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A tangled web — **of slime!** — Ben Schroeder of Hinsdale gets tied up in his slime during The Community House's winter break camp Dec. 28. The Community House offered three days of camp each of the holiday weeks to help keep kids busy and entertained. (photo by Steve Johnston for The Hinsdalean)



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NEWS

New year uncorks more requests for liquor licenses

By Ken Knutson

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Several new or modified liquor license requests have been submitted by local businesses recently, and trustees discussed the applications at their Tuesday night meeting.

night meeting.

Revealing that Baldinelli,
114 S. Washington St.,
is poised to be sold next
month, village officials said
the prospective new owner,
who would keep it as a pizza
restaurant, has requested a
license to sell packaged beer,
wine and liquor. The eatery
currently has a license to sell
beer and wine for in-house
consumption only.

Toni Patisserie & Cafe, 51 S. Washington St., would like approval to sell packaged beer and wine. Because the shop does not have a license, the village's code would need to be amended to accommodate the addition. Paul Pell of Toni said the request is both thematic and strategic.

"This would be to add some bottles of wine on our shelves," Pell told trustees. "We're a French place and it would add to our brand. And we're trying to stay in business."

Egg Harbor Cafe, 777 N. York Road, would like to sell beer, wine and liquor with its menu offerings, which would also require a village code amendment as the restaurant does not presently hold a license.

The final request for a liquor license was from Aaron Comes, owner of Frederick Lynn Haberdasshere, who is in the process of purchasing a building in the 10 block of east First Street for his business, according to village officials. As part of his model, customers would be

offered complimentary spirits and also be able to purchase packaged alcohol.

In support of his application, Comes, who also has a showroom in Chicago, cited Nordstrom's and Restoration Hardware among a number of stores now serving alcohol to enhance customer visits.

He also plans to host about 12 special events or tastings a year at which high-end spirits would be served.

"This is how I market my business," Comes said, estimating that liquor sales would account for between 5 and 10 percent of the total business sales. "It's just to offer something else on the menu that my clients are not able to source."

Brad Bloom, assistant village manager, said the village attorney's preliminary review indicates that the code can accommodate Comes' business request.

"There are license classifications that it actually does fit into, so it does not require changing our license classifications," Bloom said.

Trustee Scott Banke expressed misgivings about awarding licenses to merchants that don't serve food.

"I get a little concerned that we're inching closer toward bars, which gives me pause," Banke said.

Trustee Luke Stifflear said because Comes' haberdashery's primary purpose is to sell clothing, he is comfortable with liquor sales.

"Serving alcohol is really a secondary (way) in order to make the whole experience better for their clients," Stifflear remarked, noting that restrictions on the amount of liquor sales can be imposed as part of the licensing.

Trustees signaled support for all of the license requests.

Special delivery





John Broz and his daughter, Lee, enjoyed the special "Jingle Books" holiday-themed delivery offered Dec. 16 by the Hinsdale Public Library. People met the horse and buggy at three parks in town to receive the books they had ordered. (Jim Slonoff photo)

ONCE UPON A TIME



Early merchant — Sandy Williams' book, "Images of America — Hinsdale," mentions John Mohr, who was an early merchant in the area. "Storekeeper John Mohr purchased the Fox Brothers Fullersburg store in 1877. Mohr came to America from Germany as a child, later serving in the Union army during the Civil War. The photograph shows the store on Ogden Avenue and the view eastward. In 1909, Mohr relocated to Hinsdale, building the store that still stands at 24 E. Hinsdale Avenue, today occupied by the Hinsdale News Agency." Do you have a Hinsdale photo that is at least 25 years old? We'd love to share it with our readers. Stop by our office at 7 W. First St. or email it to jslonoff@thehinsdalean.com.

Happy Birthday! Logan Lawson turns 2 on Jan. 12

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NEWS

Nonprofits adapted to meet 2020 demands

Hinsdale agencies found ways to survive, thrive during year marked by global pandemic

By Pamela Lannom

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As the new year begins, The Hinsdalean traditionally reaches out to the leaders of the village's seven nonprofit agencies, inviting them to offer a recap of the previous year and to share one wish for the new year.

This is the first of two installments. A Jan. 14 article will feature Candor (formerly Robert Crown), HCS Family Services, Hinsdale Historical Society and Wellness House.



Community Memorial Foundation

In 2019, leaders at Community Memorial Foundation chose a theme for the organization's upcoming 25th anniversary: "Turning Silver into Gold: Building Grantee Resilience"

Three months into the nonprofit's milestone year, that theme took on new meaning.

ing.
"I keep saying, 'Who would have ever known that the theme of building resiliency would be so timely and relevant?' " said Greg DiDomenico, president and chief executive officer. "Our vision for our anniversary year was focused on our grantees, and what better year, to be honest, to stay focused on our grantees than this past year?"

The foundation was able to carry out many of its original plans for 2020. Forty-six organizations received a \$20,000 general operating support grant after submitting a resiliency plan and workshops (offered online) helped grantee partners learn more about strengthening financial resiliency.

The fall celebration, however, required some modifications. Instead of hosting a cocktail party, the foundation held a gratitude drive-by in the parking lot of its offices at 15 Spinning Wheel, presenting grantees with a "treasure box."

"It was really an envelope that contained a thank you note from one of our board members and a check for \$500 to thank their staff for the work they have done and continue to do," DiDomenico said.

The past year also brought new opportunities for recognizing and thanking individuals. CMF partnered with the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce, the West Suburban Chamber of Commerce, Amita La Grange and

Hinsdale hospitals, and the West Suburban Municipal Conference to celebrate and recognize "Regional Rock Stars," presenting 30 awards in nine rounds.

"We were hearing the stories of people and organizations that were going above and beyond, and so, as a group, the two chambers, the hospital and the mayors conference really wanted to lift up the folks that were really doing what represents the best in all of us, and that is responding to the needs of our neighbors," DiDomenico said. "We wanted to recognize those stories in the midst of all that was going on over the last eight months."

The foundation's vision has been to make this region the healthiest in the country. The COVID-19 pandemic, rather than fostering discouragement, encouraged the foundation to do more to meet grantees' needs.

"We listened to our grantees," he said.
"We listened to the needs of the community.
We partnered, and we responded. It really inspired us."

Grantee partners didn't miss a beat in responding to the pandemic, DiDomenico said.

"They were courageous and creative, and in their dedication to our communities, they inspired us at the foundation," he said.

During 2020, the foundation was able to expand its youth philanthropy, Young Community Changemakers, to include Hinsdale Central and Riverside-Brookfield high schools. The leadership development program is designed to educate and empower local youth to become the next generation of philanthropists.

"This year we will have four schools — 60 teens — which is double what we had in year one and two," DiDomenico said. "We're very excited to be able to have a year three with double the amount of teens participating in the program."

Since its inception, the foundation has awarded more than \$78 million to grantee partners in 27 communities.



Hinsdale Humane Society

While everyone at the Hinsdale Humane Society felt the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, they knew they were not alone.

"It's hard to complain when everyone

else is going through at least the same thing you are if not worse," said Tom Van Winkle, executive director. "On the good side of things, we were able to take advantage of some of the government loans and financial aid to keep from having to lay anyone off. We were able to keep everyone employed. That means our animals received the full care of all of our staff."

While a leaner staff could have provided care for all the animals, they would have had less time out of their cages and less physical contact, he noted.

The staff handled the necessary adjustment seamlessly, Van Winkle said. And even with the Tuthill Family Pet Rescue and Resource Center closed to the public for much of the year, adoptions were up.

"We have adopted out over 100 more animals this year than last year," he said. "That is all really, really good."

The number of volunteers who could work together at the shelter was restricted, but with fewer events taking place, fewer helpers were needed.

"Our dog walkers and our cat socializers showed up. They were rock stars. They stayed socially distanced," Van Winkle said.

Fundraising presented more of a challenge.

"Fundraising did come to a screeching halt at first," he said. "We were able to pivot."

Some events were presented virtually, and new Facebook live events have given the staff a way to engage with patrons.

Van Winkle offered sincere thanks for previous supporters and new donors who sent in both large checks and small ones.

"I appreciate (the small gift) as much as I do the million-dollar check, because I know it's a really big challenge," he said. "If you are struggling, that's a tough thing to do no matter how much you love the cause."

While the summer pet walk had to be canceled, the society was able to offer a modified outdoor summer camp and a hybrid fall golf outing, with some virtual components and a few socially distanced golfers.

Giving Tuesday became even more important this year. Van Winkle said its timing — following Black Friday, Shop Local Saturday and Cyber Monday — can leave people cash depleted.

"It's always challenging," he said. "We actually did better than we did last year. Our team did a great job and our supporters really stepped forward."

Organizers are looking forward to holding a virtual gala, Hinsdale Humane Society Unleashed, this year.

"Snuggle up to your dog or your cat or your iguana and whatever you like to snuggle with" while enjoying the event at home, Van Winkle said.

He and the staff are looking forward to the day when the center can welcome the public back

"As we are given permission to open our

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One wish

Nonprofit leaders shared their leading hopes for the year ahead.

"I think more than ever we need to continue to work together during the pandemic and support one another to remain safe, healthy and recover." - Greg DiDomenico, Community Memorial **Foundation**

"My wish for 2021 is that we are able to continue to find that financial support to keep my staff on board. Every single day through COVID, I had a staff coming out of their houses and coming into the shelter to take care of these animals." - Tom Van Winkle, Hinsdale Humane Society

"I love the idea I saw in 2020 of people going the extra mile with kindness. I'd like to see that continue in 2021. I hope these are things that aren't passing trends. I hope people continue to do that." - Dan Janowick, The Community House

NEXT WEEK

Community Consolidated Elementary Dist. 181 Board

7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 11

District office, 115 W. 55th St., Clarendon Hills

https://www.d181.org

On the draft agenda: district office space update; first semester community service; 2021-22 and tentative 2022-23 school calendars; updates on COVID-19, inclement weather, communication and cyber security

Hinsdale Parks and Recreation Commission

7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12

https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

On the draft agenda: park survey review, proposed changes to preferred vendor policy for The Lodge, pickleball survey results, update on summer tennis and pool concessions for

Hinsdale Plan Commission

7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

MEETING ROUNDUP

Hinsdale Village Board

Among other business Tuesday, trustees:

- approved the use of Motor Fuel Tax Funds to pay for infrastructure improvements. The actions include using \$995,000 to pay for the reconstruction of Eighth Street from Garfield Street to County Line Road; the use of \$398,000 to partially fund the 2021 Chicago Avenue Resurfacing Project, with a total cost estimate of \$930,000 (the remaining \$532,000 will be paid for with federal Surface Transportation Fund; and the use of \$400,000 to partially fund the 2021 Maintenance Project, with a total cost estimate of \$663.140.
- referred to the plan commission a request to change the front and rear facade of the west end the Garfield Crossing building, 26-32 E. First St., to allow Circa Lighting to take over the tenant spaces formally occupied by Kaehler and Verizon. The Verizon store will move to 34 E. First St.: Kaehler closed late last vear.
- heard Village President Tom Cauley's appointment of Sarah Barclay for a three-year term to the Hinsdale Historic Preservation Commission, with a term through April 30, 2023.
- authorized the vacation and sale of a portion of unimproved alley adjacent to 646 S. Bruner St. for \$12,000

Past week brings 70 new COVID-19 cases

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

The DuPage County Health Department reported 63 new cases, and the Cook County Health Department reported seven new cases.

That brings the total number of reported cases in the village to 1,071, up from 1,001 last week.

Amita Hinsdale Hospital was treating 20 confirmed COVID-19 patients, with no patients awaiting test results on Wednesday, a spokeswoman said.

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District 181 reported 17 new cases from Dec. 27 to Jan. 5, including 11 students, three administrators, two staff members and a teacher.

Hinsdale High School District 86 will not have an update until Jan. 8.

The rolling seven-day positivity rate for Region 8, which includes DuPage County, was 10.1 percent on Saturday, compared to 8.8 percent a week prior.

The health departments' websites are at https://www. dph.illinois.gov, https:// www.dupagehealth.org and https://www.cookcountypublichealth.org.





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COVID-19 stymies legislative harvest

New year sees only three new state laws instituted, plus scheduled hike in minimum wage

By Ken Knutson

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A new year typically ushers in hundreds of additions and/or revisions to Illinois' legal landscape.

But not 2021. Due to a Illinois General Assembly legislative spring 2020 session stunted by COVID-19 and a fall veto session scrapped altogether, only three acts went into effect Jan. 1. Here's a look at them, as well as the next increase in the minimum wage.

State Rep. Deanne Mazzochi (R-47, Elmhurst), expressed disappointed at the light output.

"The legislature did not do nearly enough to help our families, seniors, business owners and the many others who are suffering because of COVID," Mazzochi commented in an email.

Survivors of sexual assault will be able to keep their home addresses confidential under the Address Confidentiality for Victims of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault or Stalking Act. The legislation, sponsored by state Sen. Suzy Glowiak Hilton (D-24, Western Springs) and garnering bi-partisan support, expanded and renamed the former Address Confidentiality for Victims

of Domestic Violence Act. Glowiak Hilton saidthelawempowers the Illinois Attorney General's office to help keep survivors' home addresses private from their attackers and stalkers.



Mazzochi

"Investigations of sexual assault can be long, grueling and emotionally devastating for survivors," she said. "It's critical for survivors to feel safe at home during and after the conclusion of the investigation."

The attorney general's office can be used by survivors of abuse as their contact address instead of revealing their actual address, avoiding any risk that their abuser might locate them. House Bill 2818 expands its availability to all survivors of sexual abuse and stalking.

Illinois has become the second state to cap out-of-pocket costs for prescription insulin. Glowiak Hilton expressed support for the legislation.

"Pharmaceutical corporations have profited off the lives of residents with diabetes for too long," she said. "By capping the cost of life-saving insulin at \$100 for a 30-day supply, Illinois

Glowiak Hilton

food or prescriptions."

The new law also requires the departments of insurance,

is standing firmly on

the side of hardwork-

ing families. Families

should not be forced

to choose between

human services, and health care and family services to issue a joint "insulin pricing report" to the public that details findings on insulin pricing practices and recommendations to control and prevent overpricing of prescription insulin drugs.

Thirdly, lawmakers amended the Missing Persons Identification Act to allow law enforcement agencies to obtain a DNA sample of a missing person or a DNA reference sample from family members' DNA, once a missing person report is made.

The law also provides that law enforcement cannot retain DNA samples from family members or the missing person after the person has been located and adds the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System, a national information clearinghouse for missing persons, to the

list of laboratories that law enforcement agencies can work with when trying to find a missing person.

One other change to note occurring in 2021 is an increase of the minimum wage from \$10 to \$11. In 2019, the General Assembly passed legislation that raises the minimum wage \$1 every year until it reaches \$15 per hour in 2025. Last year workers saw their hourly wage increase from \$8.25 to \$9.25 in January and \$9.25 to \$10 in July.

"We want to make sure that workers earning minimum wage are aware that the \$1 increase should be reflected in their paychecks for any time they work after the first of the year," Michael Kleinik, director of the Illinois Department of Labor, said in a news release. "While we fully expect employers will pay the new wage, we also want workers to be aware of the change."

Mazzochi said she hopes the next session results in greater productivity.

"There is no reason why we can't do our jobs and legislate for the people in the 102nd General Assembly," she said. "There is too much work to be done for us not to."

 Sarah Mansur of Capitol News Illinois contributed to this story

Tree pruning on parkway trees to begin this month

The village's tree pruning program is scheduled to begin this month. Trees in the area bounded by Garfield Avenue and Stough Street to the east and west and Ogden Avenue and the railroad tracks to the north and north will be pruned. Forestry staff estimates more than 1,000 public trees will be pruned.

The recommended frequency for tree pruning is a five-year cycle, which the village follows. Documented studies show that the five-year cycle preserves tree condition and value and is more cost-effective for a community to maintain.

Preventive tree pruning is designed to keep trees

healthy and reduce problems in trees under stress. Dead, weak or hazardous branches and limbs are removed first, and they the remaining tree canopy is thinned as needed to improve branch spacing and maintain the symmetrical appearance of the tree. Lastly, lower tree branches might need to be removed or raised to provide safe passage for pedestrians and vehicle traffic, including emergency vehicles, snow plows and garbage trucks.

Regular pruning helps reduce the amount and/or severity of storm-related damage, the number of service request calls and interference with power lines.

Parkway trees should receive two types of pruning during their life span: training and maintenance. Training is done primarily to develop a branching habit that ensures structural strength and adequate clearance once the tree is mature.

Maintenance pruning is done on older, mature trees to remove hazards and improve vigor and aesthetics. Most trees in Hinsdale are mature, so they bulk of the pruning work is maintenance.

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POLICE BEAT

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Driver arrested for DUI

Aisha L. Odeneal, 44, 1931 High St., Apt D, Hopkinsville, Ky., was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, possession of open alcohol by driver and failure to signal when required after police observed her slumped over the wheel while pulled off to the side of the road at 12:57 a.m. Jan. 1 at Route 83 and Burlington Avenue. She was charged and released to appear in court.

Arrest for suspended license, cannabis

Kaila Leah Lauderdale, 18, 1701 N. Latrobe, No. 2, Chicago was arrested for driving with a suspended license, unlawful possession of cannabis by driver, operating an uninsured vehicle and driving without a registration light at 9:59 p.m. Jan. 2 at Ogden Avenue and Monroe Street. She was charged and released to appear in court.

Arrest for suspended license

Alcala Francisco Arrequin, 32, 2830 S. Kostner Ave., No. 1, Chicago, was arrested for driving with a suspended license, operating an uninsured vehicle and speeding at 12:15 p.m. Jan. 3 at Route 83 and 55th Street. He was charged and released to appear in court.

Possible DUI after three-car accident

Police were dispatched to a traffic accident at 4:24 p.m. Dec. 19 at Lincoln Street and Hinsdale Avenue. Three vehicles were involved: two collided in the intersection, causing one to spin into a parked vehicle on Hinsdale. Four occupants were taken to the hospital. An open container of alcohol and two bags containing a green leafy substance were found inside one of the vehicles and in one of the driver's possession. The case remains under investigation.

Dog bite reported

A woman reported she was bitten by a dog while walking on the sidewalk in the 10 block of Salt Creek Lane at 11:57 a.m. Dec. 22. A dog walker had the dog on a leash.

Vehicle stolen from dealer

A Jeep Grand Cherokee SRT was reported stolen from Land Rover, 336 E. Ogden Ave., at 12:38 p.m. Dec. 30 after the suspect completed an online credit application and requested an extended test drive but did not return the vehicle at the agreed upon time.

Identity thefts reported

• Someone used the identity of a resident of the 300 block of Forest Road to attempt to open a credit card account at noon Dec. 16. The incident was reported Dec. 28.

Unlawful use of credit card

A known suspect used the victim's credit card to purchase vehicle parts totaling 3,664.22 at Land Rover, 300 E. Ogden Ave., between 3.53 p.m. Dec. 16 and 1.49 p.m. Dec. 28.

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





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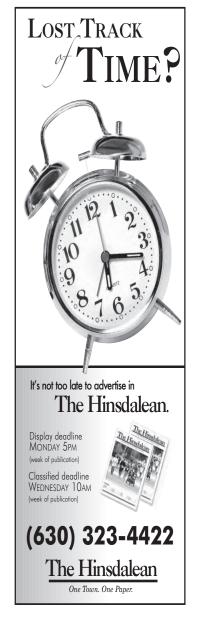
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Central student promotes importance of civics education

Doctors go to medical school, police officers attend the police academy and chefs go to culinary school. But for most people, being a citizen of their community requires no training at all. Hinsdale Central junior Suzan Nofal thinks that should change.

Nofal is one of more than 20 high school students from across the country chosen to help draw attention to the need for civics education through the inaugural Equity in Civics Youth Fellowship.

Throughout the yearlong program funded by the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, fellows will participate in virtual workshops designed to prepare them to share their stories about equity in civics, drawing attention to the disparity and need for civics education in the classroom. By the close of the program, fellows will launch a national social media campaign, engage in group discussions on various topics, produce written pieces and media projects on equity in civics and collaborate on a virtual showcase on student voice.

"We want this to be a national

campaign spreading the importance of civics education," Nofal said.

As a student at Hinsdale Central, Nofal is required to complete a civics class. It's there that her passion for the subject was born.

"I just fell in love with civics," said Nofal, who describes the subject as "basically learning to be a good citizen in your community." Civics education is about learning the importance of voting, knowing the roles of elected officials and of recognizing and respecting the rights of citizens.

As part of the fellowship, Nofal quickly learned that civics education isn't required or even offered at all schools. As a result, Nofal said she's come to appreciate the quality of the education she's receiving at Hinsdale Central and wants to do what she can to see that others have the same opportunities. That's something she hopes to work on, both as a member of the Fellowship and one day, as an elected official.

If not for COVID-19, Nofal would have traveled to

Washington, D.C., as part of the Equity in Civics Youth Fellowship. But she's determined to get there one day, and not just as a visitor. She plans to run for local office and dreams of one day serving at the federal level.

"I've always wanted to run for office," Nofal said.

For now, she's working on being a good citizen herself. To Nofal, that means volunteering. She gives her time to several local organizations, including The Community House, Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club, HCS Family Services and Community Memorial Foundation's Youth Community Changemakers.

She especially enjoys helping with the after-school program at Anne M. Jeans School in Burr Ridge — one of the many activities she hopes to resume when face-to-face schooling is once again the norm.

"I genuinely enjoy it," said Nofal, whose first step in promoting good citizenship is being a good citizen herself.

— story by Sandy Illian Bosch, photo by Jim Slonoff



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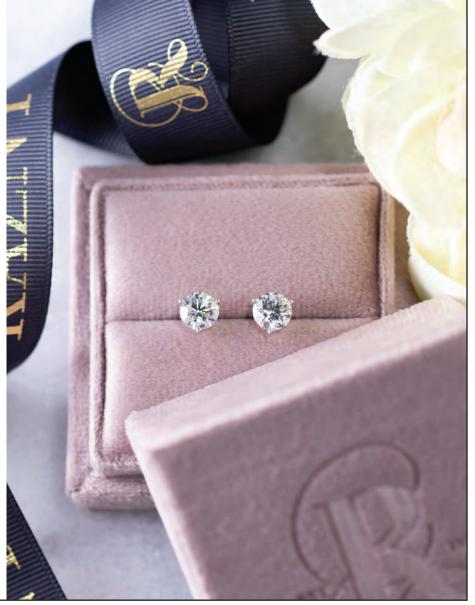
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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Respect, courtesy should not be on the ballot

If there's one thing the past 10 months have taught us, it's patience.

We learned patience when we were told, after staying home for two weeks in March, that we would have stay home longer in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19. A lot longer.

We learned patience on Nov. 4 and in the days that followed as we waited to see who would be the next president of the United States.

We learned patience this week as votes were counted in the Georgia Senate run-off, with the Senate majority hanging in the balance

Of course, some learned the lesson better than others.

Patience will come in handy, we anticipate, as we get closer and closer to the April 6 election.

Twenty-two candidates find themselves in contested elections. Five are running for three, four-year seats on the Community Consolidated District 181 Board, with two vying for a two-year term. Five individuals are seeking four open seats on the Hinsdale Public Library Board.

And, in the most hotly contested race, 10 people are hoping to be elected to one of four | to become more and more divisive with each |

open seats on the Hinsdale High School District | 86 board.

Voters will need patience to really get to know these individuals and their positions before heading to the polls. And this will be an even more challenging year in which to get to know them, with restrictions on public gatherings likely to be in place for some time.

We have yet to finalize our election coverage, but it's likely to begin at the end of this month or in early February. We'll try to present as much information as we can to help voters make a decision, from articles about the major issues facing each of the boards to short bios about each of the candidates to charts listing their positions on the issues.

We will not, as we have in the past, be able to hold an in-person candidates night. We are committed to finding a way to allow voters to hear from the candidates in their own words. We will keep you posted on how we plan to do

Elections on the national and state level seem

cycle. We hope that will not be the case here at home.

We encourage voters — and candidates — to remember a few points during the weeks preceding April 6. First of all, these are volunteer

Board members do not earn a salary for spending hours upon hours attending meetings — and even more time preparing for them over the next four years.

Second, these are nonpartisan elections. The heated rhetoric that often exists between the two parties has no place in a school or library board race.

Third, the men and women seeking office are your neighbors. They might have different ideas on how best to run the school district, but they do not deserve to be villainized.

Many spend significant time lamenting the state of politics these days and the seemingly lost ability to agree to disagree. We hope voters and candidates here can set an example in this election, treating those with different opinions with the respect we all deserve.

COMMENTARY

Schadenfreude, struggling and an insightful soliloquy

"Schadenfreude" is a term introduced to me by the very erudite musical, "Avenue Q."

Its technical definition is taking pleasure ("freude") in another person's pain ("schaden").

Or, as the song lyrics go, "When I see how sad you are, it makes me sort of happy!'

I've seen schadenfreude at work, and wrote the better part of a column about it a few years ago. After a bit of a scheduling snafu that caused Ainslev to miss dress rehearsal for her school's variety show, she took great comfort in the story of my friend who was eating licorice backstage when he was supposed to be on stage, which had been told to me immediately after I went on stage to sing a solo without my microphone.

"The world needs people like you and me who've been knocked around by fate," the Gary Coleman character sings in the musical. 'Cause when people see us, they don't want to be us, and that makes them feel great.'

True, for sure. Amusing, definitely. But when you stop to think about, it seems kind of mean.

I've been thinking about schadenfreude lately, in the context of why we feel better when we know other people have gone through the same things we have. Tom Van Winkle talked

about that during our conversation about life at the Hinsdale Humane Society during 2020. He said, to paraphrase, that it's hard to feel sorry for yourself when you know other people are suffering, too.

Is that schadenfreude? Or is there more to it?

I read a passage recently that talks about what happens when we come together to heal. We share and weave our stories together to create a deeper, truer picture of our circumstances. We remember that no one is alone on their jour-



Pamela Lannom

ney. And in reaching out to others, we rediscover the hope we thought we And then I remem-

bered one of my favorite (and there are many!) soliloquies from "West Wing." Josh is struggling after being shot during an assassination attempt on President Bartlett. Leo stops by to offer him encouragement and tells

him this story. 'This guy's walking down the street when he falls in a hole. The walls are so steep he can't get out.

"A doctor passes by and the guy shouts up, 'Hey, you. Can you help me out?'

'The doctor writes a prescription, throws it down in the hole and moves on.

"Then a priest comes along and the guy shouts up, 'Father, I'm down in this hole can you help me

"The priest writes out a prayer,

throws it down in the hole and moves on.

"Then a friend walks by. 'Hey, Joe, it's me can you help me out?'

"And the friend jumps in the

"Our guy says, 'Are you stupid? Now we're both down here.' The friend says, 'Yeah, but I've been down here before and I know the wav out.'

Maybe there are times, as "Avenue Q" contends, when we just want to clap when a waitress drops a tray of glasses or laugh when figure skaters fall down on their you-know-whats. But I believe much of the time when we see someone who is struggling what we feel is relief — relief that we've found someone else who has been in the hole.

And if we're lucky, they'll help us find the way out.

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

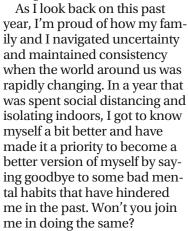
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GUEST COMMENTARY

Bid this trio farewell for a happier 2021

From a global pandemic to a tumultuous U.S. presidential election, 2020 has wreaked havoc on our minds, bodies and spirits. It was a soul-crushing year, yet — despite it all — I've learned some valuable lessons along the way that I'm looking forward to taking with me into 2021.



No. 1 on my list is putting too much pressure on myself. Sometimes, we can be our own worst enemies. We tend to look for outside influences to guide us without realizing that we are the most influential people in our lives.

I vow to stop being so hard on myself and to be grateful for the life I am living now. I don't need the perfect home, a packed social calendar or children on the path to the Ivy Leagues to be happy. What I need the most is the joy and clarity of the present moment and the confidence that life is unfolding as it should be and not by the timeline I have imprinted in my mind.

I urge you, too, reader, to be confident in the decisions you are making and stop seeking outside approval. Be as kind to yourself as you would to any



Gabriela Garcia

other person in your life. After all, you are the only person you will spend the rest of your life with, so be gentle with your soul.

No. 2 on my list is letting go of imposter syndrome. How many times a week (or day) do you think to yourself, "What gives me the right to

do this? I have no idea what I'm doing."

Maybe you suffer from impostor syndrome, the nagging fear of being found out as not being smart, talented or experienced enough. Well, guess what? It's time to let go of any negative thoughts that you're not good enough. If you don't believe in yourself, who else will? You are stronger and smarter than you can ever imagine.

No. 3 on my list is comparison. Why is it that we base our worth on how other people see us? When we're bound by everyone else's opinion, we become imprisoned behind high expectations.

Stop comparing your life to someone else's. You're probably not comparing yourself to a famous celebrity, but to the mom at school drop-off or one of your neighbors. When we tally ourselves against others, it lifts us from the moment in which we are actually living and forces us to desire a moment in which we are not.

By saying goodbye to these three negative mental habits, I plan on living a calmer and more peaceful 2021. I hope you'll join me in doing the same.

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

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

D86 candidate outlines issues in school board race

With November's election behind us, sharp focus should turn to the April 6 consolidated election. One important issue on the ballot that can drastically impact real estate value is the Hinsdale Township High School District 86 Board.

Education costs amount up to 80 percent of our property taxes here in D86. In order to remain competitive with Chicagoland suburbs and private schools, voters in D86 must be informed on the issues and vote accordingly.

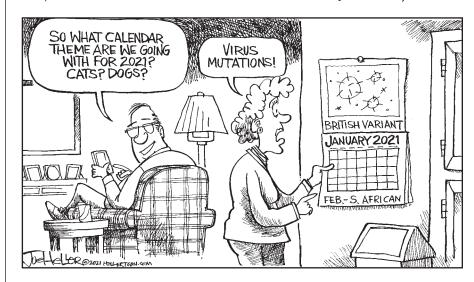
Our kids are hurting. They are struggling emotionally, socially and academically.

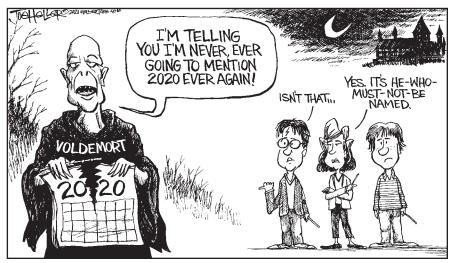
"The sheer volume of D's and F's are a problem at both campuses," Superintendent Prentiss told the board.

We need to provide the best and most comprehensive education to all 4,000 kids in D86. Distractions

regarding major changes to the science and math curriculums and possible grading system changes are unwelcome and not supported by data. Why are these topics even on the agenda during a pandemic? Why are proposals passed with constant consensus and little to no discussion from the board, despite community concern being raised? Getting the kids safely back in school while navigating gaps from remote and part-time learning moving forward is paramount.

I'm running for D86 BOE with three like-minded individuals: Peggy James, Terri Walker and Debbie Levinthal. I doubt we will see eye-to-eye on every topic, and that's ideal. Discussion leads to discourse, which drives optimal decision making. I will champion that spirit as a board member and hope to earn your vote to Deliver D86. — Jeff Waters, Hinsdale





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OBITUARIES

Edwin L. Apel

Edwin L. Apel, 73, of Hinsdale, formerly a 43-year resident of Burr Ridge, died Jan 1, 2021.

Ed was a self-employed commodity trader and a member of The Chicago Mercantile Exchange for 52 years. He enjoyed being a long-time member of Ruth Lake Country Club and board member and treasurer of the Burr Ridge Park District for 10 years. Ed was also a

Apel member of the Burr Ridge United Church of handled the arrangements.



He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Susan Apel, nee Staats; his children, Jeff (Renee) Apel and Mark (Sheila) Apel; and his grandchildren, Christian, Audrey and Delilah.

Ed was preceded in death by his parents, John G. and Esther A. Apel; and his brother, John Apel.

Services will be private.

Adolf Funeral Home in Willowbrook

Joann Bruce

Joann Bruce, 81, of Hinsdale, died Dec. 30,

Joann loved family and nature. Her children and grandchildren brought her great joy and all benefited from her outpouring of love and attention. Golfing with her children and grandchildren was a treasured hobby.

She is survived by her husband, Richard J. Weigus; her children, Brian (the late Ramona), Beth (Jennifer) Weigus and Mike (Jennifer); her grandchildren, Brian, Claire, Emily and Jack Weigus; many nieces and nephews; and

her sister, Mary Bruce.

A private funeral Mass will be said on Saturday, Jan. 9.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to The Morton Arboretum at https:// www.giving.mortonarb.org.

Please support the family by signing the online guest book at https://www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Ruth C. Cyrier

Ruth C. Cyrier, nee Meyer, 91, passed away peacefully Jan. 2, 2021.

Ruth, a longtime resident of Mt. Prospect, was born in Effingham in 1929, She loved to travel, have a glass of wine in the evening, attend Sunday morning Mass and, of course, all things chocolate.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Donald.

She is survived by her children, Dennis (Robyn) of Hinsdale, Kathy Cyrier-Bizjack and Mary (John) Cyrier-Mason; her grandchildren, Lesley Cyrier, Ellen Cyrier, Brad (Janiece) Bizjack, Chris Bizjack, Kale Mason and Connor Mason; her great-grandchildren, Lilian Grace Bizjack; her brother, the Rev. Ben Meyer; and many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Due to COVID-19 and church restrictions, funeral services will be private. The service will be livestreamed at 10 a.m. Friday, Jan. 8, at https://www.twitch.tv/strayprivate.

Interment will be private at All Saints Catholic Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Raymond de Penafort Church, 301 S. I Oka Ave., Mt. Prospect, IL 60056.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Bob DeCelles

Bob DeCelles, 88, a longtime resident of Clarendon Hills, passed away Dec. 24,

He was born in 1932 in Chicago.

A graduate of Loyola University in Chicago, Bob worked in condominium management. He supervised the employees and staff of condominium associations of many high-rise buildings in Chicago and the first condo build-

ing conversion in Philadelphia. He served as the past president of the Apartment Building



DeCelles

Owners and Management Association in Chicago. Bob was on the board of trustees for the pension fund of SEIU Local Union One and was the past president of the Ben Franklin Bank in Arlington

He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Laura; and his four children, Jeffrey, Cynthia, Lisa and Christopher DeCelles. Services will be private.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Constantine "Gus" Nicholas Tsourmas

Constantine "Gus" Nicholas Tsourmas, 95, of Oak Brook passed away Dec. 31, 2020, at Advocate Good Samaritan Hospital in Downers Grove.

Gus was born in 1925 in Greece.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Tsourmas, nee Stevens; his children, Rae Tsourmas and Nick (Mary, M.D.) Tsourmas, M.D.; his stepchildren, Louis A. (Lavonne) Gary III and Kathy (Steve) Bannister; his 10 grandchildren; and his 12 great-grandchildren.

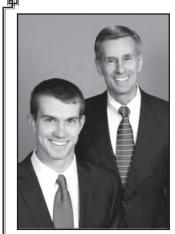
He was preceded in death by his first wife, Frances Tsourmas; and his sister, Olga

A private family funeral service will be held at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox Church in Justice. Interment will be private at Fairmount Willow Hills Memorial Park in Willow Springs.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to Shriners Hospital for Children at https://www.shrinerhospitalforchildren.org.

Please support the Tsourmas family by signing the online guest book at https://www. sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.

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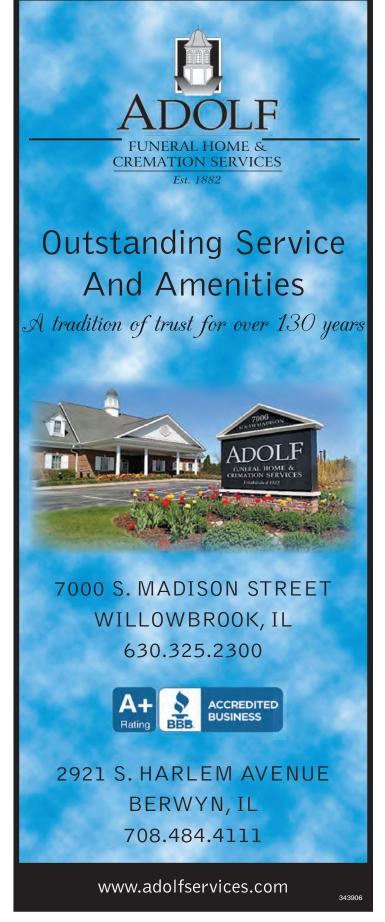
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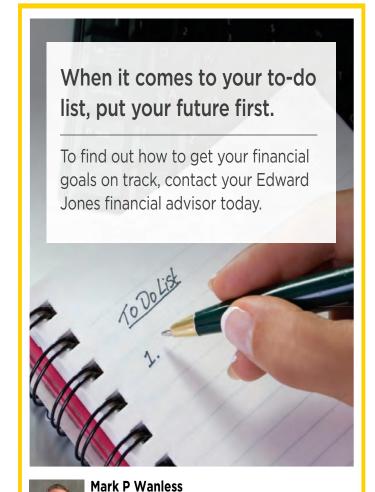


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Chad Kenneth Jefferson

Chad Kenneth Jefferson, 94, a longtime Hinsdale resident, passed away peacefully Nov. 22, 2020, at King Bruwaert House in Burr Ridge.

Chad was a resident of Hinsdale for 62 years, before moving with his wife Jackie to King Bruwaert House in 2016. Chad had deep roots in Hinsdale, with both of his parents having been raised in the village. Chad was the great, great grandson of J.H. Papenhausen, an early resident of Hinsdale who immigrated from Germany in 1876.

Born in 1926, Chad was raised in Des Moines, Iowa, where he graduated from Roosevelt High School in 1944. He was inducted into the Army upon graduation and served in an artillery battalion with the 71st Infantry Division, seeing combat in Germany and Austria in 1945. After a year of occupation duty in Austria, he returned to the United States in 1946.

After briefly attending Drake University in Des Moines, Chad relocated in 1949 to Paris, France, where he used his GI Bill money to attend the Académie Julian art school. He returned to the U.S. in 1952, settled in Chicago and began a long and illustrious career in advertising design.

In 1953, Chad Jefferson & Associates was formed. It operated for more than 50 years and helped produce pioneering direct response advertising for innumerable clients, including notables such as Encyclopaedia Britannica, Hewlett Packard and Texas Instruments. Chad's work with renowned Chicago ad agencies Stone & Adler and Kobs & Draft won awards, recognition and profits for those agencies, their clients and Chad Jefferson Associates. Chad was perhaps most proud of his award-winning work for Texas Instruments, including their 1972 launch of the TI-2500, the

world's first hand-held calculator. He was also very happy to have been instrumental in the 1970 introduction of Encyclopaedia Britannica's Young Children's Encyclopedia, which Britannica published, through multiple editions, for almost 20 years.

Soon after arriving in Chicago, Chad met Jacquelyn Fishbaugh of Shenandoah, Iowa. They married in 1954, and shortly thereafter moved to Hinsdale, where they raised four children. Chad was an avid golfer and tennis player, and he and Jackie were charter members of Hinsdale's Salt Creek Club. After his retirement, Chad volunteered at Chicago's Newberry Library, lending his expertise to the task of cataloging and prioritizing their large collection of American advertising and commercial art. Also post-retirement, Chad channeled his life-long love of dogs into years of dedicated volunteer work at the Hinsdale Humane Society.

Chad and Jackie were both genuine nature lovers and had a beloved summer cottage on the Lake Michigan shore in Cedar Grove, Wis., where they spent 32 wonderful years with their children and dogs, grandchildren and friends.

Chad is survived by his four children, Jill (Kevin) Fermanich, Scott (Kaddy) Jefferson, Katie (Gary) Gross and Ted (Debbie) Jefferson; and his seven grandchildren.

He was preceded by his wife, Jackie, in 2019. Services and interment are private.

Please support the Jefferson Family by signing the online guestbook and sharing a memory at https://www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

Wendy Levi Lienhart

Wendy Levi Lienhart, 60, passed away Dec. 26, 2020, at home in Clarendon Hills, surrounded by her loving family after a six-year battle with cancer.

Born and raised in Evansville, Ind., Wendy attended William Henry Harrison High School where she was an avid tennis player and golf enthusiast. Proudly following in her mother Ruth's footsteps, she went on to study at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Ind., where she wrote for the Purdue Exponent and graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1982. After many happy years as a Boilermaker, Wendy immediately applied her studies in broadcast journalism by becoming a beat reporter and evening news anchor at WQOW-TV in Eau Claire, Wis. Always a gifted storyteller with boundless creativity, Wendy shifted paths in 1985, moving to Chicago to begin her award-winning career in public relations. For more than seven years, Wendy led media relations for one the city's top firms, Hill & Knowlton, where she supported high-profile clients and made many lifelong friends.

It was also during that time that she met Parker Lienhart, a talented advertising creative at Leo Burnett, who shared Wendy's love of family and adventure. The couple married on Aug. 14, 1993 at the historic Intercontinental Hotel. In their early years of marriage, they lived downtown, enjoying the city's arts and culinary scene and later welcomed two sons before outgrowing their high-rise apartment. They decided to move to the western suburbs in 1999 and, living in her full purpose as a wife and mom, Wendy gave birth to their third child, a baby girl, in 2000.

Wendy's precious three children became the center of her world and she loved them "to the moon and back." Immensely proud of each of their unique talents and academic achievements,

Wendy became a permanent fixture in the stands, cheering on her three kids who became accomplished competitive swimmers throughout their high school and Division 1 collegiate careers. Flawlessly juggling it all, Wendy continued her impressive 35 plus years in public relations working with several respected firms including Boom Broadcast for the past decade.

Throughout her remarkable life, Wendy explored the world with her family, always emulated style and elegance, remained vibrant and active playing tennis and golf and closely followed her favorite team, the St. Louis Cardinals. Those who knew her well also appreciated the deep bond she shared with her parents, who moved to be closer to their daughter in 2013, residing in a coach house built just for them behind the Lienhart home. To this day, Wendy's family has a deep bond with 97-year-old Ruth.

Wendy is preceded in death by her father, Richard Levi; and her brother, Henry Levi.

She is survived by her husband of 27 years, Parker; her children, Banistre, Cooper and Peyton; her mother, Ruth Levi; her in-laws, Melinda Lienhart, James Lienhart and Carol Blomstrand; her sister Selma (Jay Klein) Levi; and her niece and nephew, Marisa and Brett Levi and Adam Klein.

Memorials may be made to Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Center of Northwestern Memorial Hospital, 675 N. St. Clair St., Floor 21, Suite 100, Chicago, IL 60611 or online at https://www.cancer.northwestern.edu/about/donate-volunteer.

A private family burial service was held Dec. 31 in Henderson, Ky. A virtual memorial service by Rabbi Andrea Cosnowsky of Congregation Etz Chaim was held Jan. 3.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

ASK AN EXPERT

SUSAN MCBRIDE, LIBRARIAN

What tools can help people work out at home?

With the start of a new year, many have a renewed interest in getting off the couch and back to better health. And like so many things, more workouts than ever are taking place virtually. Luckily, there also are more options than ever for the would-be fitness buff who, for safety or convenience, chooses to work out at home.

Fitness Tech — At Home Fitness will be presented by the Hinsdale Public Library at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 13. The hour-long presentation will explore all sorts of options for modern at-home workouts, from streaming options to high-tech gad-

"It's for anybody who is looking for how they can get fit this year," said Susan McBride, adult services assistant and resident tech expert. McBride said she and library colleague Mike Oetting took a deep dive into the many options, researching options that fit a variety of needs and budgets.

"This program will explore the

intersection of fitness and technology and how technology can help you to meet your fitness goals," McBride said. "We're really going to cover the gamut."

McBride said co-presenter Oetting will kick off the evening with a discussion of big-ticket options, such as Peloton, NordicTrack and the Mirror home gym.

"Then we'll work our way down to the streaming services that don't require the purchase of any special equipment," she said.

While some might prefer a topof-the-line tool that offers a virtual personal trainer, a simple reminder to get up and move might be enough for others. McBride said she will discuss a number of apps, some of which are free, that can help anyone fit more exercise into their day.

One of those apps is one she uses to increase the benefits of her walks. It involves a virtual personal trainer who tells her when to speed up, when to slow down and how far to

Options will be presented for every age group.

"My teens have used the Peloton app when they go running," McBride said. Available without the purchase of Peloton equipment,

the app offers thousands of classes, available on demand.

"You can have access to unlimited fitness classes," McBride said.

Many options offer a free trial period, which makes the new year a great time to explore some new ways to move, she said.

"You don't have to commit financially until you find the one that works for you," she said.

The presentation will include time for questions, and participants will be encouraged to share their own experiences and knowledge on the subject of at-home fitness.

McBride said that although the choice to sit in front of a computer for an additional hour might go against the goal to move more in 2021, she is confident the hour investment will have benefits well into the future.

Just as many have learned to work out without a gym over the last several months, library staff have learned to offer a variety of fun and informative programs as people continue to stay at home.

"We do have it down to a science," McBride said of the library's online programming, offered through Zoom.

Professional Financing.

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Susan McBride, adult services assistant at the Hinsdale Public Library, will team up with colleague Mike Oetting to explore at-home fitness options during a virtual event set for Jan. 13. See Page 21 for registration details. (photo provided)

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Nonprofits adapted to meet 2020 demands

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doors more and let people come in, we will do that as soon as we are allowed to do so," he said.

The Community House

Dan Janowick had about six weeks to get used to his new job of executive director before the pandemic hit in March.

"Like everybody else, I think we went through — and I went through — the stages of shock and disbelief of what we saw happening in the world," he said. "The joy of me stepping into the executive director role, having been here for 15 years, I know the organization inside and out. I think that's really helpful when you go through a time of crisis."

That knowledge helped him work with staff to determine which programs to step back from and which to ramp up.

"That really was our goal through that time — how can we best be there for the community during really difficult times?" he said.

So The Community House expanded remote learning support for students at Willowbrook Corners, its counseling department began offering teletherapy and LyArts started offering online daily art projects hosted by Jimmy McDermott.

"We did some distanced, funny photos with the Easter Bunny and some other online activities just to give the community some touchpoints so they would know we were still there when they needed us," Janowick said.

The Community House was able to resume much of its programming from June to September, although camps had to be modified to allow for social distancing.

"It felt great for us because the community came back in a big way, and they needed that kind of thing," he said. "We looked at a lot of our programs as an effort toward healing, an effort toward recovery. It is more than a football league or a basketball league or an art program. It's helping all of us recover from



COVID."

Janowick believes The Community House is uniquely positioned to help meet three vital needs during the pandemic — the need for togetherness and connection, the need for mental health awareness and the need to help others.

"Holistically, those are all things that society saw as priorities. It really made us feel good to know that we were helping in the right ways."

While the Holiday Ball — the organization's largest fundraiser — had to be canceled, past attendees were sent a small gift and invited to send in a donation.

"We were able to get really strong support from that fundraising effort," Janowick said

The Walk the Walk for Mental Health was converted to a virtual event and another fundraiser, the Community Revue, was held "just in the nick of time," he said.

He noted two longtime Revue cast members were lost this year, Ly Hotchkin and Dick Johnson. Hotchkin served as executive director at The Community House for more than three decades, and Johnson was a lifetime trustee and co-founder of the Community House Players.

"(It's) certainly a sad moment in a difficult year to lose two people who had such a big impact on generations of what The Community House does," Janowick said.

He said he thinks The Community House succeeded in listening and responding to the community's needs during a challenging year.

"That's so helpful to us, because we didn't have a playbook this year and everything was different."

GOOD NEWS

SCHOLASTIC BOWL TEAMS TAKE FIRST

The Hinsdale Central JV Scholastic Bowl A and B teams had a great showing at the Illinois High School Scholastic **Bowl Coaches Association** Novice tournament. Both teams took first place in their respective divisions heading into the finals on Oct. 24.

Team A — Merwin D'Souza, Eric Brugge, Ben Newton, Jibran Haque and Liam Carden — went on to win the championship for its division. Team B — Akshay Undevia, Alexander Hillman, Jeffrey Liu, Alex Burt and Shahaan Shafi — finished in the top 10 in its division.

KOPLIN HONORED BY UNIVERSITY

Hinsdale resident Al Koplin was awarded Elmhurst University's 2020 Founders Medal for his generous supporter of the university as a donor and as a member of its board of trustees for

almost 40 years.

His philanthropic gifts to the university have supported faculty endeavors, student scholarships and curriculum development. In 2015, he was awarded with an honorary degree. The Founders Medal is one of Elmhurst University's most prestigious honors, celebrating individuals who have distinguished themselves through philanthropic and personal service to the univer-

Koplin, president of Alfred N. Koplin, Inc., created the Hinsdale Management Corp., which manages more than 1 million square feet of property.

JUNIORS MAKE **HOLIDAY BRIGHT**

The Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club once again participated in HCS Family Services' Gifts of the Season, providing gifts to 200 individuals this year. The initiative was led by Katherine Dussman, Martha Gavin and Tina Sundaram.

CENTRAL MAGAZINE EARNS RECOGNITION

The Columbia Scholastic Press Association has named Solstice, Hinsdale Central's art and literary magazine, a finalist for a Crown Award. This is the highest recognition the association gives to a student print or digital medium for overall excellence. Gold and Silver Crown winners are expected to be announced in March.

The magazine also earned several honors in conjunction with the association's 2020 Gold Circle Awards.

- Akshay Undevia, first place for photography portfolio
- John Tischke, certificate of merit for design portfolio, certificate of merit for essay for "Mary"
- Skylar Penland, certificate of merit for alternative story form for "Path to Success"
- Design Team, certificates of merit for table of contents page, use of topography in a page/spread and multi-page presentation

The contest attracted than 5,750 yearbook and digital

media entries submitted in 91 categories.

GIVING TUESDAY SPURS GENEROSITY

Hinsdale Humane Society received more than \$12,500 on Giving Tuesday in November to provide medical care, support, training and enrichment for the animals in its care as well as important community programs.

ROTARY PRESENTS YOUTH AWARDS

Five students who attend Hinsdale Central High School, Hinsdale Middle School and Clarendon Hills Middle School received the Rotary Club of Hinsdale's Youth Merit Award Nov. 13. This award recognizes extraordinary high school and middle school students for services to their community and classmates, leadership qualities and academic achievements.

The Rotary Club of Hinsdale honors students from area

public and private schools at award ceremonies several times each school year. The award winners address the Rotary club members about their activities and interests, and receive a certificate to commemorate the occasion. The honorees are welcome to invite their parents and an influential teacher.

They are

- Dru Devata, eighth grader, Clarendon Hills Middle School
- Katherine Koziel, eighth grader, Clarendon Hills Middle School
- Shreemann Patel, eighth grader, Hinsdale Middle School
- Tyler Thick, eighth grader, Hinsdale Middle School
- Sophia Rahman, senior, Hinsdale Central High School

"The Rotary Youth Merit Awards recognize and honor middle and high school students who are pace-setters among their peers," Rotary club President Thomas Norton said. "We are proud to be able to acknowledge these promising young leaders."

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Fill winter days with online learning

Students aren't only ones who can take advantage of a virtual education this season

By Pamela Lannom

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The end of the COVID-19 pandemic is in sight, but life likely won't be back to normal for several months. And some folks might not be ready — even when restrictions are lifted — to leave the house.

That doesn't mean there's nothing to do. Local organizations like the Hinsdale Public Library are offering a variety of online programs to keep people informed and entertained, especially this winter.

That online programming has evolved, said Cynthia Dieden, Hinsdale's adult services manager. When the pandemic hit in March, library staff worked on creating virtual versions of the most popular programs that made sense to offer online, such as technology programs.

"Mike (Oetting, adult services librarian), who has been long known for his tech talks, started putting together some videos and some on-the-spot training for technology. He called them Quick Looks," Dieden said.

After a few months, staff shifted their focus to modifying more interactive programs, such as Hinsdale Bite Club.

"We adjusted it so people would be making other people's suggestions at home," she said. "It would kind of keep the spirit of the program even though we couldn't keep the exact format of the program."

Now, almost 10 months into the pandemic, the library has broadened its horizons. Dieden cited the Jan. 19 "My Hamilton" program by Megan Wells as an example.

"There have been people who have asked us for a costumed interpreter, so this month we're brining somebody in to do that," she said. "We're kind of reaching a little bit beyond to try to bring in some of those special events for patrons."

Other January programs include "Spotlight on College — Tips for Admission Success" (Jan. 20), "Getting the Most from Your Mac" (Jan. 27) and "Mindfulness for Teens" (Jan. 29). Get a preview of Jan. 13's Fitness Tech — At Home Fitness in the "Ask an expert" story on Page 14.

The response to programs has

been good, Dieden said, and many are available on the library's website for patrons to view when convenient.

She said the staff isn't planning too far into the future.

"We are definitely taking it one restriction lifted at a time. We're looking forward to a time when we are able to invite people back in," she said.

Even when that day comes, online programming might continue.

"I'm hoping or thinking that to some extent we might live in the hybrid world for a while, where we might have people in the room but also a camera going for people who aren't comfortable coming in the space," she said.

Once upon a time

Hinsdale Public Library offers virtual story times for babies and toddlers and (9:30 to 10 a.m.) and preschoolers (10:30 to 11 a.m.) every Tuesdays. A special Monarch 2021 read-aloud for preschoolers through third-graders is set for 4 to 4:35 p.m. Thursdays, Jan. 21 and Feb. 18. In January, librarians will read these Monarch nominees over Zoom: "The Undefeated" by Kwame Alexander, "A Normal Pig" by K-Fai Steele and "The Sun Is Kind of a Big Deal" by Nick Seluk.

Read along by reserving a print copy at the library or download on Hoopla or Libby/Overdrive.

Visit https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info to register.

- First Folio actors read a poem by Robert Frost, a classic holiday story by O. Henry, a whimsical children's story by Howard Garis and more in the winter reading series, which is available through Sunday, Jan. 10. Visit https://www.firstfolio.org.
- Online book clubs are offered through the Hinsdale Public Library and the DuPage and County forest preserve districts. See the websites listed above and below for details.

From their house to yours

The LyArts program at The Community House is offering two Zoom art classes on Saturdays, beginning Jan. 9 and running through Feb. 13.



Brushwork Apprentices is for kids in kindergarten through second grade and meets from 9 to 10 a.m. Brushwork Masters, for third-through fifth-graders, meets from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Parents can pick up supplies at The Community House.

Other online courses offered through The Community House are Virtual Coding: Coding in Scratch and Virtual Coding: Coding in Python (both starting Jan. 12).

Visit https://www.thecommunity-house.org to register.

Bring nature indoors

The DuPage and Cook County forest preserve districts are offering some unique virtual learning opportunities.

January programs offered by the DuPage County forest district focus on farm crafts (Jan. 9, 16 and 23), owls (Jan. 14), wildlife tracking and observation (Jan. 16), monarchs (Jan. 17), native landscaping (Jan. 20) and mammoths (Jan. 30).

Most courses carry small fees. Register online at https://www. dupageforest.org or call (630) 850-

The Cook County forest district has scheduled a host of programs on Facebook Live and Zoom, covering topics such as snowshoe basics, the geology of Northeastern Illinois, sun



A program called "My Hamilton" presented by literary interpreter Megan Wells and a Facebook live chat on Pistachio, a Kemp's ridley sea turtle, are among the virtual programs being offered this month by the Hinsdale Public Library and Brookfield Zoo, respectively. (photos provided)

and sunspot viewing, and animal care and maintenance. Those programs and others are offered Jan. 8-15, with many more scheduled for the rest of the month. Most are free. Videos from previous sessions also are available for viewing.

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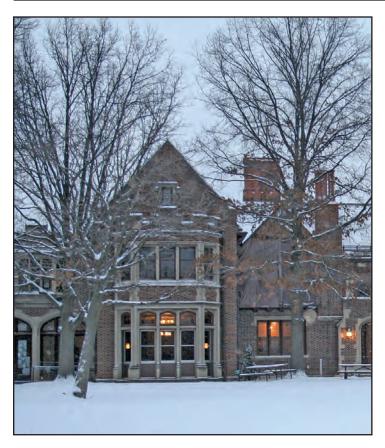
Brookfield Zoo is "Bringing the Zoo to You" Facebook Live chats while the zoo is temporarily closed in January and February.

Each weekday at 11 a.m., animal care specialists will share interesting and fun facts about many of the animals as well as answer questions from viewers. Upcoming chats will feature an update on a Kemp's ridley sea turtle who arrived at the zoo this past fall, Humboldt penguins, snow leopards and orangutans, to name a few.

The videos are available later on the zoo's Facebook page and YouTube channel.

In addition to the live chats, the Chicago Zoological Society's education staff is producing weekly videos called "Bringing the Play Zoo to You" for young children. They are posted on the zoo's Facebook page and YouTube channel every Thursday.

Visit https://www.czs.org for links.



Peabody's Pages Book Club, named after the owner of the Mayslake Peabody Estate, kicks off tomorrow with a discussion of "Being a Beast." The three-month club offers Friday and Tuesday sessions, with the latter starting Jan. 19. (photo courtesy of the DuPage County Forest Preserve District)

ARTFULLY DONE

■ Art in Nature: Winter Botanical Embroidery

Jan. 10 (708) 386-4042 https://www.fpdcc.com

Learn about native plants in the area and develop basic embroidery skills in this Zoom presentation. Participants must have their own supplies. The program is for ages 10 and up. Time: 6:30 p.m.

AUDITION CALL

■ American Youth Symphony Orchestra auditions

Jan. 24 https://www.aysomusic.org/ auditions

Youth ages 7-18 who play strings, winds, brass and percussion (including piano) are invited to audition for the Downers Grove-based AYSO by video via Dropbox. Candidates should prepare one piece/movement, level appropriate, up to five minutes in length; memorization is strongly encouraged. Students must have a minimum of two

years of instruction/playing experience on their instrument. Additional audition dates are March 7, May 2 and June 27. Spaces are limited. Cost: \$25

FAITH COMMUNITIES

■ Women's Life Village Bible Study

Thursdays, Jan. 14-March 18 The Village Church 4475 Wolf Rd., Western Springs https://www.wsbc.info/womenslife

Please join in this study the book of Hebrews and exploration of how God "provided something better for us," Participants will use the 10-week video study "Better" by Jen Wilkin for this session. Child care (nursery to kindergarten) and remote learning stations (kindergarten to fifth grade) is provided. All IDPH and CDC guidelines will be followed. Time: 9-11 a.m. Cost: \$15. RR

FAMILY FUN

■ Farm Crafts

Jan. 9, 16 & 23 https://www.dupageforest. org (630) 876-5900

Experience the charm of DuPage farming heritage while following along and learning how to make a corn husk doll Jan. 9, a felt heart Jan. 16 and a hairwork braid Jan. 23. Participants will receive written and video instruction, live coaching and conversation to connect with the makers of the past. This program is for all ages. Time: 11 to 11:20 a.m. Cost: \$5. RR

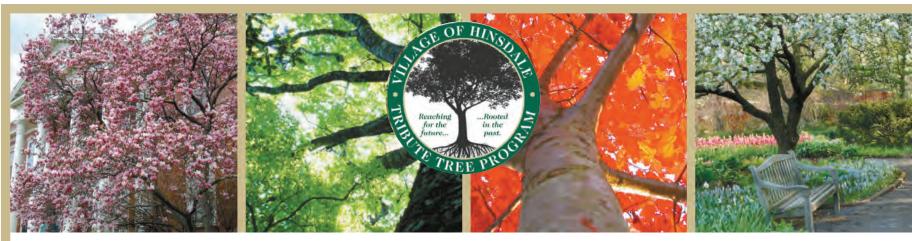
■ Family Bingo Boogie

Jan. 28 (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info

Families are invited to play a few rounds of bingo and dance to some favorite tunes in this virtual Hinsdale Public Library program for ages preschool and up. Time: 4 to 5 p.m. RR

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■ Advanced Fencing Mondays, Jan. 11-Feb. 15 KLM Park 5901 County Line Road, Hinsdale (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

This class is for beginners and advanced fencers ages 8 and up and is family friendly. Due to COVID-19, fencers

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must rent equipment for the session through the Fencing Sports Club or purchase their own basic set for about \$140. At the end of the session, purchased sets may be sold back to the club for 50 percent of the purchase price. Time: 4:45 to 5:45 p.m. Cost: \$60. RR

GREAT OUTDOORS

■ Winter Pruning

Jan. 13 & 20 or Jan. 14 & 23

(630) 719-2468 https://www.mortonarb.org/ courses/winter-pruning-online-and-person

Learn and practice correct pruning techniques for trees and shrubs during winter when bare branches make it easier to assess what needs to stay and what should be removed. Winter pruning also encourages proper spring growth. Participants can get started at home with selfpaced online materials, which will cover key principles, technique, and vocabulary with interactive elearning modules and videos. Then get hands-on practice in the field with a trained horticulturist on the grounds of The Morton Arboretum. Time: \$46. RR, MD

■ Pine Pacer Challenge

Through Jan. 31 https://www.mortonarb.org/ events/pine-pacer-challenge

The Morton Arboretum invites people to set a January running or walking goal of 25, 50, or 100 miles, and track and submit their mileage. Participants are encouraged to log their miles at the arboretum, but any location is fine. The goal is to meet a personal challenge, enjoy some physical activity and spend time in nature. Participants will also receive the aboretum's fleecelined, long sleeve, quarter-zip pullover and a challenge sticker. Members can reserve a free, timed admission pass at the arboretum, while guests may reserve one free admission pass each week of the challenge. As a special bonus, guests will also be able to purchase an arboretum membership at a \$10 discount when registering for the challenge. The registration deadline is



■ Native Landscaping: All About **Plants**

Jan. 20 (630) 850-8110 https://www.dupageforest.

Learn about the benefits of native plants and how their root structures differ from ornamentals' in this onllne program using Microsoft Teams. Get tips and tricks for planting natives and designing a native garden to attract pollinators and other wildlife, and find out why having native plants is important not only for one's landscaping but for local wildlife as well. Registrants will receive an email with viewing instructions and a link one week before the program. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$5

HEALTH & WELLNESS

■ Rerouting: Choosing Your **Course After Cancer Treatment** Mondays, Jan. 11 to Feb. 8 (630) 323-7500 https://www.wellnesshouse. org

Cancer patients and caregivers are invited to join this virtual five-week series to obtain the information needed to chart one's path following cancer treatment. Session topics include cancer survivorship, nutrition, cancer rehabilitation, symptom management and recovery through palliative care, and medical issues,

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Three parenting hacks to help an anxious child

When anxious behavior and emotions show up in life it often feels all-encompassing.

For a parent of an anxious child, having just the right tools to guide your child through their anxious feelings can feel extremely challenging. Learning how to show up for your anxious child, to walk with them in their feelings and guide them takes practice. There will be struggles and tough moments. The important thing is to work together, helping them with the tough feelings and emotions of life

I have found the following three things really important to practice with an anxious child. Keep in mind, they are tips, not the be all end all.

Hack No. 1: Track the anxiety

Does it get big at bed time? Maybe at school drop off or right before eating a meal.

Whenever it shows up, it's helpful to note and see if a pattern emerges.

If there is a pattern, then you may begin to notice what happens right before the anxiety and find clues to what is causing the feelings. With a pattern, you can begin to plan for big feelings of anxiety, talk about what you are going to do and then implement it together.

Hack No. 2: Problem solve with your child

Children have anxiety but they don't have to be defined by anxiety. This is important to teach children so that they have a way to look at their feelings but not allow them to be all encompassing.

One great way to do this is to ask your child's anxiety what it might need in the moment, such as a hug, a drink of water, fresh air, a song, some time with mom, etc. In asking what your child may need (and giv-



Susan Stutzman *On mental health*

examples to start) you are giving your child ways to problem solve for what the feeling needs.

ing them a few options or

• Hack No. 3: Implement anxiety plans, playfully

Being playful with your child when helping them deal with their anxiety can help them meet the challenging feelings in a new way. Try naming your anxiety, checking the anxious

thoughts out and talking directly to anxiety with your child.

Example: If you have tracked your child's anxiety to be a half hour before bed time, begin to talk about the feelings that might be coming mid-day. Problem solve with your child as to what they might need before bed to feel less anxious, and if they want to share anything that they know to be true with their anxious

feelings. This will give you a way to plan for the anxiety, problem solve for anxiety's needs and practice ways to implement your strategies.

• Bonus hack: Keep your child (and self) hydrated

Really? Yes, really! Poor hydration is a cause of increased anxiety symptoms.

Hydration is important in keeping bodies running. Something as simple as drinking enough liquid to stay hydrated throughout each day can make a big difference in your child's anxiety levels.

Anxious behavior and emotions don't have to stay all encompassing. So give these hacks a try today.

If you need additional resources and support, give a therapist a call today. Don't parent alone.

— Susan Stutzman, LCPC, RPT, is an owner/child therapist at Kid Matters Counseling in Hinsdale.

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expectations and surveillance in survivorship. The program is presented in partnership with DuPage Medical Group. Attendance each week is recommended but not required. Time: 6 to 7 p.m. RR

■ Maintaining a Healthy Lifestyle after Breast Cancer

Jan. 14 (630) 323-7500 https://www.wellnesshouse. org

Breast surgeon Rabia Bhatti will present important lifestyle techniques to implement following a breast cancer diagnosis and tips for reducing recurrence in this virtual program. Time: 2:30 to 4 p.m. RR

JUST FOR KIDS

■ Windy City Ninjas

Mondays, Jan. 11-Feb. 8 Windy City Ninjas 684 W. Lake St., Elmhurst https://www.villageofhins-dale.org/pr

This class for kids ages 5 and up and adults will challenge participants with beginner, intermediate and advanced obstacles aimed at building strength, agility, and balance. Classes will typically include four circuits with five to eight obstacles per circuit. Class members receive a temperature check at the door and

must wear a mask when in the building and wash their hands every time entering the gym area; social distancing will be practiced. Time: 6:00 to 6:50 p.m. Cost: \$135. RR

■ Coding in Scratch 3.0

Tuesdays, Jan. 12-March 16 (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunity-house.org

Kids ages 7-12 will develop eight video games in Scratch like Star Hunter, Pac Man, Egg Drop Game and more. The virtual Zoom-based course will include events, loops, variables and if statements and will culminate in a final project where students use their creativity to code their own game. The goal is to get excited about coding in a play-based environment. Participants need a laptop or Chromebook and a high-speed internet connection. Time: 4 to 5 p.m. Cost: \$205. RR, MD

■ Coding in Python

Tuesdays, Jan. 12-March 16 (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunity-house.org

Kids ages 7-12 will develop 10 Python games, including number games, hangman, a space adventure and more. Students will learn about various introductory programming concepts and how to apply them, like variables, lists, loops and if statements. This is a great course for beginners to Python. The goal is to get excited about coding. Participants need a laptop or Chromebook and a high-speed internet connection. Time: 5 to 6 p.m. Cost: \$205. RR, MD

■ Cabin Fever Crafts

Ongoing (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Got cabin fever? The Hinsdale Public Library is making previous summer craft kits available. Request a kit in and stop by to pick up. RR

LISTEN & LEARN

■ Fitness Tech — At Home Fitness

Jan. 13 (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Jumpstart 2021 with fitness apps and streaming services at home by joining this virtual Hinsdale Public Library program to learn about the latest development in at-home fitness technology, including connect gear, streaming services and apps. Include an email address when registering to receive the online meeting invitation. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

■ Tips for College Admission Success

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Jan. 23-Feb. 28 (630) 942-3008 https://atthemac.org

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■ Interactive Movie: You vs. Wild Jan. 9

(630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info

Join the Hinsdale Public Library on Zoom for an interactive viewing party of "Bear Grylls: You vs. Wild." Please provide an email address at registration. Time: 3 to 4 p.m. RR

SIGN UP NOW

■ Peabody's Pages Book Club Fridays, Jan. 8, Feb. 5 & March 5 or Tuesdays, Jan. 19. Feb. 9 &

March 9 (630) 206-9568 https://www.dupageforest.

Sign up for these virtual book discussions examining "Being a Beast" in January, "Reading the Landscape of America" in February and "The Story of More" in March. Register for either the three morning or three evening discussions. Times: 10 to 11:15 a.m. Fridays, or 6:45 to 8 p.m. Tuesdays. Cost: \$5 for all three discus-

sions, RR

■ Virtual Spanish for Adults Tuesdays, Jan. 12-Feb. 16 (630) 789-7090

https://www.villageofhins-dale.org/pr

Learn Spanish from the safety and comfort of home via Zoom. Students will develop skills in conversational Spanish in this class, which is tailored to the needs of the students enrolled and taught live by a Language in Action Inc. instructor. Zoom login information will be emailed to students before the first class. Time: 10 to 11 a.m. Cost: \$72.

■ E-Learning Care Program Ongoing

The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org/back-to-schoolplan-2020-21

Kids in first through fifth grades can learn virtually with assistance from an experienced staff of child care professionals during their morning

or afternoon sessions. Cohorts will also receive academic support from a Village Tutor up to an hour per day, when needed. While learning and completing work will be a priority, students also will have the chance to interact with peers and participate in enrichment through the LyArts Program. The schedule is designed to supports students as they follow the Community Consolidated District 181 schedule. Times: 8 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. or 11:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$325 per week, with discounts for siblings. RR, MD

STEPPING BACK

■ Desert Storm Air War

Jan. 14 https://www.cantigny.org

Historian Jim Corrigan looks back at the unprecedented air war of Operation Desert Storm in this virtual Zoom program as part of the Virtual Date with History series. For five weeks, the skies over Iraq and Kuwait were filled with a dizzying array of new weapons, such

as Tomahawk and Hellfire

missiles, stealth aircraft and laser-guided smart bombs. The vast campaign presented flight crews with many harrowing moments, which Jim has recounted in his book, "Desert Storm Air War: The Aerial Campaign Against Saddam's Iraq in the 1991 Gulf War." Time: 7 p.m. RR

■ My Hamilton by Megan Wells

Jan. 19 (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary. info

Professional storyteller Megan Wells will portray Eliza Hamilton and tell of her husband Alexander Hamilton in this virtual Hinsdale Public Library program. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. RR

TEENS & TWEENS

■ S.T.E.A.M. for Teens

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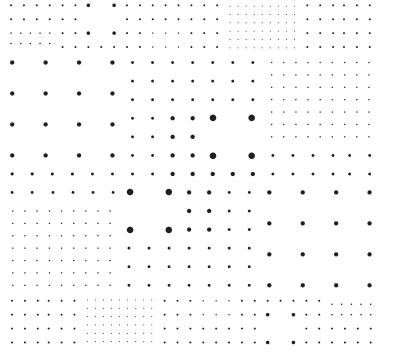
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Pet pic of the week

Range is a handsome, medium-sized mixed breed dog who is looking for his new family, with kids 8 and older. He's a happy and playful 1-year-old whose adoption fee is \$300. The Hinsdale Humane Society Tuthill Family Pet Rescue & Resource Center is currently closed to the public, but anyone who is interested in adopting a pet can fill out an online application at https://www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org and then call (630) 323-5630 for an interview. Temporary adoption hours are 1 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, noon to 6 Thursday and Friday and noon to 5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. (photo provided)



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cially with teens in mind will be available at the Hinsdale Public Library for curbside or in-house pick up. There are 30 kits available. RR

WEE ONES

■ Z00M Taekwondo-Little Dragons I

Saturdays, Jan. 9-March 20 (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunity-house.org

Kids ages 4-5 will learn the 2000-year-old martial art of Taekwondo, improving concentration and self esteem while developing self-defense skills. This ZOOM class uses gentle instruction and appropriate games for students' ability, focusing on developing balance, coordination and respect for the discipline. Time: 10 to 10:40 a.m. Cost: \$140. RR, MD

■ Sportsters and Lunchsters Mondays, Jan. 11-Feb. 15 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 789-7090

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Boys and girls ages 3-6 will try the skills used in soccer, basketball, floor hockey, T-ball and other sports. Organized games will emphasize sportsmanship and teamwork. Participants should bring a water bottle, a nut-free lunch and a face covering. Time: 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$75. RR

■ Pee Wee Floor Hockey

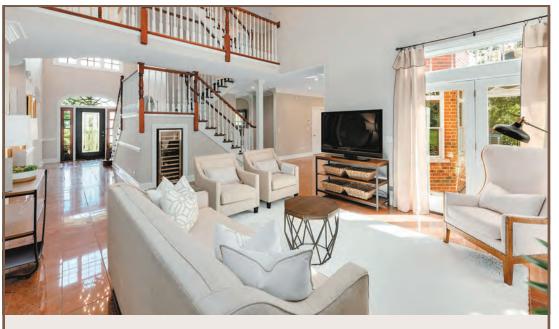
Fridays, Jan. 15-Feb. 19 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

Kids ages 3-6 will learn the game of hockey before the skates go on, including stick handling, passing, shooting and goalie skills as well as team exercises. Participants should bring a labeled face covering and water bottle. Time: 1:45 to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$54. RR

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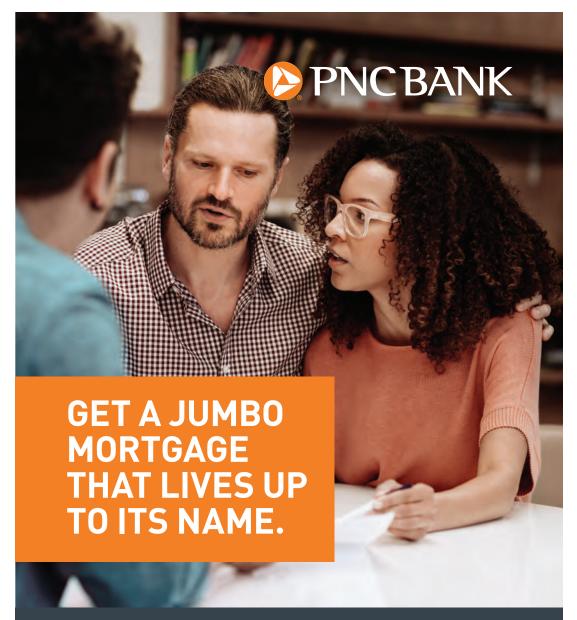
REAL ESTATE SALES

Deeds for the following properties in Hinsdale and Golfview Hills were recorded in DuPage County from Nov. 16 to Dec. 10.

- **1.835 S. Park Ave.,** Chicago Title Land Trust Co. to Kun and Kristen Peng, Nov. 16, \$2,250,000
- **2. 538 N. Grant St.,** Logan and Hillary Cage to 538 N. GrantLLC, Nov. 16, \$1,275,000
- **3. 420 Minneola St.,** US Bank and RMAC Trust Series to Hao Chang, Nov. 16, \$520,000
- **4. 27 E. Birchwood Ave.,** Kirsten Hines to Matthew and Stephanie Finch, Nov. 17, \$815.000
- **5. 22 S. Clay St.,** Madonna Ames and Madonna Living Trust to Michael and Diane Dahl, Nov. 18, \$1,033,438
- **6. 239 S. Monroe St.,** Chris T. and Mary A Thomas trusts to Adnan Qureshi and Humaa Bhatti, Nov. 18, \$950,000
- **7. 108 S. Adams St.,** Charles and Leah Van Slambrouck to Bryan and Christina Geit, Nov. 18, \$755,000
- **8. 401 S. Lincoln St.,** James and Catherine Delany to Stuart and Tracy McCarroll, Nov. 20, \$1,600,000
- **9. 733 S. Monroe St.,** Christine and Justin McCarty to Lyuba and Chris Roseri, Nov. 20, \$1,100,000
- **10.118 W. Fourth St.,** Sarah J. Koten Trust to Armando and Alise Flores, Nov. 20, \$525,000
- **11. 10 Stough St.,** Jonathan Campbell and Linda M. Campbell Trust to Richard Loisi, Nov. 23, \$515,000
- **12. 5804 S. Garfield Ave.,** Ali Khan and Sarah Nadeem to Sean and Sumi Pitrode, Nov. 24, \$1,790,000
- **13. 629 S. Bruner St.,** Leonard J. Chinnici Trust to Mo Chen, Nov. 25, \$665,000
- **14. 536 Bonnie Brae Road,** Judith L. Brackett Declaration Trust to Daniel and Shelby Kietzer, Nov. 25, \$585,000
- **15. 404 N. Adams St.,** Terrence and Maureen Hegarty to Vincent Priest, Nov. 25, \$1,100,000
- **16. 233 Meadowbrook Lane,** David and Pamela Knecht to Mark Vazquez, Nov. 25, \$771,500

- **17.132 S. Clay St.,** Bouncing Buster LLC to Christopher Wrobel, Dec. 2, \$525,000
- **18. 1140 Old Mill Road,** Chicago Title Land Trust Co. to Maria R. Aschinberg Trust, Dec. 2, \$469,000
- 19. 146 E. Maple St., Charles Froelich, Mario Cirignani and Donald P. Storm Trust to Benjamin and Hannah Hergenroether, Dec. 2, \$380,000
- **20. 34 S. Stough St.,** Eric D. Thompson Declaration Trust to Nimesh and Zankhana Desai, Dec. 3, \$725,000
- **21. 102 N. Quincy St.,** Katherine Hoffmann to Lindsey and Evan Burgstahler, Dec. 4, \$652,500
- **22. 44 S. Bruner St.,** Brian and Joann Stubbings to Savitri Pennington and Gregory Doerink, Dec. 4, \$626,500
- **23. 437 The Lane,** Aldas and Maria Naris to Man Chow, Dec. 4, \$673,500
- **24. 300 Claymoor,** Dariusz Gasior to Stephanie Riewer, Dec. 4, \$225,000
- **25. 561 N. Grant St.,** Paul and Agnieszka Herrold to Benjamin Korallus, Dec. 4, \$493,000
- **26. 360 Claymoor Road,** Cynthia E. Baker Declaration Trust to Joshua and Loren McCarthy, Dec. 7, \$173,500
- **27. 123 Ravine Road,** Leah E. Conway Trust to Eugene Park and Esther Lee, Dec. 7, \$1,150,000
- **28. 430 S. Bodin St.,** Craig A. Treankler and Maureen F. Treankler Living Trust to David and Lisa Allen, Dec. 7, \$1.072.000
- **29. 6 S. Bruner St.,** Donald and Eileen Hanley and Hanley Declaration Trust to Paul and Gloria Osland, Dec. 7, \$940,000
- **30. 5523 Childs Ave.,** Thomas and Lisa Pavich to Fizza Deen and Ibrahim Shamsi, Dec. 9, \$1,175,000
- **31. 5546 S. Monroe St.,** William and Mary Doherty to Pravin and Usha Khakhkhar revocable trusts, Dec. 9, \$930,000
- **32. 1204 Chanticleer,** Alan P. Hanley Trust to Ke Li and Guo Chen, Dec. 10, \$237,500

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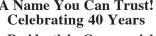


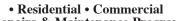
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Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

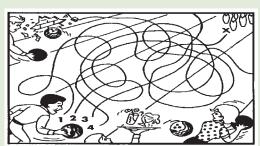
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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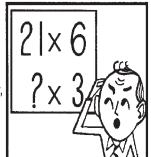


ALLEY OOPS! Which path does the bowling ball take to hit the pins above? Pick 1, 2, 3 or 4, and see if you are right.

FUN TIMES! Multiply 21 by 6 and the answer is 126, an instance in which all three digits used in the multiplication appear in the product. Just for fun, see if you can find another two-digit amount, which, when multiplied by 3, will function similarly. That is to say, will produce a product containing the three digits involved in the math.

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January 2021 Horoscopes · Week 2



CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20 Emotions may cloud your judgment, Capricorn. Try to look at a situation clearly so you can weighin in an impartial manner so you have no regrets.



ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Be aware of the impact words can have, Aries. You may think what you're saying is innocusus, but it really can do harm without intent. Be conscious of what you're saying awaying can be a conscious of what you're can be a conflict for you, especially if you're not yet ready to make a move. saying.







LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23
You may need to put rational on the side and be a little reckless in the days ahead, Libra. This may cause some temporary disarray, but take a chance.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23



AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18 Advantius – Jan 21/reb 18
Sometimes the best
things that happen to you
can occur in the most unlikely of places, Aquarius.
Always keep your eyes
open and ready for surnrises



TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21 You don't want to disa You don't want to disappoint people who rely on you, Taurus. But remain conscious of what you can and cannot offer other people. Find the right balance.



Leo, a steep climb is be-fore you,but with patience and perseverance, you will eventually reach the summit. Once you do, you will enjoy an extreme sense of accomplishment.



You may think you have the perfect plan laid out, Scorpio. However, double- or even triple-check all of your data. Doing so will provide reassurance.



PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20
Don't fret if you don't think the same way as another group of people, Pisces. This week you will more fully develop your perspective your perspective



SEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Spend some time alone this week to sort things out in your head before you react to a situation that has been on your mind, Gemini. Don't let others affect your state others affect your state



VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Try not to nitpick your actions, Virgo. Once you make a decision, stand by your choice and defend it. Typically your gut and your mind do not steer you in the wrong direction. direction.



SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21
Sagittarius, what you expect to happen this week may turn out to be the opposite of what actually happens. Be prepared for any scenario to come your way.

SPORTS

Army's Johnson captures gridiron glory

Hinsdale Central graduate embraces mission as team co-captain during pandemic

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Mike Johnson's final campaign as a member of the Army football program was cloaked in uncertainty when training camp began last June.

How many games would the pandemic allow? Would there even be a season?

The season not only went on, but it produced a legion of memorable exploits for both the Black Knights and their starting left guard.

"We just had a kind of mindset that we were going to prepare and plan, do our workouts and if ever anything were going to come up, we were just going to go forward," Johnson said.

The squad was ready to turn the page after what many regarded as a sub-par 2019 season,

"Everyone was kind of hungry and had a chip on their shoulders," he said. "We were ready to put the program in the right direction."

In August, Johnson was elected one of three team captains.

"It was probably the biggest honor of my life," he said. "That's something I'm super proud of and humbled by. It kind of brought about a greater sense of responsibility for the team."

Two blowout home wins to open the schedule would set the tone for an eventual 8-0 record at Michie Stadium, the most wins there in one season in the venue's nearly 100-year history. The Knights were 6-2 heading into a Nov. 21 game against Georgia Southern. Down 21-7 at halftime after several miscues, Johnson said the team was able to flip the script in the second half, pulling out a 28-27 comeback victory.

"We just found a way to win," he said.

The team knew it would need that kind of resilience in its final two regular season match-ups versus service academy foes Navy and Air Force, with the coveted Commander-in-Chief's Trophy on the line.

The Army-Navy Game had about 15,000 fans in attendance to see the 2020 edition of the storied rivalry. It was biggest COVIDrestricted crowd Johnson and



his teammates had competed in front of. A live broadcast of ESPN's College Gameday program from the West Point campus added to orable men Football Fo Army's s offense cre

the buzz. The trappings of normalcy was energizing, Johnson said.

"They brought in both student bodies and they were able to spread them out and have the aesthetics and decorations they normally do. That was probably the best atmosphere the whole year," he said.

Army triumphed 15-10, needing a win against Air Force to bring home the trophy for the top service academy. But it wouldn't be easy in the defense-dominated affair.

"The last drive against Air Force, we were able to come together at the point that it mattered most," Johnson said of the 16-play, 80-yard fourth-quarter scoring drive that gave the Knights a 10-7 victory. "It was probably the biggest one this year."

It also marked the 35th win for Johnson's class of 2021, the most of any class in Army history. And thanks in large part to Johnson and his fellow offensive linemen, the Knights were one of only two teams in the country to rush for more than 3,000 yards during the season. Johnson, for his part, led the team with 150 knockdown blocks, a physical display that earned him an All-America hon-

orable mention nod from Pro Football Focus.

Army's signature triple option offense creates headaches for opposing defensive coordinators. Johnson said it took time to decipher it himself.

"It's definitely different," he said.
"Before the attack, it's more violent, more physical than any of the offenses I ran in high school."

There was one episode of hard contact Johnson probably would rethink — head-butting his coach in celebration while still wearing his helmet, video footage of which went viral.

"Everyone's OK," Johnson said. Playing in front of mostly empty stands was strange, he admitted, but didn't phase him.

"When I'm on the field actually playing, I almost have tunnel vision and I don't pay attention to anything else," Johnson related.

He said the players' special camaraderie — they call it "the brotherhood" — is forged by a shared commitment to both the sport and their military call.

"That just puts us in a unique position, what we go through on a daily basis: the army, the country, each other. It's a far greater kind of bond," Johnson said. "We take a lot of pride in that."

The team's 9-2 record got them a bid to the Independence Bowl on

among the service academies. (photo courtesy of Army Black Knights)

Dec. 26. Until no one would agree

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Hinsdale native and

Army football player Mike Johnson

er during a game.

As team co-cap-

tain this season,

Johnson led the

team to its third

Commander-in-

Chief's Trophy in four years. "That

was probably the

biggest deal by far.

No other team or

lade really matters.

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to face them.

"It was just kind of a weird day, just kind of a roller coaster. One moment you think you're going to play, the next moment you're not," Johnson said.

Fortunately, West Virginia also needed a playing partner in the Liberty Bowl on New Year's Eve, and the teams got to close out the year together. The Knights fell 21-24 in a hard-fought contest, but Johnson said that disappointment paled in comparison to the finality of the brotherhood's run.

"The hardest part of that game was knowing it was the last time playing with those guys," he remarked.

Next up for Johnson is the Infantry Officer Basic Leadership Course at Fort Benning, Ga. Like the perseverance needed to end the pandemic, he said he's learned the importance of sticking to a winding but winning process.

"I've taken my former short-term mindset and turned it into a longterm mindset, trying to excel at one thing at a time while keeping my focus on the long-term goals," Iohnson said.

The Hinsdale Central alum added that he's looking forward to following his alma mater during their deferred spring season.

"Go Red Devils!" he exclaimed.



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