsdale was a great place to grow up. I really enjoyed it. It's a good community," he said.

Tennis legend Marty Riessen returned to Hinsdale for his 50th high school class reunion in 2010. (file photo)

POLICE BEAT

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports May 30.

DUI arrest

Jazmin Esmerelda Rendon, 32, 9313 S. 81st St., Hickory Hills, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, speeding, improper stopping and improper lane use at 1:36 a.m. May 26 in the 300 block of East Ogden Avenue. She was charged and released to appear in court.

Domestic battery arrest

A 29-year-old Hinsdale man was arrested for domestic batter and interfering with the reporting of domestic violence May 29 after making contact of an insulting or provoking nature with a family member and taking the victim's cell phone. He was charged and taken to DuPage County Jail.

Warrant arrest

Ryan J. Cooper, 22, 192 E. South St., Elmhurst, was arrested on an active warrant, speeding and failure to signal when required at 10:15 p.m. May 25 at Vine Street and Ayres Avenue. He was cited for the traffic violations and posted bond on the warrant before being released to appear in court.

License arrest

Hugo C. Caal, 22, 2850 S. Harding Ave., Chicago, was arrested for driving without a valid license, driving with suspended registration, driving an uninsured vehicle and speeding at 3:58 p.m. May 28 at 47th Street and County Line Road. He was charged and released to appear in court.

Theft reported

A resident of the 100 block of South Stough Street reported that a suspect was attempting to remove a greenhouse from his backyard at 1:45 p.m. May 26.

House vandalized

Someone threw eggs at a home in the 500 block of West Fourth Street between 10 p.m. and midnight May 26.

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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Central senior earns recognition for short story

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An early awakening. Out the window the sun has yet to make its rise. But a single light from the nextdoor neighbor's home suggests someone else is already stirring.

Those prosaic morning observances helped illumine the imagination of Hinsdale Central senior Analise Budziak, whose subsequent short story, "A Trick of the Light," took first place in the inaugural Randall Albers Young Writers Award contest, sponsored by the Chicago Literary Hall of Fame.

"It's very exciting," said Budziak of the honor, presented May 13 in a ceremony in the Harold Washington Library Center. "I like writing short stories. My creative writing teacher told me about it and thought I should give it a try, so I did."

Budziak, who uses the pronouns they/them, said the tale delves into the paranormal.

"Two kids go out to a dock at night to look at the stars when one of them sees a light in the distance that keeps getting closer and closer," they related. "It's creepy."

They said the story's characters had been in development for a while and finally had a opportunity to make it onto the page. While fantasy is Budziak's preferred genre, they enjoyed venturing into less familiar territory.

"There are so many different approaches you can take with a short story," Budziak said, "and trying different genres exercises different muscles."

Word of the writers award actually came secondhand since communications went through the parents of Budziak, then still a minor at 17.

"My mom texted me and said, 'Did you see the news?' I told her I didn't, but I figured probably something good had happened," they recounted.

Budziak's mom forwarded the message, but the reality didn't register at first.

"I had to keep skimming over it because my brain didn't think it was right," they said.

At the awards ceremony, each honoree read their stories. Budziak admitted reading their work aloud is not their favorite activity but also acknowledged the power in that practice.

"There's something about reading things aloud that just gives them a different life," they said, noting the enrichment of hearing the pieces of their fellow prize winners.

The award was named for Randall Albers, professor and chair emeritus of fiction at Columbia College Chicago, to honor his "tireless efforts to enhance the city's literary profile," according to the Chicago Literary Hall of Fame website, as well as his energy "helping young writers find, develop, and amplify their voices."

Budziak enlists others to make sure their voice comes through clearly, citing vital counsel from both their mom and Central English teacher Angelique Burrell during the editing process.

"I like to have people read over my writing," they said. "(Mrs. Burrell) had so much good feedback that was really helpful. My mom and I read each others' work a lot because we both like writing. She sends me her chapters, and I send her mine."

After graduation, Budziak will pursue a degree in writing at St. Olaf College.

"Writing is what I hope to do when I grow up," said Budziak, recalling how reading the "Ranger's Apprentice" by John Flanagan ignited their interest. "Maybe one day someone will read my stories and want to be a writer. The world is a better place with stories."

— story by Ken Knutson, photo by Jim Slonoff

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

New board in D86 off to a rather rocky start

The new board in Hinsdale High School District 86 has been busy.

After almost 90 minutes in closed session at a special meeting May 24, board members voted 6-0 (Asma Akhras was absent) to affirm the "leave with pay" status of Superintendent Tammy Prentiss and designate of Chris Covino as acting superintendent.

Prentiss' leave was announced more than a week earlier on May 16, with no information available as to whether the leave was paid or unpaid or if board members had voted to place Prentiss on leave. Now we know they had not.

They've also hired a law firm to provide legal advice on what was described in a 46-word paragraph that we're pretty sure translates to "getting rid of Tammy Prentiss."

We don't know what was discussed in a special closed session meeting held May 9, less than a week after three new board members — Akhras, Kay Gallo and Cat Greenspon — were sworn in.

Demands for transparency were a common refrain during the spring campaign, which now seems a bit hypocritical. We recognize this is a personnel issue, but holding votes in open sessions sandwiched between closed sessions hardly defines transparency. How many residents are going to go to a meeting only to wait — it could be 30 minutes or three hours — before board members emerge to take a vote?

In addition to appearing to be on the way to getting a new superintendent, board members have been busy in other areas as well. They've cleaned up some things they didn't like (now committee meetings will be recorded and posted and the director of communications will not automatically receive emails sent to the "boe" address) and created an academic committee that's been the subject of debate for two years. They also plan to revisit at their June 8 meeting changes made to the social studies curriculum that were approved almost two years ago. It seems the director of diversity, equity and instruction position might be on the chopping block as well.

What the DEI discussion will involve, we don't know. We do know Cheryl Moore, assistant superintendent for human resources, had a candidate ready to recommend at the May 25 meeting.

"We're not ready for that recommendation, I guess," she told the board.

Gallo attempted to amend the agenda to add a discussion of the position to last week's meeting but did not have support from other board members.

We can only hope new leadership in the district will bring a change for the better. Jason Markey, the new assistant superintendent for academics, certainly has his work cut out for him. Yes, the board is responsible for approving curriculum changes, but we agree with Acting Superintendent Chris Covino that the board can't simply accept teachers' recommendations that they like and ignore the ones they don't.

Perhaps working with an academic committee, Markey can better lay out what educators' objectives are and take into consideration board members' concerns to end the cycle of approving curriculum changes and later reversing them.

On the board's side, we hope Greenspon will do a better job of managing agenda items so meetings don't last five hours. If there are too many topics to discuss, schedule a special meeting. Board members, administrators, audience members — no one is at their best at 10:30 on a weeknight.

We hope board members will be mindful of their comments to shorten meeting times as well. All opinions should be heard, but there is too much elaboration and repetition.

Two of the three new board members made a lot of promises about how much better things would be after they were elected. We're waiting.

COMMENTARY

So long, eighth grade — we're moving on!

By the time you read this — or soon after — I will officially be the parent of a high school student.

I believe the technical term these days is "rising freshman," but I think that sounds weird. No matter what words you use, Ainsley's days as a middle schooler are over.

She graduates tonight with a cheering section comprised of her father and I, my birth mom, and my birth dad and his wife. On Saturday, friends, family and neighbors will join us for a bigger celebration — featuring al pastor tacos from Ainsley's favorite Mexican restaurant.

She survived middle school relatively unscathed, despite an eighth-grade year filled with an unexpectedly high number of absences and unanticipated interactions with some truly mean kids.

For her crossing the finish line I credit all the adults who supported her at school, from teachers who saw her talents and knew how to elicit them to the social workers who talked her through tough times to the front office staff, who wrote her tardy passes (and were always so kind when I was calling in yet another absence).

Pamela Lannom

Being her mom through all of this has been a challenge. I remember my best friend telling me years ago that as kids get older, they don't need you as much, but when they do need you, their problems are a lot harder to solve. I believed her at the time, but now I have the experience to know she was right. I wish Ainsley — and all of us — could learn all of our lessons through joy, but sometimes we have to learn them through pain.

Middle school is a notoriously rough time, but eighth grade did have some great moments. Ainsley was selected to play in the ILMEA music festival, was one of 27 students out of 260 selected to win a spot at the writing showcase and received the Quincy Jones award from musicianship from her band director. (Please excuse that bit of bragging.)

I don't have many memories of my own eighth-grade graduation, other than regret over my choice of dress (bright yellow — too much even for 1980). I do remember reading through the cards I received, with their inspiring messages about looking to the future and how the best was yet to come.

I know that will be the case for Ainsley. She has an exciting summer filled with travel and her first ASP mission trip to West Virginia. And high school is just around the corner, offering a fresh start and a host of new people with whom to make friends.

It seems not that long ago that I was at Ainsley's elementary school for her kindergarten graduation. The whole thing seemed a bit silly to me, and I resented not only having to take off work but the parents who showed up with cards and flowers for their 6-year-olds.

Today I am thrilled to celebrate Ainsley's accomplishment and to remind her the best is yet to come.

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

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OPINION

GUEST COMMENTARY

The case against dogs

Bill Barre

They say dogs are man's best friend. I wonder who came up with that? A dog, of course.

And why wouldn't they be, considering all we do for them. In fact, let's build two lists. First, what Man does for Dog. Then what Dog does for Man. Ready? Hold onto your leashes; it's going to be a sobering journey.

Man

1. We feed them.
2. We shelter them.
3. We pick up their poop.
4. We take them for long walks at 5 in the morning in all kinds of weather.
5. We play catch with their saliva-soaked, ratty tennis balls.
6. We give them heart-attack-inducing baths.
7. We pay for their exorbitant, designer haircuts.
8. We give up our retirement savings and our kids' college educations to pay "the vet."
9. We give them a comfy bed, usually our own.
10. We pick up the tab for their luxury vacations (commonly referred to as long-term boarding).
11. Or — worse yet — we take them on our vacations and therefore don't have a vacation at all.
12. We brush their teeth.
13. We pet them absentmindedly.
14. We hug them endlessly.
15. We cuddle them obnoxiously.

OK. I think that about covers it. But I do reserve the right to add to the list. There must be dozens of things I forgot.

Now, ready? Here's what Dog does for Man.

Dog

1. They love us unconditionally.

That's it, people! Tally the score. Man 15, Dog 1. Just one thing they do for us. Yeah, just one thing. So irritating! Really unfair.

Hmm. I have to admit, though, it is a good one. OK, OK. I guess Dog does more for Man than Man does for Dog. Darn! Unconditional love to the rescue.

But you have to admit, it was really, really close. And when I remember all the things I forgot that Man does for Dog, unconditional love won't have a chance.

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

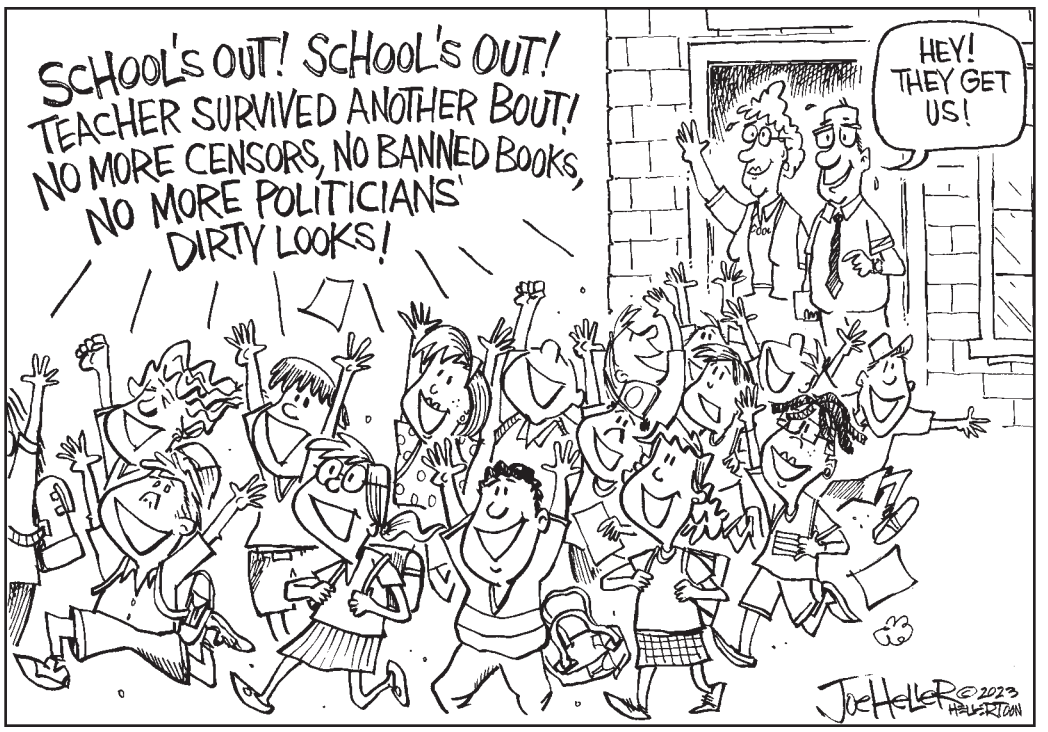
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Runner says its time for village to turn fountains back on

Can someone explain why the public water fountains in Hinsdale are off?

I know during the pandemic public fountains in schools, office buildings, airports, parks, etc. were turned off. But those have been brought back into service. Except in Hinsdale. As a runner, walker, biker, I have relied on those fountains. I used to stop by the tennis courts in Robbins Park or the fountains on Washington Street or the pool. Those fountains are still turned off.

I know many people carry a water bottle on their walks, but for me during an hour-long run it isn't practical. Fortunately, the fountains are on in Clarendon Hills, so I can adjust my route. But, why? If other municipalities can keep the water on, why can't Hinsdale? **— Arlene R. Jarzab**



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OBITUARIES

Ann Marie Karstens

Karstens

Ann Marie Karstens, nee Cronin, 94, of Hinsdale passed away peacefully May 23, 2023.

She was born in 1929 in Chicago to Arnold Cronin and Elizabeth Weise. She attended Amundsen High School before graduating from Wright Junior College and attending Northwestern night school. She went on to work for Joseph & Feiss Co. and was the first woman to receive the Cricketeer Salesman of the Year Award in 1985.

Ann will be forever remembered for her fierce independence, unconditional love and indefatigable humor. She was a true force and created a beautiful life against all odds. She was a pillar in her community of family and friends and will be deeply missed by those fortunate enough to know and love her.

Her family will always celebrate her by pouring a glass of Piper-Heidsieck with a fresh raspberry, or as she would call it, "nectar of the gods!"

Ann, lovingly known as Mumma to her family and friends, was preceded in death by her daughter, Kimberli Petersen; and her son-in-law, William Snyder.

She is survived by her daughters, Kyle (Richard Kateley) Snyder and Kelly (Darryl) Awick; her son-in-law, Jeff Petersen; her grandchildren, Courtney (Aaron) Gale, Stephanie (Joseph) Pesa, Elizabeth (John) Salerno and Conor Awick (fiancé Laura Sue Jensen); and her eight great-grandchildren.

A private celebration of life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a charity of choice.

Curriculum focus of D86 board decisions

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social studies teacher Chris Freiler said he came to support keeping AP European history as a sophomore class, as it introduces students to college-level analysis, interpretation and argumentation of history.

"In my view, the European history curriculum serves these higher purposes of history best not because of an European superiority but because it offers the strongest integration of themes, adroitly balances depth and breadth and introduces students to developments that are essential to their understanding of the world."

Freiler, who also supported keeping honors philosophy in the curriculum, said he was not speaking for the department but knows some of his colleagues agree with him.

Covino confirmed some department members are not in favor of the changes.

"We've never hid that," he said.

He pointed out that the program team spent significant time before making the recommendation and said the plan is to offer both AP Euro and AP modern world history in 2024-25 to sophomores before shifting to the new sequence. Making changes now at the sophomore level has other implications, he noted.

"I just want to caution the board, which I think is my old and potentially new role, that taking any action without addressing some of these very nuanced concerns that the teams have been working on for about three years now would be very rash and I do not think it would benefit the curriculum, the kids or the program."

He also cautioned the board against saying one thing and doing another.

"Again, I want to be really clear. We cannot value the teachers' work and then not value it when we don't like the work that has come out of the committee," Covino said.

Greenspon took issue with the inference that the board doesn't value teachers.

"Absolutely we are here to support teachers, but our responsibility, our obligation is first to the education of students," she said. "That is our charge. We do this through our teachers. I understand that. But if there is a possibility that we are taking away a demonstrated growth opportunity sophomore year to students, we do need to pause and think about it.

"I'm not saying that the work the social studies department has done is not valued, and I absolutely do not appreciate that every time the board has a question that it is automatically an attack or a repudiation for the work that has been done," she added. "It is our duty to ask questions if we have them."

Discussion of the changes and a possible action item are expected to be on the agenda for board's next meeting Thursday, June 8.

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Families who choose to live in Hinsdale stay because of the schools, the walkability and what @ Properties real estate agent Gary Lee calls "an almost 1950s charm." But there's something else far less visible that's keeping homeowners not only in the village, but in their current homes.

"Currently 86 percent of residential mortgages are under 5 percent," he said, with about half of those at 3.5 percent or less. But new mortgages come with rates higher than 7 percent, which is causing homeowners to stay put.

"Many potential home sellers are 'rate locked' into their homes. (They're) unwilling to sell and lose that amazing mortgage rate," he said.

The result, said Lee, is a highly desirable area with very low inventory.

After graduating from University of Illinois and while spending nearly a decade as a trader in Chicago, Lee said he always knew his career in finance would eventually lead to real estate. He said his parents and grandparents owned properties and he saw firsthand the value of real estate as an investment. He finally made the move to full-time Realtor in 2014.

Lee said many Millennials are now seeing the value of home ownership, too. Once more interested in experiences than in creating a permanent home, buyers in their late 20s to early 40s are dominating the market, Lee said. Meanwhile, the generation known as the baby boomers are often choosing to stay put rather than downsize. That, along with rising interest rates, means buyers don't have a lot to choose from.

Lee said younger buyers often enter the market in search of a move-in-ready home that has everything they want. His job often is to help buyers see the potential in a property that might not look like their dream home at first glance.

"The land is what is special. That can't be replicated," Lee said, echoing the age-old real estate mantra of "location, location, location."

"It's absolutely true," he said.

Sometimes, offering over asking price is a good move. Other times, it's not worth it. Lee said he helps buyers see the difference and weigh their options with facts and data when transactions become emotional.

While the real estate market in Hinsdale is short on homes, it's anything but short on real estate agents. Lee said his knowledge of Hinsdale sets him apart. A resident of Hinsdale since age 7, Lee has experienced the village as a child, a teen and now as a parent. Lee said he not only knows the personalities and nuances of every Hinsdale neighborhood, he also knows each surrounding town and what it can offer a buyer.

Not one for social media, Lee relies on mailers and personal relationships to make himself known.

"It's important to talk to people," he said, and to take time to listen.

He points to dedication, time, work and commitment as the reasons for his success in a career he finds rewarding.

"Helping people find their home is massively satisfying," he said.

— by Sandy Illian Bosch

As a lifelong resident of Hinsdale, Realtor Gary Lee said he knows every corner of the village and can help new Hinsdaleans find just the right corner of town to call home. (Jim Slonoff photo)

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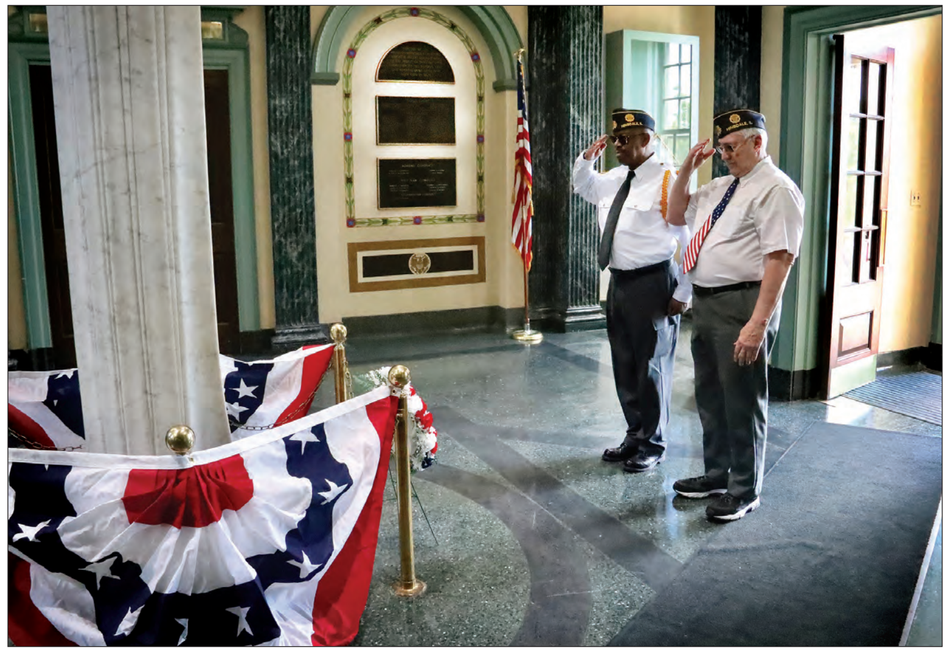
Hinsdale honors fallen during Memorial Day procession, ceremony

Members of Hinsdale's American Legion Post 250 led the annual Memorial Day procession up Washington Street to the Memorial Building on Monday. Along the route hundreds cheered the vets, scouts and the Hinsdale Central marching band. Blake Burrows had a good spot in the shade along Washington to view the procession. On the grounds of the Memorial Building, Cub Scout Braxton Cirone observes the ceremony; later Eagle Scout Shreemann Patel from Troop 10 salutes during the call to colors. As the names of the honored dead were read, legion member Kevin Hall and post Cmdr. Jack Orbell placed a wreath at the Winged Victory statue inside the building. Gold star mom Chris Hotchkin gets some support from Preston Bokos as her son Army Specialist Gunnar Hotchkin's name was read. Hotchkin, who died during the Afghan War, was the 63rd Hinsdalean among the fallen, whose names are engraved on a plaque near the statue. (Jim Slonoff photos)



GOOD NEWS

ROTARY PRESENTS BIKES TO KIDS

The Rotary Club of Hinsdale held its fifth annual Bikes for Military Kids event May 20 at The Community House in Hinsdale. The event, held in cooperation with the USO of Illinois, took place on Armed Forces Day.

The club has given away some 500 bikes and helmets to the children of Illinois active military over the past five years.

Photos appear online at www.facebook.com/thehinsdalean.

HOSPITAL EARNS 'A' FOR SAFETY

UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale Hospital was awarded an "A" Hospital Safety Grade for the 10th consecutive year by The Leapfrog Group, a national nonprofit upholding the standard of patient safety in hospitals and ambulatory surgery centers. This accolade recognizes UCM AdventHealth hospitals in Hinsdale — and La Grange — as two of only 34 in the hospitals nationwide and six in the state of Illinois to be awarded an "A" in every hospital safety grade cycle since 2013, including this latest grade update, reflecting safety during the height of the pandemic.

"This recognition demonstrates our continued commitment to providing the highest level of safety to all of our patients," said UCM AdventHealth Hinsdale and La Grange CEO Adam Maycock. "It is a credit to our physicians, nurses and other health care professionals on our team who work tirelessly to provide our patients with the highest-quality care and do whatever they can to prevent infections and eliminate errors. We want to always keep you safe."

The Leapfrog Group assigns an a grade of "A" to "F" to all general hospitals across the country based on more than 30 national performance measures reflecting errors, accidents, injuries and infections, as well as systems hospitals have in place to prevent harm.

"We find with these newest Hospital Safety Grades that patient safety has suffered major setbacks nationally during the pandemic. But that's not the case at these two hospitals, which have earned straight 'A' grades for more than a decade," said Leah Binder, president and CEO of The Leapfrog Group."That is an extraordinary accomplishment, particularly now, and shows a relentless determination to put patients first no matter what the circumstances. My congratulations for inspiring all Americans with your leadership against all the odds."

ZOO WHIRL GALA A SUCCESS

The 42nd annual Whirl hosted by the Chicago Zoological Society's Women's Board and Board of Trustees April 29 raised more than $1.6 million to benefit animal care and welfare initiatives, as well as the conservation and education programs of the Chicago Zoological Society. This year's theme — Gorillas in Our Midst — highlighted the new 2-acre outdoor habitat for Brookfield Zoo's western lowland gorillas, orangutans and other primates that is scheduled to open in 2025.

The fundraiser, which was attended by 525 corporate, civic and philanthropic leaders, was held at the Hilton Chicago.

The evening began with a cocktail hour and featured several of Brookfield Zoo's animal ambassadors, including a blue-throated macaw, a Linnaeus's two-toed sloth, a prehensile-tailed porcupine, a cape porcupine, a snake, a tamandua and a tarantula. Also, during cocktails, guests were able to view a detailed architectural model of the new outdoor primate habitat.

A three-course dinner followed in the Grand Ballroom, which was spectacularly decorated by Phillip's Flowers. While dinner was being served, several more animal ambassadors took center stage, including the zoo's popular Humboldt penguins. The evening also featured a paddle raise, raffle drawing and a live auction. Dinner was followed by dancing to the music of the Ken Arlen Evolution Orchestra.

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OAK BOOK DRIVE FOR SISTER SCHOOL

Oak School collected 3,445 books — four for every student at its sister school, Drexel Elementary School in Cicero.

The fifth-grade team was responsible for counting the books and taking them to a parent's home prior to going to Drexel. The book drive was organized by the PTO.

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Fine Arts Festival turns 50

One of the season's most visible events returns to downtown this weekend

By Ken Knutson
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The Hinsdale Fine Arts Festival is an event for the family to enjoy — and an exhibition where even the artists are family.

Among the 85 participating artists at this year's milestone 50th annual fest Saturday and Sunday, June 3-4, in Burlington Park, 30 E. Chicago Ave., are brother and sister Scott and Teri Causey.

Teri, an abstract painter, was the first sibling to present at the show, debuting last June.

"A friend of mine had told me about it the year before, saying, 'I think you would do well there,' " she related from her home in Mississippi.

That proved to be true, as Teri was awarded the Best Newcomer award. And her work graces this year's promotional material.

"I was really surprised about that. It's quite a honor," she remarked of the featured floral piece. "I think it's the right clientele. It's an easy show to do, in a great neighborhood with a great downtown."

So impressed was Teri by Hinsdale's set-up that she recommended it to her brother Scott, a ceramic sculptor based in Florida. He'll have his first booth in Burlington Park this weekend, although he expects to see some familiar faces.

"When you go to a show for the first time, it's always interesting to run into people that I've seen down here in Florida who are now back where they live in the summer months," Scott said. "There some collectors of my pieces who live there in Hinsdale but are part-time Florida residents."

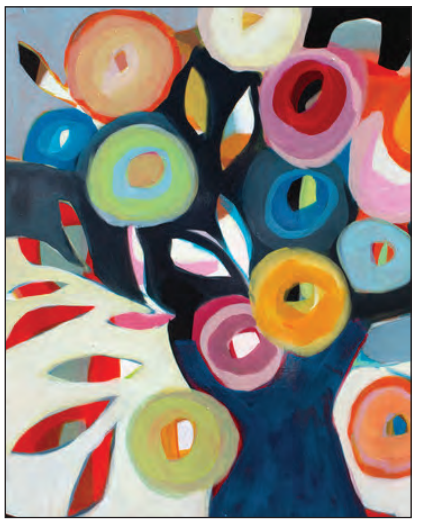
Just as rewarding, he continued, is meeting those seeing his striking sculptures of animals for the first time. Each brightly glazed figure, first constructed then broken into pieces, which are glazed separately and fired before being reconstructed, takes nearly a month to complete.

"It's quite a long process — I think there are over 28 different steps to it," he said. "I use gold and platinum and mother of pearl and really bright glazes. I try to create something that most people haven't seen before."

Scott said animals are what he is known for, adding that he has a lot of repeat business.

"Nobody just buys one. They usually get several," he said. "The biggest thing for me is just keeping up with inventory. When a piece gets sold, it takes me three weeks to replace it."

The festival, presented by the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce, is one of the village's cultural highlights of the year. Food vendors will be available on the west end of Chicago Avenue. And a face painter will be on hand from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday in celebration of the fest's 50th year, according to Amanda Wagner, the chamber's marketing director.



Siblings Teri and Scott Causey will be showcasing their creations with the nearly seven dozen artists participating in Hinsdale's Fine Arts Festival this weekend. Teri's vibrant abstract paintings and Scott's striking animal sculptures will give visitors a feast for their eyes. (photos provided)

"We thought it would be fun for families to have this out there," she said.

Tesla Motors will be on site all day Sunday as well.

Teri said she started out as an interior designer before following her passion for creating her vibrant works.

"I just try to make an impression with color and not go overboard on the design," she said. "As an artist you can do more of what you want to do rather than what someone else wants you to do."

Scott, who studied at the Ringling College of Art and Design in Sarasota, said his love for animal imagery dates back to his youth. He takes credit for convincing his sister to pursue painting, while he owes her a debt for leading him to art shows in addition to gallery exhibits.

"It's so much better when you actually get to meet your customers. You're out there getting to know the person who's collecting your work, and they're getting know who you are. It's a firsthand experience," Scott shared.

The fine arts festival runs from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the park at 30 E. Chicago Ave. Visit www.hinsdale-chamber.com/fine-arts for more information.

Visual display

The following artists are participating at this year's Fine Arts Festival.

Fiber Arts
Don Tran
Pat Rued
Jennifer Akese-Burney
Cynthia Bye
Sandra Holt
Pat Kroth
Elizabeth King
Nazeen Husain
Jennifer Verbic

Ceramics
Nancy Gorman
Kate Keilty
Gary Jackson
Eileen McDaniel
Jill Tortorella
Alex Bolton

Jewelry
Beata Krupa
Shamila Jiwa
Jill Bush
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Dana Blossom
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Mixed Media
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Zavison Rolfes
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Sculpture
George Machart
Chas Gerding
Salem Barker
Tammy Easton
Debbie Radke
Stephen Erbe
Scott Causey
Gracelynn Tamrak
David Zahn
Gene Malin
Georgia Hetherington

Painting
Lilian Delgado
Christina Plichta
Charlotte Miller
Taman VanScoy
Murray Henderson
Julia Rose
Katherine O'Truk
Jeff Condon
Soo Chang
Sharon Jiskra Brooks
Todd Ver Halen
Teri Causey
Amine Badr
Matt Miller
Rachel Ayoung-Chee
Philip Eubanks
Casey James
Lori McLaughlin
Douglas Nelson

Thousands of white river rocks pattern the surface of Hear: With an Ear to the Ground, one of five sculptures in the Morton Arboretum's new outdoor art exhibition, Of the Earth. For more details, turn to the listing on Page 22. (photo provided)

ARTFULLY DONE

■ D181 art on exhibit
June 1-Aug. 21
Hinsdale Bank & Trust
25 E. First St.

Twenty-seven pieces of art selected by teachers from the nine schools that were part of the D181 art show will be on display at the bank, with several pieces featured each week. Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays.

■ Marvelocity: The Art of Alex Ross
June 3-Aug. 20
Elmhurst Art Museum
150 Cottage Hill Ave.
www.elmhurstartmuseum.org

Featuring cover art, sketches, life-sized head busts and more, this exhibition celebrates one of the greatest artists in the field of comic books. Ross, from his home in the Chicago area, has illustrated characters such as Spider-Man, Captain America, Iron Man, Storm from the X-Men, the Avengers, Black Panther and many more for nearly 30 years. Visitors will also see Ross' childhood drawings, preliminary sketches, paintings and 3-D head busts of characters in the Marvel Universe. In conjunction with the exhibit, an installation of life-sized superhero sculptures by local students and artists is on display in Wilder Park through the end of July. Hours: noon to 5 p.m. Wednesdays & Thursdays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Fridays to Sundays. Admission: $18, $15 for seniors, $10 for college students, $5 for ages 5-17.

■ Andy Warhol Portfolios: A Life in Pop
June 3-Sept. 10
Cleve Carney Museum of Art
425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn
www.atthemac.org
(630) 942-4000

The multi-faceted, 11,000-square-foot exhibition will showcase 94 works by Warhol plus his original photographs, both black-and-white gelatin silver prints and color. Transitional spaces will feature official Warhol designed and licensed handprinted wallpa-

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per and an interactive map of New York featuring key locations in Warhol's life. Other attractions include a Central Park-inspired outdoor space and a Children's Print Factory. Tickets: $25-$30 for timed tickets with $2 discount for seniors/youth/military; $40 for anytime tickets.

■ **Los Trompos**
Through June 4
Oakbrook Center
100 Oakbrook Center, Oak Brook
www.oakbrookcenter.com

Spanish for "spinning tops," the interactive Los Trompos art installation located on The Lawn was created by Mexican designers and features eight different colorful spinning tops inviting visitors to play and engage with the art. Hours: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sundays, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays.

■ **Of the Earth**
Ongoing
Morton Arboretum
4100 Route 53, Lisle
www.mortonarb.org

See this exhibition of five large-scale sculptures by Polish-American artist Olga Ziemska created from reclaimed tree branches and other natural materials gathered from various locations throughout the arboretum. The exhibition is included with timed-entry arboretum admission. Hours: 9 a.m. to sunset. Admission: $17, $15 for seniors, $12 for ages 2-17. MD

FAMILY FUN

■ **Donuts with Dad**
June 3
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Enjoy donuts, coffee and spending time with your kids at the library with different activities each month. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. RR

■ **Family Archery**
Saturdays, June 10-Aug. 5
KLM Park
5901 S. County Line Road, Hinsdale
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 6-13 and their family can learn the parts of an arrow and recurve bow, the basics of using a recurve bow, a nationally recognized beginner's 9-step to the 10 ring progression method and fundamental shooting skills from an experienced instructor. Bows, arrows and targets will be furnished. Time: 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Cost: $110. RR, MD

■ **Family Archery**
Saturdays, June 10-Aug. 5
KLM Park
5901 S. County Line Road, Hinsdale
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr
(630) 789-7090

Kids ages 6-13 and family will learn the parts of an arrow and recurve bow, the basics of using a recurve bow, a nationally recognized beginner's 9-step to the 10 ring progression method and fundamental shooting skills from an experienced instructor. Bows, arrows and targets are furnished. Time: 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Cost: $94. RR

■ **Storytime at Burns Field**
Wednesdays June 14-July 26
Burns Field
320 N. Vine St., Hinsdale
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Join favorite Hinsdale Public Library librarians at the park for stories, fingerplays and music. In the event of rain, storytime will move to the library. Time: 10 to 10:30 a.m.

■ **Fishing: With Dad**
June 18
Herrick Lake
Herrick Road south of Butterfield Road, Wheaton
www.dupageforest.org
(630) 933-7248

Spend a late afternoon by the lake with dad, creating memories and learning skills to increase fishing successes. Time: 4 to 6 p.m. Cost: $5 per person.

■ **Party on the Patio**
June 21
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
www.thecommunityhouse.org

Enjoy some family friendly Zumba with Stella or play with bubbles as Whole Child Learning Company provides a bubble art experience in this Bubbles, Beats & Treats party. Grab a cozy blanket or two and bring a picnic for a group "BYOL" on the lawn. Time: 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. RR

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■ **Wild Wild Western Springs Party**
June 10
Theatre of Western Springs
4384 Hampton Ave.
www.theatreofwesternsprings.com
(708) 246-4043

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winner need not be present to win. Hours: 6 to 10 p.m. Tickets: $40 in advance, $45 at the door, $60 for "Quick Draw" entry.

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■ **Beginner Pickleball Workshop**
June 4
The Community House
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Join Coach Larry Bojak and co-teacher Nancy Paulson in this small-group workshop to learn the basics of pickleball and prepare to play with others. Pickleball equipment is provided; participants should wear supportive shoes appropriate for court play. Safety glasses and a water bottle are recommended. Additional workshops will be offered June 17 & 18. Time: 10:30 a.m. to noon. Cost: $55. RR

■ **Chicago Elite Youth Volleyball**
Tuesdays, June 6-27
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
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Kids in first through eighth grades will be introduced to the game of volleyball and continue to improve their individual skills in passing, setting, attacking, blocking, serving, defense and movement. Players will be divided according to skill level and age and challenged accordingly. Time: 5 to 6 p.m. for first through fifth grade, 6 to 7 p.m. for sixth through eighth grade. Cost: $100. RR, MD

■ **Bubble Gum Summer Slime**
June 7
Downers Grove Park District
4500 Belmont Road
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr
(630) 789-7090

Kids ages 6-13 will make a batch of amazing bubble gum slime in this drop-off Lisa Lombardi Coaching program, learning the history of the beloved chewy treat and why minty gums didn't sell well during the pandemic, but fruity ones did. Kids get to keep their slime and are offered gum as an optional treat. Time: 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Cost: $31. RR

■ **Soccer Shots Premier**
Sundays, June 11-Aug. 6
Robbins Park
Seventh and Vine streets, Hinsdale
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 5-8 will focus on individual skill, fitness and sportsmanship, providing an opportunity for children to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner. Time: 3 to 3:45 p.m. Cost: $210. RR, MD

GREAT OUTDOORS

■ **Moon Walk**
June 3
Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(708) 839-6897

The full moon will guide this hike in the largest Urban Night Sky Place in the world. Time: 9 p.m.

■ **Wildflower Walk**
June 7 & 10
Fullersburg Woods
3609 Spring Road, Oak Brook
www.dupageforest.org
(630) 933-7248

Meet a plant expert for a leisurely walk to enjoy the first blooms of spring while learning about spring flowers, how to identify them and what varieties can be grown at home. The program is for ages 18 and up. Time: 10 to 11 a.m. Cost: $5. RR

■ **Wednesday Wilderness Walk**
June 7
Lincoln Marsh
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Joshua Havelka
Miles Johnson
Ava Kupetis
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Emmett Malloy
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Abigail Pacioni
Jonathan Pavalon
Valencia Ptak
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Eleanor Paquette
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Maeve Riordan
Frederick Sackley
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Observe the seasons, flora, and fauna in the lesser-known but greatly diverse Lincoln Marsh on a guided walk. Discuss some of nature's wonders over a cup of coffee or tea before starting. Time: 8 to 10 a.m. Cost: $5. RR

■ Story Trail
June 7
Bemis Woods-South (Grove 7)
Ogden Avenue west of Wolf Road near Western Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(312) 533-5751

Walk a short, looped trail and experience a story unfold with every step, then take home a related craft. Hours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

■ Backyard Herp Walk
June 10
Fullersburg Woods
3609 Spring Road, Oak Brook
www.dupageforest.org
(630) 942-6200

Discover the local amphibians and reptiles that live in DuPage and the behaviors and adaptations that make them so unique. This program is for ages 8 and up. Those under 18 must be with an adult. Time: 9 to 10:30 a.m. Cost: $5. RR

■ Bird Banding
June 11
Sagawau Environmental Learning Center
12545 W. 111th St., Lemont
www.fpdcc.com
(630) 257-2045

Drop in and visit the bird banders to learn more about this scientific method used to study birds. The program is weather dependent. Hours: 10 a.m. to noon.

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JUST FOR KIDS

■ Summer Kick-Off Party
June 5
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

School's out and the library has fun, games and treats on the lawn — and an invitation to sign up for the library's Summer Reading Club. The rain date is Tuesday, June 6. Hours: 2 to 4 p.m.

■ Brushwork Painting/Drawing
Saturdays, June 10-July 8
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 5-11 will use a variety of drawing, painting and printmaking materials while studying line, shape and composition, independently and in groups to explore and develop their unique artistic expression. The class will culminate with an art show organized and hung by the students. Supplies will be included; students should bring smocks. Time: 10 to 11:30 a.m. Cost: $120. RR, MD

■ Youth Archery
Tuesdays, June 13-Aug. 8
KLM Park
5901 S. County Line Road, Hinsdale
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr
(630) 789-7090

Kids ages 7-12 will learn the parts of an arrow and recurve bow, the basics of using a recurve bow and fundamental shooting skills in an extremely safe environment. Both technique and games will be a part of the class. Blunt tipped arrows, bows and targets are provided. Time: 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. Cost: $94. RR

LISTEN & LEARN

■ Andy Warhol: What Makes Him a Great Artist
June 3
McAninch Arts Center
425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn
www.atthemac.org
(630) 942-4000

Art critic Blake Gopnik, author of "Warhol," will discuss his research into the mysterious man and an artist who constantly avoided definition and whose work continues to impact art and culture today. Time: 2 p.m. Admission: $10, free with ticket stub to the Warhol Exhibition.

ON STAGE

■ 'Disney's Frozen'
June 2-10
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
www.stagedoorfinearts.com/frozen

Based on the 2018 Broadway show, Stage Door Fine Arts production of this musical tells the story of true love and acceptance between sisters and princesses, Anna and Elsa. When faced with danger, the two discover their hidden potential and the powerful bond of sisterhood. Times: 7:30 p.m. June 2; 2 and 7 p.m. June 3, 2 and 6:30 p.m. June 4, 7 p.m. June 8-9, 2 and 7 p.m. June 10. Tickets: $25-$30.

■ 'Clue'
Through June 4
Theatre of Western Springs
4384 Hampton Ave.
www.theatreofwesternsprings.com

Based on the iconic 1985 Paramount movie which was inspired by the classic Hasbro board game, Clue is a hilarious farce-meets-murder mystery. The tale begins at a remote mansion, where six mysterious guests assemble for an unusual dinner party where murder and blackmail are on the menu. When their host turns up dead, they all become suspects. Times: 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays, 2:30 and 8 p.m. Saturdays; 2:30 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: $25, $12 for children/students.

■ Mean Girls
June 15-18
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
www.stagedoorfinearts.com

Cady Heron may have grown up on an African savanna, but nothing prepared her for the wild and vicious ways of her strange new home: suburban Illinois. How will this naïve newbie rise to the top of the popularity pecking order? By taking on The Plastics, a trio of lionized frenemies led by the charming but ruthless Regina George. Times: 7 p.m. June 15-16, 2 and 7 p.m. June 17, 2 and 6:30 p.m. June 18. Tickets: $25-$30.

SIGN UP NOW

■ A Conversation with Jesmyn Ward
June 6
www.hinsdalelibrary.info

Jesmyn Ward, two time winner of the National Book Award for Fiction, discusses how her literary vision and personal experiences address urgent questions about racism and social injustice in this online conversation. Tracie Hall, executive director of American Library Association, will join Ward in the program, made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

SPECIAL EVENTS

■ Post Pet Parade Party
June 3
Pet Rescue and Resource Center
21 Salt Creek Lane, Hinsdale
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org
(630) 323-5630

The Hinsdale Humane Society is inviting the community back to HHS for a party after the La Grange Pet Parade. This event for all ages features free and ticketed activities including a Kids Dash, live entertainment, food trucks, a beer stand, a small vendor mall, a cash raffle and raffle baskets, online auction, pet costume contest, doggie kissing booth, pie eating contest for dogs, face painting, bounce house, dog agility course, yard sale and more. Tickets include five activity tickets; additional activity tickets can be purchased at the gate or online prior to the event. Raffle tickets are also available online, even for those who are not attending. Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tickets: $20, free for age 5 and under.

■ Hinsdale in Lights
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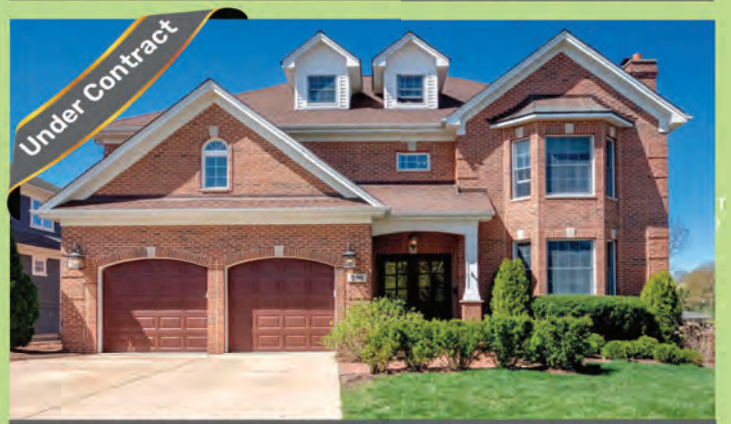

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open every Wednesday this summer. The exhibit tells the story of Hinsdale and its residents via an animated and immersive light show featuring outstanding Hinsdaleans, organizations, architecture and events. Distinctive historic objects from the Hinsdale Historical Society collections will also be showcased, shining light on how the village became what it is today. For a private showing for a group or family, please contact the Hinsdale Historical Society at societymanager@hinsdale-history.org or (630) 789-2600. Time: 1 to 3 p.m. Cost: Free, $20 donation suggested.

SUMMER SERIES

■ Uniquely Thursdays
June 15-Aug. 17
Burlington Park
30 E. Chicago Ave.
www.hinsdalechamber.com

Hinsdale's annual summer outdoor concert series kicks off June 15 with a performance by the band Semple. Guests are invited to bring blankets and chairs and enjoy beer, wine and food available for purchase. Outside alcoholic beverages are not permitted. The series is sponsored by the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce and UChicago Medicine Advent Health Hinsdale. Time: 6 to 9 p.m.

■ Cantigny Summer Concert Series
Ongoing
Cantigny Park
1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton
www.cantigny.org

The series continues Sunday, June 4, with a performance by the Blooze Brothers. The concerts are outdoors and feature lawn seating. Guests are encouraged to bring chairs or blankets, and picnics are welcome. Concessions are available; pets and alcohol are prohibited. Time: 3 to 5 p.m. Admission: $30 for parking; $400 for a season pass. Time: 3 to 5 p.m.

■ Arbor Evenings
Wednesdays through Aug. 23
Morton Arboretum
4100 Route 53, Lisle
www.mortonarb.org

Enjoy great music while relaxing outdoors at the arboretum's annual summer concert series. It continues June 7 with The Beaux. Tickets include arboretum admission beginning at 5:15 p.m., and a variety of food trucks will be on site. Attendees can purchase a reusable wine glass and receive a $1 discount on future wine purchases throughout the series; sealed, nonalcoholic beverages will be allowed into the event. Time: 6 to 8 p.m. Admission: $13, $5 for children, free for ages under 2. RR, MD

■ Concerts on the Village Green
Thursdays through July 27
701 Village Center Drive, Burr Ridge
www.shopburrridge.com

The village was hold its annual outdoor concert series, starting with Elton Jeff and the Monkey Cats tonight, June 1, and continuing June 8 with Anthem. Tickets are not required, however RSVPs are encouraged to receive event updates and more. Guests are invited to bring their own chairs, blankets, etc. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.

■ Farmers Market
Mondays, June 5-Oct. 9
Chicago Avenue Burlington Park
www.hinsdalechamber.com/farmers-market

The 47th annual Hinsdale Farmer's Market will feature farmers from around the Midwest lining Chicago Avenue between Garfield & Washington streets, with booths of fresh produce and unique finds from farms and stores. Hours; 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

TEENS & TWEENS

■ High School Spring 2023 Finals Service
June 3-8
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Drop by the Teen Lounge anytime between 5 and 6 p.m. for Thursday's stress buster — a finger knitting demonstration. Be the first to find the Hidden Object each day and earn a special reward. Stop by the adult services desk to claim your elevated treat. Hours: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays.

■ Middle School Book Club: Eat and Chat
June 8
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Copies of this month's title, "Maybe an Artist" by Elizabeth Montague, are available to be checked out from the library's Book Club Holds shelf. The club will be held outside, weather permitting; pizza will be provided. Time: 4 to 5 p.m. RR

■ Balloon Dart Painting
June 10
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
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(630) 986-1976

Ever dreamed of recreating the iconic balloon dart painting scene from "The Princess Diaries"? Give it a try on the library's south patio. Time: 1 to 2 p.m. RR

■ **College Prep: Making Big Decisions**
June 13
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

College-aged panelists at this seminar will discuss topics like moving away from home, choosing a major, selecting classes, making new friends and making safe choices. Time: 6:30 to 8 p.m. RR

WEE ONES

■ **Kid Rock I & II**
Tuesdays, June 6-27
Clarendon Hills Community Center
315 Chicago Ave.
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr
(630) 789-7090

Kids ages 2-3 (I) and 3-5 (II) will learn together while engaging in fun, creative, music-based activities, while using rhythm instruments and movement props. All class procedures are designed to keep staff and students safe. Activities are age-appropriate by class and include songs and rhymes, rhythm and coordination, fine and gross motor, imagination and sensory, listening and following directions skills. Time: 10:15 to 10:55 a.m. for I, 11 to 11:40 a.m. for II. Cost: $41. RR

■ **I am a Scientist: Ichthyology**
June 7
Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(708) 839-6897

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SUMMER CAMPS

■ Critter Summer Camp
June 5-8
Hinsdale Humane Society
21 Salt Creek Lane
(630) 323-5630
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org

Kids ages 6 to 8 will learn pet care basics, build adaptation skills, discuss resilience, play animal-themed games, learn about the various careers available to animal lovers of all kinds, and enjoy hands-on time interacting with pets. Each session is limited to 12 campers. Additional four-day sessions are available the weeks of June 19, July 10 and July 24. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. Cost: $200. RR

■ Guppies Kiddie Camp
June 5-Aug. 11
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
(630) 323-7500
www.thecommunityhouse.org

Preschoolers 3 to 6 years old will enjoy fun, creative activities including sports, drama, music, crafts, water days, time in nature, games and visits from special guests, all centered around a weekly theme. All children must be potty trained. Sign up by the day or by the week. Time: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: $55 a day, $250 a week. RR, MD

■ Summer Day Camp
June 5-Aug. 11
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
(630) 323-7500
www.thecommunityhouse.org

This camp for kids ages 6-14 is the perfect opportunity for kids to enjoy sports, drama and environmental awareness, with each week of camp having its own theme. A weekly field trip and swimming twice a week at the Hinsdale Community Pool is part of the fun as well. Kids are divided by age: going into first grade, going into second grade, going into third and fourth grades and going into fifth through eighth grades. Sign up by the day or by the week. Before and after care is available at an additional cost, as are half day options from 9 a.m. to noon or noon to 3 p.m. Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost: $75 a day, $350 a week. RR, MD

■ Summer Arts Camp
June 12-30 & July 31-Aug. 18
The Community House
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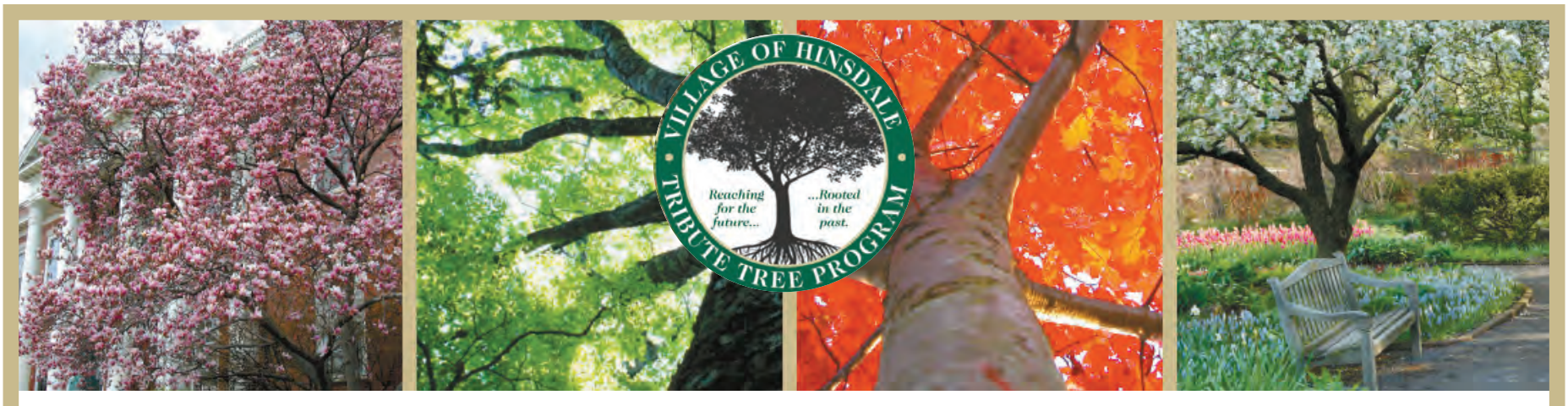

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Deeds for the following properties in Hinsdale and Golfview Hills were recorded in DuPage County from April 26 to May 19.

1. 845 W. Seventh St., Steven E. Dolan Living Trust to Diane and Richard Scumaci, April 26, $665,000

2. 1409 Burr Oak Road, 15683 Villoresi LLC to Karen Landwehr, April 27, $650,000

3. 912 S. Madison St., Hui Tang and Li Lan to Dana Hobi and Abdulkader Aldaif, April 27, $989,000

4. 629 S. Jackson St., Robert and Lisa Ashe to John Kelly, April 28, $530,000

5. 622 Hillside Drive, Sana M. Ghalayini Trust, Mazen Ghalayini and Serene Gaynor to Matthew Hamedani and Farnaz Mohammad Ali, May 2, $1,277,000

6. 644 W. Hinsdale Ave., Riata Group Inc to Jamie Halperin, June 3, $425,000

7 433 Bruner Place, Patricia A. Halperin Declaration and Revocable trusts to Melanna Properties LLC, May 3, $760,000

8. 234 S. Quincy St., Ashley and Michael Keeley to Kevin and Mary Jacobs, May 3, $1,750,000

9. 636 S. Stough St., Ahmad Wardak to Anthony Waelter, May 5, $926,829

10. 434 S. Vine St., Chicago Trust Co. to William Buhr and Alicia Rivera, May 8, $2,000,000

11. 5539 S. Quincy St., Mary Safiran to Daisy Espino and Alexander Hogdahl, May 8, $500,000

12. 705 S. Grant St., Robert and Christine Rusthoven to Narayanan Krishnan and Jody Cherney, May 8, $1,375,000

13. 18 S. Clay St., Paul H. Swendener IV Revocable Living Trust to Leland Shalgos and Heather Brualdi, May 11, $825,000

14. 430 58th Place, Christopher and Jennie Cheney to Marquette Bank-Trust, May 11, $250,000

15. 1409 Burr Oak Road, Alexandria and Andrea Fotopoulos and Angelo J. Kokas Trust to 15683 Villoresi LLC, May 11, $390,000

16. 2 S. Quincy St., Stephen and Heidi Beeaker to Rawea Schwalb Trust, May 16, $1,525,000

17. 426 S. Bruner St., Blue Door Services LLC to Anthony and Amy Plosz, May 16, $1,550,000

18. 213 W. Third St., Francesca and Christopher Gick to Vicky Oakley, NP Dodge and National Equity Inc., May 17, $1,075,000

19. 213 W. Third St., Vicky Oakley, NP Dodge and National Equity Inc. to Vanessa and Darius Horton, May 17, $1,075,000

20. 26 E. Sixth St., Luke Stifflear to Ryan and Liona Trombly, May 18, $609,000

21. 452 E. Fourth St., James Malinowksi and Malinowksi Declaration Trust to Chicago Title Land Trust Co., May 18, $4,225,000

22. 34 S. Bruner St., Maria Keefe and MJK Trust to Elizabeth and Thomas Sobczak, May 18, $1,230,000

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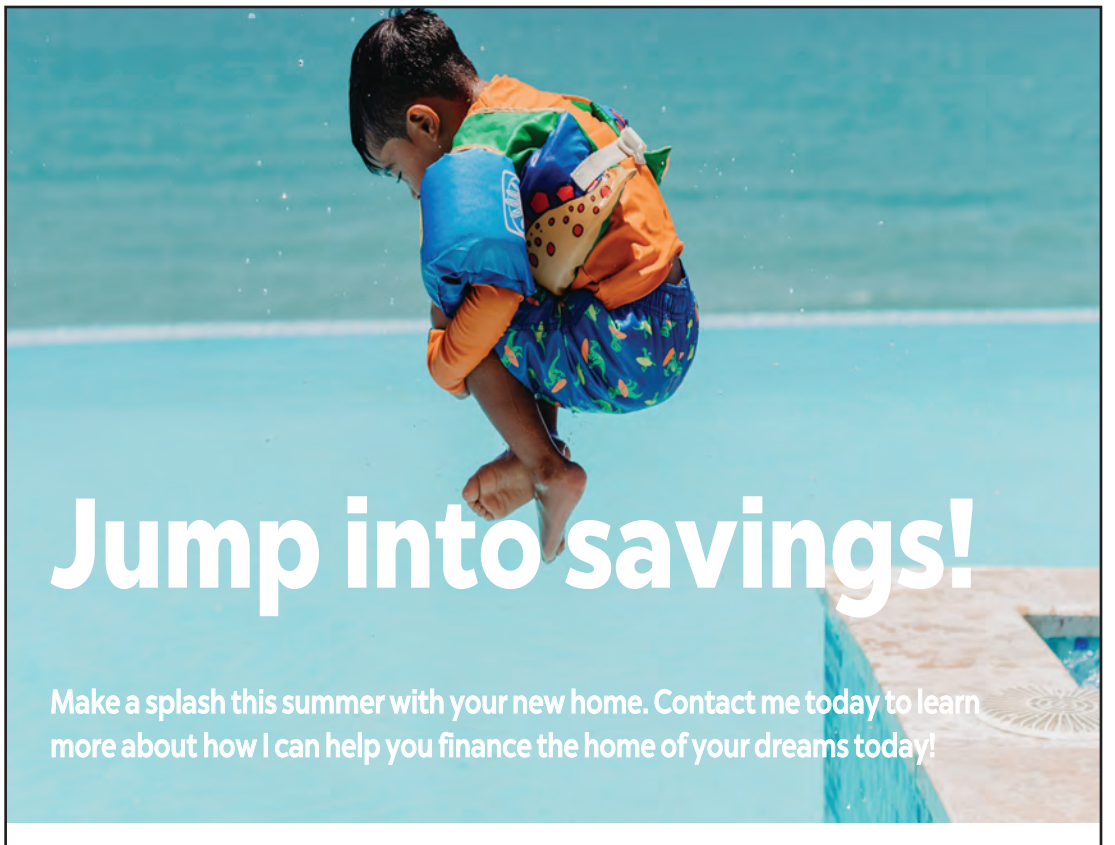

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FOR CHANGE OF NAME (ADULT)

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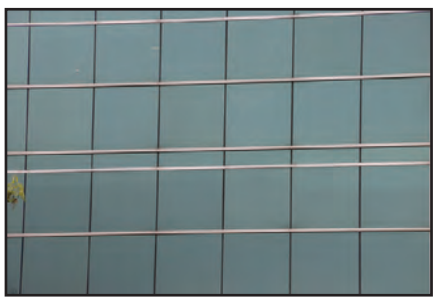

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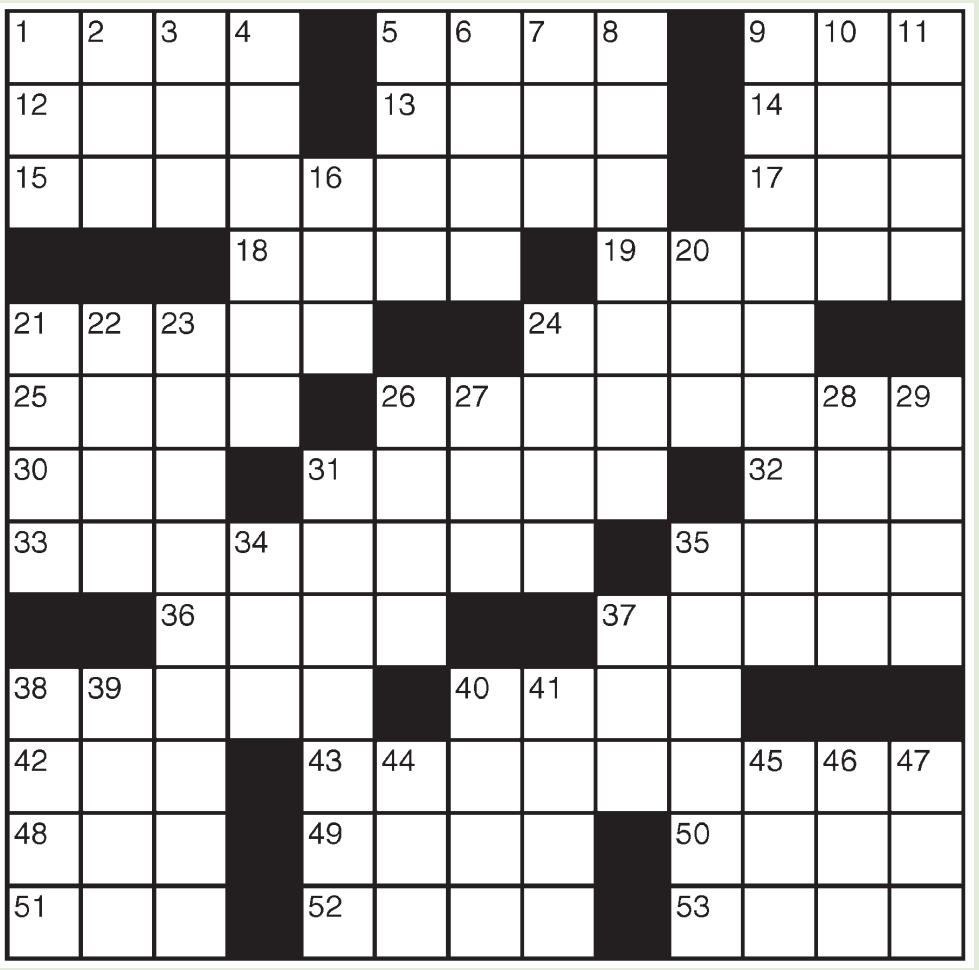

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ANSWERS TO TODAY'S CROSSWORD CAN BE FOUND IN THE CLASSIFIEDS.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
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Today's Word

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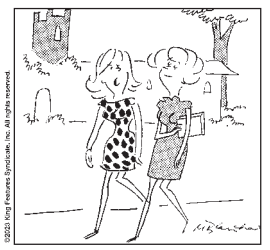

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Alert **WEAKA**
Beyond **FAILED**
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TODAY'S WORD

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HOROSCOPES

June 2023 Horoscopes • Week 1

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
This week is bound to be pretty intense, Capricorn. But you'll find a way to skirt through it relatively unscathed. Rely on a few friends as sounding boards.

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, things may not progress the way you want them to unless you become a little more persistent. Figure out how to walk the line to achieve your goals.

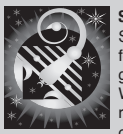
CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Cancer, as you try to become more organized, try not to get too overwhelmed by the scope of the task at hand. Tackle one thing at a time and keep making progress.

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Libra, after a few stops and starts, you and your romantic partner are on quite a roll. Enjoy that you both are in tune and aspiring toward shared goals..

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, try not to cut off channels of communication with loved ones as you deal with a few difficult issues. Others are willing to step up and help as needed.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, many things are going right with your life. But now it's time to get a handle on your love life. You may have to put in some extra effort, especially this week.

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, situations may seem like they are a matter of life or death this week, but there's a good chance you're just being overly dramatic. Try to go with the flow.



SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, it's possible you feel blocked on all sides regarding your employment. While you can't get ahead right now, there are some opportunities coming.

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, others will not always see the world the way you do. Interactions this week can be a little stilted or even frustrating.

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, keep things on the lighter side when conversing with coworkers this week. Now is not the time to delve into controversial discussions in the workplace.

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Emotions are running wild and you're worried about what others think of you, Virgo. Embrace a point of view that relies more on the rational than the emotional.

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
Be careful about speaking before thinking through your words, Sagittarius. Knee-jerk responses can have unexpected consequences. Take time to form your opinion.

Boys track earns three wins, fourth place

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forget," he added.

Fellow Hinsdalean and Benet sophomore Patrick Burke also competed and placed in the top 12. The three helped the Redwings capture state runner-up honors.

Boys track takes fourth

The Hinsdale Central boys track team earned three first-place finishes and came in tied for fourth at the state finals May 25-27 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston.

Senior Dan Watcke won the 800-meter race and was part of the 4x800-meter relay that also captured first. His performance was outstanding, varsity coach Jim Westphal said.

"He's an athlete who in those pressure situations always steps up," Westphal remarked. "Ending his career in that fashion just speaks to his legacy of performing at a very high level. Pretty remarkable as you think about his career."

Watcke, who won the 800 at state as a sophomore and then came in second as a junior, had a burning desire to improve on last year's performance.

"It was good to finally get back on top. It felt good to win it for sure," he said.

Seniors Michael Skora, Grant Miller, Kyle Doorhy and Watcke were motivated to win in the 4x800-meter relay after their teammates in the 4x400 had a baton exchange mishap in the preliminaries. Another team's interference was cited as the cause by Central but not by meet officials, and the team didn't make it to the finals.

The Hinsdale Central boys 4x800-meter relay team defending its championship at the state meet May 25-27 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston. (photo courtesy of Jim Westphal)

"It was disappointing, but I think the team used it as motivation to try to get as many points as we could on Saturday with the events we made it in. It actually motivated me to try to win those two events," Watcke said.

Westphal said the athletes handled the situation really well.

"They were certainly disappointed, absolutely, as one would be in that situation," he said. "They processed it that evening, but after that they just put it behind them and went in Saturday focusing on what they could do and what they needed to do. They demonstrated some great maturity and resolve."

The seniors also were facing the pressure of being the team to beat as returning state champs.

"Our guys, every one of them responded just admirably, from Michael leading off putting us in a good position to Grant Miller keeping us in that position. Kyle Doorhy ran great and Dan Watcke, your star anchor, for the win. It was pretty remarkable and a lot of fun," Westphal related.

Junior Aden Bandukwala earned two medals at the meet, placing first in the 1,600-meter race and third in the 3,200 meters.

"He ran extremely tough in the two miles to get third place in that event. It's a very tough double for a weekend to run the two (mile) and the one (mile). That's a big ask," Westphal said.

Bandukwala had a tough start on his second race.

"He was way out of it with a lap to go," his coach said. "I thought he was going to get last place. His final lap was remarkable, how he closed and finished and won the event. It was very, very exciting. It was thrilling.

"He said, 'Coach, I was tired. My legs were dead.' They were for three of the four laps and something clicked and he put on the jets and it was game over," Westphal continued. "It was pretty remarkable — one of the best finishes I've ever seen."

While the team had hoped to bring home a trophy, Westphal said he is happy with the team's 37 points and fourth-place finish.

"We do not take fourth place for granted," he said. "That's a remarkable achievement. We know that those guys laid it on the line and had a great weekend. As coaches, you couldn't be happier for them."

RESULTS

Baseball
May 25 & 27 @ IHSA regional
vs. Downers North (final)
V loses 4-5
vs. Yorkville (semifinal)
V wins 2-0
Vande Lune, 2 RBIs
Oosterbaan, 7 strikeouts

Lacrosse, boys
May 24 @ IHSA sectional
vs. Wheaton Academy (semifinal)
V loses 0-21

Lacrosse, girls
May 30 @ IHSA supersectional
vs. Hersey
V wins 11-8
Napier, 4 goals
Matthews, 3 goals
Venetsanopolous, 2 goals, assist
O'Connor, goal
Tavoso, goal
Conley, 9 assists
Brankin, assist
Schultz, 2 saves
May 24 & 26 @ IHSA sectional
vs. Downers North (final)
V wins 16-6
vs Neuqua Valley (semifinal)
V wins 20-6

Soccer, girls
May 30 @ IHSA supersectional
vs. Lincoln-Way East
V loses 0-1
May 26 @ IHSA sectional
vs. LT (final)
V wins 2-1

Tennis, boys
May 25-27 @ IHSA state final
V places 1st with 36 points
Kotarski, runner-up, 12 points
Stangle, 6 points
N. Hernandez/Teuscher, 3rd place, 11 points
Theriault/A. Hernandez, 7 points

Track, boys
May 25-27 @ IHSA state final
V places 4th (tie) with 37 points
800 meters
Watcke, 1st, 1:52.16
1,600 meters
Bandukwala, 1st, 4:10.39
3,200 meters
Bandukwala, 3rd, 9:10.42
Gamboa, 11th, 9:20.11
4x800 relay
Skora, Miller, Doorhy, Watcke, 1st, 7:38.59

Volleyball, boys
May 27 @ IHSA sectional
vs. LT
V loses 21-25, 20-25
May 25 @ IHSA regional
vs. St. Francis
V wins 32-30, 19-25, 25-16

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Central tennis still dominates at state

Team effort leads to fourth title since 2018; boys track earns three wins, fourth place

By Pamela Lannom
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They've done it again.

The Hinsdale Central boys tennis team won the state title Saturday for the fourth time in five years and 28th time in history.

The team earned 36 points to handily beat New Trier (30 points) and Fremd (29 points) for the Class 2A championship at the state final Thursday to Saturday, May 25-27, at Palatine High School.

"We always try to be optimistic," varsity coach John Naisbitt said. "We knew we were going to be in a close tournament. We really did. We played New Trier early in the year and they got us pretty good. We played Fremd at their place, and Fremd won three of the four state positions.

"We went into it saying we have to play our best tennis of the year, our best tournament, and we did. We played better than our rivals and we got the championship because of it."

Central managed to win state without capturing any first-place finishes, which is not atypical, Naisbitt said.

"While it's helpful to have a title — it really is helpful — it's not mandatory. We've done this before and so have other teams," he said.

No. 1 singles player Alex Kotarski, a junior, earned the highest finish by placing second, winning his first five matches before falling to Fremd's Andrew Spurck in the final. He earned 12 points for the team.

"His second-place finish was instrumental in getting us enough points to win state," Naisbitt coach said.

Kotarski said the highlight of the tournament was beating Hersey's Mitch Sheldon in the semi-finals.

"I had lost to him pretty badly about a month ago," Kotarski said. "Finding out that win had clinched us the team title was huge."

Kotarski was riding that high when he went into his final match.

"Obviously I wanted to win, but was just happy and ready to compete," he said.

The No. 1 doubles team of Nathan Hernandez and Bodie Teuscher came in third, earning 11 points.

The Hinsdale Central boys tennis team celebrates its decisive victory at the state meet May 25-27 in Palatine. "We're certainly not feeling less than because we don't have an individual title because our goal is team championship, period," coach John Naisbitt said. (photo courtesy of John Naisbitt)

Naisbitt said the duo did an excellent job.

"They are sophomores who had not been to state," he said. "They are inexperienced at state, but they are tournament players and they had a great tournament coming in third."

Hernandez said he and his teammate started out confident and strong.

"We were just playing better and better," he said. "The momentum was just kind of stacking up."

Then it was time for the semifinal match against New Trier's Chris Ackerman and Stan Okesson, who ended up placing second.

"I was playing a kid I've known my entire life (Ackerman) and we've been going back and forth for a while," Hernandez said. "It was just a lot of pressure and a lot of new things we had to do in order to beat them and we didn't really catch onto it in time. They had a completely different style of doubles than what we were used to."

After the loss, the two had to regroup to play for third place. Hernandez's older brother Noah, who placed second in singles at state last year, offered some much-needed encouragement.

"I'd say in the beginning it was pretty hard to move on from the loss," Hernandez said. "We lost the first set 6-4. I was talking to my brother Noah on the sidelines. He told me to bring the energy up and this matters, third place matters, so we just brought the energy up on the second and the third set."

Teuscher said the tournament was nerve-wracking but as it went on, he acclimated better to the pressure.

"Especially that last match, I felt like once I had enough confidence, I played a lot better," he commented.

He agreed with Hernandez that playing for third place was challenging, especially with the championship match taking place on the very next court. But he didn't want to finish fourth.

"I think there's such a big difference between third and fourth place," he said.

Also competing for Central was Winston Stangle, who earned 6 points in singles, and the doubles team of James Theriault and Aidan Hernandez, who earned 7 points. Their contributions made a difference, Naisbitt said.

"If you're not going to have one or two individual titles, you need to have a whole team effort, and that's absolutely what we did and what we preached all year," he said.

Assistant coaches Bill and Peter Alex, a father-son team, were critical in the effort, Naisbitt said.

"They're brilliant and they just did a great job of managing and helping and coaching," he said. "We wouldn't be here without Bill and Peter Alex."

• Hugh Davis from Hinsdale, a sophomore at Benet Academy, and his partner, Zach Bobofchak of Naperville, won the 1A state doubles title Saturday, beating Jake Goldstein and Mark Tismensky of the Latin School of Chicago in the championship match and earning 14 of the team's 20 points.

"Winning it all was just a surreal moment," Davis texted The Hinsdalean. "Seeing the last ball drop out and the satisfaction of winning it on the first match point was amazing. It is what we worked hard for all season and what our goal was from the very beginning.

"It is also cool that we are the first state champions in Benet's boys tennis history, so to do that was just special and a moment we will never

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