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Cheers to a holiday season — It's been a busy month for music students at Hinsdale Central. The choirs have had several concerts in the school and around town. The Madrigal Concert Dec. 3 was held at The Community House. In its 10th year, the concert is a Renaissance holiday tradition featuring the Chamber Choir with the royal court singers, jesters and town criers also performing. The Holiday Winds and String Octet delighted audience members throughout the evening as well. (Jim Slonoff photo)



Cafetorium serving students well at new HMS.

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Burridge Sr. works hard but certainly is no Scrooge.

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NEWS

Land Rover opens, landscaping unfinished

By Ken Knutson

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The Land Rover and Jaguar dealership in Hinsdale opened for business at its new 336 E. Ogden Ave. site last week, but neighboring residents and village officials say items related to the project still need to be completed.

At Tuesday's village board meeting, Village President Tom Cauley used his president's report to address residents' concerns about the absence of landscaping that the Bill Jacobs dealership agreed to install on the east side of the property facing Oak Street.

"The ordinance that we passed called for eight-foot bushes there, and there are not eight-foot bushes there now," Cauley said, noting other plantings slated to go in adjacent to the Franklin Avenue cul de sac. "The only reason why we can't dothat right now is just the weather."

Village manager Kathleen Gargano said her staff plans to meet with dealership officials to work on a landscape design for that Oak Street access point that residents can accept.

"We would work to have a final plan in concept by mid-February so that (residents) would know what would happen, and (the landscaping) would be planted during springtime," she said.

The delayed installation of the concrete boundary wall along the back of the site has also been a point of contention with residents. Cauley said the wall has now been installed and "looks fabulous." Light poles originally planned for the site were deemed too tall.

"Once we learned about it, we went out there and told them these light poles are too high, and we shortened them," Cauley said.

During citizen comments, Oak Street resident Edward Wavak said the dealership has been keeping the lights on too bright after closing.

"We do need to make sure that the lights dim at night, pursuant to the ordinance," he said.

And Wavak also urged officials to apprise the business of its responsibility regarding sidewalk snow removal and the need to keep car transport trucks off residential streets.

"Delivery of vehicles clogs up Oak Street, and they should have the trucks in the parking lot," Wavak

Gargano said the village can institute regulations to compel that.

"We can look at restricting truck access from Oak and Fuller, which would then force them to have to come in off of Ogden, briefly go down Oak, and then turn around," Gargano said.

At the outset of his remarks, Cauley spent several minutes defending the agreement that kept the dealership — Hinsdale's single biggest sales tax generator — from leaving the village in exchange for sales tax relief and re-purposing the deteriorating former GM training center facility in the process.

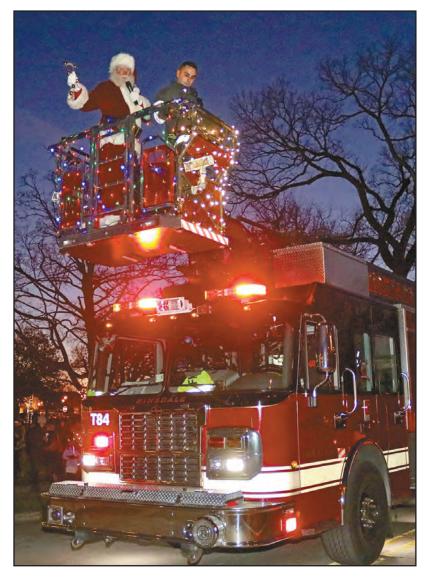
"I really do think this Land Rover arrangement was very good financially for the village, and we're committed to resolving any remaining issues with the residents," he said.

Trustee Jerry Hughes said the dealership is both an important revenue source and an enterprise patronized by many Hinsdale residents.

"It's not as if it's a business that's of no interest to the people who live here," Hughes said. "It's something that many residents like having in town."

Land Rover's former location next door at 300 E. Ogden Ave. is expected to go up for sale, Cauley noted, and another dealership is at the top of village officials' wish list.

Deck the truck with lights and music





The Hinsdale fire department rigged up sound and lights to provide Santa with a comfortable and musical ride into the village during the Christmas Walk Friday night. With hundreds of children on hand to greet him, Santa was lowered to the ground and joined Village President Tom Cauley at the Memorial Building to officially light the Christmas tree. Please turn to Page 16 for more pictures. (Jim Slonoff photos)

ONCE UPON A TIME



Special delivery — Hinsdale's second post office was located on the northeast corner of First Street and Washington Avenue. A fire destroyed the building in the 1920s. The site now occupied by J. McLaughlin over the years has been occupied by The Hinsdale Beacon, Walgreens and Longley's Antique Shop. 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. (Hinsdale Historical Society photo)

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NEWS

Cafetorium does double duty at new HMS

Spacious room filled with natural light offers more than a place for kids to eat lunch

By Pamela Lannom

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The 6,650-square-foot space was home to 50 actors, 22 crew members and 300 audience members for the final performance of this year's musical, "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" at Hinsdale Middle School Saturday night.

Less than 48 hours later, more than 700 kids ate lunch in the same space during a two-hour period on Monday.

Such is life at the HMS cafetorium, a multipurpose room designed for day-to-day functionality and special occasions.

On a daily basis, the 5,000-square-foot cafe seats 240 students at circular tables of eight during each of the three lunch periods. That seating arrangement is quite a bit different than what students knew in the old HMS commons and required some adjustments in dining groups, Assistant Principal Rocky May said Tuesday.

"We used to have long foldable tables that accommodated eight on a side. The round tables of eight have had some social ramifications," he said. "We actually rehearsed it the whole last week before break last year."

He appreciates the natural light that fills the space and the ease with which he can monitor students, who have only one way in and one way out. And when the weather is nice, students can exit doors on the south side of the cafetorium to enjoy some fresh air.

He also noted the stage, which runs almost the entire length of the east side of the room.

"The raised stage is a nice feature in this setting," he said.

Ashley Sipka, vocal music and drama teacher at HMS and one of the directors of "Charlie Brown," agreed.

"I'd say the greatest advantage is all the black," she said. "We have a black floor, black walls, black ceiling, black curtains, so the kids pop on stage, especially when they are well-lit."

The vibrantly colored costumes for the musical really





"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," was the first major musical to be staged in the Hinsdale Middle School cafetorium since the school opened in January. "With all the moving and arranging and getting settled and learning the new

stood out, Sipka noted.

"I don't think they would have shown up nearly as well in the old commons space," she said.

The old HMS commons, an open space in the center of the school which also served double duty as lunchroom and performance space, did have one advantage the new space does not.

"It was a gem in terms of sight lines," Sipka said. "When you sat people in the commons, you could put kids every which way and they would be visible."

That's not the case with a traditional raised stage. But the new space offers many features the old one did not.

"We have the state-of-theart lighting system, and we've honestly barely scratched the surface of what it can do. It's going to take years to figure it all out," she said.

The self-contained nature of the space — which May



system, it's flown by," HMS teacher Ashley Sipka said of her first year in the new building. The space also serves as a lunchroom to more than 700 students every day. (Jim Slonoff photos)

also mentioned — makes it a better spot for preparing a show.

"Rehearsals on my stage are awesome. I don't have the basketball team running through after a game," Sipka said

The stage will be used for performances again next week for the winter concert on Dec. 19, then in January for the sixth-grade musical and in March for the one-act plays

Perhaps the most important attribute of the new stage is the response it has elicited from student actors.

"Even though we have sight line issues in the new space, the kids feel so special on our state-of-the-art stage," Sipka said. They see that gorgeous stage space ... (and) they feel like professionals.

"We may have to work a little harder to make sure they're all seen, but they sure feel good about the space."

NEXT WEEK

Community Consolidated Elementary Dist. 181 Board

7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 16 District office 115 W. 55th St., Clarendon Hills

On the draft agenda: public hearing and approval of 2019 tax levy, nurse staffing proposal, LEAP and D181 Foundation presentations, Actively Learn middle school pilot, Math/ELA/ACE placement and math trajectory, school report card

Hinsdale High School District 86 Board

6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12 Hinsdale South High School 7401 Clarendon Hills Road, Darien

On the draft agenda: Adopt 2019 levy, strategic plan goal updates, approve facilities bid packages

Hinsdale Zoning Board of Appeals

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 18 Memorial Building 19 E. Chicago Ave.

On the draft agenda: public hearing on 5500 S. Grant St. (Hinsdale Central), pre-hearing on 336 E. Ogden Ave. (Land Rover) and 908 N. Elm St., approval of final decision for 11 W. Sixth St.

MEETING ROUNDUP

Hinsdale Village Board

Among other business Tuesday, trustees:

- approved a 2019 village tax levy for \$13.7 million, which includes \$3.42 million for the Hinsdale Public Library. After approved debt service abatements of about \$3.18 million, the total levy will amount to just over \$10.5 million.
- affirmed village support for a pedestrian bridge at 47th Street as part of the Illinois Tollway's expansion of the Central Tri-State Tollway. The Hinsdale and Western Springs communities were given surveys by the Tollway to determine if the bridge should be rebuilt at its current location in a residential area connecting Minneola Street in Hinsdale with Maple Street in Western Springs or relocated to 47th Street, linking the villages' Veeck and Spring Rock parks. Trustees have expressed support for the 47th Street location, but Brad Bloom, assistant village manager, told trustees that Western Springs residents have indicated support for keeping it where it is. Others in Western Springs, however, agree with Hinsdale.

"The park district in Western Springs supports the 47th Street location. The police department in Western Springs supports the 47th Street location," Bloom said. The Tollway, he explained, has directed the towns to reach a consensus or lose the bridge.

"If there isn't a consensus between the two communities, the bridge is not going to be built," Bloom related. Village President Tom Cauley said he sided with the 47th Street location after designs showed that a new bridge at Minneola would look like "an obstacle course that weaves in and out" due to a switchback to comply with ADA regulation. Bloom said Hinsdale residents adjacent the bridge are unanimously opposed to keeping it there

• approved the purchase of a new patrol vehicle for \$44,000. On Sept. 3, a police Ford Explorer XLT Police Interceptor was involved in an accident and deemed totaled by its insurance carrier, which provided \$16,775 toward a replacement. The village's capital improvement plan budgeted \$44,000 for the purchase; the cost after insurance is expected to be \$27,225.







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NEWS

Shopping small town yields big results

Orthodontist, EDC member enjoys supporting local stores, merchandise she finds there

By Pamela Lannom plannom@thehinsdalean.com

Carrie Thangamani, owner of CHT Orthodontics, has lived and worked in Hinsdale since 2011. (That spring she bought the practice in March, moved here in April and had her first child in May.) She's also a friend of Hinsdale Economic Development Commission Chair Jill Sunderson, who recently invited her to join the group.

"I think me being a business owner in town, personally and professionally, I think it was a natural fit for her," Thangamani said.

The mom of two, 7-year-old Nathan and 8-year-old Caroline, and the wife of Vijay, an orthopedic surgeon, Thangamani has a busy schedule. But she finds time to shop in Hinsdale whenever she can.

"I try to do as much as I can because I believe in shopping local," she said.

She joined The Hinsdalean Friday on a shopping trip downtown for the third installment of the paper's annual gift ideas series. Here's what she found.

- A pale blue Pleece collection supersoft long scarf by Design House will keep Aunt Ruth who happens to be 100 percent Swedish warm all winter long. SO Stockholm Objects, \$78
- Nephew Joey, 18 months, can get a head start honing his basketball, soccer, football and baseball skills with a

Melissa and Doug First Play sports kit. "If he's anything like his dad, he's going to be a sports buff," Thangamani said. My sister Kate, \$27

- A small holiday square and cookie tray with mini brownies, lemon bars, shortbread, Mexican wedding cakes and mini gingerbread will keep hunger at bay for Thangamani's guests Christmas Eve day. Toni's Patisserie and Café, \$68
- Custom-made martini-style moissanite stud earrings (over a carat each) with diamond-encrusted on-and-off halos (.27 carat) in 18K gold are a special gift for a special woman in Thangamani's life, her mom, Anne. Karat Jewelry Group, \$1,155
- College friend Stephanie, mom of Brook and Chase, will enjoy wearing her children's initials decorated with small cubic zirconias around her neck. "She's not a flashy jewelry person, so this would be perfect," Thangamani said. Alixandra Collections, \$20 per necklace.
- The Chanel mini-flap classic flat bag in black gold sequins (with the original \$4,900 price tag still attached) will add some sparkle under sister-in-law Sandra's tree. "That's gorgeous!" Thangamani said. Kelsey Resale, \$3,200
- Cousin Beth will enjoy stepping out in a metallic camp print runner by Philippe Model. Sweet William, \$410
 - A tray of mixed pastries



This Italian silk scarf from artist Dena Lyons is one of the gift ideas Carrie Thangamani discovered at the new Work+Shop pop-up boutiques while shopping at stores in downtown Hinsdale. (Jim Slonoff photo)

and a pound of coffee will make sure everyone wakes up happy Christmas morning. Café la Fortuna, \$40

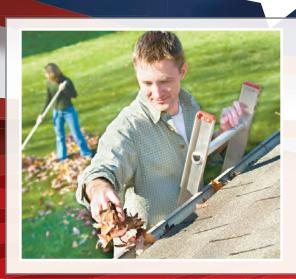
- Nanny Diane will enjoy a medium blue and white ginger jar, especially when she learns its purchase supports the village in China where it was made. Yankee Peddler,
- A soft cotton and terry Elegante bath robe in paisley and organic designs is the

perfect gift for Thangamani's mother-in-law, Amy. Yves Delorme, \$350

- Seattle is the perfect place to wear a novelty puffer jacket in metallic gold with patent patch pockets with faux fur — and sister-in-law Diane is the perfect person to give it to. Marcus, \$695
- A huge white poinsettia will add to the Christmas cheer at Thangamani's practice, CHT Orthodontics.

Hinsdale Flower Shop, \$74.95

- Grandmother Mary will look and feel fabulous in an Italian silk scarf printed with a tree image from artist Dena Lyons. Work+Shop, \$250
- Thangamani is excited to celebrate New Year's Eve wearing a black sequined short-sleeved knee-length cocktail dress with feathery fringe by O'Blanc. Ma Belle Avenue Boutique, \$350



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POLICE BEAT

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports Dec. 4 and 11

DUI arrest

Raymond T. West, 47, 8 Bradford Lane, Oak Brook, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, speeding and improper lane use at 11:15 p.m. Dec. 3 at Ogden Avenue and County Line Road. He was charged and released to appear in court.

Domestic battery arrest

A 50-year old Hinsdale man was arrested Dec. 9 for making contact of an insulting or provoking nature with a female family member. He was charged and taken to DuPage County Jail.

Suspended license arrest

Joanna M. Smith, 34, 5655 W. Washington Blvd., No. 3, Chicago, was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 7:58 a.m. Dec. 8 at Route 83 and Ogden Avenue. She was charged and released to appear in court.

Street signs stolen

Street signs from Bruner and Maple streets and Bruner and Chicago Avenue were reported stolen at 4:10 p.m. Dec. 6. The post at Bruner and Chicago was bent and damaged.

Digital harassment

A resident of the 10 block of South Stough Street received electronic messages of a harassing nature from a known suspect at 11:50 p.m. Nov. 30. The incident was reported Dec. 1.

Identity theft incident

The identity of a resident of the 600 block of Harding Road was used to open a debit card with a bank, to rent a car in Pittsburgh and in an attempt to access the victim's existing credit card accounts between Nov. 23 and Dec. 6

Hit-and-run reported

Someone hit a vehicle parked in the student lot at Hinsdale Central High School, 5500 S. Grant St., between 7 a.m. and noon Nov. 23 and did not leave a note. The front drivers side was damaged.

Hinsdale police take part in road safety campaign

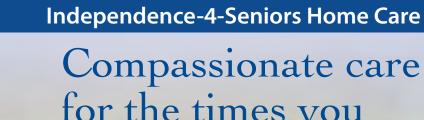
To help spread the message about the dangers of impaired driving this holiday season, the Hinsdale Police Department is partnering with the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Illinois State Police and almost 200 police and sheriff's departments across the state in the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over enforcement campaign Dec. 16-Jan. 2.

With an aim to drastically reduce impaired driving, the campaign will feature an increased number of state and national messages about the dangers of impaired driving and more officers enforcing live-saving seat belt, speeding

and distracted driving laws. Law enforcement officials offer the following guidelines to "Party with a Plan."

- Those planning to drink should arrange for a sober driver to get a ride home and designated drivers should take their role seriously.
- Do not drive impaired by drugs or alcohol, even after only one alcoholic beverage.
- Use public transportation, call a ride service or opt to spend the night.
- Call 911 if an impaired driver is observed.
- Take the keys away from friends and loved ones who are impaired to drive.







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60 SECONDS

Work is play for businessman, philanthropist

Dick Burridge Sr. lives life as an

The former Hinsdalean, who will turn 91 in March, has a zest for life lacking in many half his age. He still enjoys going into the office several days a week at RMB Capital Management, a firm founded by his son, Dick. Jr.

"I go to work anywhere from two to four days a week - when the market needs support. When the market can carry on on its own, I can stay home," he said, his sense of humor shining

He points to his father as the man who set the example when it came to work ethic.

"I was motivated by my father, who got through the seventh grade in school and had to go to work to support his aunt as well as his family," Burridge said. Both his father and great-aunt

were very successful.

"I have come along on their shirttails," he said.

He has had quite a successful career as well, spending 17 years at Northern Trust Co. before starting his own firm, which he

later sold.

"You have to really want to go to work every day. That's the job you have to find and I found it very early," Burridge said.
"Investing is such an intriguing business — and money maker. You can work and get rich at the same time.'

His financial success naturally led to his involvement in philanthropic endeavors.

"It seemed to me if I made good money, I should give some of that back. I've had that feeling and way of life for a long time."

The causes he has supported are too numerous to list, ranging from the Burridge Center for Securities and Valuation he established in 1999 at the University of Colorado (his alma mater) to serving as chairman of Blue Cross of Illinois to being a director and former chairman for Wellness House in Hinsdale.

Success in life can be boiled down to two decisions, he said. when asked what advice he's given his three sons, Dick Jr., Scott and Peter.

"There are only two things

important in life — the person you marry and the job you have. The rest of it is just busy work," Burridge said.

Oh, and invest your money.

"The first thing you do is take your savings out, your investment money out, and you never have to worry about retirement."

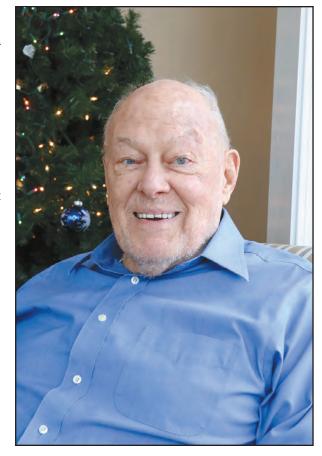
Dick Jr. said his father has had immeasurable influence.

"His conviction regarding how to succeed as an investor has had a huge impact on me, my colleagues and our clients, making it impossible to quantify the impact he has had during his career/ life," Dick Jr. said.

Next month will mark 10 years since Burridge lost his wife of 51 years, Nan. And he can't get around as easily as he once did. But the challenges of advancing age have not dampened his spirit.

"People make up their minds at age 70 that life is over," he said. "Change is inevitable. Change occurs for all of us. It's how you adjust to that change and welcome it and grow with it."

– story by Pamela Lannom. photo by Jim Slonoff



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OPINION

EDITORIAL

As many reasons to shop local as there are gifts

The Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce Christmas Walk, the paper's gift ideas series (see Page 7 for this week's installment), Holidays in Hinsdale (see Page 30), and 12 Days of Holiday Cheer (Page 32) all are designed to encourage residents to shop in Hinsdale this holiday season

We hardly think more motivation is necessary, but in case it is, we offer the following 12 reasons (one for each shopping day left until Christmas) to shop in town.

1. Find the perfect gift

Hinsdale merchants offer an incredible range of merchandise for women, men and children. You find everything from stocking stuffers for the kids to the finest timepieces in the world.

2. Cut your drive time

Downtown Hinsdale is at most an 8-minute drive — and much closer for most residents. Grant and Gateway squares are just minutes away as well, making it easy to fit a shopping trip while the kids are at piano lessons or on a play date.

3. Park nearby

Yes, yes, we know the parking deck is still under construction. But the lot at Lincoln and Second streets is open for shoppers — and the

village lot between Lincoln and Washington streets just north of the tracks is open and free on Saturdays. Either location is just a short stroll to your downtown destination of choice. Lucky for Grant and Gateway square shoppers, those locations have their own parking lots.

4. Enjoy a personal touch

The folks you'll find behind the counter can provide detailed information about the merchandise they're selling, make recommendations for a specific person on your gift list and offer any other assistance you might need.

5. Make a day of it

Nestled in with retail shops, you'll find inviting spas and tempting restaurants. You can combine a day of shopping with a quick lunch, a calming massage, a relaxing dinner — or all three.

6. Invest in the community

Sales tax dollars generated at retail stores and food and beverage taxes collected at restaurants help support village operations, such as repairing roads and upgrading parks. On top of that, for every \$100 spent, about \$70 returns to the local economy.

7. Support your neighbors

Many retailers are also Hinsdale residents, and most depend on the weeks before Christmas

to generate a significant portion of their annual sales dollars. If we want to keep the village's business districts vibrant, we need to give them our business.

8. Handle the merchandise

See it, smell it, touch it, taste it — before you buy it. Can't do that online.

9. Support nonprofits

Local business owners donate more to charities than nonlocal owners.

10. Create jobs

Small local businesses are the largest employers nationwide. Since the 1970s, more than 65 percent of new jobs have come from the rise in small business.

11. Admire the scenery

We can't think of too many places where you can shop and admire the kind of architecture on display in downtown Hinsdale, which is on the National Register of Historic Places.

12. Feel the holiday magic

Hinsdale is especially beautiful at this time of year, with the twinkling lights on the trees and the store windows decorated for the holidays. Shop this Saturday and you can also enjoy a visit with Mr. C, cookie decorating and a horse-drawn wagon ride at Burlington Park.

COMMENTARY

Nutcrackers cue memories of Christmases past

I should have taken more nutcrackers.

My mother-in-law wanted me to take more. She wanted us to take lots of things as she and my father-in-law were clearing out the Western Springs house they had lived in for almost 50 years.

Sandra had struggled with rheumatoid arthritis and other ailments for years, and eventually the stairs proved too much for her. She and my father-in-law, John, were moving into a condo at Lake Hinsdale Village, where everything would be on one floor and their unit had a view of the lake.

Unfortunately, she spent very little time there before she ended up in the hospital, then in rehab, then in assisted living in Lombard.

But we didn't know that at the time. We only knew they had six weeks to move out and she was envisioning a packing process — in which we'd come over for dinner and look through some things and

take what we wanted — that we estimated would require at least a year.

Ainsley was a preschooler and Dan was traveling and I had work. Their move, to be honest, was one additional stressor at an already stressful time. We already had too much stuff of our own. We wondered why they hadn't started cleaning out the house earlier. And

were surprised by just how emotionally attached Sandra was to soooo many of her possessions.

We saw the move as a good thing
— to a location just a couple of miles
away and a space that would be
much easier to navigate and maintain.

We celebrated only one Christmas at their new address, in 2015. The following Christmas she was in the nursing home at Lexington Square and in February 2017, she died.



Pamela Lannom

I think of her often, especially at this time of year. I have so many wonderful memories of celebrating the holidays with her and John.

We'd open presents Christmas Eve at their house, and while John was still working as a mailman in downtown Hinsdale, he did a fair amount of shopping at the jewelry stores on his

route. We'd go around the room, taking turns opening one gift at a time. After we were all done, Sandra always had a sizable stack of small unopened gifts from John.

Then there was the Christmas at our house, when Ainsley was 2 or 3 and Sandra gave her a beautiful new baby doll and a lovely crib. Sandra just beamed as Ainsley put her new baby doll to bed over and over in the new crib, thrilled that her grand-daughter loved the gifts she had

given her.

Our Christmas tree is filled with ornaments Sandra gave us as gifts, beautiful glass globes she discovered on vacation and cat ornaments she gave me when Wrigley was still alive.

I unpacked the nutcrackers Sandra gave me Sunday. She picked out four and sent them home with Dan after he was helping them pack one day. They are charming. I have a chimney sweep, a snowman, a soldier and the one I've always loved, the cheesemonger. They sit on top of a china cabinet that was in Sandra's dining room when she was a child.

I say I should have taken more nutcrackers, but I don't really want them. I long for something else — to celebrate Christmas with the wonderful woman who gave them to me.

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

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OPINION

GUEST COMMENTARY

Ours is a family of immigrants

More than 10,000
years ago, people
began migrating
from Eurasia to
North America.
Because sea levels
were low, they
could walk across
a small landmass
where the Bering
Straits are today.
Over millennia,
their descendants
spread throughout the
Americas.

Much later, after Columbus, the first Europeans resettled in what is now the United States. In time, people who left foreign countries as voluntary migrants or refugees to seek a permanent home here or elsewhere became known as "immigrants."

Recently, my brother and I pored over family documents that illuminated much of our own immigration historv. We learned that, in the 1720s, one branch of ancestors arrived from Germany to the American colonies. Most others emigrated from **England and Germany** before 1860, perhaps seeking economic opportunities or fleeing tumultuous conditions. Unfortunately, despite my brother's persistent efforts, we have little information about Dad's paternal lineage.

Our son and daughter-inlaw's research echoed many findings and added details about my husband's ancestors. Big picture: Most arrived from England and Germany in New York between 1818 and 1870, including at least one who fought in the Civil War. His mom's relatives were perhaps in Connecticut by the 1770s, but with



Sally Hartmann

"Smiths," it's hard to be sure.

In addition to our ancestors' journeys are stories of those who arrived more recently, all of whom eventually became citizens.

Our son-inlaw moved with his family from England to the

Yukon Territory. He later moved to Montreal and then to Chicago in 1996 for a new job. Our daughter-in-law told us that her mom's family fled poverty in India in the late 1800s by going to Trinidad as indentured servants. Her mom arrived here in 1961 after marrying a man from Peoria.

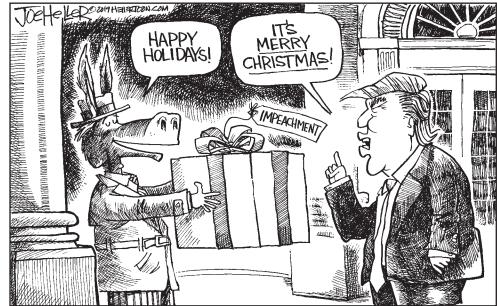
Our family also includes a sister-in-law who, in 1955 at age 7, came here alone from her impoverished Irish family to live with relatives who had lost a child. She missed her brothers and sisters terribly but eventually reconnected with them. Years later, her daughter married a man from Nigeria who traveled to New York City in 1982 when his father worked at the Nigerian Consulate.

Many in my family are here because our forebears made brave, perhaps desperate decisions to leave their homeland for a better life. Others, as we've seen, arrived in various circumstances. At its very core, ours is a family of immigrants, which is why I find it impossible to imagine our country without sustained robust immigration.

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

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OBITUARIES

Mary Rose Blaskovich

Mary Rose Blaskovich, 92, of Western Springs, formerly of Hinsdale, passed away Dec. 7, 2019.

A loving and doting aunt, lifelong faithful Catholic and simple, unpretentious woman, she will be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her. Mary was born to Ben and Mary Blaskovich in the family home in Hinsdale in 1926. She attended elementary school in

Hinsdale, and a school for the blind or visually impaired in her early childhood, as she was born with visual difficulties. Upon her graduation from Hinsdale Township High School in 1945, Mary began work at Continental Insurance Co. in downtown Chicago. She remained with the company for 33 years.

Mary was devoted to her large extended family and was a beloved aunt to her many nieces and nephews and their children. She taught her favorite card games to several generations, including the game Tripoley, helping to make it a family institution. Mary loved all of her family and most especially children; she loved to joke, play, laugh and be silly, and she was unfailingly generous, enthusiastic and openhearted.

Retiring at 56, Mary filled her newfound free time with her extended family, a second career in babysitting and dog-walking for a beloved



Blaskovich

family pet. She also loved to bake and was famous for her creamed chicken and dumplings. She enjoyed travel and often joined her extended family on trips. Mary lived most of her life in the house in which she was born, a cozy little home built by her father. When it finally became too much for her to maintain, she moved to Bethlehem Woods Retirement Community, where

she made many good friends.

In her final days, surrounded by her family and dear friends, Mary remained cheerful, uncomplaining and was filled with love and gratitude for her family and took comfort in praying with them.

Mary was preceded in death by her brother, Tony (the late Frances) Blaskovich; and her sister, Blanche (the late Francis) Duquette.

She leaves behind many Duquette and Blaskovich nieces and nephews.

A Mass was said Dec. 11, at St. John of the Cross Church in Western Springs.

Burial was at Clarendon Hills Cemetery in Darien.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital at https://www.stjude.org.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Christine DiBartelo

Christine DiBartelo, nee Grover, 74, died Dec. 9, 2019.

She was preceded in death by her son, Thad Eugene DiBartelo; and her sister, Connie.

She is survived by her husband, L. Douglas DiBartelo; her daughter, Nikki Therese (Tony Ciezadlo) Alessi of Hinsdale; her grandchildren, Ava, Rocco and Vaughan; her siblings,



DiBartelo

Charles (Joan) Grover, Barry (the late Brigetta) and Cathy; and many nieces and nephews.

Friends and family will meet at 9:15 a.m. today, Dec. 12, at Sullivan Funeral Home, 60 S. Grant St., Hinsdale before proceeding to St. Helena's Episcopal Church, 7600 Wolf Road, Burr Ridge, for a 10 a.m. funeral.

Interment is private.

Carol Ann Dwyer

Carol Ann Dwyer, nee Paolinetti, 66, of Schererville, Ind., formerly of Hinsdale, passed away Dec. 5, 2019.

She was preceded in death by her son, Peter

She is survived by her companion, John E. Rock; her daughter, Sarah (Matt) Windle; her grandchildren, Tom, Ryan and Joshua Windle, Zofia Rock, and Isaac and Caleb Rocha;

her brothers, John (Melody) Paolinetti and Michael Paolinetti; and her extended family, John D. (Kristin Niepokoj) Rock and Christina (Mike) Rocha.

A funeral service was held Dec. 10 at Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale.

Interment was at Oueen of Heaven Cemetery in Hillside.

Anthony Garbis

Anthony Garbis, 80, of Hinsdale passed away peacefully Dec. 4, 2019.

He was born in 1939 and was a successful business man.

He was preceded in death by his siblings, Dina, Denny and Bill.

He is survived by his wife, Antionette Garbis, nee Vlahos; his children, Stephanie (Michael) Waghorn, Jerry "Mike" (Tami Davis) Garbis, Janie

Garbis and Christina (Jimmy) Bibizas; his grandchildren, Peter, Anthony, Alexander,



Garbis

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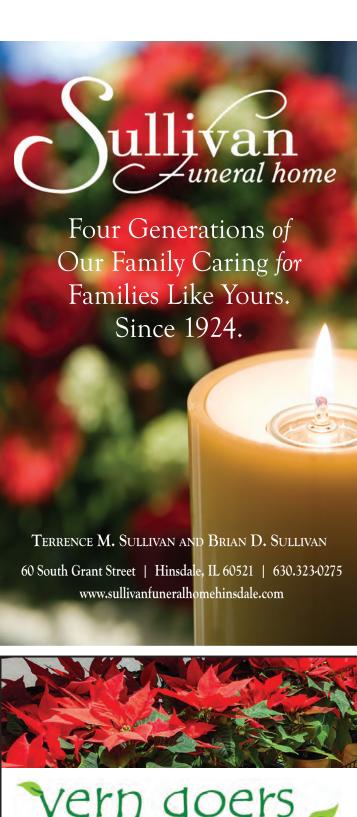
his great-grandchildren, Sloane and Theodore, and his siblings, Ted, Kathy and Louis. A funeral service was held Dec. 7 at

Anthony, Holly, Pauline, Antonia,

Beatrice, Dimitri, Veronica and Jack;

in Chicago. Interment was at Ridgewood Cemetery in Des Plaines.

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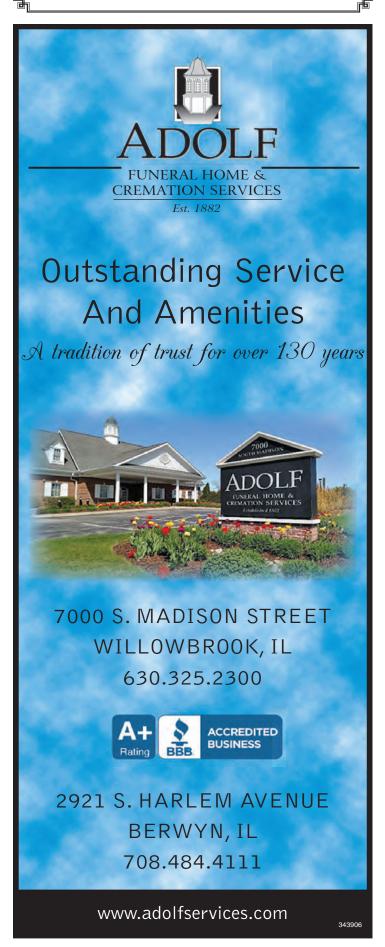
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Rita Dahlberg Murnane

Rita Dahlberg Murnane, 93, formerly of Oak Brook, died Nov. 23, 2019.

She was born in 1925 in Chicago and lived much of her life in Oak Park.

She was preceded in death by her husbands, Jim Dahlberg and Frank Murnane; her daughter, Jamie; and her granddaughter, Amy Heyer.

She is survived by her children, Russell Dahlberg and Donna (Jim) Heyer; her grandchildren, Christian (Heather) Dahlberg, Jennifer Heyer and Jimmy Heyer; her great-granddaughters, Madisyn, Alyssa and Caitlin; and her stepchildren, grandchildren and great-grandchildren of the Frank Murnane family.

Visitation is from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, at Adolf Funeral Home Ltd., 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made online to the Misericordia Home at https://www.misericordia.com/giving.

Christopher A. Wagner

Christopher A Wagner, 48, of Clarendon Hills died unexpectedly Dec. 7, 2019.

He was born in 1971 in Hinsdale and grew up in town, attending Hinsdale Central High School. He received his bachelor's degree from Columbia University in video production. He had been employed by Classic Casual Furniture, Sara Lee, Crowe Horwath and, most recently, Sears corporate office.

Chris loved his family, many friends, music, making videos and camping.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Helen Wagner.

He is survived by his wife, Christine, nee Kostelc; his brother, Keith; and his nephews, Mark Wagner, and Joey and Alex Kostelc.

A funeral service was held Dec. 11 at Adolf Funeral Home in Willowbrook.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Hinsdale Humane Society, 21 Salt Creek Lane, Hinsdale, IL 60521 or online at https://www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org/donate.

Richard Joseph Weiler

Richard Joseph Weiler of Hinsdale, 82, passed away Dec. 6, 2019, after a long, courageous battle with Parkinson's Disease.

Richard was born in 1937 and raised in St. Louis, Mo., cherished son of August and Clara, nee Wagner, Weiler. His professional career spanned more than 40 years at Reading, Penn.-based Carpenter Technology Corp., where he

went from inside sales to ultimately lead global sales and marketing. His career culminated with the role of executive vice president of corporate development, during which time he traveled extensively worldwide exploring new partnerships for the company.

Rich was passionate about sailing, boating, water skiing, and tennis. He also involved himself in a variety of volunteer activities including Boy Scouts of America leadership, serving on the board of the Boys & Girls Club of America and involvement on area hospital boards. Most of all, he was a devoted husband and an amazing father, grandfather and great-grandfather who will be deeply missed.

He is survived by his wife, Mary Jo Weiler, nee Huelsman; his children, Kimberly (Michael)



Weiler

Nordstrom, Scott (Kathy) Weiler, Lisa (Michael) McLaughlin, Teresa (Matthew) Smith and Cheryl (Herbert) Eck; his grandchildren, Ross (Caitlin) Nordstrom, Rachel (Justin) Nordstrom Fazio, Sara (Peter) Nordstrom Nielsen, Dilon, Conor, Shane and Niall McLaughlin, Andrew, Emma and Christopher Eck, Jack and Madeleine Weiler, and Allison and Caroline Smith;

his great-grandchildren, Lucas Nordstrom and Jack Fazio; his brother, Donald (Peggy) Weiler; and many nieces and nephews.

Visitation is from 4 to 8 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15, at Sullivan Funeral Home, 60 S. Grant Street, Hinsdale.

A funeral Mass will be said at 10 a.m. Monday, Dec. 16, at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, 306 W. Fourth St., Hinsdale.

Interment is at Bronswood Cemetery in Oak

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to Rush University Medical Center for Parkinson's disease research at http://rush.convio.net/rweiler or to the Parkinson's Foundation at https://www.parkinson.org/ways-to-give.

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ASK THE EXPERTS

IRIS SAGRADO & GLENN STEARS, FINANCIAL PLANNERS

What are some end-of-year financial tips?

Investors have a lot to celebrate in 2019, with the Dow Jones Industrial Average up nearly 20 percent this year. But with big gains come the potential for considerable tax liability if those profits are not prudently managed. That's where Iris Sagrado and Glenn Stears of 360Blue Financial Strategies in Hinsdale come in.

"Mutual fund companies have a lot to distribute in terms of capital gains, so the probability of people being hit (with taxes) and caught by surprise is greater than last year," Stears said.

Sagrado said IRAs have become an even more attractive tax shelter this year after the IRS raised contribution limits, based on one's age.

"If you're under 50, you can put up to \$6,500 this year into an IRA or a Roth IRA. If you're 50 and over, you can do up to \$7,000 on those accounts," she said.

Another option that grandparents, in particular, are drawn to is a 529 College Savings Plan, of which

many states have their own version.

"Now the time to get (the savings plan contribution) in and give it as a Christmas present," Sagrado remarked.

That's not to suggest parents can't open a 529 account, as well.

"(They) can get a tax deduction, also," she noted.

Sagrado urged people who turned age 70 1/2 in 2019 to make sure to take out their required minimum distribution.

"Because if you don't, they charge you 50 percent of whatever needed to come out for the year for any IRAs," she said.

"We want to make sure nobody falls through the cracks," Stears added, citing cases where funds were transferred from one carrier to another but the RMD was not tracked. "We've worked really hard to make sure that nobody gets caught by surprise."

Diversifying one's holdings is a sound strategy for clients, he stressed.

"They might have some that's in tax-free and some that's in tax-deferred and some in long-term growth," Stears said. "We can help through how they have their money positioned and lessen the

amount of taxes that they pay."

December is also a time when clients' thoughts turn to estate planning to provide for their loved ones.

"Everybody's thinking about family," Sagrado said. "Sometimes they have to change their beneficiaries or set up those wills and trusts."

The two teamed up in 2008, a partnership boasting more than half a century of financial planning experience (39 years for Stears, 13 for Sagrado).

"What we've always found is that clients pick up on the chemistry that we have together," Stears commented.

"We still have Glenn's first client from 1980!" Sagrado interjected.

They said the Great Recession is still fresh in people's minds and influencing their appetite for risk. Stears said people's attention now should be on the making the right decisions for an optimal fiscal position heading into 2020.

"As of Dec. 31, a lot of things get locked in," Stears said, while noting that IRA contributions can be made up to April 15. "Being prepared and attending to the details is a lot of what we're doing."

— by Ken Knutson



Glenn Stears and Iris Sagrado, co-owners of 360Blue Financial Strategies in Hinsdale, say the long-range approach is best when managing one's investments. "Don't get caught by surprise — that's really important nowadays," Stears said. (Jim Slonoff photo)



GOOD NEWS

HINSDALE MEADOWS WINS AWARDS

Hinsdale Meadows received a total of seven awards for design, innovation and interior design at the Home Builders Association of Greater Chicago's 47th Annual Key Awards Nov. 6 in Chicago.

Hinsdale Meadows, a new community of 64 duplex villa townhomes and cluster single family homes, located at the corner of 55th and County Line Road, earned the top award — the Crystal Key — given by the association for "best of the best" in innovation and creativity for its Torrington single family semi-custom home. In addition, the community earned two Platinum Keys and four Gold Keys for outstanding design: single family semi-custom home and multi-family townhomes, and excellence in interior design: single family home and multi-family townhomes.

Hinsdale Meadows, developed by affiliates of Edward R. James Companies of Glenview, was re-launched in 2017, fol-

lowing a re-zoning and re-positioning of the community to offer first-floor, "maintenance-free" living for residents seeking to downsize and/or upgrade into a new home with modern layouts, finishes and features.

A photo appears online at https://www.facebook.com/thehinsdalean.

COLLEGE STUDENTS EARN DEGREES

Two Hinsdale students were among the summer 2019 graduates at the University of Kansas.

Nicholas Andersen earned a bachelor's in business and Andrew Davis earned a bachelor's in business administration.

D181 MUSICIANS ON HONOR BAND

Two Clarendon Hills Middle School students and three Hinsdale Middle School students were selected to perform in the honor ensemble for the Illinois Music Education Association Junior High Honor Band.

CHMS students Richard Chen and Andrew Kim; and HMS students Catherine Yan, Sofia Antonelli and Patrick Benington participated in the prestigious honor band at the ILMEA Music Festival Nov. 9. They joined more than 500 students selected from 60-plus schools in the region.

Photos appear online at https://www.thehinsdalean.

MAZZOCHI NAMED TO CANCER BOARD

State Rep. Deanne M.
Mazzochi (R-47, Elmhurst) has been appointed to serve on the Illinois Childhood Cancer Board. Mazzochi's responsibilities on the board will include making recommendations for pediatric cancer research grants backed by the state.

"I look forward to directing funds toward innovative research and finding support for needed clinical studies to help accomplish this life-saving work," she said. "We also should encourage fundamental research on oncology models to design new cures, and ensure that Illinois has the most advanced and promising research centers and resources."

The Childhood Cancer
Research Board reviews grant
applications, makes recommendations and consults
with the Illinois Department
of Public Health in grant
making from funds within the
Childhood Cancer Research
Fund to public or private notfor-profit entities that conduct
childhood cancer research.

MPI WELCOMES NEW TEAM MEMBER

Bruce Bere has joined MPI Investment Management as vice president of operations.

He brings more than a decade of experience in sophisticated risk management analytics, securities trading and back-office administration. His career in finance began in 2006 on the Chicago



Bere

Mercantile
Exchange
working as
a derivatives
trading analyst
for an S&P
500 trading
firm, where he
advanced to
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ager. In 2011, Bere became director of risk management and trading for a Chicago based brokerage group. From 2014-19 he worked for Northern Trust as a team leader and project manager, overseeing risk management technology and related financial instruments. He managed financial analysts in Chicago, London and Bangalore and was responsible for the reporting on \$750 million of assets. In 2015 he received the Northern Trust Silver Award for Focused Client Relationships and in 2018 the company's Gold Award for Attention to Client Detail and Results.

He attended Trinity Christian College and lives with his wife and two children in Downers Grove.



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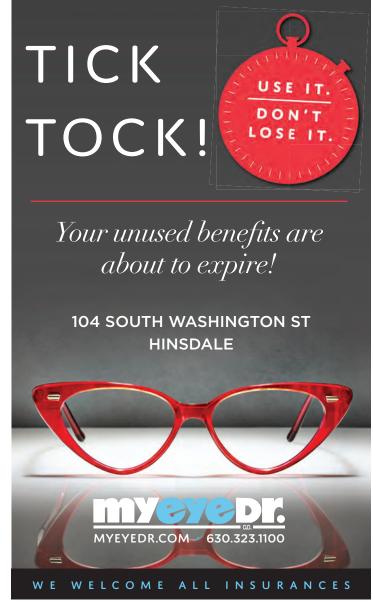
Christmas Walk ushers in holiday



Crowds of people filled the central business district and Burlington Park Friday evening to celebrate the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce's 54th annual Christmas Walk. Children lined up to visit Santa in his workshop at the park and waited to ride the Kiddie Express Train and Cookies Carousel. Amelia Irion got a quick dance in with Frosty. Amanda Ivanelli had as much fun as — or even more than her son, Enzo, did. (Jim Slonoff photos)









Village holiday traditions shine bright

From luminaria to open house, events give Hinsdale that hometown holiday feel

By Sandy Illian Bosch news@thehinsdalean.com

Part of what makes the holidays special are the traditions that adults and children alike come to know and love. One group of residents is bringing a special tradition back to life this holiday season, while two organizations are inviting residents to annual events that promise to help get folks in the Christmas spirit.

Luminaria tradition reignited

The residents of Golfview Hills will resurrect a longtime holiday tradition this year by setting out luminaria on Christmas Eve. Once a steadfast ritual in the Hinsdale neighborhood, the lights went out on the initiative more than a decade ago.

When Mary Jaworski moved to Golfview Hills three years ago, she missed the tradition she had enjoyed as a resident of Clarendon Hills. Her new neighbors spoke fondly of the Christmas Eves spent admiring their candle-lit neighborhood, and Jaworski become determined to bring the holiday lights back to her new home.

"My goal was to have 75 residents participate," said Jaworski, who has far surpassed that goal.

More than 100 homeowners will line the streets in front of their properties with candle-lit paper bags at dusk on Christmas Eve. An alternate date has been set for Jan. 1, in the event that weather is an issue.

In the season's spirit of giving, sales of the luminaria kits will benefit

Bridge Communities, an organization that helps people in DuPage County overcome homelessness through mentoring, housing and support services.

Jaworski said her neighbors aren't the only ones to get behind the return of luminaria in Golfview Hills. Generous donations from homeowners and businesses have lowered the cost of the project and increased the amount available to support Bridge Communities to \$2,500.

Jaworski said the luminaria will be displayed predominantly on 58th, Thurlow and Monroe streets. She hopes neighbors in Golfview Hills and beyond will pass through on Christmas Eve to witness the beauty of the luminaria and the magic of neighbors working together.

"It's inspiring. It's an opportunity to find some peace and unity together as a community," Jaworski said, and to share that peace and unity with all who pass by.

Sounds of the season



Edwards

The Allegrezza chorus will fill Union Church of Hinsdale with the sounds of Christmas at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 15. Co-founder and artistic director Stephen Edwards

said the holiday music included in this year's "Night Before Christmas" concert is as varied as the 38 voices that make up the choir.



Golfview Hills residents Mary Jaworski and Carol Pyle are among more than 100 homeowners set to light up the neighborhood with luminaria on Christmas Eve.



Jenna Krukowski and Carrie Rozich ready the Hinsdale History Museum for Saturday's open house. The event will beckon visitors back to Hinsdale of Christmases long ago. (Jim Slonoff photos)

Joined by Gaudete Brass, a Chicago quintet, Allegrezza has prepared holiday songs that range from gospel and jazz to traditional holiday carols.

Edwards, who also is the director of music and worship at Union Church, said the first half of the concert will include traditional carols and songs. While familiar to all, Edwards said some songs will be heard like never before.

"You would never imagine that 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star' could be so beautiful," Edwards said of the arrangement by Daniel Elder. "It's stunning."

The second half of the concert is a mix of sacred and secular songs, including the concert's namesake piece, "The Night Before Christmas." Set to the familiar poem, the piece features the Gaudete Brass in a performance that Edwards promises will leave the audience feeling "warm and fuzzy."

Composer Gary Fry's "Sing a Christmas Carol," which weaves together several familiar holiday tunes, and a compilation of spiritual carols by Michael McElroy promise a diverse yet consistently joyous celebration of the season.

Tickets to "The Night Before Christmas" are \$25 for general admission and \$20 for students. Purchases can be made online at https://www.allegrezzasingers.com or at the door. The church is at 137 S. Garfield Ave.

A portion of all ticket sales will benefit Care For Real, a Chicago organization that provides food, clothing and support to those in need.

Christmas past

Step back in time Saturday, Dec. 14, as the Hinsdale Historical Society recreates a Victorian Christmas inside its museum at 15 S. Clay Street.

Guests are invited to explore the museum and discover how the holidays were celebrated in Hinsdale's early years during the annual open house, set for noon to 4 p.m. The former home is decorated for the holidays, with a tree festooned in Victorian-era ornaments and other glimpses into what Christmas in Hinsdale was like more than a century ago.

Enjoy cookies, fruit and punch, crafts and more. At 1:30 p.m., the first 15 recipients to be honored in the Hinsdale Historical Society's recently revived Historic Plaque Program will be recognized.

An exhibit created by HHS programs and collections manager Jenna Krukowski includes photos of Hinsdale winters long ago.

From 2 to 2:30 p.m., museum guests will enjoy live music by the Hinsdale Chorale.

Carrie Rozich, HHS Women's Board co-chair and member of the HHS Board, said the open house is a chance for families to share an afternoon exploring the museum and the village they call home.

"This is an opportunity to bring everyone together and learn something in the process," she said.



The West Suburban Symphony Orchestra and Singers will present its annual family holiday concert, "Merry," Sunday afternoon at Hinsdale Central. See the Holiday Happenings listing on Page 32 for details. (photo provided)

ARTFULLY DONE

■ Vision Board Workshop

Jan. 12 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook (630) 206-9566 https://www.dupageforest.

Use writing, drawing, mark making and image gathering to ignite creative insight that brings themes of change, adventure, personal interest and inspiration to the surface of a large board. The class is for ages 18 and up. Time: 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost: \$75 plus \$5 supply fee due at class. RR

FAMILY FUN

■ Engineering

Dec. 14
Robert R. McCormick House
Cantigny Park
1S151 Winfield Road,
Wheaton
(630) 668-5161
https://www.cantigny.org

Families are invited to this monthly Second Saturday Family Program to celebrate and learn about remarkable

feats of engineering and make a personal creation using Lego bricks. Hours: noon to 3 p.m. Admission: Free with \$5 parking.

■ Cookies and Canvas

Dec. 14
The Community House
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale
(630) 323-7500
https://www.thecommunity-house.org

This class for kids ages 6 1/2 and older, along with parents, combines paints and sweets. Work with all kinds of painting approaches and then take the creations home. Time: 1 to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$25. RR, MD

■ Winter Solstice Bonfire

Dec. 21 Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs (708) 839-6897 https://www.fpdcc.com

Families are invited to enjoy short hikes, hot cocoa, s'mores, music and stories around the bonfire along with other

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Assembly instills lifetime of service for local teens

After spending their first few months away at school, a group of students will return home to Hinsdale over winter break to celebrate their cumulative efforts volunteering and raising money for a vital nonprofit.

Members of this year's Hinsdale Hospital Foundation Assembly will mark the completion of a two-year, \$200,000 fundraising commitment to AMITA Health Adventist St. Thomas Hospice Care to support its bereavement camps for children who have lost loved ones.

"The Assembly means everything to us," said Laura Cottrell, director of St. Thomas' Tommy's Kids Camp. "We are so grateful for them and their compassion for our camps and our families. We see our families and they leave camp and they are changed. It's amazing and beautiful."

The \$200,000 fundraising pledge will support the five-day summer camp at Hinsdale's Katherine Legge Memorial Park for at least six additional years, according to Cottrell.

Elementary school-aged children who are grieving the loss of a significant family member attend free of charge.

Now in its 56th year, the Hinsdale Assembly's 2019 class of 22 debutantes and 28 honor guard will be presented at the organization's annual ball on Dec. 23 at the Hilton Oak Brook Hills Resort.

"The Assembly's focus is community service and family," said Becky Mavon, this year's ball chair. "We are launching a lifetime of service for the (debutantes and honor guard) who have worked hard volunteering for organizations with different needs and demographics in their own backyard."

Starting in January, participants in their senior year of high school began volunteering at several local nonprofits, including the HCS Family Services Food Pantry, the Hinsdale Humane Society, Graue



Alexis BradenSociety spotlight

Mill and Bethlehem Woods Retirement Community in La Grange.

According to Mavon, whose son was a member of the 2018 honor guard, this year's class also will mark a significant milestone. Since its founding, the Assembly has gifted \$3 million to the Hinsdale Hospital Foundation.

Marquette University freshman Hannah

Eichelman, a 2019 Hinsdale Central graduate, credits the Assembly for teaching her how to give back to her community. Eichelman said the most rewarding part of her involvement was volunteering at the Frederick Graue House at Graue Mill.

Looking to the near future, the Assembly is directing its 2020-21 fundraising efforts to AMITA's Behavior Health Medicine Institute.

"Our hope is that we can really make an impact in the community for teens and adults living with mental health issues," Mavon said.
"By going beyond the hospital and getting into schools and other organizations, as well as informing the community, we can make an impact on this mental health epidemic."

Community buzz

The Pillars Community Health Ball will take place Feb. 1 at Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace.

Guests will enjoy dinner and dancing in a casino-inspired atmosphere with live music by the Connexion band.

The nonprofit integrates primary medical and dental care with mental health and social services to more than 10,000 people each year.

To purchase tickets, \$225 per person, visit https://www.pillarscommunityhealth.org/the-ball/.

— Alexis Braden of Hinsdale is the paper's society columnist. Readers can email her at news@thehinsdalean.com.

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entertainment and activities. Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person (cash or check). RR

■ Fishing: Hard Water Classic Jan. 11

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

Take part in the only competitive ice-fishing tournament in DuPage County, then stick around for door prizes and awards. Participants should bring their equipment and bait. All ages are welcome. If conditions aren't ideal, the event will take place Feb. 8. Time: noon to 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$20 in advance, \$25 at the event. RR

GAME ON

■ Winter Break Dodgeball Camp Dec 26-27

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

Kids ages 6-12 of all abilities will participate in friendly competition, while gaining the skills, passion and confidence necessary to live a healthy and active lifestyle. Participants should bring appropriate clothing a water bottle and running shoes. All participants will receive a merit award. Times: 9 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$70. RR, MD

■ Winter Break Basketball Camp

Dec. 30 & Jan. 2-3 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org

Kids ages 6-12 will learn the essentials of basketball in a safe, structured environment with lots of encouragement and a big focus on fun and respect for the game. Campers will explore balance, movement, hand/eye coordination, and skill development at their own pace. Participants should wear appropriate clothing and

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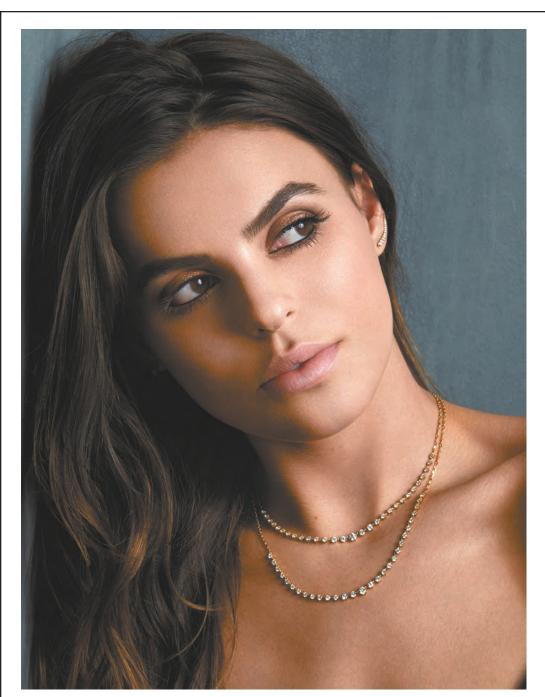
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■ 5 Star Winter Soccer Camp

Jan. 2-3 Hinsdale Central Field House 5500 S. Grant St. (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org

Kids ages 5-12 will focus on developing fundamental technique in a fun atmosphere that unlocks the game within each child. The camp is led by Hinsdale Central varsity boys coach Mike Wiggins. All participants need to bring a ball. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$95. RR, MD

GREAT OUTDOORS

■ Cross-Country Ski Seminar

Dec. 15 Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs (630) 257-2045 https://www.fpdcc.com

Learn the basics of cross-country ski equipment and how to prepare for one's first cross-country skiing experience. This program will be held only if ski trails are closed. Call the number listed above or visit the Sagawau Facebook page to check program status. Time: 1 p.m. RR

■ Stairs, Stories and S'mores

Dec. 14 Swallow Cliff Woods-North Calumet Sag Road and Route 83 near Palos Park (708) 386-4042 https://www.fpdcc.com

Enjoy stair climbing, storytelling, sledding, snowshoeing (weather permitting) and making s'mores. Hours: noon to 3 p.m.

■ Winter Solstice Bonfire

Dec. 21 Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs (708) 839-6897 https://www.fpdcc.com

The whole family is welcome to enjoy short hikes, hot cocoa, s'mores, music and stories around the bonfire and other entertainment and activities. Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person (cash or

check). RR

■ Forest Hike

Dec. 23 Fullersburg Woods 3609 Spring Road, Oak Brook (630) 850-8110 https://www.dupageforest. org

Gear up to enjoy some healthy exercise with a naturalist on a 3.8-mile walk exploring the wonders of the preserves. Participants should meet at the Visitor Information sign and bring water and a snack. The program is for ages 18 and up. Time: 8:30 to 10 a.m. Cost: \$5. RR

■ Winter Hike

Dec. 27 Sagawau Environmental Learning Center 12545 W. 111th St., Lemont (630) 257-2045 https://www.fpdcc.com

Join a Sagawau naturalist for a hike along trails. Families are welcome. This program will only be held if ski trails are open. Visit the Sagawau Facebook page to check program status. Time: 10 a.m.

HEALTH & WELLNESS

■ Understanding the Grief Process

Dec. 17 Wellness House 131 N. County Line Road, Hinsdale (630) 323-5150 https://www.wellnesshouse. org

Learn to understand the grief process and identify resources to guide one's healing and comfort following the loss of a loved one. The program is for those touched by cancer. Time: 6:30 to 8 p.m. RR

■ Yoga in the Mansion

Wednesdays, Jan. 8-29 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook (630) 206-9566 https://www.dupageforest.

Start the day with a yoga class in beautiful historic Mayslake Hall library. The class is designed for all levels and led by a certified yoga practitioner. Time: 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. Cost: \$40 in advance, \$14 per class for drop-ins.

JUST FOR KIDS

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■ Rosie Klepper Book Debut Dec. 14

Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Join local author Rosie Klepper as she reads from her new beautifully illustrated children's book with a fun rhythmic story about a town whose residents eat only vegetables every meal of the day. The program is aimed at kids in second grade and younger. Time: 11 to 11:45 a.m.

■ Harry Potter Engineering

Dec. 26-27 Burr Ridge Community Center 15W400 Harvester Drive (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

Explore the magic of Harry Potter using LEGO! Find Platform 9 3/4, build the Hogwarts Express Train, work cooperatively to construct the mysterious Hogwarts Castle, and soar on the wings of a Hungarian Horntail Dragon while learning about STEM concepts. Times: 9 a.m. to noon for Magical Engineering for ages 5-6, 1 to 4 p.m. for Master Engineering for ages 7-12. Cost: \$63. RR

■ Hinsdale in LEGOS

Dec. 28 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

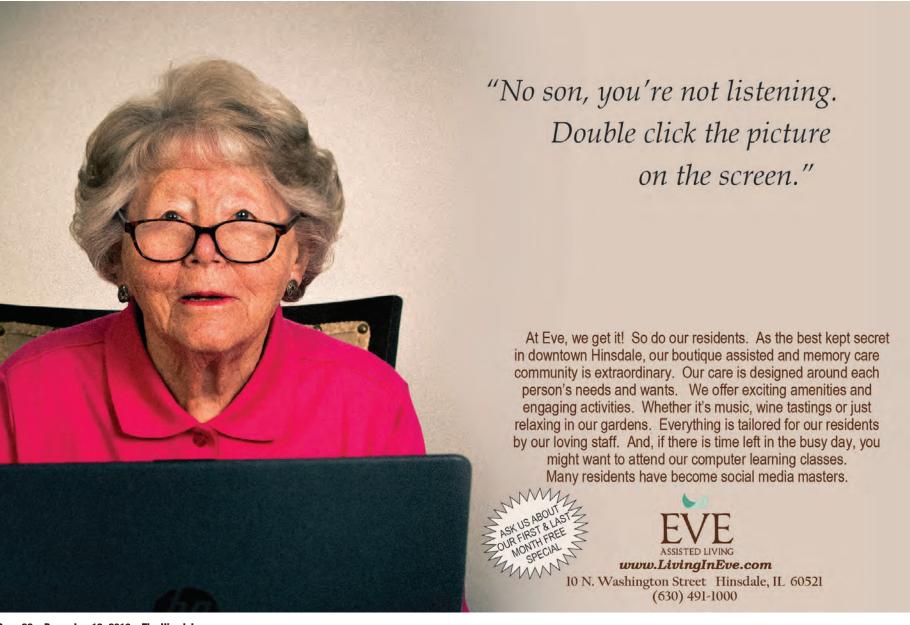
Junior architects and future city planners are invited to help rebuild the village of Hinsdale in LEGOS on a to-scale map. Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

■ Winter Break Arts Camp

Dec 30-Jan. 3 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org

Kids ages 5-8 will focus on a different type of artistic medium each day, led by an expert instructor in the field. Explore the art of video games,





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hiphop dance, puppetry and painting/drawing. Students are encouraged to bring old, oversized shirts to wear as smocks. Students should bring a nut-free snack with them as there will be a break during the class. No camp Jan. 1. Time: 9 a.m. to noon for kindergartners through second-graders, 1 to 4 p.m. for third- to fifth-graders. Cost: \$55 per day, \$200 for all four days. RR, MD

■ Wizards, Wands and Wildlife

Jan 3 and 4 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook 630-942-6200 https://www.dupageforest. org

Spend an enchanted evening at Mayslake Hall and attend magical courses to learn about nocturnal creatures, insect transformations, and ways wildlife find food. Solve mysteries by investigating real animal bones. Feel free to dress in magical attire and bring a wand, or visit the wand maker on site. Light refreshments will be served, and there will be a gift shop for purchasing stuffed owls and other creatures. The program is for ages 8 and up; under 18 must be with an adult. Times: 6 to 9 p.m. Jan. 3, 3 to 6 p.m. Jan. 4. Cost: \$15.

NOTEWORTHY

■ Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra

Jan. 11 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook (630) 941-0202 https://www.elmhurstsymphony.org

Enjoy a delightful afternoon of Mozart, and take a guided tour of the mansion at 1 p.m. for an extra \$5. The concert is for ages 12 and up; those under 18 must be with an adult. Time: 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tickets: \$30, \$12 for students.

ON STAGE

■ Hyprov: Improv Under Hypnosis

Jan. 12 McAninch Arts Center College of DuPage 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn (630) 942-4000 https://www.atthemac.org

Hypnosis and improv come together through hypnotist Asad Mecci and improvisa-

tional comic Colin Mochrie (of "Whose Line Is It Anyway" fame), as volunteers from the audience are put under, and methodically and hysterically whittled down until the five best are left onstage. Time: 4 p.m. Tickets: \$55-\$70.

■ 'Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's Mary Poppins'

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■ Archery: Adults

Jan. 9 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook (630) 933-7248 https://www.dupageforest.

Newcomers and experienced archers will learn safety tips, proper shooting techniques and basic skills. This program is inside Mayslake Hall, and equipment is provided. Participants must arrive before the safety instructions at the start of the program. Time: 10 to 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$5. RR

SPECIAL EVENTS

■ LEGO Train Show

Dec. 14 & 15 Cantigny Park Visitors Center & McCormick House 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton https://www.cantigny.org

The largest show of the year produced by the Northern Illinois LEGO Train Club returns to Cantigny. Hours: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 14, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 15. Admission: Free with \$5 parking; parking is free with a donation of a new and unwrapped toy for the Marine Toys for Tots.

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■ Star Wars Extravaganza

Dec. 26 & 27 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Come to the library and participate in activities all day that celebrate the new Star Wars movie. Hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

■ Trivia Night

Jan. 11 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale https://www.hinsdalehistory.

Join the Hinsdale Historical Society for an evening of fun and healthy competition at this fourth annual event. Each team of 10 is encouraged to come up with a historically-based theme for their table and teams should plan to bring their own food to share with their table. Beer and wine service is included in ticket cost. Prizes will be awarded. Time: 7 p.m. doors open, 7:30 p.m. trivia begins. Cost: \$350

for table of 10. RR

STEPPING BACK

■ Great Chicago Fire

Dec. 19 Cantigny Park Visitors Center 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton (630) 260-8162 https://www.cantigny.org

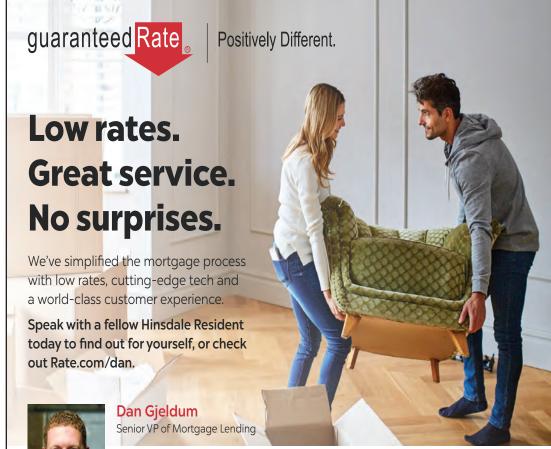
Brian Failing, executive director of Aurora Regional Fire Museum, discusses the Great Chicago Fire and its impact. Time: noon to 1 p.m. Admission: Free with \$5 parking. RR

■ Mayslake Hall Franciscan Era **Tour**

Jan. 7 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook (630) 206-9566 https://www.dupageforest.

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away curious visitors. The program is for ages 12 and up; those under 18 must be with an adult. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$15.

TEENS & TWEENS

■ American Red Cross **Babysitter's Certification**

Jan. 3 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org

Kids ages 11-16 will get the knowledge, skill and confidence needed to care for infants and school-age children. This training will help participants develop skills in leadership and professionalism; safety and safe play; and first aid through video, activities, hands-on skills training and discussion for a complete learning experience. Participants must be present for the entire the class to receive certification and should bring a sack lunch. Time: 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Cost: \$100. RR, MD

WINE & DINE

■ Corks & Forks

Feb. 21 The Lodge at KLM Park 5901 S. County Line Road, Hinsdale (630) 789-7097 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

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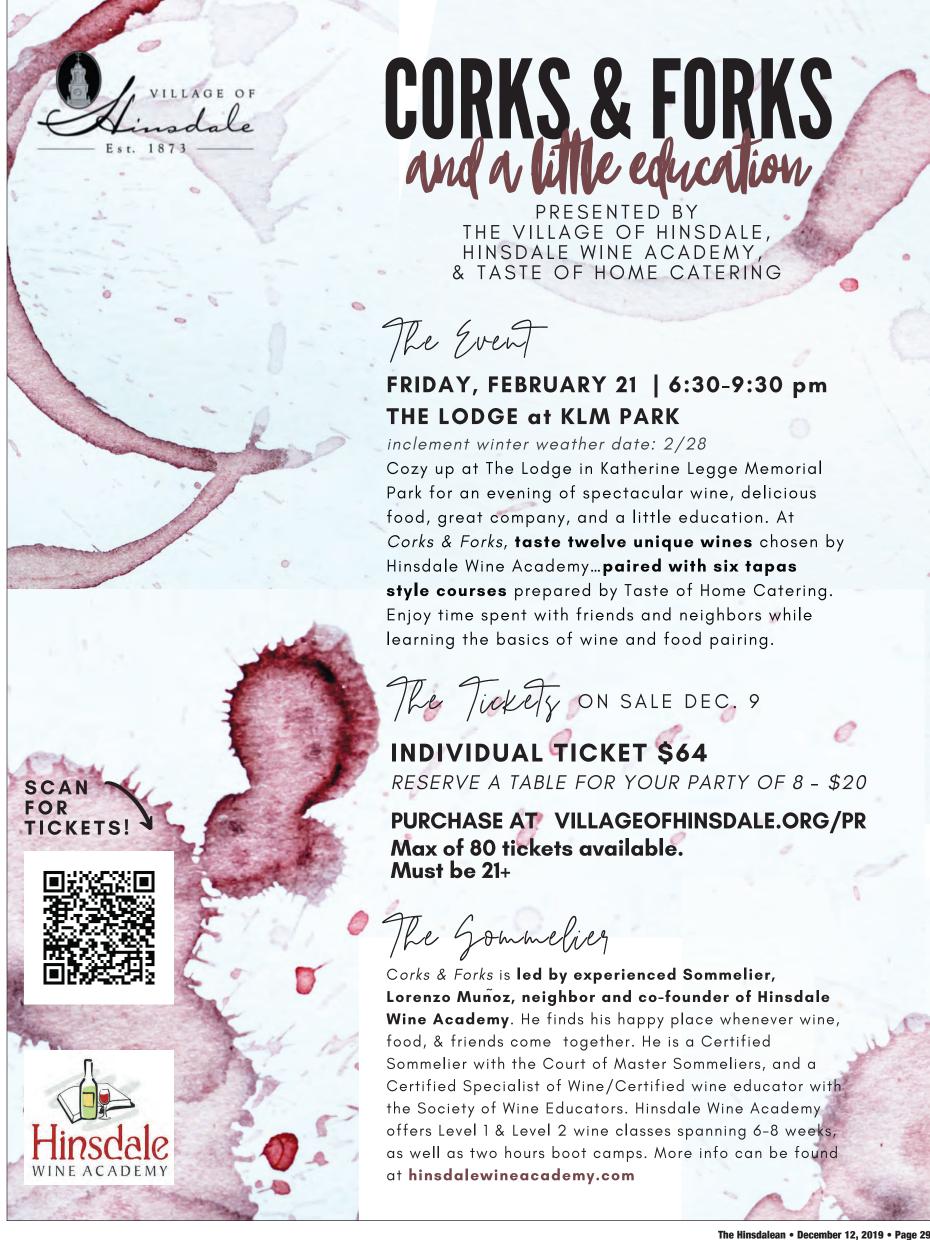
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■ Next Chapter Social Club: Interactive 'Elf' screening

Dec. 12 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Next Chapter Social Club is a series of programs specially designed for teens 16 and older and adults with disabilities. Each attendee will receive a bag of props and treats to be used at certain times throughout the movie "Elf." Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. RR

■ Holly Jolly Trolley

Dec. 13 Immanuel Hall 302 S. Grant St., Hinsdale https://www.hinsdalehistory. org (630) 789-2600

View the best-lit homes of Hinsdale on this 20-minute tour sponsored by the Hinsdale Hitorical Society Women's Board. Tickets include live music, sweet treats, kid crafts and warm beverages (adult and child friendly). Time: tours leave every 30 minutes from 5:30 to 8:30. Cost: \$25 a seat. RR

■ 'A Christmas Carol: In Concert'

Dec. 13-15 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org

Make the second annual staged reading of Charles Dickens' holiday classic — performed by friends and neighbors — part of the holiday tradition. Times: 7:30 Dec. 13 & 14, 2 p.m. Dec. 15. Tickets: \$18. RR

■ Historic Holidays in Hinsdale Dec. 14 Burlington Park

30 E. Chicago Ave. villageofhinsdale.org

Meet Santa, decorate gingerbread cookies and enjoy a horse-drawn carriage ride before exploring the unique boutiques and delicious restaurants in town. Time: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

■ Brunch with the Grinch Dec. 14

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Twenty-two Debutantes and twenty-eight Honor Guard will be presented at the 56th annual Hinsdale Assembly Ball to be held Monday, December 23, 2019 at the Hilton Oak Brook Hills Resort. The Ball is the culmination of a busy year for these young women and men, who learned about the importance of philanthropy and community service through a variety of volunteer service experiences. For 2019, the Hearned about the importance of philantinropy and community service through a variety of volunteer service experiences. The 2019 and Hinsdale Assembly has committed to donate \$100,000 to Hinsdale Hospital's St. Thomas Hospice — a non-profit organization devoted to serving patients and families through compassionate, supportive, and holistic care at the final stage of life. This donation will support their kids' bereavement camps.

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Cantigny Golf 27W270 Mack Road, Wheaton (630) 260-8188 https://www.cantigny.org

Feast on a Grinch-themed buffet, enjoy a viewing of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas" and meet the Grinch. Time: 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. seatings. Cost: \$38, \$33 for ages 4-10, \$5 for kids 3 and younger. RR

■ Breakfast with Santa

Dec. 14-15 Brookfield Zoo 8400 31st St. (708) 688-8355 https://www.czs.org

Bring the family to the zoo for an enjoyable all-you-caneat breakfast buffet and then stroll around the park to see favorite animals. Bring a camera for photo opportunities with Santa and Mrs. Claus. Animal costumed characters and musical entertainment will add to the festivities. Time: 9 and 11 a.m. seatings. Cost: \$29.95 for adults, \$21.95 for children ages 3 to 11, free for

children 2 and younger. RR

■ Holiday Art and Craft Market

Dec. 14-15 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook (630) 206-9566 https://www.dupageforest.

Shop for quality artisan holiday gifts for family and friends, with a portion of the proceeds benefiting the restoration of Mayslake Hall. Time: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

■ 'The Nutcracker'

Dec. 14-15 McAninch Arts Center College of DuPage 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn (630) 942-4000 https://www.atthemac.org

Salt Creek Ballet's production of this holiday classic makes its debut at the MAC, accompanied by the New Philharmonic under the baton of maestro Kirk Muspratt. Photo opportunities will be available with Santa one hour before each matinée. Times: 2 and 7 p.m. Dec. 14, 1 and 5 p.m. Dec. 15. Tickets: \$44, \$42

for seniors, \$34 for youth 18 and younger.

■ Holiday Afternoon Tea

Dec. 14, 21 & 28 Lucille Restaurant at Drury Lane 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace (630) 530-8300 https://www.lucillerestaurant. com

Indulge in holiday afternoon tea while a live pianist plays favorite carols. Keep warm with seasonal teas, enjoy unlimited champagne and choose from enticing desserts. Reservations must be made 24 hours in advance. Time: 1 p.m. Cost: \$40, \$30 for children under 12.

■ 'Merry'

Dec. 15 Hinsdale Central High School 55th and Grant streets (630) 887-7464 https://www.westsubsymphony.org

The West Suburban Symphony Orchestra and Singers, conducted by Peter Lipari, will present their annual holiday concert featuring Suites 1 and 2 of "Many Moods of Christmas," popular medleys of carols created in 1963 by Robert Shaw and Robert Russell Bennett, Alfred Reed's Russian Christmas Music plus holiday tunes from the movies and other seasonal favorites. Santa has promised to drop in at intermission with treats for children. The concert is perfect for all generations. Time: 3:30 p.m. Tickets: \$25, \$23 for seniors, \$5 for teens, free for children 12 and younger. RR

■ Dinner with Santa

Dec. 15
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8 E. First St.
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https://www.ilpoggiolohins-dale.com

Enjoy a delicious dinner, meet Santa and receive a special gift. A special children's menu will be available in addition to standard offerings. Time: 4 to 8 p.m. RR

■ Brunch with Santa

Dec. 15 Brookfield Zoo 8400 31st St. (708) 688-8355

https://www.czs.org/events

Bring your appetite for a delectable all-you-can-eat holiday brunch at Bocaditos. Enjoy an appearance by Santa and Mrs. Claus and costumed characters, all of whom will be available for photos. Time: 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. seatings. Cost: \$44.95 for adults, \$43.95 for children ages 3-11, free for children 2 and younger. RR

■ Hinsdale's 12 Days of Holiday Cheer

Through Dec. 17

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Dec. 19

The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale

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■ Supper with St. Nick

Dec. 20-23 Morton Arboretum 4100 Route 53, Lisle (630) 275-2066 https://www.mortonarb.org

Make the holiday season special by enjoying an decadent buffet dinner in the historic Thornhill Mansion. Then head over to the Founder's Room for a special visit with Santa in front of the fireplace. After dinner, enjoy Illumination, which is included in the ticket price. Time: 5 to 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$95, \$80 for young adults 13-20, \$65 for kids 3-12, free for children younger than 3. RR, MD

■ Holiday concert

Dec. 21 Amita Adventist Medical Center

120 N. Oak St., Hinsdale

Bill and Caroline Johnson, a husband-and-wife singing duo, will give a free Christmas concert in the hospital's lobby, featuring piano, guitar, and vocals.

■ 'A Christmas Carol' Radio Show

Dec. 21 Cantigny Park 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton (630) 260-8162 https://www.cantigny.org

Enjoy Charles Dickens' classic holiday story presented inside historic Freedom Hall as an old-time radio show on WGN, then one of Robert McCormick's media properties. Times: 3 and 5 p.m. Admission: free with \$5 parking. RR

■ Brunch with Santa

Dec. 22 Le Jardin Cantigny Park 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton (630) 260-8188 https://www.cantigny.org Enjoy a special holiday buffet, meet and take a photo with Mr. C. and enjoy a balloon artist and face painters. Time: 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. seatings. Cost: \$38 for adults, \$33 for kids ages 4-12, \$5 for children 3 and younger. RR

■ 'A Christmas Carol'

Through Dec. 23 Drury Lane Theatre 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace (630) 530-0111 https://www.drurylanetheatre.

This adaptation of Charles Dickens' holiday classic is sure to delight audience members of all ages. The performance lasts 60 minutes with no intermission. Breakfast with Santa is offered in conjunction with the show Saturdays, Nov. 30 to Dec. 21. Dinner with Santa is available Dec. 3 and 18. Show times: See website for a complete list. Tickets: \$20 for the show, additional cost for meals.

■ Characters on Ice

Sundays through Dec. 29 Parkway Bank Park 5501 Park Place, Rosemont https://www.parkwaybankpark.com

Join the fun every Sunday in December and ice skate with favorite characters on the Chicago Wolves Ice Rink. Skate with Batman and Catwoman Dec. 15, Santa and Mrs. Claus Dec. 22 and Peter Pan and Captain Hook Dec. 29. Bring skates or rent them at the rink. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. Cost: \$8 skate rental.

■ Holiday Magic

Weekends through Dec. 22 & Dec. 26-31 Brookfield Zoo 8400 31st St. (708) 688-8000 https://www.czs.org

Sing to the animals and enjoy professional ice-carving demonstrations, magic shows, a 41-foot talking tree and special visits with Santa and Mrs. Claus (through Dec. 22). A full schedule of music and live entertainment is available on the website listed above. The Chicago Wolves skating rink is also open. Hours: 4 to 9 p.m. Admission: \$21.95 for adults, \$15.95 for children 3-11 and seniors 65 and older, free for children 2 and younger plus

\$14 for parking. MD

■ New Year's Eve concerts

Dec. 31 McAninch Arts Center 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn (630) 942-4000 https://www.atthemac.org

New Philharmonic, under the baton of Maestro Kirk Muspratt, rings in the New Year with guest artist and Lyric Opera's Ryan Opera Center sensation Annie Rosen, mezzo-soprano. Following each performance, audience members will have the opportunity to join Muspratt and the performers in the lobby for a "Cookies with Kirk" reception. Rosen will be featured in "Mon Coeur" from Camille Saint-Saens' "Samson and Delilah," "Doing What Comes Naturally" from Irving Berlin's popular musical "Annie Get Your Gun" and more. The program also includes music by Johan Strauss Sr., Strauss II, Hellmesberger, Richard Rodgers, John Williams and a few special surprises. Times: 2, 5:30 and 9 p.m. Tickets: \$67.

■ Illumination: Tree Lights

Through Jan. 5 Morton Arboretum 4100 Route 53, Lisle (630) 725-2066 https://www.mortonarb.org

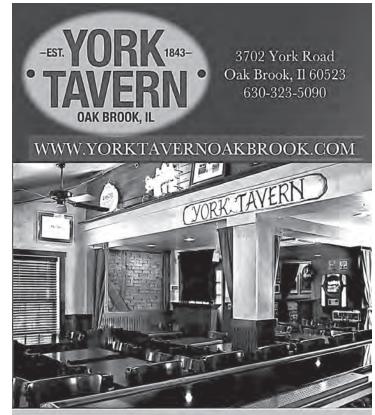
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■ Farmhouse Museum Tours: **Christmas Memories**

Through Jan. 6 Kline Creek Farm 1N600 County Farm Road, West Chicago (630) 876-5900 https://www.dupageforest.

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The Marine Toys for Tots program is collecting new, unwrapped toys to deliver a message of hope that will inspire youngsters in need to grow into responsible, productive, patriotic citizens.

■ Tree of Remembrance

Through Dec. 25 Lincoln and First streets, Hinsdale (630) 856-6970

Amita St. Thomas Hospice once again has decorated its Tree of Remembrance outside of BMO Harris Bank. Make a donation and have a loved one's name listed on the boards beside the tree. Envelopes are available next to

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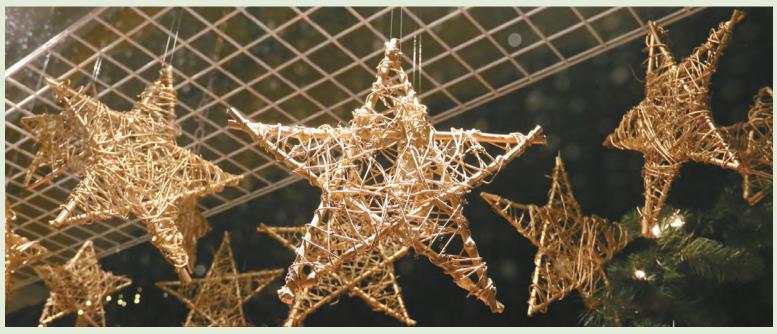
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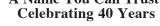
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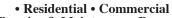
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Each bid must be accompanied by a Bid Guarantee in the form of a Bid Bond. Certified Check or Bank Draft in an amount equal to and not less than ten percent (10%) of the bid and made payable to the Hinsdale Public Library Board of Trustees. No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the bid opening date without the consent of the Owner. Checks or drafts of unsuccessful Bidders will be returned as soon as practical, after opening and checking the bids. Successful Bidder must provide a Performance Bond and a Labor and Material Payment Bond in the full amount of the Contract, acceptable to the Owner.

Bids shall be submitted in an opaque sealed envelope clearly marked as SEALED BID and addressed to:

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Documents. The required Qualification Documents must be delivered along with the Bidder's sealed bid at the same place and time required for the bid. Contents of each Bidder's Qualification Documents will be available for public review. The Qualification Documents will be reviewed by the Owner and Architect to determine the lowest responsible Bidder

Bidding documents consist of drawings, project manuals, plus all addenda issued prior to bids; and may be obtained electronically and reproduced at the Bidder's expense from Cross Rhodes Reprographics, 30 Eisenhower Lane North, Lombard, IL 60148, (630) 963-4700.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting walk-through for general contractors will be held at 9:30 a.m., prevailing time, on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at the Hinsdale Public Library located at 20 E. Maple Street, Hinsdale, IL Subcontractors are encouraged, but not required to After the pre-bid attend. meeting, everyone shall visit the site to view the area of work, gather additional information, and ask specific questions. There shall be only one scheduled walk- through of the site. Attendance shall be taken at the site to ensure that all contractors have visited the site. Non-attendance can be grounds for rejection of bid.

Board of Trustees Hinsdale Public Library Hinsdale, DuPage County, Illinois

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by Linda Thistle

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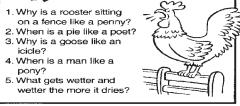
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

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FIND THE SEVEN WORDS PUZZLE! In the word square at the right, we've removed six of the letters to spell out the word "TIRADE." See if you can replace these letters in the squares so that you'll have four three-letter words across and three four-letter words down. The time limit is 60 seconds.

Answers: (Across): Dam, era, ail, rat. (Down): Dear, aria, mait.



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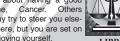
CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
Capricorn, if you are thinking about a career change, take a step back and give this decision considerable thought.

Look for hints as to the direction you should on direction you should go.















AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18
Aquarius, do not surround yourself with negative thought patterns, which could hinder your success. Better to stay positive and embrace those who share your outlook.

TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
Taurus, it is up to you to initiate action over the next several days. The situation may be uncomfortable, but you will be able to handle it. AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18





LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, many things are beyond your control. However, one place where you can take action concerns your personal health. Schedule a well wisit soon.



SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22
Others cannot quite figure you out lately, Scorpio. It is good to have an air of mystery about you. Keeping everyone guessing may give you a slight advantage.







PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
With eyes on the future and resolutions, now might be the perfect time to go back to school or gain extra skills applicable to your career, Pisces.

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SPORTS

CENTRAL PLAYERS ALL-CONFERENCE

Nine members of the Hinsdale Central High School football team have been named All-Conference in the West Suburban Conference Silver Division.

They are Kiran Amegadjie, Michale Brescia, Braden Contreras, Nick Franko, Owen Goss, Ryan Orput, Luke Pyle, Chris Robinson and Lucas Schwartz.

LISTON NAMED ALL-CONFERENCE

Jimmy Liston of Hinsdale earned All-Conference second team honors from Chicago Catholic League/ East Suburban Catholic Conference.

Liston, a sophomore at Fenwick High School, was selected for his performance as the team's center. He also plays defensive tackle. He joined the varsity squad as a freshman and has started in 18 consecutive games.

LILLARD HEADS TO INTER MIAMI CF

Hinsdale native Grant Lillard has joined Major League Soccer's Inter Miami CF ahead of the team's inaugural MLS season. The 23-year-old center back was traded by the Chicago Fire in exchange for \$75,000 general allocation money. He signed a Homegrown Player contract with the Chicago Fire in January 2018 and made 14 appearances for team over two seasons.

"Grant is a promising young defender," said Paul McDonough, Inter Miami CF's sporting director. "We are in the midst of building our team and adding key pieces to complement our supplemental roster."

Before joining the Fire, he starred for Indiana University where was named a MAC Hermann Trophy finalist, First Team All-America by United Soccer Coaches, Big Ten Defensive Player of the Year and First-Team All-Big Ten as a senior.

SKOKNA LIFTS THE HAWKS TO VICTORY

Hinsdale's Luke Skokna helped his University of North Dakota football team defeat Southern Utah 36-18 on Nov. 23 to ensure the Fighting Hawks completed a perfect 6-0 record.

Skokna, a freshman, found out he was getting his redshirt pulled just prior to the game and responded with the best game of his young career, rushing for 114 yards and two scores on 11 carries. He become the first freshman to rush for over 100 yards for the school since 2015.

KRAMER GETS GRIDIRON HONOR

Doug Kramer of Hinsdale earned All-Big Ten Honorable Mention honors from the conference's football coaches and media for his performance this season as center for University of Illinois. Kramer has been graded as the sixth best center in the nation by Pro Football Focus, and University of Minnesota head coach P.J. Fleck called Kramer one of the best he's seen on film at C "in any year at any level."



SPORTS — ROUNDUP

STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



Name: Max Fellows Year: senior Hometown: Hinsdale

When did you start bowling?

Eighth grade. My friends and I just decided it would be fun to go to the bowling alley, and I just started going bowling a lot since.

What is the biggest misconception about bowling?

It takes a lot more mental strength than people think. It's also not just an individual sport. It very heavily revolves around a team, and there are so many opportunities to help newer bowlers and just learn from other people.

What is your highest score?

268. I think (it was) a year ago.

When do you bowl your best?

I bowl my best when my temperament is very calm and relaxed and mellow and also — I think this goes for a lot of bowlers — once you get on a roll, like three or four strikes in a row, you really start to feel it and get in a groove.

What advice do you have for underclassmen?

One big thing that a lot of new bowlers have trouble with is staying focused even if they are doing poorly. It's very easy to get caught in a bad mindset if you're not having a great game, especially for the rest of the day. After your bad game you just have to reset and think of it as a new day.

What is the best advice you've gotten from a coach?

Don't pay attention to what the other team is doing — just pay attention to yourself and how you're bowling.

What is your goal for the season?

I want to get above a 190 average and I would like to get a 600 series.

Will you continue bowling after high school?

There's not many colleges with bowling, but I would definitely do some adult leagues here and there.

Why does coach Alex Hipskind like having him on the team?

Max has been with the program for all four years and has experienced highs and lows during that time period. He always remains the same – unflappable. Max does not allow anything to impact him. He just shows up and bowls for us. His actions are great for the younger guys - he's dealing with a pretty significant thumb injury but does not complain or make excuses. Max's demeanor and actions are what all bowlers should emulate. Our program has been very fortunate to have Max Fellows.

> — profile by Pamela Lannom, photo by Jim Slonoff

RESULTS

Basketball, boys Dec. 10 @ Proviso West V wins 79-Isaacson, 40 points Sessa, 24 points Dec. 7 vs. Notre Dame V loses 40-61

Basketball, girls Dec. 7 vs. York V loses 40-58 Cernugel, 20 points Monyek, 8 points Sarros, 7 points Butler, 3 points Amegadjie, 2 points

Bowling, boys Dec. 9 vs. IC Catholic Prep V wins 2,637-2,170 Thomas, 266 Dec. 5 vs. LT V loses 2,593-2,629

Bowling, girls
Dec. 10 @ Addison
Trail
V loses 2,376-2,882
Dec. 5 @ York
V loses 2,412-3,213

Gymnastics, girls Dec. 4 @ LT V wins 132.75-124.2 Vault Klobach, 1st, 9.05 Sommers, 3rd, 8.1 Austin, 7th, 7.9 French, 8th, 7.85 Uneven bars Klobach, 1st, 8.6 French, 2nd, 8.3 Sommers, 3rd, 8.1 Marino, 4th, 8 Balance beam Sommers, 1st, 8.5 Klobach, 3rd, 8.4 Koulouris, 5th, 8.2 Widfeldt, 8th, 7.4 Floor exercise Klobach, 1st, 8.85 Austin, 2nd, 8.55 French 3rd 8.5 Widfeldt, 4th, 8.45 All-around Klobach, 1st, 34.9 Sommers, 2nd, 33.05

Hockey Dec. 10 vs. York V loses 2-3 Dec. 7 vs. Lincoln-Way V wins 6-3

Swimming, boys
Dec. 7 @ Naperville
Central
V wins 120-50
200-yard medley
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Lahmann, Cho,
Cochlan, E. Ozgen,
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B. Ozgen, 3rd,
1:46.87
200-yard freestyle
Benington, 1st,
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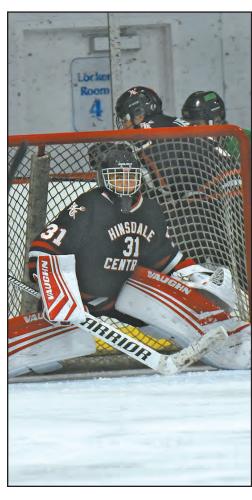
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Wrestling
Dec. 7 @ Plainfield
North Mega Duals
vs. Plainfield North
V wins 39-38
vs. Lincoln-Way
East
V wins 39-33
vs. Wheeling
V wins 72-9
vs. Minooka
V loses 19-60
Dec. 6 vs. Downers
North
V wins 39-28

Instant replay





Hinsdale Central's Ben Ognibene defends the goal while teammate Michael McCormick advances the puck up the ice during Tuesday's match against York at Willowbrook Ice Arena. The Red Devils fell to the Dukes 3-2. (photos by Steve Johnston for The Hinsdalean)

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Register and Pay Online @ www.hinsdalell.org

A Great Program Right Here in Hinsdale - Details are as follows:

- Fee \$250.00 Per Player
- Registration is for Hinsdale school children born before Sept. 2014 up to age 12
- Registration will close on 2/15, if your son/daughter is not registered before 2/15 they will NOT be able to play

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- Register at www.hinsdalell.org
- Click register from your phone or computer
- Follow prompts to create a new account
- Follow steps to register your child

Workout Day - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Jan. 26th at HCHS Field House

- 6YO 9:00am
- 7YO 9:45am
- 8YO 10:30am
- 9YO and New Kids 10-12YO 11:15am

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- As you register your child, there will be a section where you can volunteer to coach
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Tentative 2020 Season Schedule

- Player Evaluation 1/26/20 (weather permitting)
- HLL draft 2/29/20
- Registration starts 12/16/19 Practices start week of April 1, 2020
- Registration closes 2/15/20 Opening Day tentatively 4/5/20
 - Watch your emails for more info!

SPORTS

Red Devils battle in pool, on mat, ice

Boys swimming, wrestling, hockey programs are the focus of winter preview finale

By Ken Knutson

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The Hinsdale Central boys swim & dive and wrestling teams have begun their 2019-20 seasons, and the Central hockey club started back in September.

Central boys swimmers are sharpening their strokes in pursuit of another top-10 finish at state, while the wrestling team has a number of veterans with postseason ambitions. The hockey program has had a strong first half of its season and is looking stay hot on the ice.

This is the third and final installment in the winter sports preview series. Previous stories appeared in the Nov. 21 and Dec. 5 issues.

Hockey

First game: Sept. 17 vs. St. Rita (V won 8-2)

Last year: 20-8-4 in Illinois West; reached fourth round of state tournament

Head coach: Jim Swoyer **Years as head coach:** three

Roster size: 20

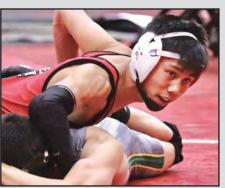
Team strengths: They're very much of a team. In the beginning of the year we took the team to Minocqua, Wis., for "Battle Camp." We practiced twice a day, did ziplining, off-ice training and on-ice training. I think they really bonded and got to know each other.

Areas for growth: Our focus is to reduce our goals against. We have some mental lapses and some breakdowns defensively. We need to clean that up. We are able to put the puck in the net, we just need to do a better job of keeping the puck out of the net.

Who to watch: Senior forward Jack Ferrino is leading the league in points.







The Hinsdale Central varsity wrestling, boys swimming and hockey teams are working to put forth their best competitive efforts representing Red Devil Nation this winter. (file photos)

Junior forward Michael McCormick moves the puck well and just focuses on playing the game and doesn't get distracted by other stuff. Junior defenseman Louis Naphin, we feel like we can pretty much put him into any situation and he will hold his ground and do what he needs to do.

Season outlook: We had three goals heading into this season: win the Illinois West (league), finish in the top 10 in the state and go deep in the state tournament. The majority of our games have been against top teams in the state. We want to compete with the best teams in the state, and that's what we're doing. Two different times this season we've been ranked in the state's top 10, and I would expect us to continue to grow and get better so that by the time we get into January and February, we're going to be right where we want to be.

Boys swimming

First meet: Dec. 6 @ St. Charles East Tri-Meet (V places 2nd with 123 points)

Last year: seventh at state

Head coach: Bob Barber **Years as head coach:** 6 **Roster size:** 21

Team strengths: We are very deep in the breast-stroke and the individual medley. We're starting to show potential in the sprint freestyle and backstroke. Our relays kind of show off our depth and that we have a lot of kids that are involved in swimming. It allows for more participation and helps us get a lot more points.

Areas for growth: We had quite a few kids graduate last spring that went on to swim in college. Unfortunately we didn't know how we were going to fill many of the holes. I think our growth is twofold: giving the kids an

understanding of what voids we can fill and understanding what the good challenges and good goals should be for us. We don't quite have a defined past, and that's a good thing. We're just working hard.

Who to watch: Senior Cullen Cochlan is a Pitt recruit and is a key component as a returning state qualifier in the butterfly and a relay member finalist; junior Nolan Lahmann swims backstroke and butterfly and the medley relay; senior Michael Benington in the IM and a state qualifier in the 500 freestyle; senior Alex Daw, a Saint Louis University recruit, in the IM and breaststroke; junior John Tischke in freestyle and butterfly; and junior Erkan Ozgen in sprint freestyle, with the potential to fill holes for us.

Season outlook: We don't really know in conference where we fall. There are lot of strong teams, and it looks like LT could run away with it, so we're going to be chasing them both at conference and sectionals. Any given year, we're looking to be a top-10 team.

Wrestling

First meet: Nov. 26 vs. Naperville North (V loses 30-31)

Last year: 4th at regionals

Head coach: Jason Hayes

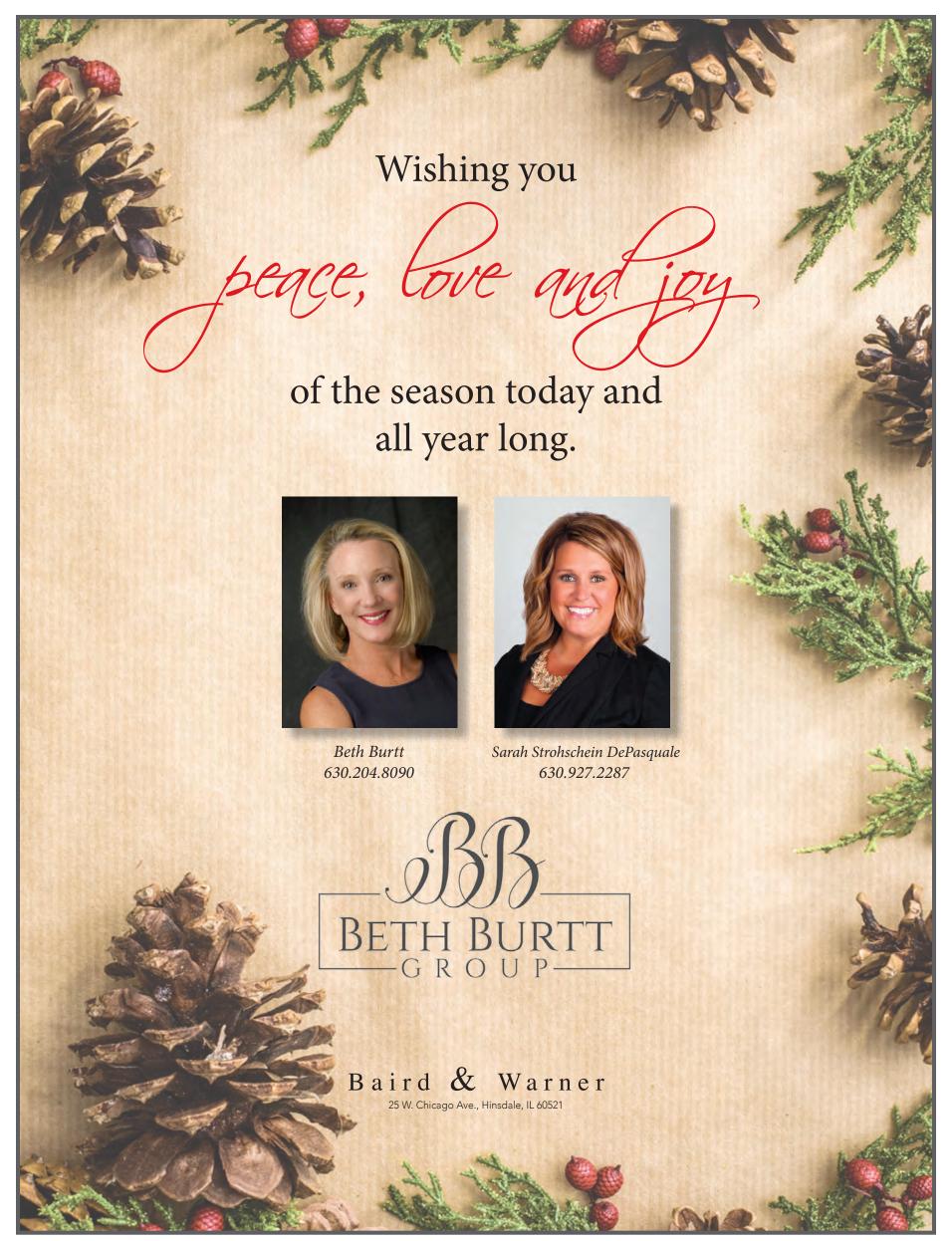
Years as head coach: 11 Roster size: 41

Team strengths: We've got some guys that have some experience this year. We have a heavy senior class, a few juniors and a couple of sophomores. They know the expectations and the toughness of our conference and that every match counts, every point counts.

Areas for growth: We just focus on getting better every week and focus on the process, not only physically but mentally as well. Every match is going to be a grind, and we need to make sure that we're getting better and wrestling our best come late January and February.

Who to watch: senior captain Ron Kruse, junior captains Chris Robinson and Andrew Perez, senior Mark Skokna, sophomore Thomas Skokna, junior Daniel Aviles and junior Tim Song. Those are guys who have some experience.

Season outlook: I think we've got a few guys that can get down state individually. Every match is preparation for the tournament series. You have to approach it all as preparation. We're also teaching these kids to be better human beings and to overcome adversity. Are you going to dwell on the negative or are you going to bounce back?



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