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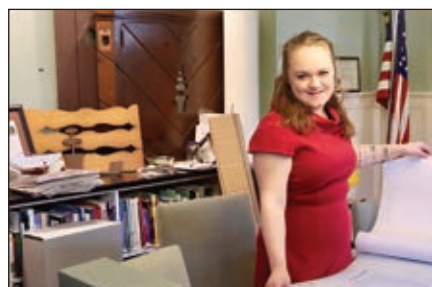
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Pumpkin patch pickings

During the village of Hinsdale's annual Fall Fest Oct. 14, the front yard of the Memorial Building was turned into a pumpkin patch with hundreds of Halloween gourds ripe for the picking. Aiden Derben, Ben Robinson, John Wertz and Blakely Phelan worked the patch to pick their prized pumpkins. (Jim Slonoff photos)



History buff

New Hinsdale Historical Society manager enjoying her post.

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Halloween happenings

Head out for some scary good fun the last weekend of October.

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NEWS

No criminal charges in fatal accident

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The 16-year-old driver in a July 17 accident that killed 14-year-old Sean Richards of Hinsdale and injured three others will not face criminal charges, according to a press release issued Wednesday.

"The DuPage County MERIT Major Crash Investigation Team, the Hinsdale Police Department and the DuPage County State's Attorney's Office conducted a meticulously thorough and complete investigation into the facts and circumstances surrounding the events," states a joint press release from the agencies. "Based on the results of the investigation and the evaluation of the evidence in the context of Illinois law, we have reached the conclusion that the 16-year-old boy responsible for the accident will face three traffic offenses but will not be charged with any other criminal offenses."

He will be cited for failure to exer-

cise due care to avoid colliding with a pedestrian, failure to yield the right of way to a pedestrian on a sidewalk and failure to decrease speed to avoid colliding with a person. Fines of up to \$1,000 per offense are possible and the secretary of state would revoke his license upon conviction because the incident involved a fatality, DuPage County State's Attorney Bob Berlin.

The citations indicate the driver is the responsible individual who was operating the vehicle that struck Sean Richards, causing his death, the release states.

"The evidence, however, does not establish either an intent to physically harm anyone nor reckless driving. The findings of the investigation and our decision to not pursue any further criminal charges in this case are based on criminal law and we offer no opinion on the civil liability of any party involved in this case," the release states.

The investigation determined the driver "pressed the accelerator to

full depression, believing he was pressing on the brake pedal, and struck Richards before driving into a business across the street," according to the release.

The event data recorder shows the brake pedal was never pressed, the release states. The Jeep's electronic stability program engaged braking after Richards was struck and about .8 seconds before the Jeep hit Fontano's Subs across the street.

No amount of drugs or alcohol were found in the driver's blood or urine, the release states.

Sean Richards was walking on the sidewalk on the west side of Lincoln Street when he was hit by the Jeep. He was taken to UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale in critical condition and later flown by helicopter to Comer Children's Hospital at the University of Chicago. He died three days later.

Hinsdale police concluded their investigation in August after receiving results from the Illinois State

Police Crime lab and forwarded the case to the DuPage County State's attorney's office for its review and determination on charges.

The investigation included a review of police reports, crash scene videos and photographs, witness statements, toxicology reports and videos from police body cameras.

"The tragic death of Sean Richards was a horrible accident, and the subsequent investigation was particularly difficult for those involved," the release states. "We personally want to thank the first responding men and women directly involved at the accident scene for their efforts. We also thank the DuPage County MERIT Major Crash Investigation Team, the Hinsdale, Clarendon Hills, Villa Park, Woodridge, Bartlett, Elmhurst, Oak Brook and Burr Ridge police departments, the DuPage County Sheriff's Office and members of our staffs for their efforts and assistance into the investigation of this tragic turn of events."



Sweet treats

Kids attending
Halloween Cupcake Decorating at the Hinsdale Public Library had a sweet time creating and eating their own works of art, along with listening to a story about fall. Augie Weitz and Henry Kietzer work on their cupcakes with the precision of surgeons during the Oct. 15 event. (Sam Wheeler photos)



ONCE UPON A TIME



Tall order — Hinsdale’s Sean Chaudhry came across a box of old photos tucked in a corner of his store’s basement. Widening First Street in 1937 required the removal of several mature trees. Village crews dug up the trees and transplanted them. Do you have a Hinsdale photo that is at least 25 years old? We’d love to share it with our readers. Stop by our office at 7 W. First St. or email it to jslonoff@thehinsdalean.com.



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Public weighs in on Vine Street Station

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The Vine Street Station lifestyle housing proposal was the subject of plan commission public hearing earlier this month, the latest stop in a 2 1/2-year effort to convert the old Zion Lutheran School to condos.

Last year Hinsdale trustees approved several ordinances in support of the project to convert the historic two-story building into 12 living units, but several items remained unfinished.

Outdoor spaces was among them, and Drew Mitchell of developer Holladay Properties told commissioners at the Oct. 11 hearing that the site would feature a public pocket park on the west side, a sitting garden on the east side and a space for residents.

"We build transit-oriented developments, and we're trying to create an opportunity for community," Mitchell said.

Commissioners signaled support for the plan, but Laurel Haarlow expressed concern over the large TV

envisioned for the resident space, as it would be visible from Second Street.

"I'm wondering if it would create a distraction for people who are driving along Second Street," she said. Others worried about the sound carrying throughout the neighborhood. Mitchell said a requirement that the TV have volume limits and shut off by dusk would be incorporated into the homeowners' association rules and regulations.

Project architect Chris Walsh told commissioners that the developer was withdrawing requests to narrow spots in the 25-space parking garage as well as the drive lane after determining the garage could be designed to code. Eliminating a loading space, with village approval, helped with that.

"The reality of it is, once these get sold, people will move in and may never move out," Walsh said. "We're really not anticipating a lot of move-ins, move-outs."

Vine Street resident Tom Heinz praised the project for preserving the building and enhancing the neighborhood. But he also discussed flooding issues the

area experiences and urged officials not to make it worse. He also lobbied for a one-way Second Street to be opened to both eastbound and westbound traffic to ease the burden on Vine.

"I think it's imperative that it become a two-way street now, so that people don't have to turn right when they come out of there," Heinz said.

Walsh said efforts have been made to protect vintage architectural elements of the 1931 structure.

"We're going to preserve the door, we're going to preserve the sign," Walsh said. "We're going to have to manipulate the stonework a little bit, but we're planning to save everything else."

Mitchell said the preceding 31 months have been valuable in refining the Vine Street Station plan.

"I think that the output and the outcome of this process is dramatically improved versus what it may have been," Mitchell told commissioners. "We're really eager to get started."

The plan commission is expected to issue a recommendation on the matter at its Nov. 8 meeting.

Author shares advice for living in digital world

Speaker helps parents cope with issues kids face in texts, group chats, online environments

By Pamela Lannom
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Parents can best help their kids manage their behavior on electronic devices and technology by modeling and mentoring.

That was the advice of Deborah Heitner, author of "Growing Up in Public: Coming of Age in a Digital World" and the latest presenter in the Community Speaker Series sponsored by Districts 86 and 181.

One area where parents can mentor good behavior is by asking permission from their kids before posting their photos on social media, she said Oct. 18 at The Community House. Establishing

a "consent-based culture" at home also teaches kids about boundaries when it comes to sharing photos of friends or when someone asks them to share nude or "underpants" photos of themselves.

"They know they don't have to say yes to everything people ask for them to share," she said.

When it comes to reading texts or using apps that spy on kids, Heitner believes open communication is better in the long run.

"Swimming lessons are better than an electric fence around the pool," she



Heitner

said. "I don't think building an electric fence around the pool is an effective way to parent in the digital age. For me, putting an app on their phone that spies on them is kind of like the electric fence around the pool."

A kid who posts racist or xenophobic content picked up that behavior somewhere, and adults need to look at the whole community to find out where, Heitner believes. If one kid is saying something inappropriate, so are others — or the post wouldn't be circulating.

"If you just make it about that one kid

and really focus all your retribution and rage ... you're missing a tremendous opportunity to work as a community to do better and to help the targeted community," she said.

The use of devices at night is problematic for many kids and teens. Students in elementary or middle school or early high school shouldn't have connected devices in their rooms overnight, she advised.

"If you pick one battle with your kids about tech, I would say it should be sleep," she said.

When she talks to teens, she tries to sell them on the importance of sleep.

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Advice from a pro

Deborah Heitner, author of two books on parenting and technology, spoke at two sessions Oct. 18 as part of the Community Speaker Series. She offered the following advice and observations to parents:

Phone etiquette

Kids no longer hear their parents on the phone, navigating conflict or signaling that it's time to end the conversation.

"We're not teaching our kids by osmosis as much as our parents did, because we actually heard our parents on the phone," Heitner said. "It's important to recognize that kids need more direct instruction."

Promote responsible behavior

Kids should make good decisions because they are responsible, kind and thoughtful, not because they fear punishment.

"Don't do harm," she said. "That's a much

better guidepost than, 'If you get caught, you won't be able to go to Princeton.'"

Pornography

The best defense against kids looking up pornography is sex education.

"The more they know, the less they are going to look it up and the more they are empowered ... the less likely they are going to go to porn for how-to advice before their first date," she said.

Friendship vs. followers

Kids need help understanding the difference between the two and finding ways other than getting likes or followers to boost their self-esteem.

"Teens are particularly wired for social approval and connection. That's so, so important for them. The pleasure you get from getting likes and getting followers is very fleeting.

"It's not the kind of good feeling that lasts the way connections with your family and friends do," she added.

FOMO

Kids who see their friends together on Snap Maps, Instagram posts or other online apps can feel very left out.

"We can help our kids by normalizing it and reminding them that we have had those experiences, too," she said. "It's fun to see what other people are doing but it can be hard."

Hard questions

Parents should practice one standard response when their kids ask a hard question: "I'm so glad you asked."

"It buys you time. It buys you a minute to collect yourself. And it gives you a second to think about what you're going to say," she said. "But you really are glad they asked because if they don't ask you, they're going to ask the world, they're going to ask Siri, they're going to ask the kid on the bus who doesn't have any restrictions on their phone — and it's not going to be what you want."

NEXT WEEK

Community Consolidated Elementary Dist. 181 Board

7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 30
Hinsdale Middle School, 100 S. Garfield Ave.
www.d181.org

On the draft agenda: approve HCHTA contract, school maintenance grant, full-day kindergarten update, math/ELA/ACE placement criteria, preliminary tax levy memo, summer program dates

Hinsdale High School District 86 Board

6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26
Hinsdale South High School
7401 Clarendon Hills Road, Darien
www.hinsdale86.org/board-of-education/board-meetings

On the agenda: approve 2024-25 course proposals, appoint and seat new board member, 2023 levy, five-year financial forecast, 2024-25 program of studies, discrepancy in course offerings, board protocols and board-superintendent expectations

Village coordinates shoveling volunteers

Hinsdale residents who are 60 and older or individuals with disabilities are invited to register for the village's snow shoveling program.

People can fill out the online request form at www.villageofhinsdale.org/snow-shovelprogram or print, complete and mail a paper request. Once registered for the program, participants will receive contact information for participating volunteers. The resident is responsible for contacting the volunteer and scheduling a time for shov-

eling.

Those interested in volunteering for the 2023-24 winter season can fill out the online form or print, complete and mail a paper request. Residents will contact volunteers directly when assistance is needed. The volunteer is responsible for shoveling or notifying the resident if unable to complete the work.

The village's involvement is limited to matching residents and volunteers. It does not do background checks on any participants or volunteers.

Author shares advice on digital world

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"If you had access to a drug that was free and legal and had no bad side affects and all it did was make you smarter, better looking, in a better mood and more athletic, would you want it?" she asked one group of teens. "And they were like, 'Yeah.' And I was like, 'It's sleep.' And they were like, 'Oh.'"

Heitner also said kids need to know their parents will help them if something goes wrong. If her child shared a private photo with someone he trusted and that trust was violated, Heitner said she would be getting a lawyer for cease and desist orders rather than lecturing her kid.

"I think what's really import-

ant for our kids to know is that we would be on their side if someone was harming them in that way, by disrespecting their privacy and sharing their picture without permission," she said. "The most vulnerable to exploitation are the kids who feel like there is no adult they can turn to."

Parents interested in continuing the conversation can attend a book discussion group from 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 8, at the Hinsdale Public Library, 20 E. Maple St.

Register at www.d181foundation.org or www.hinsdalelibrary.info. Copies of "Growing Up in Public: Coming of Age in a Digital World" will be on the library's book club holds shelf and available for checkout.



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Beware walking this bride down aisle

In 1989, The Hinsdalean's Pam Lannom (then with The Doings) decided to get a head start on Halloween by transforming into a monster bride a week before Oct. 31. The cosmetically creepy result as penned by Lannom we resurrect here as part of our sesquicentennial retrospective.

"Phase I: hair styling

"My transformation from mild-mannered reporter to monster bride began at Gazebo Hair Design in Oak Brook. Albert Cosenza and Joanne Williams, determined to create a truly frightening hairstyle, spent an hour and a half curling, teasing, crimping, spraying and highlighting.

"The two began by setting my hair in perm rods. With two people rolling, it took only 25 minutes, about half the time of a normal perm. Another 25 minutes was spent under the dryer. After removing the rollers and brushing out the curls, Cosenza teased and sprayed and teased again for at least half an hour.

"I had asked for something in traditional monster style, yet with a modern flair. Cosenza, convinced that green highlights were essential, used them liberally."

"Phase II: makeup

"I told Carole Helms, in charge of my makeup, that I didn't want anything too dramatic. I trusted Carole because she has five years of experience as makeup chairwoman at the Theater of Western



We decided to resurrect from the archives this story and photo about Pamela Lannom's historic transformation into a monster bride some 34 Halloweens ago.

Springs. Helms began by instructing me to apply my own foundation. After the layer of pancake white was applied, she added a layer of 'Vamp white' incandescent cheek paint.

"Since the eyes are an important feature of any monster, Helms exaggerated the eye makeup with heavy eyebrow pencil and eyeliner. The green and purple eyeshadow she chose contrasted one another beautifully. The green eyeshadow, along with the green rouge, really picked up the green highlights in my hair.

"Helms said a deep scar across my nose and some blood dripping out of the corners of my mouth would add just the right monstrous touches. As she finished my makeup (about half an hour after she started), I began to feel as scary as I looked.

"Phase III: wardrobe

"The dress is the focal point of any bride's appearance, and the 'Monster Bride' outfit at Murray's Partytime was perfect. The black mesh cape gave just the right touch to the outfit.

"Gordon Vong, assistant manager at Murray's, reminded me that accessories make the outfit. He chose some fishnet gloves, spider web earrings and some subtle nail extensions to complete the look.

"Later that night people continued to respond to the monster hair and makeup, even though I had changed back into regular clothes.

"'You look kind of like my boss,' a White Hen employee told me as I stopped in for a Diet Coke.

"'Maybe if this guy's boss isn't doing anything on Halloween...' I thought to myself, 'I still need a date for the wedding...'"



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POLICE BEAT

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports Oct. 24.

DUI arrests

- Lorenzo A. Bacigalupo, 30, 3176 Diane Drive, Aurora, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, speeding 35+ mph over the limit, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and improper lane use at 11:29 p.m. Oct. 20 at Ogden Avenue and Route 83. He was charged and released to appear in court.

- Mateo A. Donato, 53, 4518 Torrence Ave., Hammond, Ind., was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, failure to signal, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and improper lane use at 1:50 a.m. Oct. 22 at York and Oak Brook roads. He was charged and released to appear in court.

Arrest for hit and run

Hugo A. Duran, 21, 1405 S. 16th Ave., Maywood, was arrested for failure to report an accident, failure to remain at the scene of vehicle damage accident, driving with an expired license, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and failure to yield at 3:11 p.m. Oct. 16 for fleeing the scene of a property damage accident in the intersection of Washington and Fourth streets. He was also found to have an active arrest warrant out of Cook County. He posted bond on the warrant and was released to appear in court.

Vehicle break-in

The passenger window was broken on parked vehicle and a handbag containing financial documents and identification stolen from the interior at 2:50 p.m. Oct. 23 in the 16 Grant Square parking lot.

School bus vandalized

Unknown suspects were observed on surveillance video damaging a school bus at 7:31 p.m. Aug. 10 at Hinsdale Adventist Academy, 631 E. Hickory St. The incident was reported Oct. 19.

Suspicious call

A resident of the 400 block of Justina Street received a call from someone claiming to be a computer security tech at 2:50 p.m. Oct. 16. The caller requested remote access to victim's computer and a check for security services.

Leaf blower stolen

A leaf blower valued at \$620 was stolen at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 18 from the front of a residence in the 300 block of East First Street where the victim was working.

Check fraud incident

Fraudulent checks were written from a trust bank account between Oct. 19 and 20 as reported from the 10 block of Spinning Wheel Road.

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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■ Andrew said she credits her mother and grandmother for fostering the interest that has fueled her education and career.

Historical society manager enjoys her many roles

Katharine Andrew was in Hinsdale just once before accepting the position of manager at the Hinsdale Historical Society. During the “one horrible semester” that she spent on the Niles North High School cross country team, Andrew traveled to Katherine Legge Memorial Park and still recalls the beautiful, historic homes she saw along the way. After her interview last year at Hinsdale’s Immanuel Hall, she found herself excited once again by the town’s history.

“I couldn’t say no when they offered me the job,” said Andrew, a lifelong history and genealogy buff who studied political science and Germanic studies at the University of Illinois at Chicago before earning a master’s degree in library and information science from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Andrew said she credits her mother and grandmother for fostering the interest that has fueled her education and career.

“I was surrounded by two amazing women who love history,” said Andrew, who remembers visiting The Genealogy Center at Allen County Public Library in Ft. Wayne, Ind., while her grand-

mother dug into the family’s ancestry.

Andrew was hired as part-time manager of the Hinsdale Historical Society in October 2022 and became a full-time member of the team in January, just as the village was entering its 150th year. As manager, Andrew said she “wears lots of hats,” including those of an archivist, a curator, a graphic designer and a social media marketer. She said she uses all of those hats to make history fun, accessible and engaging through displays, events and activities for anyone who wants to know more about the village.

With the 150th exhibit ending last month, Andrew said the historical society is entering a membership drive and gearing up for a pair of events, both in Immanuel Hall.

In November, the Historical Society will introduce Deer in the ‘Dale, which invites guests to take photos with live reindeer while enjoying crafts and learning about Hinsdale’s history. December brings the return of Holly Jolly Trolley, which includes a tour of Hinsdale’s holiday light displays and a reception.

Meanwhile, Andrew said she is working with the soci-



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ety’s Junior Board to open the museum at 15 S. Clay for regular walk-in tours.

Ongoing work on the society’s plaque program, which recognizes buildings within the village that are at least 90 years old, means lots of research into individual homes and buildings throughout town. She said that’s a part of the job that she thoroughly enjoys.

“I feel like Nancy Drew sometimes,” said Andrew, who spent a semester in Germany researching her own family history and now shares her research skills through her own company, KKA Genealogy. Andrew teaches genealogy research skills through classes and speeches at libraries, historical societies and other organizations. She also will do research for a fam-

ily or individual.

After a year as manager of the Hinsdale Historical Society, Andrew said she has learned a lot about the village’s storied past, and she looks forward to learning, and sharing, even more.

“There are so many amazing things about the history of Hinsdale,” she said.

— story by Sandy Illian Bosch, photo by Jim Slonoff



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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Editors demonstrate frightening sense of humor

Perhaps one of the most frightening things to happen the week before Halloween is our annual enumeration of scary scenarios that we have imagined afflicting our fair village.

As always, we offer the following words of caution to readers: Beware the sarcasm.

- The village takes a closer look at the old, weathered copy of its articles of incorporation and discovers it is actually dated April 4, 1874, requiring officials to coordinate yet another year of sesquicentennial celebrations.

- The Hinsdale High School District 86 Board doesn't like any of the candidates for the superintendent job and the search process must begin again. This is especially frightening for School Exec Connect, whose guarantee to present a viable candidate means they have to conduct a new search for free.

- Parents of preschoolers, eager to position their children for admission to Harvard, demand that full-day kindergarten in District 181 last an actual full day.

- All drivers come to a complete stop at stop signs, causing chain reaction accidents all over town.

- Tom Cauley, frustrated with U.S. representa-

tives' inability to run an efficient meetings, heads to Washington and is immediately elected speaker of the house, thereby ending the longest village presidency in history.

- Pilots who fly into Midway Airport learn of some Hinsdaleans' complaints about airplane noise. Envious of their multi-million dollar homes, the pilots start buzzing the cupola on village hall just to annoy them.

- All residents who live on a cul-de-sac demand to become a gated community.

- Tired of complaints that a parking space in downtown Hinsdale can't be found between noon and 3 p.m., village officials propose adding a third story to the parking deck outside Hinsdale Middle School. Lawyers make millions from endless negotiations and lawsuits.

- District 86 board members approve four new social studies classes for the 2024-25 school year and, to the shock of critics, Central students continue to outperform their peers on AP history tests and earn admission to prestigious universities.

- Due to a programming error, the first song played by the new carillon at village hall is Elvis Presley's "In the Ghetto."

- Before residents even start their Christmas

shopping, Hinsdale merchants run out of scented candles. Wait, that's impossible.

- Santa is injured at the 57th annual Christmas walk when he is unceremoniously dumped from the basket of the ladder truck so firefighters can respond to an actual call.

- When renovation costs are higher than expected for the new Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 administration center on Ogden Avenue, officials sell naming rights for the building to UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale. The name is so long, D181 needs variances from the village for the building sign.

- The Chiefs trade Travis Kelce to the Bears, and he and Taylor Swift move to Hinsdale, where she quickly becomes the Hinsdale Juniors' most sought-after member in history.

- An unexpected outbreak of avian flu creates a last-minute turkey shortage, driving prices up to more than \$50 a pound. Caviar sales skyrocket as Hinsdaleans make menu substitutions for Thanksgiving dinner.

- The village's name is changed to "Collinsdale" after Mimi Collins and her husband purchase and renovate every historically significant structure in town.

COMMENTARY

Want free speech? You'll hear things you don't like

A fellow Illinois Wesleyan alum recently blasted the school newspaper, The Argus, for posting a pro-Palestinian graphic on Facebook.

"This is unacceptable from the Argus," she wrote in her own Facebook post. "The blanket statement that 'we' support terrorists is disgusting."

She goes on to say the post is "evil incarnate" and that the newspaper staff apparently supports the genocide of Jews and other atrocities.

"Please let the IWU administration know your thoughts on this. I do not want a dollar of my scholarship donations given to a member of the Argus staff."

Some students at Harvard University have more at stake than scholarship dollars. Wall Street firms apparently are blacklisting students who put out a statement blaming Israel for the Hamas terror attacks that killed more than 1,400 people.

"The apartheid regime is the only one to blame. Israeli violence has structured every aspect of Palestinian existence for 75 years,"

reads the statement issued jointly by 31 different student societies.

In addition to Wall Street execs demanding a list of students to ban their hiring, a truck with a digital billboard circled Harvard Square, "flashing student photos and names under the headline 'Harvard's Leading Antisemites,'" according to the New York Times.

Accuracy in Media, the conservative group that deployed the truck, has done so on other campuses as well, like Stanford and the University of California at Berkeley, the article states.

The issue of free speech has been a complicated one for campuses, the article states. Writer Anemona Hartocollis goes on to offer examples of donors attempting to influence what is said on campus, both by students and by administrators.

The assumption, of course, is that all supporters of a free Palestine are supporters of Hamas and that they condone the atroci-



Pamela Lannom

ties committed when the group attacked Israel on Oct. 7. Given the complexity of this issue and the history of the region, making assumptions does not seem to be a very safe bet here.

One hedge fund billionaire who said he was "100 percent in support of free speech" in a social media post also said a person needs to be "per-

sonally accountable for his or her views."

It's a nice thought, but if being accountable means you can't find work or your family is being harassed or your fellowship is pulled, then I don't think free speech is being "100 percent" supported.

We've quoted fictional president Andrew Shepherd from "The American President" on these pages before when talking about free speech.

"You want free speech?" he asks at his seminal press conference. "Let's see you acknowledge a man whose words make your blood boil

and who's standing center stage and advocating at the top of his lungs that which you would spend a lifetime opposing at the top of yours.

"You want to claim this land as the land of the free? Then the symbol of your country cannot just be a flag. The symbol also has to be one of its citizens exercising his right to burn that flag in protest. Now show me that, defend that, celebrate that in your classrooms."

I believe we're treading on dangerous ground if we try to institute financial consequences for expressing an opinion, whether the source is a student or an administrator or a company, like Budweiser.

What if instead, every time we hear something we don't like, we make an effort to understand why the person said what he or she did and to see the issue from his or her point of view? That would be something to celebrate.

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

OPINION

GUEST COMMENTARY

A Shangri-la within our reach

It was a benevolent stand-off. Me and my dog, Dakota, and a doe and her two fawns. We startled each other into a frozen sort of bewilderment. After what seemed to be a forever stare-down, mom and her babies faded away into a wooded camouflage.



Kevin Cook

Over the years, but especially since COVID hit hard, I've treated myself (and Dakota) to frequent quiet walks there. It's a soul-soothing experience if you allow it to be. Coming at off times, there's a serenity to the place. Regular

walkers nod hello as we pass one another, faces recognized but words not spoken. We share a silent secret. This place is a mini-sanctuary possessing beauty and small natural gems.

If you go at peak hours, the parking lot is full. Families bring bikes, strollers, and pets (including parrots on bikes) to walk the multiple paths and bridge crossings. Photographers wait patiently for that perfect moment. The black-crowned night heron seems to be a favorite of the photo buffs.

Some of us long for an outdoor place that restores, refreshes, and energizes — Muir Woods, Wonder Lake or Walden Pond. My place is far from those oases — but well within our reach. This Shangri-la is nearby Fullersburg Woods. By the time you read this column, trees there will be in autumn's full splendor; a perfect time to treat yourself.

If you are a Fullersburg regular, we'll nod hello as our familiar eyes meet. If new to the experience, I hope you enjoy it as much as Dakota and I do, even for a small moment.

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

Return visits to the place of the stare-down have yielded more surprising and beautiful encounters with wildlife. Great egrets and great blue herons stand lifeless in a river waiting for bluegill to present an easy meal. Familiar ground squirrels abound. And my Loch Ness monster-like experience, a column for another day, in the form of an otter that disappeared into the river as quickly as it caught my eye. No, it wasn't a muskrat, although I will stop and watch them swim with small branches in their mouths wondering how they have the energy to do what muskrats do.

The peacefulness of this place is under appreciated. It often hides its beauty, but it's there if you look hard enough. The woods might appear to be aged and in decay, but it's alive and quietly thriving. Flowering plants line the walking paths, offering delicate colors of yellow and white. Water flowers pop with large summertime red and pink blooms.

The watershed, once a foul-smelling eye sore topped with a chemical-like foam, is much cleaner and clearer. Fish species are omnipresent beyond the old guard carp and bullheads.

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OBITUARIES

Jean Bethig Bristow

Jean Bethig Bristow, 92, a former long-time resident of Hinsdale and Oak Brook, passed away peacefully at her home in Wheaton on Oct. 18, 2023, surrounded by her sons, daughter and brother.

Jean was born in 1931 in the Roseland neighborhood of Chicago to Louis and Mabel, nee Eeningenburg, Bethig. She was raised in a loving home with her siblings, Virginia (Ginny Bova), Marilyn (Nehring) and Merritt Bethig.

Jean's family was her pride and joy. She was the loving cousin and aunt to many throughout the Chicagoland area, across the nation, Canada and Northern Ireland. "Family togetherness," as she called it, was her favorite way to spend her time.

Jean was a woman of quiet faith in her Lord Jesus Christ, and she lived her life reflecting His love for people. Her genuine interest for people



Bristow

created dear friendships at home and across the world. She welcomed everyone into her home and into her life.

Jean was preceded in death by her husband of 63 years, William "Bill" Taylor Bristow Jr.; and her son, William Taylor Bristow III.

She is survived by her four sons and one daughter, Brent (Anita), Bryan (Heather), Joy (Mark Larson), Reid (Bonnie) and Troy (Jennifer); her 12 grandchildren; and her 10 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at Wyndemere, 200 Wyndemere Circle, Wheaton IL.

Memorials may be made to Evangelical Covenant Church, 412 S. Garfield Ave., Hinsdale IL 60521

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Charles Christian Hansen III

Charles Christian Hansen III, 100, passed away peacefully Oct. 10, 2023, surrounded by family members.

A Hinsdale resident with his family for 50 years, "Chuck" was a talented mechanical engineer, inventor and serial entrepreneur.

He was the first born son of second-generation Danish and German immigrants, Charles C. Hansen Jr. and Emily Ebert Hansen. His Lutheran schooling was interrupted in fifth grade by the crucible of spending one year bedridden in a body cast, followed by an additional year on crutches. High academic achievement followed. He graduated first in his class at Proviso High School and went on to be valedictorian at Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. He received a master's degree in mechanical engineering from MIT and a master's in business administration from the University of Chicago.

During Chuck's time at Cornell, the country went to war. His school was became an officer training school under the U.S. Navy's V12 program. When he graduated, he was both an engineer and an ensign. He proudly served his country as a decorated officer during World War II.

He then began a long business career in industrial refrigeration. After working at several positions in the field, he acquired Refrigerating Specialties, the family business founded by his grandfather. Under Chuck's leadership "RS" grew nearly 20 fold, introduced a wave of new products and expanded into international markets. He eventually sold the business to Parker Hannifin, a Fortune 500 company, where he became a group vice president.

His entrepreneurial instincts proved difficult to suppress. He left Parker Hannifin after several years to start a small industrial refrigeration enterprise called Hansen Technologies. There he leveraged the talents of key employees to innovate, expand into new markets and grow rapidly. The company that started in one of his children's old bedrooms became a formidable international competitor. Hansen Technologies was eventually sold to Roper Industries, another Fortune 500 company.

Chuck continued to innovate and eventually formed another company, Hantemp Controls,



Hansen

at the age of 90. There Chuck invented and produced some of his most imaginative refrigeration products. It's now owned by a group of key employees.

During his long career, Chuck built, founded and sold six companies and was awarded more than 25 patents.

He contributed more than businesses and products to his chosen field. He was a founding member of the Chicago chapter of the American Society of Heating, Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Engineers and he and several colleagues founded the International Institute of Ammonia Refrigeration.

A lifelong believer in the transformative power of education, Chuck personally funded the higher education of his children, grandchildren and other family members. His companies offered generous tuition incentives to employees, thereby funding the schooling of scores more. In addition, his endowment to MIT fully funded a perpetual fellowship in thermodynamics.

Chuck was preceded in death by his wife, Joan Gunning Hansen; and his brother, Sherwood Hansen.

He is survived by his sister, Yvonne Hansen; his children, Bruce (Sharon) Hansen, Brian Hansen, Holly (Richard) Hetke, Christiane (Dale) Shepherd and Pamela (John) Pierce; his grandchildren, Bliss (Trip) Finnegan, Harmony Ryan, Tara Hansen, Broughton Hansen, Greer (Lawrence) Martin, Charles and Allison Hetke, Devin, Madeleine and Owen (Michaela) Shepherd and Samantha and Jack Pierce; his great-grandchildren, A.J. and Mairin Finnegan, Shayla and Brennan Ryan and Emma and Amani Martin; and many nieces, nephews, and grand-nieces and -nephews.

Visitation is at 11 a.m. Friday, Nov. 17, at St. John's Lutheran Church, 505 S. Park Road, La Grange. A service will follow at the church at noon. A celebration of Chuck's life for family and friends will follow the service.

Interment will be private at Bronswood Cemetery in Oak Brook.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to Doctors Without Borders at www.donate.doctorswithoutborders.org.

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OBITUARIES

Jane Louise Bawel

Jane "Janie" Louise Bawel, née Orlock, 60, passed away Oct. 22, 2023, in her home in Downers Grove, surrounded by family and friends.

She had been battling Merkel cell carcinoma since mid-2019, previously having non-Hodgkin's lymphoma in 2005, followed by an allogeneic stem cell transplant in March 2007. She was a fierce fighter, determined not to let cancer rule her life.

Janie was born in Hinsdale, the fifth of seven children of John and Marion (née Tracy) Orlock. She graduated from Downers Grove North High School in 1981. She married and had three children. In 2000, she began a very successful career in medical sales, which was cut short by her cancer diagnosis in 2005. In 2003, she married Brandon Bawel, blending their families together and gaining a stepson and stepdaughter.

Following her stem cell transplant in 2007, a group of friends organized a benefit motorcycle ride. More than 500 motorcycles and more than 800 people attended. Moved by the outpouring of love, she was determined to "pay it forward," and the Ride Janie Ride Foundation was created to provide financial assistance to other families battling cancer. The foundation has given more than \$2 million in grants to more than 90 area families.

Janie loved spending time at her home in Hazelhurst, Wis., and Camp Nanapapa, where she could commune with nature and make wonderful memories with her family, particularly her "Misters" and "Little Miss." Janie developed many friendships there and became quite familiar with the local hangouts. She loved working



Bawel

outside, chopping wood, bike riding and playing a multitude of table and board games. Janie took great pride in being a homemaker and had tremendous flair for style.

Her years in Downers Grove rooted many lifelong friendships. She loved her meetings with The Tribe of Five. She was always the one making shenanigans, playing on the floor with her grandkids, making them "chunky" blankets, offering

consolation and advice, and mostly being the foundation that held up her family. Eternally optimistic and fiercely loyal, her smile would light up any room.

She is survived by her husband, Brandon Bawel; her children, Jason Paul (June Frida Romion) Happel, Timothy Bernard Happel, Melissa Jane Happel, Chuck (Jenna) Bawel and Brooke (Currin) McCarty; her seven grandchildren, Jaden, Valis, Jacob, Carter, Tripp, Nash and June (and Miles on the way); her six siblings, Pamela Louise Foulk, Michael (Liz) Orlock, John Tracy Orlock, Robert John (Trish) Orlock, Patricia Louise (Mark) Schaefer and Amy Louise (Joe) Wagner; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and her nephew, Mason Potter.

Visitation is from 2 to 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27, at Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home, 4343 Main St., Downers Grove.

Services and interment will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Ride Janie Ride Foundation, P.O. Box 307, Downers Grove, IL 60515 or online at www.ride-janieride.org/fundraiser/4105.

Patsy J. Villano

Patsy J. Villano, 90, passed away Oct. 15, 2023.

Born in Youngstown, Ohio, in 1933, to Tony and Mary (Veres) Villano, Patsy's formative years were spent with his six siblings on Youngstown's east side. Later, his family relocated to Hubbard, where he graduated from Hubbard High School in 1950.

After honorably serving in the U.S. Army, Patsy pursued higher education at Youngstown University. Back in the area, he crossed paths with the woman who would become the love of his life, Frances Sotkovsky. Their love story blossomed, leading to their union in 1956 in Hubbard, and the subsequent birth of their two children, Maureen (Grace) and Paul. They raised their family in Hubbard until 1976 when his job opportunities took the family to Troy, Mich.

With an unparalleled work ethic, Patsy began his professional journey as a draftsman at firms such as Westinghouse Electric and Wean Industries. His career led him to move to Michigan to assume the role of sales manager at USI/Clearing. Later opportunities took him to Chicago and then back to Michigan with General Motors Corp., where his expertise led him to travel to Japan and Germany more than 40 times. Eventually, Patsy concluded his distinguished career with the Auto/Steel Partnership as an engineering consultant before he and Frances returned to their beloved Hubbard.

A man of many talents and passions, Patsy



Villano

was an exceptional golfer and saxophonist. He worked during his early days at Henry Stambaugh golf course and enjoyed golfing escapades across the U.S. and Scotland. With self-taught saxophone skills, he enjoyed being a member of a local dance band, performing at various events. Moreover, his commitment to his community was evident in his myriad volunteering roles

— coaching basketball at St. Pat's, serving as president of the Kiwanis Club, an active part of the parks and recreation board and a longtime member of Knights of Columbus.

Together with Frances, Patsy built a life full of adventures, creating great friendships along the way. They enjoyed traveling the across the United States and created fond memories with many summer getaways to Wildwood, N.J. They found great joy spending holidays with family and watching their grandchildren in plays, sports, cheerleading and other activities. He cherished each of his six grandchildren and enjoyed watching them blossom into incredible adults.

He is survived by his daughter, Maureen Grace of Hinsdale; his son, Paul (Cathy) Villano; his grandchildren, Nolan, Madison and Jack Grace and Emily, Eric and Ethan Villano; and his brother, Anthony (Carmel) Villano.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Frances; his brothers, Eugene and Gerald; and his sisters, Carol Cizmar, Eileen Kalcie and Kathy Fry.

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BRANDON TODD, THE LANE PRINCIPAL

What does it mean to be a Model PLC at Work School?

Before becoming The Lane School's top administrator in 2017, Brandon Todd worked in the northwest suburbs at a "PLC" district. Those letters stand for professional learning community, a philosophy that emphasizes teacher collaboration to advance student performance.

"Collective teacher efficacy has such a huge impact because it goes beyond one lesson," Todd said. "We need to know the students by name and by need."

He informed his new colleagues that they too would be joining the PLC ranks.

"Starting off it's going to seem like a ton of work," Todd told them, "but you're going to see results, it's going to make your job easier and it's going to make the students grow beyond what you could even imagine."

This summer The Lane was one of 12 Illinois school recognized as a Model PLC at Work School by the educational group Solution

Tree, rewarding three years of work leveraging teachers' strengths and partnership to support student achievement.

"Last year we were the only school in the district to achieve above 80 percent (on assessments) in both math and reading," Todd related. "That was a goal we were really striving for, and you can't get those numbers without having an intense knowledge of every student."

The Model PLC at Work School ethos revolves around four main questions, Todd articulated.

"What do want the students to learn? How do you know they learned it? What do you do if they don't learn it?"

What do you do if they already know it?"

When scores are strong, teachers gain confidence in their methods and can carry them forward. When performance dips, additional questions are asked.

"Is it because the test wasn't good? Is it because the teaching needed to improve?" Todd said. "How do we get kids to that next spot?"

Todd told staff early on if the PLC approach didn't yield results, it

would be dropped.

"This is year seven for me, and we've made huge steps, even during COVID," he said. "It's just professional practice that I've seen in action."

The school's enrollment has even increased during his tenure, lifting The Lane's student body from among the smallest to one of the largest in the district.

"When you succeed, people start to say, 'Hey, we'd like to be part of that,'" he said, noting that projections indicate even bigger classes ahead. "I love it because it means I get to hire more staff."

Celebrating the fruit of the teachers' efforts was gratifying.

"In the end, they're ones that are doing everything with the students. They're analyzing the data, they're supporting the students, they're in the room all day, every day with them."

While the recognition is nice, Todd said there's always room for improvement.

"My team is like, 'OK, Brandon, what do we need to do next?' " he related. "I'm not here to have a good school. I'm here to have a great school."

— by Ken Knutson



The Lane School Principal Brandon Todd said becoming a Model PLC School cultivates a spirit of camaraderie within the school staff. "Everybody wants everybody to succeed to help students grow," he said. (Jim Slonoff photo)

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GOOD NEWS

HOSPITAL OPENS NEW HYBRID OR

UChicago Medicine AdventHealth recently opened a new hybrid operating room, marking a significant advancement in cardiac care for the community.

The new hybrid OR is a state-of-the-art medical space that seamlessly combines the essential features of a traditional operating room with advanced imaging technology. Designed to enhance patient safety and outcomes, the operating room is equipped with advanced diagnostic imaging equipment to enable minimally invasive heart and vascular procedures. This innovative approach enhances the precision and effectiveness of various cardiac and vascular procedures, providing patients with the latest advancements in heart care.

With the opening of the

new space, the hospital also unveiled new equipment to perform transcatheter aortic valve replacements, a minimally invasive alternative to traditional open-heart surgery. The new technology is designed to perform TAVRs with utmost precision, reducing surgical trauma and enhancing patient recovery. In addition to TAVR, procedures include electrophysiology, vascular procedures and cardiac catheterization.

"The hybrid OR is a cath lab that can convert to an operating room in case of emergencies. This is much needed in aortic valve replacement, where surgical support can be provided right there at the spot, ensuring an extra layer of safety for our patients," said Dr. Keenan Adib, cardiologist and TAVR medical director at UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale. "This allows us to provide the most advanced care available close to

home."

The space allows health care professionals from different specialties to treat patients in the same location. It encourages multidisciplinary collaboration among a team of experts, including cardiologists, cardiovascular surgeons, interventional cardiologists, radiology technologists, and nurses, ensuring a comprehensive and holistic approach to patient care. Patients can expect shorter hospital stays, reduced pain, and a faster return to their normal activities because of the minimally invasive nature of procedures performed in the hybrid OR.

"The introduction of the hybrid OR marks a significant milestone in providing state-of-the-art care for patients with cardiac conditions and continues to advance the transformational care we've been providing to our community for over 100 years," said Ben Layman, chief oper-

ating officer at UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale. "Our commitment to innovation translates into improved outcomes and enhanced cardiac care for the local community."

AGENT PROFILED IN TRADE PUB

John Bourjaily, an agent at @properties in Hinsdale and a resident of Golfview Hills, was featured in a three-page spread in the September issue of Real Producers, a trade magazine that features the area's top agents.

"I took a big risk leaving my family business at age 48 and starting something new in real estate," Bourjaily told the magazine. "That decision was hard yet ended up being incredibly rewarding."

TEACHER PRESENTS AT CONFERENCE

Arpan Chokshi, a social studies teacher at Hinsdale

Central and instructional innovation coach for the district, led a workshop titled "AI in Schools: Shifting Pedagogy, Practices & Policies" that was hosted by the Illinois Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Sept. 18.

During the workshop, Chokshi helped education professionals examine the challenges of AI and explore the ways it can be used to enhance how students learn.

COLLEGE STUDENT WILL SERVE AS RA

Charlotte Priester of Hinsdale has been named a resident assistant at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater for the 2023-24 academic year. An elementary education major, she will be responsible for reinforcing the university's mission to provide a welcoming, safe and inclusive place where students, faculty and staff champion one another.



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Wine walking

The Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce held its annual Wine Walk Oct. 12. With 27 merchants participating and more than 700 tickets sold, the evening was a perfect blend of browsing, shopping and sampling some great wines. Portions of the proceeds will benefit People's Resource Center in Westmont. (Jim Slonoff photos)

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Choices abound for family fun, adults-only entertainment in final days before Halloween

By Pamela Lannom
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October is a month filled with opportunities for fun, from fall festivals to spooky story nights.

As the month comes to a close, many events already have transpired. But don't despair! There's still plenty to enjoy before the trick-or-treating is done — and even after!

Family festivities

- Listen as legendary Great Lakes balladeer and guitarist Lee Murdock presents "Ghosts of the Great Lakes" from 2 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at the Hinsdale Public Library, 20 E. Maple St.

Murdock narrates this concert featuring songs of supernatural legends and spooky tales of ghost ships, haunted lighthouses and unexplained phenomena. He combines ragtime, Irish, blues and folk styles with his flair for storytelling in songs. The show is geared toward grown-ups, but families with children are welcome. To register, visit www.hinsdalelibrary.info or call (630) 789-1986.

- Hinsdale United Methodist Church invites all community members to its Fall Festival from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Oct. 28, at the church, 945 S. Garfield Ave.

Bring candy bags and wear costumes for this family friendly trunk-or-treat for kids. Adding to the fun will be games, an apple press and cider, costume contest for humans and pets, treats and more.

- All ages are invited to come to the Hinsdale Public Library, 20 E. Maple St., in costume to enjoy trick-or-treating, spooktacular games and activity stations during the Boo Bash! from 4 to 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 30. Visit www.hinsdalelibrary.info or call (630) 789-1986

for more information.

- Walk through thousands of hand-carved pumpkins at Jack O'Lantern World, which is on display through Sunday Oct. 29 at The Forge in Lemont.

Perfect to enjoy with family, friends or a date, this 3/4 mile long walk take visitors through 17 immersive worlds of hand-carved Jack O'Lanterns designed by artists.



Visit the Hinsdale Public Library to hear Lee Murdock's "Ghosts of the Great Lakes," walk the Scarecrow Trail at the Morton Arboretum or celebrate Day of the Dead at Brookfield Zoo this weekend. (photos provided)

Food trucks will be on site for those who work up an appetite, and some activities at The Forge will be available for a separate admission fee.

Tickets are \$21-\$25 for adults and \$15-17 for children and must be purchased online. Visit www.forge-parks.com

- Enjoy the final weekend of the Fall Color Festival Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 28-29, at Morton Arboretum, 4100 Route 53, Lisle.

Savor the magic of the season as the leaves of the arboretum's woodlands and global tree collections slowly turn into a rich symphony of color. Walk the path along Meadow Lake to see the many hand-made scarecrows designed by local scout troops and schools.

Enjoy the seasonal concessions for sale in Arbor Court from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The arboretum is open from 9 a.m. to sunset. Timed-entry admission is \$17, \$15 for seniors, \$12 for kids ages 2 to 17 and free for kids 2 and younger. Members may enter for free at any time, starting at 7 a.m.

Adults-only events

- Enjoy thrilling performances and attractions at 'Howling' at the Moon, an event for adults 21 and older, from 5 to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Oct. 27-28, at Naperville.

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Howl along to live music, feast on delicious local cuisine at the Food Truck Graveyard and obtain a thirst-quenching drink at the BOOze Bar.

Behold a 15-foot werewolf in the haunted forest, take a stroll through the Moonlight Market to purchase eerie and bizarre items, wander through the Dark Art Gallery and participate in the costume contest. Other attractions include fire dancers, axe throwing, evil photo-ops, an impalement artist and more.

Tickets are \$20 each and available online at napersettlement.org.

- Adults 21 and older are invited to don their best costumes and celebrate the most spooktacular time of year at the annual Crawl-O-Ween bar crawl from 6 to 10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 27, at Parkway Bank Park in Rosemont.

Costumed revelers are invited to enjoy a variety of spooky food and drink specials at seven participating bars — Adobe Gila's, Bub City, KINGS Dining & Entertainment, Park Tavern, Pete's Tiki Tiki, Saltwater Coastal Grill and Sugar Factory. Those who visit all seven will be entered to win a mystery prize.

Tickets include admission, access to drink specials and two ticket vouchers for Zanies Comedy Club. They are \$10 in advance at www.parkwaybankpark.com

or \$15 at the event.

Día de los Muertos

- Celebrate the Day of the Dead Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 28-29, while exploring the wonders of the animal kingdom at Brookfield Zoo, 3300 Golf Road.

Zoogoers can immerse themselves in the holiday's traditions, including face-painting (separate fees apply), sugar skulls (while supplies last), coloring sheets and taking photos with the catrinas (traditional skeleton characters). Guests can also enjoy music and admire the Chevy vehicles on display throughout the park. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$29.95, \$24.95 for seniors, \$20.95 for ages 3-11, free for 2 and under plus \$20 parking.

For more information, visit www.czs.org/diadelosmuertos.

- Stop by the nature center to learn about Dia de los Muertos, a Mesoamerican tradition, and view the altar dedicated to extinct and endangered animals from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Oct. 30, to Thursday, Nov. 2, at the Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs.

Visit www.fpdcc.com or call (708) 839-6897 for more information.



'Twelfth Night,' Shakespeare's tale of unrequited love, is on stage Nov. 2-19 at The MAC in Glen Ellyn. See Page 26 for details. (photo provided)

ARTFULLY DONE

■ Exploring the Art of 'West Branch Diary'

Nov. 3
Mayslake Peabody Estate
1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook
www.dupageforest.org
(630) 206-9566

Artist Joel Sheesley will share insights into how his two-year "West Branch Diary: A Painterly Perspective" project and partnerships with other local conservation agencies have enhanced his vision. Time: 6 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person. RR

■ Art After Dark: Michael Pantuso

Nov. 3
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Enjoy after-hours access to the library's fall art installation, followed by an interview with artist Michael Pantuso highlighting his artistic journey as well as changes happening in

the commercial and fine art markets. Drinks and refreshments will be provided. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. RR

■ Robert Fleischman exhibit

Through Nov. 10
Acquisitions of Fine Art
10 E. First St., Hinsdale
www.acquisitionsoffineart.com

Visit this display of collages and paintings from Robert Fleischman, the former front-man for the bands Journey and The Vinnie Vincent Invasion.

■ 'Children Bring the Light'

Through Nov. 16
Hinsdale Home Design Center
108 & 110 S. Washington St.

This exhibition of children's artwork created over the summer is on display at Better Homes & Gardens/County Line and the Hinsdale Home Design Center.

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Library has plenty of scary, and not-so-scary, reads

With Halloween around the corner and plenty of dark, spooky nights ahead of us this fall, horror is obviously the genre on everyone's mind at Hinsdale Public Library.

Our librarians have pulled together book recommendations for readers of all ages — you can dig into their lists at hinsdalelibrary.info/news, but I'll highlight a few here.

For our youngest readers, you can't go wrong with "Bruce and the Legend of Soggy Hollow" by Ryan Higgins, a delightful picture book in which everybody's favorite grumpy blue bear finds another holiday to hate. Kindergartners and others learning to read on their own can scare themselves silly with the "Mister Shivers" series by Max Brallier. For older readers, "Ghostlight" by Kenneth Oppel features a teenage tour guide who accidentally summons a ghost, and "Harrow Lake" by Kat Ellis follows a 17-year-old girl investigating her parents' creepy history.

For adults, classics of the genre are

the most popular, including "The Haunting of Hill House" by Shirley Jackson (now a Netflix series) and "The Turn of the Screw" by Henry James (which has had an impressive eight film adaptations, including the 1961 classic "The Innocents").

Newer supernatural tales include the ghostly "Lincoln in the Bardo" by George Saunders and a growing body of books by Latinx authors, like Isabel Cañas' "The Hacienda" and "The Daughter of Doctor Moreau" by Silvia Moreno-Garcia.

Each year, horror writers choose to honor superior works with the Bram Stoker Awards. Last year's honorees included "The Devil Takes You Home" by Gabino Iglesias for adults, "They Stole Our Hearts" by Daniel Kraus for middle grades and "The Triangle" by Robert Ottone for young adults.



John Kokoris
Check this out

If horror's not for you, have no fear! There is no greater joy in a librarian's life than matching a reader with the perfect book on any topic. HPL has devised a number of ways to do just that. One fun way to get something new to read is to sign up for a book box. Kids, teens and adults are all eligible. Tell us a little bit about what you like, and you'll receive a box each month

with a personalized selection (as well as a bookish treat). Our website is also loaded with book lists curated by our staff, as well as convenient links to what's popular in Hinsdale and beyond.

But sometimes nothing beats coming in and having a conversation with someone who has dedicated their life to reading books. I talked with adult services librarians Lizzy and Maura recently and got two recommendations so perfect for me that I finished

them both in one week. Both were frightening tales — "City of Thieves," a dark and inventive folktale set during World War II, and "Good Omens," a humorous take on Armageddon — that I wouldn't have found on my own.

While you're here picking up books, keep our programs in mind. On Saturday, balladeer Lee Murdock will be singing "Ghost Stories of the Great Lakes." This program is geared towards adults, but children are welcome. Kids will have their own time to shine after school on Monday, when they can visit in costume and trick-or-treat around the library. They can also come downstairs anytime through the end of the month to try out our spooky I Spy Case. We're grateful to the Alford-Lake family for building it, and we're all excited to see the new one coming this November from the Bentley family.

— *John Kokoris is Hinsdale Public Library's marketing & outreach manager.*

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■ Woodland Family Hike

Nov. 4
Morton Arboretum
4100 Route 53, Lisle
www.mortonarb.org
(630) 719-2468

Enter the season of gratitude by exploring how prairies have sustained people over the centuries. The guided, family-paced hike will help participants hone their observation skills. The program is recommended for families with children ages 4 and up. Times: 11 a.m. to noon or 1 to 2 p.m. Cost: \$17. RR, MD

■ Fall Family Reading Bingo

Through Nov. 16
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Families with kids of all ages can have fun reading together while earning prizes. Grab a Fall Family Reading BINGO card at the library, complete the activities and pick out a prize for each space earned. RR

FOR A CAUSE

■ Books & Brunch

Nov. 14
Abbington Distinctive Banquets
Route 53 & Butterfield Road, Glen Ellyn
www.alcw.org

Join Assistance League of Chicagoland West's signature fundraising event for lively conversations with authors Keir Graff, Frank Sennett and Liesl Shurtliff, moderated by Andrea Thome. Bid on unique silent auction packages, take a chance on raffle prizes and shop for gifts in the boutique while also enjoying a fabulous luncheon with friends. Time: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Tickets \$125.

■ Winter Coat Drive

Through Oct. 28
www.hinsdaleiws.com
The Hinsdale Auxiliary of the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago is holding its annual collection of new and gently used winter coats and snow pants for underserved and vulnerable families. Donations can be dropped off at any Hinsdale Bank and Trust location, including 25 E. First St. in Hinsdale, and at 540 N. Oak St. in Hinsdale. See the website above for other locations.

■ Sudden Cardiac Arrest fundraiser

Through October
www.just1mike.org
For Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Month, the just-1mike foundation is collecting \$24 donations (or more, if so inclined and able) to honor Clarendon Hills' Michael Brindley, who died of SCA in 2016, and support free in-school heart screenings, AEDs and SaveStations.

GAME ON

■ Soccer Shots Premier

Sundays, Nov. 5-Dec. 17
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 5-8 will focus on individual skill, fitness and sportsmanship and be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner. Time: 5:25 to 6:10 p.m. Cost: \$184. RR

■ Pickleball Social

Nov. 7
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500
Celebrate all things pickleball at this fun-filled evening. Enjoy a pre-play social with snacks, drinks and supporting vendors, followed by learning, games and a night of pickleball play with glow-in the dark balls. Newbies to pickleball are welcome. The event is open house style; registration is requested but walk-ins are welcome. Times: 6 to 7:30 p.m. social time, snacks, games and vendors, 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. glow-in the dark pickleball open play. Cost: \$8. RR, MD

GRAND GALAS

■ A Nutcracker Gala

Nov. 10
Hinsdale Golf Club
140 Chicago Ave.,
Clarendon Hills
www.e.givesmart.com/events/yx9
Salt Creek Ballet will hold its fall gala, Partner With Us!, with live entertainment, cocktails from a cash bar, a seated dinner, and celebration of Salt Creek Ballet's history of dance and outreach within the community. Attendees receive

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one drink ticket. Time: 6:30 to 10:30 p.m. Tickets: \$250.

■ Pull a Cork for Cancer

Nov. 10
Drake Oak Brook Hotel
2301 York Road
www.scoreboardcharities.com

Scoreboard Charities will hold its seventh annual Uncorked fundraiser in support of Lurie Northwestern Comprehensive Cancer Center and Camp Step camps for kids. The sipping and shopping event will feature a paddle raise, a raffle, vendors, live music and a fashion show by Sweet William and the chance to win a \$10,000 closet makeover from their Hinsdale store. Time: 6 to 10 p.m. Tickets: \$250.

■ Making Spirits Bright

Nov. 11
Hinsdale Covenant Church
412 S. Garfield St.
www.eventbrite.com

Check out this enchanting, Hallmark-inspired winter shopping market of handcrafted delights hosted by local home fragrance and body care brand Lifetherapy with special guest Jessy Schram, Hallmark actress, model and singer. Proceeds from purchases will benefit the Together At Peace Foundation. For tickets, visit the website above and type "making spirits bright" in the search bar. Hours: 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tickets: \$7 in advance, \$10 at the door.

GREAT OUTDOORS

■ Birds in Autumn

Nov. 4
Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(708) 839-6897

Visit the bird feeding stations and hike along a nature trail to observe birds during the fall season. Time: 1 to 2:30 p.m. RR

■ Story Trail

Nov. 8
Bemis Woods-South
Ogden Avenue west of Wolf Road near Western Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(312) 533-5751

Experience a story unfold along a short, looped trail. A craft is available to take home

after completing the trail. Grove 7. Hours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

■ Yoga in the Woods

Oct. 29
Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center
9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs
www.fpdcc.com
(708) 839-6897

Enjoy an all-levels yoga class with a certified instructor, then enjoy a self-guided walk. This program is for ages 18 and older. Time: 10 to 11 a.m. RR

■ Handling the Holidays for Caregivers

Nov. 2
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Mary Ferguson from The Birches will offer guidance to those caring for a person with memory loss on ways to help everyone enjoy the season safely. Attend in person or online. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

■ Healing the Spirit Within One Note at a Time

Nov. 4
Wellness House
131 N. County Line Road
www.wellnesshouse.org
(630) 323-5150

This mixed media program explores the themes of love, lost and found, hope, joy and gratitude as Katherine Eldridge, who lost her first husband to cancer, plays the flute, recites poetry and displays her art journal to help inspire others to find new ways to heal their spirit. Time: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. RR

■ Health Fair

Nov. 8
Lyons Township offices
6404 S. Joliet Road, Countryside
www.agingcareconnections.org
(708) 603-2277

This free drop-in fair for older adults, caregivers and families is designed to help connect older adults with community resources and services. Services include vaccinations for COVID, flu, RSV and shingles, and screenings for tetanus, blood pressure, and balance and memory. Vendors will have resource materials available in English

and Spanish and bilingual staff will be on hand. Hours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

■ Burning Beats

Through Dec. 15
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Participants will dance their way a healthier, happier self, enjoying the music, contagious energy and company of like-minded individuals while getting the heart pumping and burning calories. With easy to follow routines, this group exercise class is perfect for all fitness and skill levels. Wear comfortable clothing and bring a water bottle. Times: 9:30 a.m. Sundays, 10 a.m. Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m. Thursdays and 9 a.m. Fridays. Cost: \$15 for walk-ins, \$5 for students, \$100 for a 10-class punch card.

JUST FOR KIDS

■ Ballet Technique

Mondays & Wednesdays, Oct. 30-Dec. 20
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

West Suburban Ballet offers this twice weekly program for youth ages 5-10. Level I for ages 5-6 is a comprehensive foundational ballet program. Level II for ages 7 and older helps students build on the fundamental concepts of ballet training with focus on vocabulary, studio etiquette, alignment and musicality. Time: 4:15 to 5:15 p.m. Mondays, 4:15 to 5:45 p.m. Wednesdays. Cost: \$400. RR, MD

■ LegoLand trip

Nov. 3
Leave from The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Children in kindergarten through eighth grade can enjoy their day off from school with a trip to LegoLand. Time: 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$85. RR, MD

■ Double the Fun Drawing

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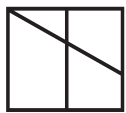
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This Young Rembrandts Art class for ages 5-10 will explore all the basics of visual arts in a fun setting. Students will complete several different projects and learn to draw whimsical characters, animals, everyday objects and action scenes. Time: 10 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$75.

■ **Let's Code It: Digital Design**
Mondays, Nov. 6-Dec. 11
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Children ages 7-14 will design video games and animations using a kid-friendly programming system developed by the MIT Media Lab. The curriculum hones important skills related to problem solving, attention to detail, creativity, storytelling and critical thinking. Topics include conditional statements, cloning, variables, loops, control structure, object-oriented design concepts and data structures. Students must bring a tablet or laptop. Time: 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Cost: \$149. RR, MD

LISTEN & LEARN

■ **An Evening with Roger Bain**
Nov. 2
Clarendon Hills Library
7 N. Prospect Ave.
www.clarendonhillslibrary.org
(630) 323-8188

Clarendon Hills native and Hinsdale Central alum Roger Bain will read from and chat about his newly-published memoir, "Hardly Working: How I Found a Career and Kept My Soul." With lots of memories of growing up in Clarendon Hills, the book is a comical look at the life of one who decided to "retire" not long after college to pursue his own version of the American Dream. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and signing. Time: 7 p.m. RR

■ **Restoring Native Landscapes**
Nov. 7
Mayslake Peabody Estate
1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook
www.dupageforest.org
(630) 206-9566

Learn about the restoration of the landscapes and streams at West Branch, Timber Ridge, Blackwell and other preserves through clues in the paintings of the West Branch Diary: A Painterly Perspective exhibit. Time: 6 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person. RR

NOTEWORTHY

■ **Vance Gilbert with Ashley & Simpson**
Oct. 28
Unitarian Church of Hinsdale
11 W. Maple St.
www.acousticren.com
(630) 941-7797

Singer-songwriter Vance Gilbert defies stereotypes with his acoustic guitar playing. Jennifer Ashley and Joel Simpson incorporate elements of traditional folk with modern songwriting performed with beautiful instrumentation and vocal harmonies. Streaming tickets also are available. Time: 7 p.m. Tickets: \$20.

■ **Mambo!**
Oct. 28
Wentz Concert Hall
171 E. Chicago Ave., Naperville
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■ **Cavatina Duo**
Nov. 5
Morton Arboretum
4100 Route 53, Lisle
www.mortonarb.org
(630) 968-0074

Married musicians flutist Eugenia Moliner and guitarist Denis Azabagic, the first guitar and flute duo to be featured on the covers of both Classical Guitar Magazine and Flute Talk, breaks convention with their combination of instruments. The concert is part of the arboretum's monthly

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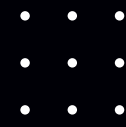
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PULSE

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Chamber Concert series.
Time: 2:15 p.m. Tickets: \$37.
RR, MD

■ Salt Creek Chamber Orchestra

Nov. 5
First United Methodist Church of La Grange
100 W. Cossitt Ave.
www.saltcreekchamber-orchestra.com
(708) 252-3855

The chamber orchestra will perform its fall concert, featuring Rossini's "La Scala di Seta Overture," Respighi's "Trittico Botticelliano" and Mendelssohn's Symphony No. 4. Time: 3 p.m. Tickets: \$20, \$15 for seniors and students.

ON STAGE

■ 'Twelfth Night'

Thursdays to Sundays, Nov. 2-19
McAninch Arts Center
College of DuPage
425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn
www.atthemac.org
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In Shakespeare's tale of unrequited love, shipwrecked Viola disguises herself as a man and is recruited by Duke Orsino to woo Lady Olivia on his behalf, only to find herself trapped in an love triangle in this hilarious and heartbreaking play. A pre-show talk will be held with the director and designers at 6:45 p.m. Nov. 2; a post-show will be held with the director and actors Nov. 10. The play features adult themes and language. Times: 8 p.m. Thursday to Saturday, 3 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$16, \$14 for students.

■ 'The Nutcracker'

Nov. 4
Hinsdale Public Library
20 E. Maple St.
www.hinsdalelibrary.info
(630) 986-1976

Watch Clara come alive with a special performance of this holiday season favorite by the Hinsdale Dance Academy. Time: 10 to 11 a.m. RR

RUNS & WALKS

■ Cantigny 5K Run/Walk

Nov. 4
Cantigny Park
1s151 Winfield Road, Wheaton
www.cantigny.org/event/cantigny-5k-run-walk
(630) 668-5161

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Oct. 28-Nov. 12
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www.humbledesign.ejoinme.org/wholehome

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SPECIAL EVENTS

■ Recycling event

Nov. 4
Marquette Manor Baptist Church
333 75th St., Downers Grove
www.senatorcurran.com

Clean out unwanted items like old copiers, DVD players and bikes at this free event hosted by Illinois Sen. John Curran (R-Downers Grove). Event team members will take items while those dropping off stay in their cars. A limited number of electronic items will be accepted; items including TVs, hard drives, alkaline batteries, paint, hazardous waste, bulbs of any kind and dehumidifiers will not be accepted. Visit the website above for a complete list. A paper shredding truck also will be on site to dispose for residential shredding only, with a limit of two grocery bags per car. Time: 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

TEENS & TWEENS

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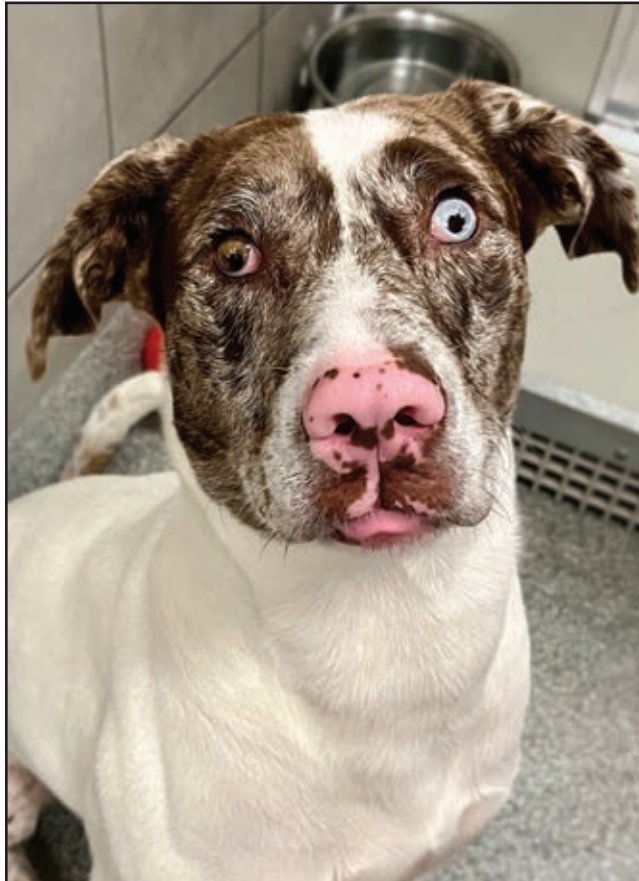
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■ Babysitters Certification

Nov. 11
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St.
www.thecommunityhouse.org
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 11-15 can get the knowledge, skill and confidence to care for infants and school-age children in this American Red Cross program, with training in leadership and professionalism, safety and safe play, and first aid through video, hands-on activities and discussion. Participants should bring a sack lunch. Time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost: \$110. RR, MD

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■ Dance With Me

Thursdays, Nov. 2-Dec. 14
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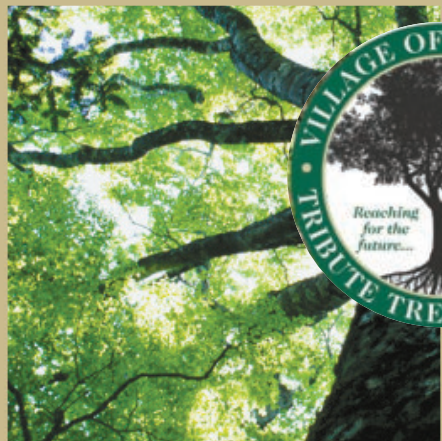
■ Wines in the Wild

Nov. 4
Brookfield Zoo
8400 31st St.
www.czs.org/WinesInTheWild2023

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Wednesday, November 15,
2023 at 6:30 p.m., for the pur-
pose of considering an appli-
cation filed with the Village
for variations pursuant to the
applicable provisions of the
Hinsdale Zoning Code. Copies
of the application, known as
V-03-23 and the Zoning Code
are on file with, and available
for public inspection, during
regular Village business hours
in the Memorial Building.

This application for variation
requests relief from the Corner
Side Setback and interior Side
Yard Setback set forth in
chapters 3 & 10 of the code in
order to consolidate portions
of the lot at 106 E. Maple
with the lots currently owned
at **100 E. and 110 E. Maple,
Hinsdale, Illinois**, in the R-4
Single Family Residential
District, and legally described
as follows:

**Permanent Index Numbers;
Parcel 1 (100 E. Maple):**

Legal Notices

**09-01-418-001, Parcel 2 (106
E. Maple): 09-01-418-021 and
09-01-418-022, and Parcel 3
(110 E Maple): 09-01-418-003**

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evidence pertaining to said
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any and all possible zoning
actions, the granting of any
necessary special permits,
variations, or other special
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that may be necessary or con-
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of the proposed type at the
described property. All inter-
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attend and be heard.

DATED: October 20, 2023

/s/ Kathleen A. Gargano
Village Manager

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**UNITED STATES
OF AMERICA
STATE OF ILLINOIS
COUNTY OF DUPAGE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
OF THE EIGHTEENTH
JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

Case No: 23MR624

FOR CHANGE OF NAME (ADULT)

Public Notice is hereby given
that on December 12, 2023
at 9:00 A.M. in Courtroom
No. 2007 at DuPage County
Judicial Center, 505 North
County Farm Road, Wheaton,
Illinois, I will have my petition
heard in the said Court for the
change of my name from:
Heather AnnaLee Norman to
the new name of: AnnaLee
Jasper, pursuant to the statute
in such case made and provid-
ed. Dated: October 17, 2023
at Wheaton, Illinois /s/ Heather
AnnaLee Norman, Petitioner.

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**UNITED STATES
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Case No: 2023MR000576

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made and provided. Dated:
September 27, 2023 at Whea-
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Petitioner.

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CERTIFICATE NO. 79246
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County Clerk of DuPage
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GOLDEN SCISSORS

Located at 1 Danada Square
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8484 was registered; that the
true or real name or names of
the person or persons owning
the business, with their respec-
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Lane, Darien, IL. 60561-3707.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I
have hereunto set my hand
and Official Seal at my office
in Wheaton, Illinois, this 23rd
day of October, A.D. 2023.
Jean Kaczmarek
DuPage County Clerk

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Now Autumn's fire burns slowly
along the woods and day by
day the dead leaves fall and
melt. William Allingham

Equal Housing

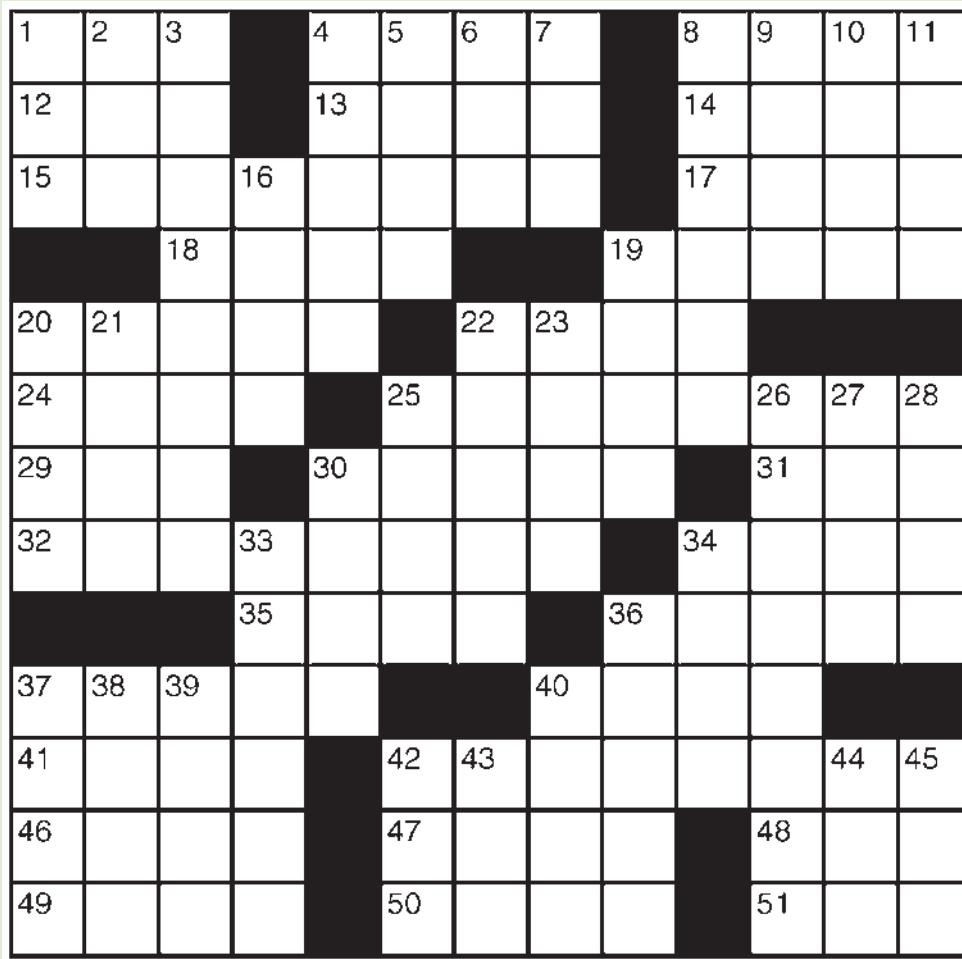


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the offending reference. There
may be situations where it is
not clear whether particular
language is objectionable.
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

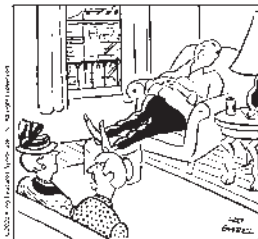
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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"He started at the discovered that he liked it there."

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HOROSCOPES

November 2023 Horoscopes • Week 1



CAPRICORN

CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Surround yourself with the best friends you can find, Capricorn. These people will have your back when a tricky situation pops up sooner than you might think.



ARIES

ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, beware of misinformation and make an effort to form your own educated opinion. Take everything with a grain of salt and verify the facts.



CANCER

CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
It is time to balance the energy between yourself and another person that has felt cumbersome, Cancer. Start with a conversation and discover if the other party is feeling the same way.



LIBRA

LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
Be aware of someone who is trying to take advantage of you, Libra. Remind that person that you have strict limits. Never get pushed in a direction you do not want to go.



AQUARIUS

AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, embrace any challenges that arise in the days ahead. You can be successful if you maintain your focus and prevent distractions from blocking your path forward.



TAURUS

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
If someone is struggling right now, show some support or offer helpful words, Taurus. A small gesture can go a long way, even if you do not think it will have a major impact.



LEO

LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, when you are full of self-confidence, others' actions do not bother you much. Those people can be arrogant or even abrasive and you'll be comfortable in your skin.



SCORPIO

SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Scorpio, you do not have to change your plans or ambitions to what others want. Stick with your own ideas and goals and you'll be surprised at what you can accomplish.



PISCES

PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, if everyone seems to be moving at a faster pace than you, you may feel pressured to speed up. Just keep working at a rate that is comfortable for you.



GEMINI

GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, if you are feeling out of sorts in a situation or do not know how to proceed, ask someone who has been in this situation before. It never hurts to ask for help.



VIRGO

VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, ambition may be good for the workplace, but you need it in your personal life as well. Figure out some goals on a personal or even romantic level, and get started.



SAGITTARIUS

SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21
A friend might want to sell you on some big idea this week, Sagittarius. It may ultimately prove a sound venture, but you need to do your own research and figure things out for yourself.

8U FALCONS FINISH SEASON 6-2

The Hinsdale 8U Falcons wrapped up an impressive season (finishing with a record of 6-2) with a 33-0 win over Lemont this past weekend. The victory was a team effort, with a number of Falcons scoring touchdowns, including Luke Schroeder (who scored two on the day), Cade Phelan, Cole Sherwood and Charlie Hillegass, who returned a fumble for a touchdown in the second quarter. RT Kouba also contributed to the scoring effort, catching a 2-point conversion from Connor Pauley. The offensive line, including Ben Vula, Keats Caruso, Michael Cannizaro, Parker Brey and Teddy O'Toole opened gaping holes for the Hinsdale backfield, where Wyland Holmes was able to fill in for a handful of impressive carries.

Hinsdale's hard-hitting defense was equally impressive, pitching their third shutout in the last four games. Broderick Slavik was a madman from his position at safety, recording a number of crushing tackles. Other notable performers on the defensive side of the ball included Brooks Jaqua, Dan Campbell, Max Cantin, Michael D'Ombroski, Rocco and Duke Maggio, and Raj Chandarana. Henry Gastevski also recorded two interceptions from his position at safety.

We wish the Hinsdale Falcons good luck at their other sports during the off-season and are already looking forward to watching them in their 9U season in 2024.

9U FALCONS ARE ON TO PLAYOFFS

A very tough Tri City team came to Hinsdale to spoil the 9U Falcons' undefeated season, but the battle-tested Falcons met the challenge head on.

The win was a total team effort, as the Falcons were down a couple of key players due to illness. Luke Wanless bolted in on the opening possession from 60 yards out. A devastating block by Owen Moon paved the way. The defense closed the door quickly on the Chargers as Enzo Allegra, Henry Appel, Quinn

Houser and JP Rago made big tackles to set the tone.

Back on offense, Billy Jaqua followed AJ Siepker, Brody Sobieraj and Dean Winfelder for a bruising 23-yard touchdown run. Nate Morris sprinted out and connected with Jack Slavik for the 2-point conversion and 14-0 early lead. The defense closed out the half with tight coverage by Massimo Buttitta and Kanas Zitkevicius.

The rest of the game John Dunn, Elijah Trombly, Grant Garber and Will Jones supplied the pressure on defense, with Cooper Milburn making a shutout saving tackle. Wanless closed out the scoring by scampering in from 35 yards out following a Tate Pitts pancake. Morris added the PAT for the 21-0 victory. Finishing the regular season 9-0 is a nice accomplishment. But these Falcons have their sights set on the Super Bowl.

10U GOLD FALLS IN SEASON FINALE

10U Gold D1 team had an exciting and hard-fought season finale against Lyons, showcasing a lot of effort on both sides of the ball. With injured teammate Owen Parry rooting them on, the Falcons' defense, led by Soren Carlson, Keegan McCoskey, Ivan Burt, Sebastian Christensen and Christian Kirchev, set the tone early with some impactful hits. Additionally, Nate Thangamani, Keerthan Tucke, Bo Cuculich and Killian Byrne did a great job containing the Tigers offense, while the linebacking core, led by Ben Murphy, Teddy Ouimette and Grant Omiecinski, made crucial tackles to get their defense off the field.

On the offensive side, the O-line, led by Lukasz Gewont, Harrison Kuzniar, Christian Gernot and Jasper Maggio, played a physical style of football. Running backs Kellen Brown, Topher Allanson and Marcello Salamone ran aggressively and consistently moved the chains, although they fell short of reaching the end zone. Lyons managed to score just before halftime, which proved to be the deciding factor in the game.

Despite the challenges of being in the toughest division and undersized every week, these boys displayed incred-

ible determination and spirit throughout the season. They continuously faced strong opposition and never backed down, showcasing what it means to be a Falcon.

The coaching staff is extremely proud of their efforts and looks forward to coaching these boys in the future.

10U SILVER MOVES ON TO PLAYOFFS

The Hinsdale Falcons 10u Silver team finished the regular season with a 33-13 win over Arlington Heights on Sunday.

The Falcons finished first overall and went undefeated in the regular season.

On offense, quarterback Sawyer Mhyra had a rushing and passing touchdown to lead the offense. Early in the first quarter, Danny McFarland caught a short pass, which he took the distance for a long touchdown. Great blocking from Will Rooney, Nico Will, Joey Hillegass, Hayden Sobieraj, Carter Cox and Parker Otzen allowed Jack O'Malley and Jacob Zager to find plenty of rushing yards, each scoring touchdowns on long runs.

The Falcon defense was harassing the Arlington Heights offense all game. Marco Oliverio, Rohan Sheth, Miles Perucki, Grant Garver, Luke Hanson, Blake Bazan, Theo Messeih, Viren Singh and Rahil Thakkar were responsible for making defensive plays, which happened early and often.

Arlington Heights attempted a fair number of passes, but the Falcon pass defense was ready for them. Leo Solorio, Rohn Ramani, Frankie Levato and Luca Striltschuk gave up a passing touchdown, but an interception returned for a touchdown by Striltschuk sealed Arlington Heights fate.

Ending the regular season with a win is huge for momentum as the Falcons head to the playoffs next weekend. Opponent, date and time are yet to be determined.

11U GOLD D1 TEAM ON TO PLAYOFFS

In a battle for the top playoff seed, the Hinsdale Falcons 11U D1 Gold team (6-2) were beaten by Tri City, 27-14.

The teams traded body

blows early but eventually the Chargers were too much for the Falcons, who will turn their focus to playoffs starting this week.

Hinsdale grabbed an early lead with Dillon Phelan connecting with Kellan Goodwin for a 85-yard catch and sprint, something Phelan and Goodwin have made a habit. The Chargers responded with a sustained drive that was kept alive by a fake punt, ending in a touchdown making the score 8-6. The Falcon offense answered with a drive of their own culminating in another Phelan-Goodwin strike, this one from 32 yards. A converted extra point made it 14-8 Falcons. The Chargers offense once again took advantage of fourth down conversions and were able to find the endzone before halftime to knot it up at 14-14.

Unfortunately, the second half was dominated by the undefeated Chargers. The Tri City offense was able to score twice in the third quarter, while the Falcon offense was unable to score, despite strong running from Michael Kipnis and blocking from Torsten Wood, Grant Wanless, Connor Gaylord, Ben Kurinsky and Sal Calandriello. The Falcon defense was led by Charlie Lynch and Grant Kirchheimer with Dominic Cresap registering three pass break-ups. The Falcons enter the playoffs as one of the favorites.

11U GOLD D2 FALL IN FINAL CONTEST

The Falcons flew into Lombard's Madison Meadows Park through some tough wind looking for a victory.

Brady Madden and Spencer Marnell shared the quarterback duties on this final game of the season and both shined in their performance, leading the offense on impressive touchdown drives. When the wind was in the Falcons' favor, Madden spread the ball around to many receivers throughout the day, including dimes to Grayson Danek, Matt Wiskowski, Bennet Shepherd, Colin Boots and Marnell. The 30-yard wheel route to Marnell for the touchdown was a thing of beauty.

The running game helped keep the team moving, with Wiskowski and Danek supported by a strong push by

the offensive line led by Rayan Sheik, Dom Angelletti, Alex Vivanco, Ryan Sweiten and Massimo Burdi. The line was playing like a strong unit against the heavy defensive line of Lombard.

The defense held strong against the powerful running attack. A blocked punt and fumble gave Lombard a couple of short fields to capitalize on. The defense, led by Ryan Pieczikowski, Nick Carbonara, Leo Yanklowitz, Luke Lieberenz, Giancarlo Turano III, Gavin Schuler and Kaine Ortega, deserves a ton of credit for the effort.

In the end The Falcons came up short 22-14 to finish out the 2023 campaign. Can't wait to see what these kids do next year. Go Falcons!

11U SILVER STILL ON WINNING STREAK

Downers Grove rolled into town to face a Falcons team riding a win streak into the final weekend of the regular season.

Injured captains Bennett Zeikus and James West helped to win the toss and elected to receive. The Hinsdale offense was led by linemen Augie Seraphin, Chase Mitchell, Jacob Tarnowski, Nick Rachford, Samir Chandarana and Graham Ellis. Quarterback Bruno Hoban opened the scoring with a 45-yard touchdown pass to Brayden Merchant. Yeabsira Diedrich converted a kick to bring the score to 8-0.

On defense, linebackers Burke Brotschul, Finn Caruso and Logan Sullivan blitzed the DG offense into negative yardage and a turnover on downs. Sullivan powered his way between the tackles for a quick touchdown, bringing the score to 14-0.

Defensive linemen Gabriel Burdi and Jerry Wang made trouble up the middle for the Panthers running game, forcing DG to throw into the "no fly zone" of Max Hull, Teddy Sodikoff and Lucas Spatara.

Receiver Dane Graham carried the ball for big gains, setting up a Diedrich touchdown pass to Spatara in the corner of the endzone for a 22-0 score.

Hoban would connect with Merchant yet again to set up Hinsdale on the 1. He capped the drive with a QB sneak and his first rushing touchdown, giving Hinsdale the 28-14 win.

BY THE QUARTER

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HINSDALE CENTRAL12 — DOWNERS GROVE NORTH 34



Noah McCurry and Edward Kentra wrap up a Downers Grove North Trojan during the game Friday night in Downers Grove. McCurry had two tackles, an assist and a sack.

OFFENSE — SEASON



Riley Contreras
86 passes, 1,296 yards
78 carries, 322 yards
15 TD passes, 8 TD rushes



Finn Cain
17 catches, 340 yards
4 carries, 57 yards
6 touchdowns

DEFENSE — SEASON



Magnus Kumskis
19 tackles
31 assists
1 sack



Michael Linn
15 tackles
28 assists
1 interception

SPECIAL TEAMS — SEASON



Andrew Lyne
8 punt returns
171 yards
1 touchdown



Ardit Abdullai
8/8 field goals
30/33 PATs

Carter Contreras hauls in one of his three catches — while losing his helmet in the process. (Jim Slonoff photos)



SEASON RECAP

(2-4 conference, 3-6 overall)

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Central 10 — Naper. C. 14
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Sept. 8
Central 17 — LT 42
Sept. 15
Central 47 — Morton 13
Sept. 22
Central 10 — York 38
Sept. 29
Central 21 — Glenb. West 42
Oct. 6
Central 62 — Proviso West 0
Oct. 13
Central 46 — OP-RF 13
Oct. 20
Central 12 — DGN 34

STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



Burley Bokos Hinsdale

When did you start swimming competitively?
I was on a team when I was 5.

How did you end up distance swimming?
Both of my parents swam at the University of Tampa, so we come from a very strong swimming background, and they were both distance swimmers. They were always willing to help me, and I always found it super-fascinating that not a lot of swimmers can swim distance races like I can.

How have you improved since your freshman year?
Sophomore and junior year I really started to focus on swimming. I made a decision that I wanted to swim in college, and I knew that I needed to post faster times to even be recruited.

Do you have any pre-meet rituals or routines?
I have a pre-meet meal plan the whole week. On Mondays, I eat steak. Tuesdays, I eat tacos. Wednesday I eat pasta, and Thursday I eat salmon. Also before my meet I have to have my whole room clean, everything folded.

What is the best advice you've gotten from a coach?
Always push yourself to the highest limit, and prac-

tice makes permanent.
What do you most want to accomplish this year?
My biggest accomplishment this year is to win state in the 500(-yard freestyle). My dad's goal also has been to see my name on the record board. I actually have the record from the 500 from last year. I hope to break my own record this year. I only have the pool record — I want to get the Hinsdale Central record.

What are your plans for next year?
I'll make my decision after state, hopefully that week after. It's narrowed down to four schools right now — ASU, NC State, Tampa and Texas A&M.

Why does coach Bob Barber like having her on the team?
As a four-year varsity athlete, Burley is extremely versatile, representing the program in some of the hardest events on the high school level — and these are even too short for her. Swimming at state for us last year in the 200 IM, the 500 and the medley relay, she's a key component of our post-season success this year. One of the hardest if not the hardest worker in the pool, she has really high goals and her training shows we're getting close to achieving them.
— profile by Pamela Lannom, photo by Jim Slonoff

RESULTS

Cross country, boys Oct. 21 @ IHSA regional V places 4th with 87 points Bandukwala, 3rd, 15:49.1 Lowe, 12th, 16:28 Kamenev, 21st, 16:52.63 Gamboa, 25th, 16:57.71 Kurimay, 26th, 17:03.46 Miller, 32nd, 17:17.86 Revord, 36th, 17:29.23	19:30.41 Hodneland, 13th, 19:51.14 Thanos, 14th, 19:54.72 Boyd, 15th, 19:55.07 Satre, 16th, 19:56.23 Griffin, 17th, 19:58.66 Skay, 20:43.34	Swimming, girls Oct. 19-20 @ WSC Silver Championships V places 2nd with 612 points 1-meter diving Martell, 1st, 411.5 Klobach, 8th, 326.35 200-yard medley relay V, 2nd, 1:49.67 200-yard freestyle Lahmann, 2nd, 1:56.35 V. Barber, 4th, 1:59.04 200-yard IM Bokos, 1st, 2:09.82 Allegra, 9th, 2:21.21 50-yard freestyle Zinis, 1st, 24.07 Lin, 4th, 25.17 100-yard butterfly Lahmann, 3rd, 59.17	Rocca, 6th, 1:01.54 100-yard freestyle Miller, 2nd, 53.61 Zinis, 3rd, 53.84 500-yard freestyle Bokos, 1st, 5:06.86 V. Barber, 4th, 5:17.23 100-yard backstroke Miller, 1st, 58.84 Hawk, 5th, 1:01.94 100-yard breaststroke Lin, 2nd, 1:09.53 Allegra, 5th, 1:11.48 200-yard freestyle relay V, 2nd, 1:38.09 400-yard freestyle relay V, 2nd, 3:36.04	V wins 25-22, 25-10 Oct. 18 vs. Hinsdale South V wins 25-14, 25-16 Quast, 9 kills, ace, 2 digs Sessa, 6 kills Steines, 6 kills, ace, block, dig Leddy, kill, block, 5 assists Chen, 3 aces, 2 digs, 8 assists Bergin, 2 aces, assist Peterson, 2 aces, dig, assist Adelakun, ace Young, ace, 10 digs, 2 assists Scott, block Joergenrud, 3 digs Garchar, 2 digs, 4 assists
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Instant replay



Hinsdale Central's Vija Barber competes in the 200-yard freestyle Oct. 20 at the West Suburban Conference Championship meet at Lyons Township High School. Teammate Elizabeth Lahmann also swam the 200 free, placing second, while Barber came in fourth. The team finished second overall in its last meet before the state series. (Jim Slonoff photos)

SPORTS

Girls tennis places fifth at state

Central netters battled tough draws, gained valuable experience for next season

By Ken Knutson

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The two-time defending state champion Hinsdale Central girls tennis team went into the IHSA state meet last weekend having qualified in just three of four possible spots and with only one of five players with previous state experience. Long odds for a three-peat, to say the least.

But the Red Devils still made their mark in Buffalo Grove Oct. 19-21, claiming a share of fifth place with Glenbrook North and Plainfield North, all registering 15 points. New Trier cruised to the title by amassing 35 points, followed by Stevenson's 20. Deerfield and Sandburg shared third with 16 points.

Varsity head coach Shawna Zsinko said while not having a place on the podium is unusual for the program, the girls competed well.

"We already knew this was going to be a little bit of rebuilding year," she said. "I think a lot of good tennis got played."

And against a lot of good players, whom they faced even before the state tournament.

"It was a weird state series for us," Zsinko said. "We had a tough sectional and only qualified five (players) out of it."

Junior Abigail Gambla was the only returnee from last year's title-winning squad. She and doubles partner sophomore Sydney Shuster carried the momentum from their sectional championship into the state final, dispatching their first three opponents and dropping only two games along the way.

Gambla said this season's finale had different vibe.

"Since our state team last year was comprised of seniors besides me, it was super exciting to have the chance to play at state with a new group of friends, especially with my doubles partner," she said.

In the quarterfinals, they faced a New Trier duo who would go on to win the doubles title. Zsinko said they hung strong before eventually falling 7-5, 6-1.

"(Gambla and Shuster) had four set points in the first set in that

one," Zsinko said. "They were right there in the mix, and it just didn't go like they wanted it to."

In the back draw, they won a match before facing a formidable Stevenson team. Zsinko said picking up consolation points was complicated by the surprising presence of so many top teams there.

"Their semifinal opponents in the back draw was the semifinal team in the main draw," she said. "It was kind of crazy."

Gambla said going up against the best fosters growth.

"This year's state was an amazing opportunity to play doubles against some really competitive teams," she related.

She and Shuster ended up placing seventh overall, enduring wet weather that afforded Gambla some extra fellowship time.

"My best memory from the weekend was seeing all of my friends from different schools and talking to them while we were waiting for the rain to dry on the courts," she said. "I have a lot of friends that did very well this year at state and I'm very happy for them."

Zsinko said weather delays did throw a wrench into keeping energy levels up at times.

"There was a lot of waiting around. It was kind of hard to get everyone ready to rock and roll," she said. "You never know what's going to happen."

The other doubles team of senior Calista Chang and sophomore Lauren Panveno won their first two matches before falling to a strong Stevenson duo. They picked up two more key points in the back draw to make it to the consolation quarterfinals.

"I feel like state overall went really well and was a huge success for the team," Panveno said. "I think the weekend taught me a lot of important lessons, one being never expect matches to be easy."

"Even though some scores may have reflected an easier match, there was still always a lot of effort and fight behind winning these matches," she added.

The pair garnered six points for the Red Devils, and Panveno appreciated her coaches' constant



The Hinsdale Central girls tennis team posed in front of the school's victory bell last week before heading to the IHSA state meet held in Buffalo Grove and surrounding schools Oct. 19-21. Pictured are Lauren Panveno (from left), Kotryna Tomas, Calista Chang, Abigail Gambla and Sydney Shuster. The team finished the tournament in a tie for fifth place. (photo provided)

encouragement during changeovers

"They were always so helpful in making us calm, giving advice, strategy and even making us laugh," she shared.

In singles, junior Kotryna Tomas was a dealt a tough opening match.

"She was unseeded and gets the second seed in the first round," Zsinko said.

Tomas won her second match to add another team point.

Gambla said every chance to compete as for Central is special.

"No matter if you're winning or losing, it is always important to stay positive and cheer your teammates on. Staying positive and supporting each other helped us get through

some tough matches and even tougher conditions," she said.

Panveno was a fan of the squad's unified fashion front.

"My best memory of the weekend was our team's matching sweat sets we wore between and during matches at state," she revealed. "I loved getting to show extra school pride and match my friends."

Zsinko said her players will use this as fuel for next season.

"I know that going into next year we're going to be that much more prepared and hungry to compete," she predicted. "They got a lot of good experience and got to be out there to deal with all the pressure."



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