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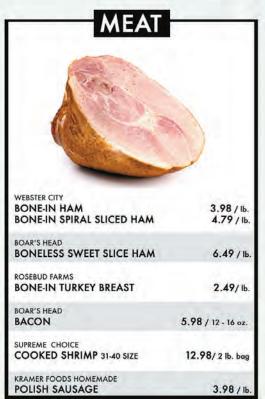
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## **NEWS**

## D86 addresses equipment upgrade backlog

By Ken Knutson

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Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South campuses are in the process of getting long deferred improvements.

Now the Hinsdale High School District 86 Board wants to change out deteriorating equipment like drivers education simulators and snow removal vehicles for more functional models.

Board members approved the purchase of replacement capital equipment totaling \$2.35 million at their March 25 meeting. Chief Financial Officer Josh Stephenson said the time is right for such action — particularly with the budget savings related to schools being shut down during the pandemic — to both make the needed investment and put in place a system to avoid such urgent large-scale costs.

"It's important, I think, to utilize

this unique year financially to help dig us out of this hole we've been in with this capital equipment," Stephenson said. "We need to make sure that departmental budgets can manage the capital equipment replacements on an annual basis as needed."

The combined cost of new virtual driving simulators at Central and South is \$230,000.

"The (current) simulators are extremely old. They're extremely difficult to find anyone to repair them," he said in recommending the modern versions.

New skid steers for snow removal at each campus cost \$58,500 apiece, and a new pickup truck with a plow for Central is \$50,000.

"We really do not want to enter another round of snow removal like we saw this year with our current equipment, because we experienced a number of failures with that equipment and kind of had to just manage the best we could," Stephenson related.

The district will replace its 20-year-old dump truck for \$78,000 and get a new bucket truck for \$75,000 for the ability to do more tasks in-house, Stephenson explained, like changing the parking lot lights.

Board member Kathleen Hirsman praised the administration for the plan to get a better handle on equipment needs before they become critical.

"I am so impressed with this approach," Hirsman said. "I've been on the board for six years, and I don't think we've ever done something like this before where we've done this type of inventory."

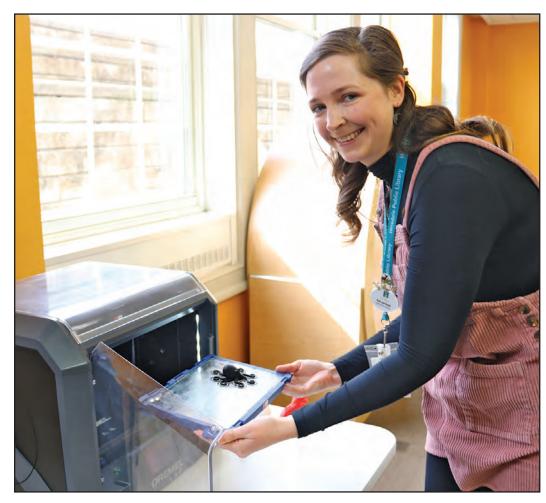
Stephenson also apprised board members of a lengthy list of obsolete musical instruments at South, some of which date back to the 1960s. Board President Kevin Camden cited that as an example of why a more proactive equipment replacement philosophy is prudent.

"We can't just make decisions irrespective of what the dollar costs are," Camden said. "'Running to failure' probably isn't the best way to run capital plants and physical structures."

Among the other capital items on the list for Central are eight fitness center elliptical machines estimated at a combined \$23,192 and six additional security cameras for \$13,680. The board also is equipping the schools' sports venues with video scoreboards that will allow for greater sponsorship opportunities. Stephenson said the district would work with the schools' booster and athletic clubs on the plan for the scoreboards, estimated at \$312,217 at Central and \$253,126 at South.

"There is potential for this to actually be a positive revenue generator for the district," he said.

#### 'Magical' printer serves many purposes



**Hinsdale Public Library** staff member Sarah Jane was using the library's 3-D printer recently to print images for the library's St. Patrick's Day celebration bags. Last year, staff members used the printer to make shields for first responders early in the pandemic when supplies were hard to get. (Jim Slonoff photos)





## **ONCE UPON A TIME**

Lifestyle housing circa 1888 — In her book, "Images in America Hinsdale,' Sandy Williams mentions that the first building on the south side of First Street was this one located at 102 S. Washington St. "In 1888, German born John Papenhause had this building constructed to house his successful tailoring business. The second floor was home to the Papenhausens and their six children.



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#### **NEWS**

## 'Stuck' in Hinsdale over spring break

Annual feature looks at how families are enjoying a weeklong March-April staycation

By Pamela Lannom plannom@thehinsdalean.com

With District 181 schools set to resume full-time in person classes next week, the Parry family of Hinsdale is spending spring break enjoying some unscheduled fun.

Mom Kristen and her youngest two, Lucy, 5, and Gavin, 3, were at the Robbins Park playground Tuesday afternoon with some friends. Her oldest, Colin, a fourth-grader, and Owen, a second-grader — both Oak School students — were biking with friends.

"We take a lot of bike rides," Parry said. "We are at the parks. We play baseball outside a lot. We find rocks and sticks everywhere."

Spring break trips typically are an every-other-year occurrence for the family, with grandma watching Gavin while the rest of the



In Robbins Park, Gavin Parry (from left), May Morris, Lucy Parry, Ben Morris and Taylor Morris enjoy an old-fashioned game of duck-duck-goose. The Parry family also planned visits to Brookfield Zoo and the Morton Arboretum this week and enjoyed time completing ropes courses and playing laser tag at The Forge in Lemont on Monday. (Jim Slonoff photos)



**Charlotte Zhong** practices her setting during the Chicago Elite Youth Volleyball Spring Break Camp Tuesday afternoon at The Community House.

clan traveled to the Bahamas in 2019.

"I'm actually really kind of happy to be here," Parry said.

Living in a safe community where her kids can enjoy unscheduled play time outdoors is one of the reasons the family chose Hinsdale when they relocated from Georgia three years ago.

"They have so many plans all the time, it's nice to not," Parry said.

Across the field, kids were participating in a variety of activities inside The Community House. Turnout was high for the various camps offered, said Taylor Enger, recreation supervisor.

"It's been really great. I think a lot of parents are ready to get their kids back to school and to something fun," she said, adding there were some familiar faces and some new ones. "They all seem pretty excited to be here."

Participants in the spring break camp she is overseeing this week were working on crafts such as dying paper Easter eggs, painting kindness rocks and building birds nests out of sticks.

"It's fun," she said. "Nice to be outside, too."

The Community House also offered camps for base-

ball, volleyball and pee wee soccer, along with open art studios.

The Community House wasn't the only busy spot in town this week. With spring break occurring the week before Easter, Pastor Katie Hines-Shah of Redeemer Lutheran Church in Hinsdale had plenty to do, even after rescheduling some commitments.

"Holy Week I always try to limit the number of regular meetings that I've got going so I can focus on the last-minute preparations for services and all the writing," she said, noting that she finished the first draft of her Easter Sunday sermon last Wednesday.

"That made me a little nervous," she admitted, adding that a pastor friend told her not to worry about needing to change the content.

"Jesus will still be raised," he assured her.

She is most excited this week about the ability to visit some parishioners she has not seen since last March.

"The nursing homes are finally allowing visitors and I am going to get to make some of my first nursing home visits since the pandemic started," she said. "People really want me to come and bring them

Communion."

Hines-Shah's schedule this week also includes Zoom services for Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday along with two in-person services on Sunday.

"I think, based on demand, I'll have enough room for walk-ins," she said. "It's been interesting. Folks have not rushed back to church. I'm OK with that. People need time and need to do what's safe for them."

Last Easter, Redeemer offered its first recorded service in the church, which had been closed since mid-March. Hines-Shah and her family were in quarantine after being exposed to a close friend who contracted COVID-19. This year, with all adults fully vaccinated, the two families will enjoy an Easter meal together — indoors.

"Being together is going to be really fun," she said.

This Easter season has a different feel than last year's did, she observed.

"It's really exciting to see the signs of spring and the signs of hope with COVID, and we are really hopeful that we are seeing the resurrection in real time," she said. "Even so, we are going to continue to be cautious."

## **NEXT WEEK**

#### **Hinsdale High School District 86 Board**

6 p.m. Thursday, April 8 Hinsdale South High School 7401 Clarendon Hills Road, Darien https://d86.hinsdale86.org

#### **Hinsdale Village Board**

7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 6 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org

On the draft agenda: discuss pay plans for full-time, public services and seasonal employees, review variations and exterior appearance and site for Phase 2 construction at Hinsdale Central, liquor license requests

## **MEETING ROUNDUP**

#### **Hinsdale High School District 86**

Among other business March 25, board members:

- approved the staffing recommendation for the 2021-22 school year, which will keep district staffing flat. The recommendation, which was reviewed and discussed by the district's human resources committee, came under criticism from some students and families for creating "stacked" classes at Hinsdale South, in which different levels of German courses and Latin courses are combined into one due to low enrollment for the individual courses. District officials said they would explore other ways of providing the individual classes going forward, perhaps by leveraging remote learning platforms.
- agreed to spend \$1.96 million with FBG Corp. to renovate/ build out leased space at 361 Frontage Road in Burr Ridge to house Transition Center programs. The board also voted to issue \$2.23 million in general obligation debt certificates to fund the renovation. The board approved leasing 11,100 square feet to address overcrowded conditions at the current Transition Center at 7302 Clarendon Hills Road in Darien. The landlord is contributing \$500,000 to the build-out; the district also received a federal IDEA grant for \$186,200 for the project. Work should is expected be completed by August.
- approved the purchase of \$809,647 in furniture for several Phase 2 projects at Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South
- witnessed Hinsdale South winning the coin toss to determine the times at which each school will hold its graduation ceremony on May 17. South will hold its ceremony at 5 p.m. and Central will hold its ceremony at 7:30 p.m.

## **COVID-19** positivity rate climbing in Region 8

The total number of confirmed and suspected cases of COVID-19 in the village has risen to 1.591.

Amita Hinsdale Hospital had four confirmed COVID-19 patients and three patients awaiting test results on Wednesday, a spokeswoman said.

Community Consolidated District 181 reported seven new cases from March 17-23, all of which involved stu-

Hinsdale High School District 86 reported seven current positive cases March 19, with 55 people in isolation and 60 in quarantine.

The rolling seven-day positivity rate for Region 8, which includes DuPage County, was 4.2 percent on Saturday, compared to 3.8 percent a week prior.

Illinois has administered 4.93 million doses of vaccines. An average of 98,207 vaccines are being administered daily, compared to 102,564 last week. About 15 percent of DuPage County residents are fully vaccinated.

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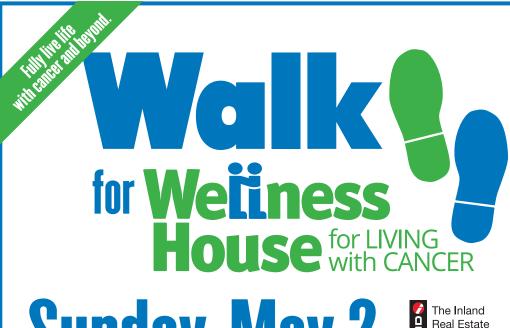
The number of new COVID-19 cases in the DuPage County portion of Hinsdale reported in last week's paper was incorrect. The number was fewer than 70.



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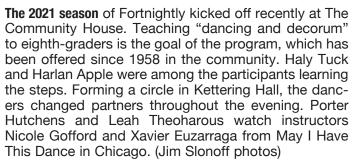


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## **POLICE BEAT**

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports March 30.

#### **DUI** arrest

- Courtney E. Edwards, 38, 18121 School St., Lansing, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08, driving with a suspended license and stopping, parking or standing on roadway (not in business or residential area) at 3:43 a.m. March 22 on the ramp from Interstate 294 to Ogden Avenue. She was asleep at the wheel with the vehicle running. She was charged and released to appear in court.
- Shon L. Franklin, 27, 34 N. Lavergne Ave., Chicago, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08 and disobeying a traffic control signal at 4:33 a.m. March 28 at Route 83 and Ogden Avenue. He was charged and released to appear in court
- Scott Alexander Young, 57, 412 Bluff Road, La Grange, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08, failure to signal when changing lanes and improper lane use at 11:44 p.m. March 29 in the 100 block of East Ogden Avenue. He was charged and released to appear in court.

#### **Driver arrested for leaving accident scene**

Antonio Valladares, 21, 5501 W. Drummond Place, Chicago, was arrested for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident, leaving the scene of an accident involving damage to an attended vehicle, failure to give aid of information at attended accident and driving with a suspended license at 12:33 p.m. March 22 after a hit-and-run crash in the 100 block of East Ogden Avenue. Illinois State Police located the suspect involved in a secondary crash on I-294. He was charged and released to Illinois State Police, who were conducting a DUI investigation.

#### **Battery incident reported**

A woman approached a man seated in his parked vehicle at 8:28 p.m. March 27 in the 900 block of Justina Street and pounded on his windows and grabbed him by the shirt. The suspect was described as a white female in her late 40s/early 50s with dark hair wearing a black sweater and a brown shirt. She left the area driving a gray sedan.

#### Home's cable cut

The coax cable was cut between the utility pole and a home in the 700 block of Grant Street between March 22 and 23.

#### **Identity theft incident**

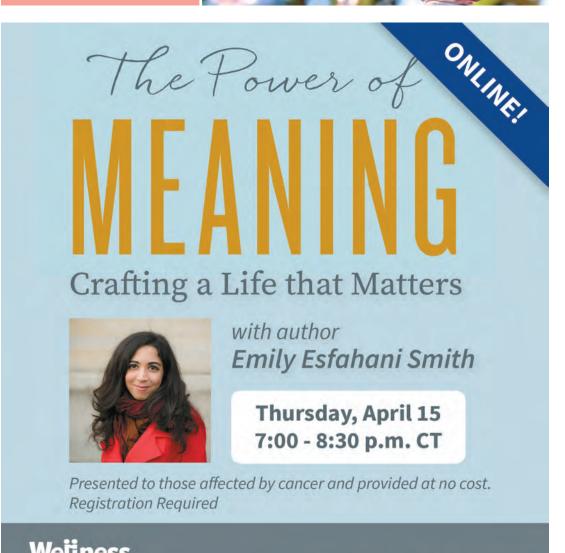
Account information belonging to a resident of the 900 block of Oakwood Terrace was used to cash an electronic check in the amount of \$26.14 on March 3. The incident was reported March 24.

#### Theft of services reported

A female suspect left Firestone, 150 E. Ogden Ave. without paying for \$80 in services performed to her vehicle at 1:38 p.m. March 23.

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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## **60 SECONDS**

#### Loss propels Hinsdale woman into helping others overcome

The death of Molly Haunty's friend and sister-in-law in 2015 launched her into a group to which no one wants to belong. Like so many others, Haunty's life had been touched by cancer.

"Cancer is pervasive, unfortunately," Haunty said.

As her sister-in-law, Nancy, battled metastatic breast cancer, Haunty said she admired her friend's ability to continue living right up to the end. With help from her community, Nancy was empowered to travel, run and even climb a mountain while also fighting cancer. As a supporter and member of the Wellness House Board of Directors, Haunty is committed to providing that same life-giving support to others.

Since 1990, Wellness House has provided cancer patients and their families with resources, tools and support that extend beyond their medical treatment. Nutrition, exercise, stress management and emotional support are among the many programs aimed at meeting the psychosocial needs of those facing cancer and their families.

Shortly after the loss of Nancy,

Haunty was introduced to the work of Wellness House by fellow Wellness House board member Anna Fiascone.

"I could not have written my name down fast enough," said Haunty, who stepped in to chair the wine auction portion of the 2016 Wellness House Ball. By 2018, she was co-chair of the ball itself, helping to raise more than \$670,000.

This year, as a new member of the Wellness House Board, Haunty is co-chairing the annual Walk for Wellness House (see Page 30 for details). Set for Sunday, May 2, the event will be a hybrid of the traditional walk and the virtual event held in 2020.

Prior to COVID-19, thousands would gather at the Wellness House to begin their one-mile trek through the streets of Hinsdale. This year, participants will walk in small groups during reserved one-hour time slots. While some will step off from Wellness House, others will stroll through local forest preserves or a location of their own choosing.

Registration is open now at events.wellnesshouse.org.

Walk for Wellness House has set a goal to raise \$550,000, but Haunty said the event isn't only about raising money.

"I think the walk, first and foremost ... is to celebrate the amazingness of the Wellness House, she said.

Haunty said she's impressed with how Wellness House has pivoted not only its fundraising methods through COVID-19, but also its programming. Hundreds of programs are now available online, making them accessible to people everywhere.

Just as a cancer diagnosis reaches far beyond the patient, the work of Wellness House reaches far beyond the immediate community.

As the entire Haunty family embarks on their own Wellness House walk on May 2, it will be with Nancy in mind.

"She was one of the kindest people I've ever had the privilege of knowing," Haunty said. "I hope Nancy knows the impact she had not just on me, but on her community."

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## **GOOD NEWS**

#### STUDENTS MAKE DEAN'S LIST

Several students from Hinsdale were named to the dean's list or equivalent for the fall 2020 semester at their respective colleges and universities.

- William Bush, The Citadel
- Jonathon Cain, Colgate University
- Daniel McKay, Colgate University
- Caroline Riefe, Indiana
  University
- Selin Turkyilmaz, Colgate University

#### ROTARY PRESENTS MERIT AWARDS

The Rotary Club of Hinsdale presented another round of Youth Merit Awards March 12.

This award recognizes extraordinary middle school and high school students for service to their community and classmates, leadership qualities and academic achievements.

The Rotary Club honors

students from area public and private schools several time each school year.

Recipients are

- Diya Patel, eighth grade, Hinsdale Middle School
- Jake Turnbull, eighth grade, HMS
- Ella Parker-Briones, eighth grade, Clarendon Hills Middle School
- Cooper Revord, eighth grade, CHMS
- Quinton Cain, senior, Hinsdale Central High School

## HMS STUDENTS WIN BOOK BATTLE

After a close final round and five tie-breaker questions, Rikhil Doshi, Alexander Zhang, Amjad Hasan, and Tyler He were named the champions of the Battle of the Books at Hinsdale Middle School.

Yazmin Crisostomo, Alli Pieper, William DeBruin and Lucas Chan were the only team to have a perfect score leading up to the finals and came in second place. These teams outperformed 19 other teams in this season's competition to make it to the finals.

## TEENS NOMINATED AS TOP SCHOLARS

Five Hinsdale Central High School seniors from District 86 have been named candidates for the 2021 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program.

They are Qing Dang, Amer Goel, Bilal Khan, Sidh Leekha and Aileen Yang.

The program was established in 1964 to recognize and honor some of the nation's most distinguished graduating high school seniors. It was expanded in 1979 to "recognize students who demonstrate exceptional talent in the visual, creative and performing arts." It was expanded again in 2015 to acknowledge ability and accomplishments in career and technical education fields.

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## **OPINION**

**EDITORIAL** 

## Plenty is at stake in April 6 consolidated election

Seventeen candidates are running for nine open seats on the library and school boards in Tuesday's election.

Add in the uncontested candidates — one for village president, three for village board and three for four-year terms on the D181 school board — and you're up to two dozen candidates on the ballot in just the most local races. Many other individuals are running for seats in township government, on the regional school board and on the College of DuPage Board.

Why this tally of open positions?

To stress the importance of heading to the polls on Tuesday, April 6 — or in the days between now and then if you prefer to vote early.

Local elections don't generate the publicity that presidential ones do, but they are critically important. In fact, decisions made by village, library and school boards have a direct impact on residents' day-to-day lives.

We've done our best to inform readers about the candidates and their positions by running more than 14 pages of articles and charts over the past nine weeks. We hosted a virtual candidates night for the 10 individuals running for the Hinsdale High School District 86 Board and another session for the two seeking the two-year term on the Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 Board (both are available on our YouTube channel). We've weighed in on which candidates we think are the best choices (see recap below). We've run extra letters pages so readers can support their favorites. All of our election coverage (with the exception of letters) is available online at https://www.the-hinsdalean.com under the Decision 2021 link.

Now it's up to you.

Unfortunately, local races don't generate the turnout national ones do. Compare the 15 percent who voted in DuPage County in the 2019 consolidated election with the almost 77 percent turnout for the 2020 presidential election.

And yet, the candidates elected for the library and two school districts have operating budgets that will approach a total of \$750 million over the next four years, the length of time most candidates will serve. Don't you want a say in who will be charge of allocating those resources?

If voting on Tuesday is not convenient — or you're looking to avoid the crowds — early voting is available at several locations.



Touchscreen early voting for DuPage County residents will run through April 3 at Oak Brook Village Hall, 1200 Oak Brook Road, and Downers Grove Village Hall, 801 Burlington Ave.; and through April 5 at the Shops at Yorktown No. 42 in Lombard.

In-person early voting on paper ballots is available at the DuPage County Fairgrounds, 2015 Manchester Road, Wheaton. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. weekdays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays through April 5.

The two closest early voting locations for Cook County residents are Brookfield Village Hall, 8820 Brookfield Ave. and Hodgkins Village Hall, 8990 Lyons St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Saturdays and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday.

Based on the number of letters to the editor we've received, residents are engaged in this election. Now they just need to head to the polls.

## Hinsdalean recaps endorsements for April 6 election

The Hinsdalean offered its endorsements for library and school board candidates in the March 11 and 18 issues.

The races for Hinsdale village president and village board and the four-year terms on the Community Consolidated District 181 Board are uncontested.

Our recommendations, recapped below, and all election coverage is available on our website at https://www.thehinsdalean.com. Click on the Decision 2021 logo.

#### **Hinsdale Public Library Board**

- ✓ Mary Bock
- ✓ Amy Glynn
- ✔ Kristin McDaniel
- ✓ Richard Munson Ryan Trombly

#### **District 181 Board (two-year term)**

✓ Margaret Kleber Christine Dannhausen-Brun

#### **District 86 Board**

- ✔ Kevin Camden
- ✓ Tamakia "TJ" Edwards
- ✔ Debbie Levinthal
- ✓ Jeff Waters

Justin Baron

Peggy James

Mark Pinnow

Karen Shannon

Marty Turek Terri Walker



**Bock** 





Glynn



McDaniel



Munson



Kleber



Camden



**Edwards** 



Levinthal



Waters

## **OPINION**

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Pinnow would bring voice of reason to D86 Board

I believe that Mark Pinnow would be a valuable asset to the District 86 Board of Education. He would bring collaboration and an evidence based approach to the board and he is a much needed voice of reason.

Mark has a strong business background, and he knows that goals need to be measured against benchmarks to make sure that we reach them. The district is facing a lot of change right now, from getting the back in school to major curriculum changes. We need someone who can work with the administration to come up with wellthought-out plans that are evaluated throughout their implementation in order to be successful. We need someone pragmatic who can use data to make sure any changes in curriculum improve student achievement. As he said on his website, "What gets

measured, gets done." He will hold the administration accountable for the decisions they make and make sure they benefit all of our students.

Mark also believes in collaboration and has already met with multiple administrators, teachers and community members to gain a better understanding of the issues facing our district and to push for more relevant data to get a clearer picture of the state of the district. He knows that open dialogue between all parties produces the best outcomes. He wants to build trust between the district and the community by improving communication and transparency between the two. His goal is to see our schools succeed together.

Vote Mark #1 on April 6.

— Michelle and Joe Foley,
Willowbrook

#### Former D86 president backs Levinthal and Walker

D86 is at a crossroads. The last 18 months have brought changes and challenges to the district that have negatively impacted the educational delivery and experiences of all the students and the ability of the community to have meaningful engagement with the school board on critical issues. Beyond the impact on our kids, these changes likely will have long-term implications on our property values. Many of us moved to this district for its strong academic excellence. Families who once moved here because it was a lighthouse district will likely move to districts that are more welcoming and are not rolling out unpiloted programs.

Is the district making data-driven decisions? Where was the data for the science curriculum change? Where is the data for the math curriculum

change? What outcomes will be measured? I believe the community is still waiting for those answers.

A board of education has control of the narrative, but I believe this board has not communicated in an effective manner. Their dismissive behavior has not given the community any sense of decisions being made with data or with targeted outcomes.

I wholeheartedly support two outstanding candidates for the District 86 Board of Education. Terri Walker and Debra Levinthal will bring much needed data-driven decision-making as well as a true vision for returning the district back to one of excellence.

I hope you join me in voting for Terri Walker and Debra Levinthal for the D86 BOE on April 6. — **Kay Gallo, former D86 board president (2015-17), Clarendon Hills** 

#### Kleber deserves another two years on D181 Board

Margie Kleber's leadership, experience and extensive knowledge of D181 merit her continued service on the D181 Board of Education. Board stability is a critical factor in achieving strategic plan objectives, like delivering the HMS project on time and under budget.

In 2017-18, during my service as an interim assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction — technology, we discovered that the architect's design-build process for the new HMS building did not include plans or budget for the technology infrastructure essential to a 21st century school, nor for the improved network distribution across the district.

Without hesitation, Margie Kleber led board facility committee meetings to clarify the issues and develop recommendations for change orders to ensure the project was redesigned to meet the technology needs of D181 students and staff. Without her adaptive leadership and detailed focus, D181 would not have been positioned to support the instructional delivery challenges that COVID-19 has wrought.

D181 benefits from Margie Kleber's ability to anticipate the implications of unforeseen challenges, to build consensus and to act in the best interest of students, parents and taxpayers.

— Cynthia Heidorn, Glen Ellyn

#### Past D181 board members support James, Waters

As former D181 BOE members, we are writing to express our strong support for Peggy James and Jeff Waters, who are running for the D86 Board of Education.

Since the passage of the D86 facilities referendum in 2019, the current D86 BOE has approved significant curriculum overhauls that we believe are unwarranted. Science curriculum changes were implemented in 2020-21 that reduced students' options. In our opinion, an Integrated Math program was approved in 2020 without meaningful discussion, data analysis and community engagement.

The board should focus on ensuring that there are educational opportunities for all students. Peggy James and Jeff Waters will ensure that each student receives the instructional time necessary to succeed and that our schools are opened safely.

Peggy and Jeff are well versed with the current issues facing D86 and understand the need for a majority of the students to be in the classroom while making sure remote learning is not compromised, if that is the chosen form of instruction. They are committed to making data driven decisions and using change management to ensure the system is not stressed by implementing too many changes at the same time. Peggy and Jeff want to make sure our tax dollars are being used to make changes that fit our district. If elected, Peggy James and Jeff Waters promise to bring the community back to the table and provide transparency and open gov-

Please cast your vote for #4 and #6 on April 6 for the D86 BOE. — **Mridu Garg and Brendan Heneghan, Hinsdale** 

#### Levinthal on D86 board will benefit all children

I am writing in support of Debbie Levinthal for the D86 Board of Education. I've lived in Oak Brook for 14 years and am the mother of two eighth-graders who will attend Hinsdale Central next year. Plus, my husband grew up here and attended Monroe, Hinsdale Junior High and Hinsdale Central. This area and its schools are extremely important to us.

I met Debbie when our teenagers were in preschool. From the first time I met her, I was struck by her zealous, thoughtful advocacy. Debbie always has had her children's best interests at heart and works tirelessly to ensure that they receive the very best.

Throughout the years, I've relied on Debbie's advice on issues relating to my children and their education. That she is an accomplished educator and also a great parent gives her a credibility and perspective that I appreciate. Debbie has given me thoughtful advice from everything from how to handle remote learning to choosing freshman classes.

Our community would benefit greatly from Debbie's service on the D86 Board. Right now, her children are the direct beneficiaries of her advocacy and zeal, as are those of us who are fortunate enough to call Debbie a friend. Once Debbie is serving on the D86 Board, all of our children will benefit from her experience, thoughtfulness and compassion. Her service will make this an even better place to live.

I urge all to support Debbie Levinthal for the D86 Board. — Amy Doehring, Oak Brook

#### Vote for Levinthal, Pinnow, Shannon and Walker

The April 6 election for four D86 school board positions arrives at a critical time for our students and community. I have been most concerned about the current board's decisions to rush, in my opinion, the "physics first" and "integrated math" curriculum changes, which I believe will leave our students underprepared for college. The board has not identified the needs for these changes, has not explained how the new curricula will improve student learning and preparation and did not think it prudent to implement a pilot and evaluation phase before its adoption. We need a board that understands its role as the steward of our schools. A board that doesn't rubber stamp

the administration's proposals, but hears from experts on both sides of the debate, asks relevant and difficult questions and makes responsible changes to proposals. And a board that values community engagement and recognizes that our outcomes are better when we genuinely listen to all of our stakeholders.

These are the reasons I urge election of four new members to the board. I endorse Debbie Levinthal, Mark Pinnow, Karen Shannon and Terri Walker. These candidates are called to serve because of their sincere interest in D86 students and they bring important experience in science, education and administration.

- Milan Mrksich, Hinsdale

## **OPINION**

**GUEST COMMENTARY** 

# March Madness of a different kind

The arrival of April 1 also brings final college decisions. Let me be the first to say, it has been a wild ride. The Class of 2021 knew that college applications were going to be like nothing ever before. But surg-



**Alegra Waverley** 

es of applications at Top 50 universities have created what colleges are calling the "most competitive applicant pool in history." March Madness took on a whole new term in my household.

The Round of 64: If you were like me and applied early to a handful of schools, we began hearing verdicts in late December. I and many others found deferrals to Regular Decision were more common than acceptances.

Creighton was a 5 seed heading into their first round playing UCSB, a 12 seed. While history has shown many the 5-12 upset, it was a little close for comfort as Creighton narrowly won 63-62 and advanced to the next round. Our deferrals got us into the Round of 32 — but would we continue our journeys?

The Round of 32: Where the deferrals piled up to meet the regular decision applications. For me, this is where most of my "reach schools" resided. After hearing back from one of my top schools, I was shocked to learn I had gotten in. With over 75,000 applicants, they announced an all time low acceptance rate: 18 percent. I was an underdog going into the game, competing

with kids who had higher GPAs and probably slept even less than I did. Still, something from my application pushed me into the accepted pile.

Many expected Illinois to go all the way to the NCAA

Championship. But when facing Loyola Chicago in the Round of 32, something happened that shocked fans and busted millions of brackets. Loyola won 71-58.

The Sweet Sixteen: Coming off of my victory, I hoped to be greeted by more good news. However, over the course of 24 hours, I was waitlisted from two target schools and denied from three reaches.

Sister Jean's faith carried Loyola Chicago into the Sweet Sixteen. But how long would the Nun have her run? No. 12 Oregon State ended up bringing the second iteration of Loyola's Cinderella story to a screeching halt with a score of 65-58.

Predictions: Nevertheless, the team that fights the hardest ultimately will end up the NCAA champion. Even if it isn't Michigan, like I had predicted, I know it will be the right team.

Whether I end up at the school who granted me my own Cinderella story or follow in the footsteps of my brother, I know I will end up at the perfect place for me.

— Alegra Waverley, a senior at Hinsdale Central, is a contributing columnist.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Levinthal and Walker will be accountable and transparent

For 20 years I have watched District 86 school boards achieve great things for students by working cohesively with administration and the community, and I have watched utter chaos full of divisive bickering, power grabs and ignoring administrative requests, community input or both. The key factors that seem to lead to one outcome or the other are the board members' willingness to be totally transparent and inclusive of all relevant parties through the decision-making process, as well as their insistence that proposals and decisions be based on data showing improved outcomes and not merely following educational fads. Only two candidates have consistently prioritized in their literature and public engagements accountability and transparency as their guiding principles: Debbie Levinthal and Terri Walker.

These women have emphasized repeatedly that the administration should be held accountable for meeting the needs of all students, that decisions must be based on data that shows improved student outcomes and that governance should be open and transparent. They also strongly believe in listening to their fellow board members and making decisions with a clear understanding of the problem to be solved.

If we want to maintain the academic excellence that draws families to our D86 communities, we must vote for candidates who have a clear and articulated understanding of how to achieve great things for our students — not those who have shown they do not. On April 6, please cast your votes for Debbie Levinthal and Terri Walker. — Jill Quinones, Clarendon Hills

#### Former D181 board president advocates inclusiveness

This past year horrific events have created awareness of discrimination and hate crimes perpetuated against African-American, Asian, LGBTQ, Christian, Jewish, Muslim and other communities. In our Hinsdale and Clarendon Hills community and schools, we can combat racism against all groups by practicing and promoting inclusive behavior.

While I was on the D181 Board (2007-11), we enacted a policy avoiding scheduling events, including games, meets, concerts, plays and key educational activities, including field trips and labs, on religious holidays requested by parents of different faiths. Margaret Kleber, current D181 board member running for re-election, and her husband Dale made it their personal mission to get this policy reversed so that a family's

religious observances would not preclude school events from taking place. Email documentation is available through a Freedom of Information Act request to D181.

Mrs. Kleber has never been held accountable for her anti-inclusive behavior. I suggest the voters send a message it is unacceptable to have individuals with anti-inclusionary beliefs on our school board. We need to remove the layer of anti-inclusiveness I believe she helped create in our district.

Christine Dannhausen-Brun advocates inclusiveness for all groups and ethnicities. This is one of the excellent qualities she will bring to the D181 board. I encourage the voters to stand for inclusiveness and join me in voting for Christine. — Marc Monyek, former D181 board member and president. Hinsdale

#### Check out LWV's candidate videos and then vote April 6

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization that is committed to ensuring that voters have the information they need to successfully vote in every election. One of the local League chapters, the League of Women Voters of Downers Grove, Woodridge and Lisle, is providing information about candidates for village offices and school boards for Hinsdale as well as Downers Grove Township. In lieu of a candidates forum for the April 6 consolidated elections, the LWV invited the candidates for various local offices to answer a set of questions in a submitted video. For any

given office, all candidates were invited. All candidates for the same office were asked the same questions, and they were given the opportunity to say something about themselves. Videos were not solicited from candidates in uncontested races. The videos can be seen at https://my.lwv.org/illinois/downers-grove-woodridge-lisle/candidate-video-profiles-2021-consolidated-election as well as YouTube links provided by the Wheaton LWV for the candidates for the College of DuPage. Please research the candidates for your local elections and vote on April 6. — Vicky Bush-Joseph, Hinsdale

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## **ASK AN EXPERT**

#### TRACY FRIZZELL, ECONOMIC AWARENESS COUNCIL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The pandemic has tested people's normal modes of operation, money management included as many faced sudden unemployment or a business' bottomed-out bottom line.

Children ages 3-9 can get the tools for fiscal fortitude at the Piggy Bank Pageant via Zoom on April 13, sponsored by the Economic Awareness Council in partnership with the Hinsdale Public Library and Hinsdale Bank and Trust in observance of Financial Literacy Month (see Page XX for details).

Tracy Frizzell, executive director of the EAC and a Hinsdale resident, said the program will feature crafts, songs and games, including decorating a personal piggy bank. She said the last year underscores the value of planting such seeds of responsibility early.

"It's been a time when everyone sees the value of having some stability and emergency savings," she said. "Starting young with financial literacy can be incredibly helpful in building good habits for earning, saving and delayed gratification that can last many years."

Frizzell offered several tips for

parents.

#### • Teach kids to save

"Saving really is such a key, tangible way for youth to build that discipline that can really pay off in terms of working for something and getting a reward down the road," Frizzell said. "If you can, help your youth set a goal of whatever it is they want and put aside funds toward that.

#### • Bank at any age

"Making deposits and saving toward a goal is a great lesson," she remarked, acknowledging that the digital revolution has altered the way banking is done. "Many local financial institutions have great youth saving products. It can really be a fun experience, especially if you celebrate it with rewards and give some positive attention."

#### • Be honest about money

"It's important to let children know there are some things we can afford and some things that we can't, or that we have to save up for as a family," Frizzell said. "Pointing out at a young age there are often choices to be made can really help youth down the road."

• Bring kids along shopping

In an increasingly on-demand world, it's important children understand the concept of scarcity and that choices have to made, Frizzell said.

"Show them how you consider the cost per unit and think about how much you have to spend on the groceries," Frizzell said.

#### • Incentivize home chores

Kids should be rewarded for helping with the laundry or cleaning up the house, she suggested. The amount could be small, especially for young children.

"Getting money is exciting for them, even it's not a lot of money," Frizzell said.

Fellow Hinsdalean Alyssa Guido will lead the program, and kids will be able to pick up a goodie bag with supplies prior to pageant day.

"It should be a really fun and interactive day," Frizzell said. "I want them to come away with a better understanding of just what money is, how you have to work to earn it and the value of being really thoughtful about what you do with money — both for saving and for spending,"

— by Ken Knutson



Tracey Frizzell of the Economic Awareness Council said the upcoming Piggy Bank Pageant through Hinsdale Public Library is aimed at helping kids "learn to make savvy choices within the financial system." (Jim Slonoff photo)

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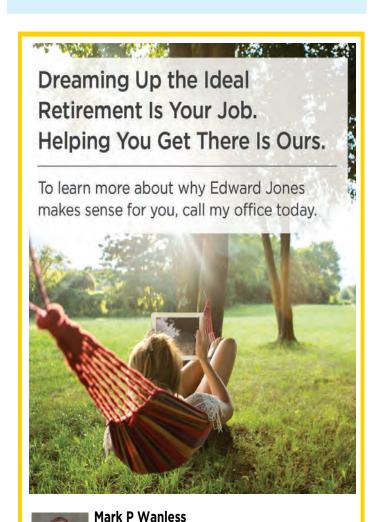


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## **OBITUARIES**

#### BettyLou F. Wargen

BettyLou F. Wargen of Bark River, Mich,, and a former village employee, passed away March 14, 2021, at her daughter's home in Cornell, Mich.

BettyLou, 82, was born in Chicago in 1939, the daughter of Ervin and Betty (Straka) Suchomel. She attended Riverside Brookfield High School and graduated in 1956.

She married John Paul Wargen on February 15, 1958, in Brookfield. The couple recently celebrated their 63rd wedding anniversary. For many years, BettyLou worked as a daycare provider, and later was employed by the village of Hinsdale to teach handicap swimming, downhill and cross-country skiing, and horseback riding.

Many summers were spent vacationing at the family's cottage in the Upper Peninsula on Crooked Lake. BettyLou and John retired to the U.P., settling in Bark River. She loved her horses and was an avid horseback rider, riding up until last year. BettyLou enjoyed the outdoors during all seasons, especially skiing and ice-skating.

In addition to her parents, BettyLou was preceded in death by her younger sister, Janet Moushon.

She is survived by her husband, John Wargen; her daughters, Bonnie (Tom) Lemke, Vicki (Dennis) Green and Nancy (Jim) Reilly; and her three grandchildren, Jessica Green, William Reilly and Jamie Reilly.

Private family funeral services are being planned.

Memorials are appreciated to the Hinsdale Humane Society, https://www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org. Online remembrances can be shared at https://www.andersonfuneral-homes.net.

#### Marian Jane Zaba

Marian Jane Zaba, née Wiktor, 93, o Willowbrook died March 14, 2021.

She was born in 1927 to John and Angela Wiktor.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester John Zaba.

She is survived by her children, Chester Jr., David (Kathleen) Zaba, and Andrea J. (Charles) Weissenburger; her grandchildren, Carl, Eric, Kathryn and Angela Zaba and Stuyvesant

Marian Jane Zaba, née Wiktor, 93, of Peabody IV; and many nieces and nephews.

A private family funeral Mass was held March 18 at St. Isaac Jogues Church in Hinsdale.

Entombment was at Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Hillside.

In lieu of flowers, prayers, Mass intentions and donations to a favorite Catholic organization are appreciated.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

# Firefighters quickly extinguish blaze Friday evening on Phillippa

Hinsdale firefighters responded to a house fire at 812 Phillippa St. after a 911 call came in to the DuPage Public Safety Communication Center at about 6:12 p.m. Friday. The resident had reported a fire in the house.

DuComm initiated a general alarm and the response was upgraded to a box alarm upon arrival. This included a full response from the Hinsdale Fire Department (Tower 84, Engine 84, Medic 84, Deputy Chief 84 and

Assistant Chief 84) as well as additional fire companies from the Clarendon Hills, Western Springs, Oak Brook, Westmont, Downers Grove, LaGrange Park, La Grange and Brookfield fire departments and the Darien-Woodridge, Pleasantview and York Center fire protection districts.

Hinsdale companies were the first on scene and confirmed a fire in the attic with all occupants out of the building. The remaining fire companies arrived on scene and initiated a rapid fire attack and quickly extinguished a fire that was traveling through the attic. Fire companies then began the overhaul and ventilation process.

There was no damage to the two adjacent properties. There were no injuries as a result of this fire and estimated damages were about \$100,000. The cause of the fire is still under investigation but appears to be accidental in nature.

## Police list holiday initiative results

The Hinsdale Police Department made an arrest for driving under the influence of alcohol, one for driving with a suspended license, one for felony possession of cannabis (101-499 grams), and one for possession of cannabis by driver during the St. Patrick's Day enforcement period, according to a department press release.

"By keeping impaired drivers off the roads and ensuring that motorists and passengers are buckled up, we're able to help make the roads a safer place for everyone," said Deputy Chief Thomas Lillie.

Police also issued citations for speeding and one for improper lane usage.

Hinsdale police joined forces with highway safety partners and both state and local law enforcement in the campaign, funded by federal highway safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation as part of the statewide "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" and "Click It or Ticket" campaigns.

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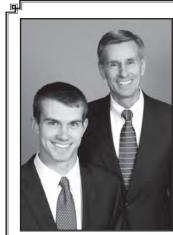
## Messy Mixed Media delivers





The Messy Mixed Media class at The Community House gave children the chance to get fully involved in their paintings. Using fingers and sometimes hands gave them a chance to be creative on their work and on themselves at times. Sienna Abraham plays her work, while Ayla Chaudhary checks out the paint on her hands. John Hudson concentrates on his creation. (Jim Slonoff photos)





Brian Powell, Sr. Brian Powell, Jr.

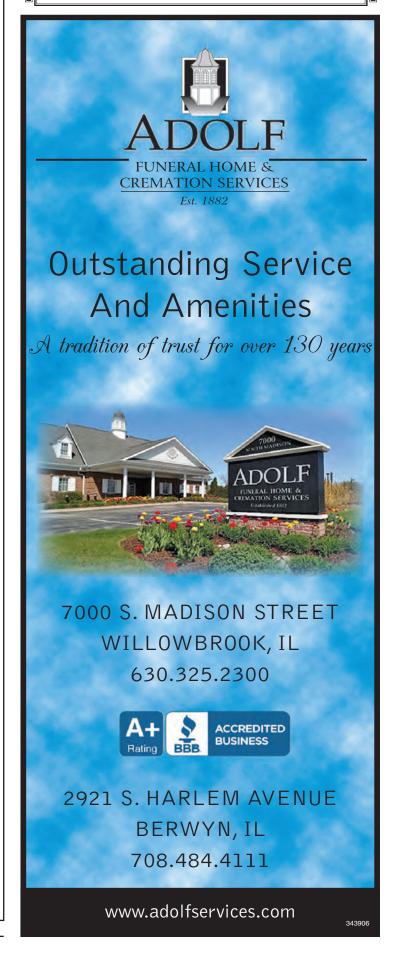
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## Take a walk in the woods

Forest districts offer numerous walks to meet varied interests

By Pamela Lannom

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"And into the forest I go, to lose myself and find my soul." — **John Muir** 

How many steps have you logged today? At times, the number listed on our phone or watch seems to be more important than where those steps are leading us — and whether we are enjoying taking them.

With the arrival of spring and its temperate weather, the 26,000 acres and 145 miles of trails in DuPage County forest preserves and the 70,000 acres and 350 miles of trails in Cook County forest preserves are even more tempting.

Below is a sampling of offerings from the two forest preserve districts during April and May. We've focused on walks in this compilation, dividing them into categories so you can find the ones that appeal most to you.

Spending time in nature is good for us — even if we're not moving.

"Sitting in a natural area for just five minutes can make you feel more energetic and less stressed or depressed," the DPCFPD webpage states. "It's a simple prescription that is addictive in a good way. The better you feel, the more your brain will want you to get back out there again and again."

For more walks and outdoor programs, visit the websites listed in the sidebar. At this time, information indicates participants are required to wear a mask and practice social distancing.

#### **Get some exercise**

• Hike 3 to 5 miles through a DuPage County Forest preserve on one of the weekly Forest Hikes offered from 8:30 to 10 a.m. Mondays.

Walks will take place April 5 at Oldfield Oaks, April 12 at West Branch, April 19 at Greene Valley, April 26 at St. James Farm, May 3 at Meacham Grove, May 10 at Fullersburg Woods, May 17 at Timber Ridge and May 24 at Waterfall

#### **Registration information**

Cook County Forest Preserve District https://www.fpdcc.com

DuPage County Forest Preserve District (630) 933-7248 https://www.dupageforest.org

Little Red School House Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs

(708) 839-6897 https://www.fpdcc.com



**Identifying** and appreciating wildflowers is the focus of three walks being offering this month and next in DuPage and Cook County Forest preserves. Walks of all types are available to meet the wide range of residents' interests.

Glen. Participants must be 18 or older. The cost is \$5 a person. Registration is required.

• Enjoy a Fitness Hike on a 6-mile non-looped trail through Brezina Woods near LaGrange Park at 9 a.m. Sunday, April 4. Fast walk and slower paced options will be available. Register online at https://brezinawoods.eventbrite.com or call (708) 386-4042.

#### **Stop and smell the flowers**

- Learn how to identify woodland and prairie wildflowers on a naturalist-led guided hike. The Spring Wildflower Walk is set for 10 a.m. Sunday, April 18, at Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center. The hiking pace is average to slow, and the program is for those 10 and older. Registration is required.
- Join a plant expert for a leisurely 1-mile walk through the woods to learn about spring wild-flowers, including which varieties can be grown at home, during a Wildflower Walk set for 2 to 3 p.m. Thursday, April 22, at Fullersburg Woods. The program is for ages 18 and up and costs \$5 per person. Registration is required.

#### **Seeking enlightenment**

The DuPage County Forest Preserve District is offering three meditation walks to help participants rediscover their center. The Breath of Fresh Air: Centering Meditation Walks will head in each of the cardinal directions, making stops for guided meditations, reflection and journaling.

Walks are set for 5 to 6:30 p.m. Friday, April 2, at York Woods; 1:30 to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 3, at Mayslake; and 5 to 6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 27, at Fullersburg Woods.

Participants must be 18 or older. The cost is \$15 a person. Register online or call (630) 209-9566.

#### These are for the birds

• Learn tips and tricks to identify birds while looking for migrating species on a guided Bird

Walk for Beginners offered from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. Fridays by the DuPage County Forest Preserve District.

Walks are scheduled for April 2 at Blackwell, April 9 at Danada, April 16 at Herrick Lake, April 23 at Salt Creek Park, April 30 at Greene Valley, May 7 at West DuPage Woods, May 14 at Lyman Woods, May 21 at St. James Park and May 28 at Timber Ridge.

The walks are for those 18 and older and cost \$5 each. Registration is required.

• Take a walk through various habitats in search of birds making their way north during the Early Morning Bird Walk set for 7 to 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 24, at Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center. Registration is required.

#### As the sun is setting

• Get some healthy exercise and enjoy the wonders of a DuPage forest preserve on a guided 3- to 5-mile hike. The Evening Forest Hikes are offered from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays.

Locations are West DuPage Woods on April 7, Hidden Lake on April 14, Oak Meadows on April 21, McDowell Grove on April 28, Springbrook Prairie on May 5, Meacham Grove on May 12, James "Pate" Philip State Park on May 19 and Herrick Lake on May 26. The cost is \$10. Registration is required.

- Take a self-guided walk along a scenic 1- to 2-mile trail on a Lantern-Lit Night Hike Saturday, April 10, at St. James Farm or Saturday, May 1, at Wood Dale Grove. Walks leave every 20 minutes between 7 and 9:40 p.m. to allow for social distancing between groups. The program is for all ages; those under 18 must be with an adult. The cost is \$10 per person. Registration through DPCFPD is required.
- Join a naturalist to hike along the trail, opening the senses to the tunes and wonders of the night during the Spring Sensory Night Hike at 8 p.m. Friday, April 23, at Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center. The hiking pace is average to slow and the program is for those 10 and older. Registration is required.



**The 11th annual** Champion of Trees 10K will take place, with some modifications, at Morton Arboretum this month. See Page 30 for details. (photo provided)

#### **ARTFULLY DONE**

■ 2-D Studio: Painting/Drawing Mondays, April 5-May 10 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunity-house.org

Youth ages 10-15 with any level of experience will develop their artistic vision by learning to utilize the fundamentals of drawing and painting elements, principles and techniques in producing art. Family members may be asked to participate in one painting experience. Some supplies will be provided; an additional supply list will be provided. Time: 4:30 to 6 p.m. Cost: \$166. RR, MD

■ Watercolor Painting Level 1 Mondays, April 5-May 24 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunity-house.org

Beginner and intermediate artists 16 and older will explore the exciting medium

of transparent watercolor, learning basic techniques and applying them to a variety of subject matter. A supply list will be provided the first day of class. Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$207. RR, MD

#### **AUDITION CALL**

#### ■ American Youth Symphony Orchestra

April 4 http://www.aysomusic.org/ auditions

The AYSO is holding virtual auditions for all string, wind, brass, percussion and piano musicians ages 7-18. Students must have a minimum of two years of instruction/playing experience and should perform one level-appropriate piece/movement up to 5 minutes in length; memorization is strongly encouraged. The auditions will be conducted via Dropbox. Additional audition dates are scheduled for May 2 & 30 and June 27. Fee: \$25.

#### **CENTRAL TIME**

#### ■ Class of 2021 sign sale April 9

Outside Hinsdale Central gym doors 5500 S. Grant St. https://www.charityflags.net/ hinsdale-central-2021-grad-

Hinsdale Central Boosters are selling "Senior 2021" cardboard yard signs on a first-come, first-serve basis. Boosters is also selling Hinsdale Central garden flags online through April 15, with delivery by May 1. Time: 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Cost: \$25.

## ■ '10 Ways to Survive Life in Quarantine'

Streaming now https://www.hinsdaledrama.com

Hinsdale Central Drama presents its Freshman Show all-virtual production, featuring 17 members of the class of 2024. The show is set in the spring of 2020 with America's teens desperate to find a way to keep themselves occupied while stuck endlessly inside

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## Celebrate Holy Week With Us!



## PALM SUNDAY

- Car Parade with palms, 9:30 am
- Worship, online on demand



## MAUNDY THURSDAY

Worship, online7:00 pm



## GOOD FRIDAY

Worship, online7:00 pm



# **EASTER SUNDAY**

- Sunrise Drive-in Worship, 7:00 am
- Worship, online9:30 am

Visit chepc.org for details
Community Presbyterian Church of Clarendon Hills



## Four heart-health strategies for cancer survivors

There has been a true revolution in cancer therapy over the past few years. If you are one of the millions of American cancer survivors to benefit from this wave of new, effective therapies, then I hope you're feeling well as you receive your treatments.

At the same time, cancer treatment (and indeed, cancer itself) can take a major toll on the heart, putting survivors at risk of developing or accelerating cardiovascular disease. As a cardio-oncologist — a doctor who specializes in helping cancer patients and survivors maintain their heart health — my goal is to ensure that you have the best response to cancer therapies and the best chance to live a long, healthy life free of heart disease.

Here are four proactive strategies that you and your loved ones can use to keep you feeling your best.

#### No. 1: Start with self-monitoring

It's important to pay attention to what's happening in your body

throughout your cancer journey. When performing your health checks, be sure to make time for the following.

- Keep an eye on your blood pressure. If you are receiving chemotherapy, it is usually checked at your chemotherapy visits. If not, check your blood pressure regularly at home.
- Monitor your nutrition and food intake to ensure a healthy diet.
- Weigh yourself regularly to identify when changes to your diet or exercise might be needed, or when your body might be retaining fluid.

#### No. 2: Start the conversation

Talk to your cancer doctor about the benefits of seeing a cardiologist if you have high blood pressure, high cholesterol or a family history of heart disease.

#### No. 3: Take your meds



Noura Dabbouseh Healthbeat

Some cancer patients or survivors can benefit greatly from heart medications such as beta blockers, angiotensin converting enzyme (ACE) inhibitors or angiotensin receptor blockers, statins and aldosterone antagonists.

Depending on your situation, these medicines may lower your risk of heart disease or heart failure and can even pre-

vent the conditions in some cases! In addition, they can manage high blood pressure — even if you never had high blood pressure before starting cancer therapy.

#### No. 4: Limit cardiovascular risks

Don't get discouraged if your energy level is lower than you would like. Focus instead on doing the best you can. Even a little sleep and physical activity is better than none at all.

Create and follow an exercise routine; if radiation therapy has zapped your energy, ease off until you feel less fatigued.

Keep up with your walking goals during chemotherapy.

Make sure that you are getting adequate sleep (about seven to nine hours nightly)

Try to manage your stress (less stress can benefit your heart and overall health).

I am a heart doctor who is passionate about caring for people with cancer. My passion is shared by the other medical staff members of AMITA Health's cardio-oncology core team. We stand ready to help you live life to the fullest, during and after your cancer care.

Until then, I encourage you to adopt the four strategies I've shared with you today.

— by Noura Dabbouseh MD, MS, FACC, who is affiliated most closely with AMITA Health Adventist Medical Centers in Hinsdale, La Grange and Bolingbrook and has offices in Hinsdale and Chicago.



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of their homes. Tickets: donations will be accepted.

## ■ Hall of Fame nominees sought

Through May 1 https://www.hinsdalecentral-foundation.org

The Hinsdale Central
Foundation is accepting nominations for 2021 inductees to the Hall of Fame. Honorees will be recognized, along with 2020 inductees, at a Sept. 30 dinner at Ruth Lake Country Club. Individuals who have distinguished themselves and exemplify the values and traditions of Hinsdale Central are eligible; nominees do not have to be Central graduates. More information is available on the website listed above.

## ■ Teacher Appreciation Week fundraiser

Through May 3 https://www.hinsdalecentralfoundation.org

Consider making a donation to the Hinsdale Central Foundation in honor of some-

— a teacher, coach, sponsor, counselor or staff member. The honored individual will receive a letter with a personalized message included and a special certificate to display. Donations will help support programming that benefits teachers, students and fam-

ilies throughout Red Devil

#### **EGGCETERA**

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#### ■ The Great Hinsdale Eggs-ploration

Through April 4

How many eggs can be found in Hinsdale? Join in this villagewide hunt sponsored by the Hinsdale Parks and Recreation Department and The Community House. Find the clues and download an Egg Passport at https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr or https://www.thecommunity-house.com.

■ Easter Champagne Brunch April 4 Drury Lane Theatre 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace https://lucillerestaurant.com/ spring-2021

Celebrate Easter Sunday with food and fun for the entire family at Lucille restaurant at Drury Lane. Take a socially distanced photo with the Easter Bunny before indulging in roasted leg of lamb, crab cakes and more. Top it off with unlimited champagne, mimosas and Bellinis. Hours: 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost: \$75, \$30 for ages 12 and under, free for ages 2 and

#### **FAMILY FUN**

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#### ■ Loteria at the Escuelita

April 11 Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs (708) 839-6897 https://www.fpdcc.com

Families are invited to take a self-led Loteria hike to try to spot all the items in

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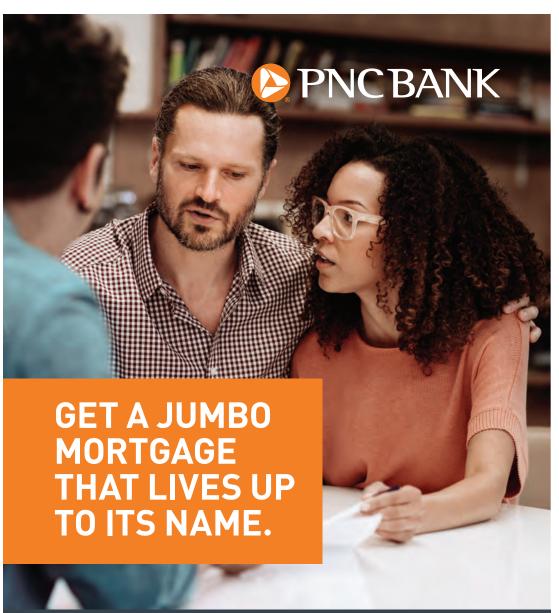
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this version of the popular Mexican bingo game — and then take the game with you (beans included). English and Spanish versions are available. Masks and physical distancing are required. Time: 11 a.m. RR

#### **GAME ON**

#### **■ Virtual Taekwondo**

Saturdays, April 3-June 12 (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhins-dale.org/pr

Join this remote learning program to stay active and fit while learning a fun and challenging Olympic activity. Kids ages 6-7 can enroll in Virtual Early Taekwondo; ages 8-13 can take Virtual Youth Taekwondo; and families can sign up for Virtual Parent and Child Taekwondo. Registrants will receive a link, password and meeting instructions. Times: 10:50 to 11:40 a.m. for Early Taekwondo; 11:50 a.m. to 12:40 p.m. for Youth Taekwondo; 12:50 to 1:45 p.m. for Parent and Child

Taekwondo. Cost: \$121. RR

#### ■ Archery: Adults

April 6 Churchill Woods St. Charles Road just west of I-355 (630) 933-7248 https://www.dupageforest.

Whether new to the sport or looking for a refresher, join this outdoor DuPage County Forest Preserve District program to learn safety tips, proper shooting techniques and basic skills. Equipment will be provided. Participants must wear a mask and must arrive in time to hear the safety instructions at the start of the program. Time: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$5. RR

#### **■ Chicago Elite Volleyball**

Tuesdays, April 6-27 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr

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duced to the game of volley-ball or continue to improve their individual skill development in the sport by working on skills passing, setting, attacking, blocking, serving, defense and movement. Players will be divided according to skill level and age. Times: 5 to 6 p.m. for grades 1-5; 6 to 7 p.m. for grades 6-8. Cost: \$80.

#### **GREAT OUTDOORS**

#### **■** Spring Hike

April 10 Sagawau Environmental Learning Center 12545 W. 111th St., Lemont (630) 257-2045 https://www.fpdcc.com

Join a naturalist for a refreshing hike along Sagawau trails. Masks and physical distancing are required. Time: 1 p.m. RR

## ■ Trees in Bloom Woodland Family Hikes

Wednesdays & Saturdays in April Morton Arboretum 4100 Route 53, Lisle https://www.mortonarb.org/ courses/woodland-family-hike

Get inspired by the beauty of some of the earliest bloomers in the arboretum's collections, and learn how to plant and care for a tree sapling to take home on this guided, family-paced hike. Times: 5 to 6 p.m. Wednesdays, 4 to 5 p.m. Saturdays. Cost: \$17. RR, MD.

#### **GREEN THUMB**

#### **■** Soil 101

April 8 https://cantigny.org/event/ virtual-soil-101

Landon Gibbs, Cantigny Park horticulturist, will explain what's really going on in the soil to help homeowners to choose the right soil amendments, plants and fertilizers, and reduce pesticide use. A Zoom link will be sent to registrants the day of the class. Time: 6 to 7 p.m.

#### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**

## ■ Spring Kitchen Makeover Series

April 1, 8 & 22 (630) 323-5150 https://www.wellnesshouse.

org

Learn about kitchen organization in this three-week series led by professional chef Adrienne Felder. The order of topics is Spring Pantry Refresh, Superfoods for Spring and Diversify your Culinary Portfolio. Time: 6 to 7:30 p.m. RR

■ Wellness House Life Café April 7 (630) 323-5150 https://www.wellnesshouse.

Those battling cancer are invited to invest in ideas and practices to help reconnect to one's whole self and feel good again. Participants will actively exchange ideas about the work they have done, or want to do, to help feel good in the midst of a cancer experience. Time: 10 to 11:30 a.m. RR

**■** The Power of Meaning

April 15 (630) 323-5150 https://www.wellnesshouse.

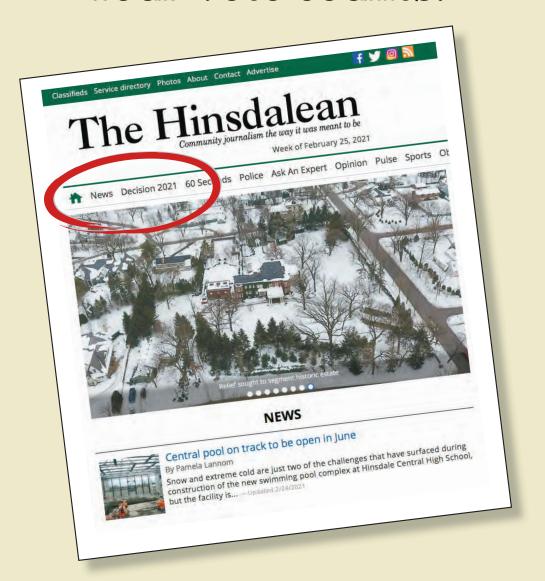
Emily Esfahani Smith, journalist and author of "The Power of Meaning: Crafting a Life That Matters," will discuss growing through crisis by maintaining hope and finding meaning in this virtual Wellness House program. Smith brings together the latest in psychology, philoso-

phy and literature to present what she calls the "four pillars of meaning" — belonging, purpose, storytelling and transcendence — as the sources that help us give back, deepen relationships, set purposeful goals and make sense of one's identity during challenging times. Related programs also are available; see website listed above for details. Time: 7-8:30 p.m. RR

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## **Hinsdale Township High School District 86 Board of Education Election** TUESDAY, APRIL 6TH







## Today is April Fools' Day. Tuesday, April 6th is NOT. It's a time to be wise and get out to Vote!

Voter apathy in consolidated elections like the one on April 6th often see participation as low as 15-17%.

The ballot features 10 candidates, with seven challengers to the three incumbents.

Recent, drastic changes to both the science and math curriculum need to be reversed.

• The Science & Math curriculum changes were proposed & approved with unanimous consent in Oct., 2019 & Oct. 2020, respectively.

#### Consider this:

- Nationally, STEM curriculum at Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South are ranked in the top 1% and 4%, respectively:
- The recently approved Integrated Math curriculum is not implemented by any other (non-selective enrollment) Top 25 ranked public high school in Illinois.
- Given the decades of success for STEM curriculum, why rush through a change -ESPECIALLY DURING A PANDEMIC – when there are other pressing issues to address (academic & achievement gaps, 27% lost instruction time).



## Please get out to the polls. Let's VOTE! And together: LET'S DELIVER D86!

Please reach out to Peggy or Jeff with any questions you may have regarding the issues facing District 86 and the necessity for casting your votes.



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#### **JUST FOR KIDS**

#### **■** Piggy Bank Pageant

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

Children ages 3-9 can participate in this interactive storytime via Zoom, highlighting the value of work, best practices for earning and saving money, and basic banking and money concepts in recognition of Financial Literacy Month. The time will feature crafts, songs, and games, including decorating their very own piggy bank. Participants will pick up their bag of goodies at the Hinsdale Public Library, 20 E. Maple St., prior to the program. Time: 4 to 4:45 p.m.

#### **LISTEN & LEARN**

## ■ Getting the Most from Your iPad

April 7 (630) 986-1976 https://www.hinsdalelibrary.org

From quick tips to recommended apps, get a variety of information to enhance the iPad experience in this virtual program. Include an email address when registering to receive an online meeting invitation. Time: 7 to 8:15 p.m. RR

## ■ Ending Gerrymandering, Together

April 8 https://cantigny.org

Madeleine Doubek, executive director of Change Illinois, will talk about creating fair legislative maps for Illinois. This Zoom-based program is part of the Civic Awareness Series sponsored by The League of Women Voters serving Warrenville, West Chicago, Winfield, Wheaton and Carol Stream, the Wheaton Public Library and the Robert McCormick House at Cantigny Park. A meeting link will be sent prior to the event. Time: 7 to 8 p.m.

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## **Good Friday**

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## **Easter Sunday**

10AM Zoom Worship 8:30 and 11:30 AM In Person Worship Registration Required

## 9AM Easter Egg Hunt

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**APRIL 10-11** 

**Hinsdale Humane Society Junior Board** 

**APRIL 17-18** 

**Hinsdale Hospital Foundation Junior Board** 

**APRIL 24-25** 

**The Community House Junior Board** 

**MAY 8-9** 

**HJWC Juniorettes** 

**MAY 15-16** 

**HCS Junior Board** 

**MAY 22-23** 

**Infant Welfare Society Junior Board** 

**MAY 1-2** 

**Hinsdale Historical Society Junior Board** 



Questions? Email Pam Lannom at plannom@thehinsdalean.com or Amy Wickstrom at awickstrom@hcsfamilyservices.org

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## ■ Design a Sustainable Edible Garden

Tuesdays, April 13-27 (630) 719-2468 https://www.mortonarb.org

Learn to turn one's home landscape into a sustainable, edible landscape that returns year after year through this interactive online workshop that will impart design principles of permaculture using perennial plants, shrubs and small trees in small and large spaces. Time: 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Cost: \$80. RR, MD

■ Financial Awareness 101
April 17
The World + Shape

The Work + Shop 14 W. First St., Hinsdale kathy@thework-shop.com

This series began last month with information on "How to

read a Financial Statement" followed by a session on "Budgeting and Awareness." For the first session this month, the focus is "Making a Large Purchase and How to Finance It." Come learn from experts about various financial options that may be available to you. RSVP to the email address listed above. Time: 9 to 10:30 a.m. RR

#### **NOTEWORTHY**

## The Tower Chorale Rocks April 11 premiere https://www.towerchorale.

The Tower Chorale will perform a mini virtual pops concert featuring classic rock songs, "I'm Still Standing" by Elton John, "You've Got a Friend" by Carole King and an exciting a cappella eightpart arrangement of "Mr. Blue Sky" by the Electric Light

Orchestra. Following the livestreamed premiere, the video will be available on the website listed above through May 11. There is no cost, but donations are appreciated and can be made through the website. Time: 3 p.m.

#### **■** The Texas Tenors

April 11

https://www.atthemac.org/ events/the-texas-tenors-2

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By popular demand, the former "America's Got Talent" finalist trio returns to College of DuPage's McAninch Arts Center for a livestream performance. Time: 7 p.m. Tickets:

#### **RUNS & WALKS**

#### **■** The Champion of Trees 10K

April 17 or 18 Morton Arboretum 4100 Route 53, Lisle https://www.mortonarb.org/ events/champion-trees-10k

Join this 11th annual 10K run and walk, socially distanced and following a course through the breathtakingly scenic spring landscape of the arborteum. Participants in the virtual Champion of Trees 10K can run or walk on the course and date of their choosing. The event supports the arboretum's work to plant and protect trees. Start times: 7 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$50. RR, MD

#### **■** Walk for Wellness House

May 2 https://www.wellnesshouse.org

Due to the ongoing pandemic, this year's event will take place at various places. Registrants will commit to walking 1 mile (or a 10 Step Walk) during one-hour pre-reserved time slots at Wellness House, 131 N. County Line Road, Hinsdale; at forest preserves in Cook or DuPage counties; or any location of choice. To prepare, take part in the Wellness House Spring Challenge, in which participants attend two drop-in programs for exercise, stress management or nutrition and go on a walk three times each week before the walk from April 5 to May 1. Competitors will be entered into a drawing for prizes. Email awoods@ wellnesshouse.org by April 3 to sign up and receive a virtual Challenge Exercise Log Record.

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

#### **■ Hinsdale Poets**

April 1 https://www.hinsdale.libnet. info/event/4887221

April is National Poetry Month, and the Hinsdale Public Library is celebrating by inviting residents to write a poem and send it to the library. Poems will be posted on the library's social media accounts. Submissions will be accepted in person or at youth@hinsdalelibrary.info.

#### **■** Memory Mile

April 11 Robbins Park Vine and Seventh streets, Hinsdale

(630) 267-2297 Ioin this one-mile walk. organized by resident Christine Marzullo, in memory of deceased loved ones to inspire healing and hope. Participants are encouraged to bring or wear items honoring those for whom they're walking. Monetary donations will also be collected for a "Together at Peace" scholarship to benefit children whose parent has passed away. Donations are anonymous with the loved one's name

included as a scholarship presenter. They can made in cash the day of the event or by Venmo to @Christine-Marzullo. Contact Christine at the number listed above or at christinemarzullo@gmail. com. Hours: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### **TEENS & TWEENS**

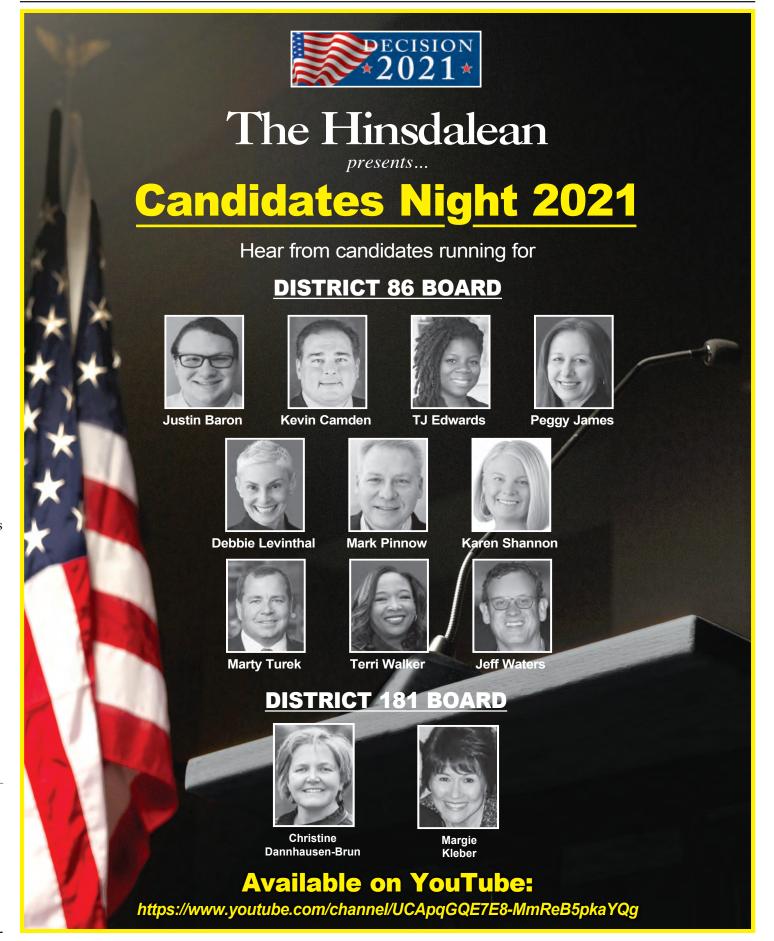
#### ■ Ballet 4&5

Mondays, April 5-26

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

Kids ages 11-18 will be taught ballet exercises at the barre and center floor, progressing toward more complex combinations as the levels increase. The emphasis is on standing with the body in proper alignment, the use

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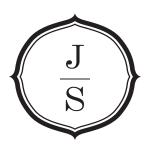


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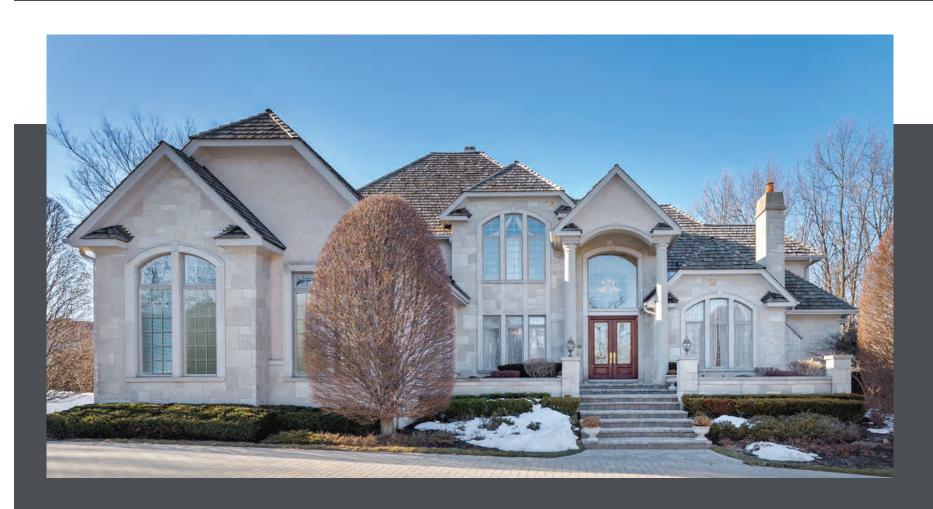


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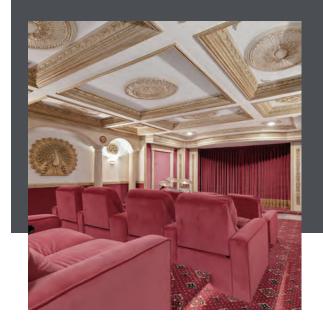


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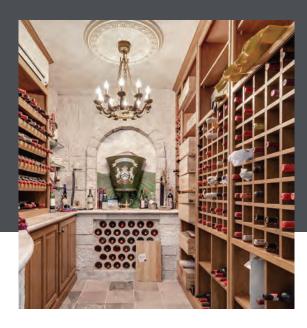


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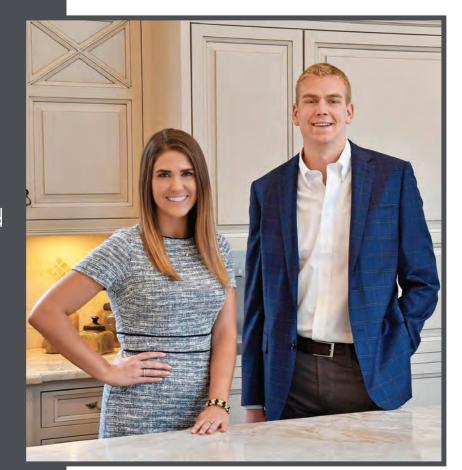
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#### Pet pic of the week

Vinny is a handsome pit bull terrier mix who is looking for his forever home. He would do well with kids 10 years and older. He's a gentle and sweet 3-year-old whose adoption fee is \$200. 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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of turn-out from the hips, pointing feet and the coordination of the arms and head movements. Masks and social distancing are required. Time: 5:30 to 6:45 p.m. Cost: \$120. RR, MD

#### **WEE ONES**

#### **■ Virtual Little Dragons**

Saturdays, April 3-June 12 (630) 789-7090 https://www.villageofhins-dale.org/pr

Kids ages 4-5 can join this remote class to begin learning this fun and challenging Olympic activity. Registrants will receive a link, password and meeting instructions. Time: 10 to 10:40 a.m. Cost: \$121. RR

#### **■** Mini Elites Dance

Mondays, April 5-26 The Community House (630) 323-7500 https://www.thecommunityhouse.org

Kids ages 3-6 are invited to join this combo class, divided

into half ballet and half jazz. Students will discover movement, balance and listening skills in a fun way, and by the end of the class will memorize simple exercises and learn vocabulary that will prepare them for future classes. Masks are required and social distancing will be practiced. Time: 4 to 4:45 p.m. Cost: \$120. RR, MD

## ■ Mother Nature & Me: Dinosaurs

April 7 Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs (708) 839-6897 https://www.fpdcc.com

Children ages 3-5 and an adult will learn about Dinosaurs through outdoor adventures and activities. Participants are required to wear masks and practice physical distancing. Time: 10 a.m. RR

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## **NEWS**

# D86 students back to full school after break

Changes to health guidelines will allow students to return five days a week

By Ken Knutson

For the first time in more than a year, Hinsdale High School District 86 is poised to welcome students back to regular five-day in-person instruction on April 5, the day ofter spring break.

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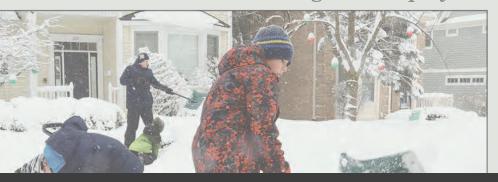
At the March 11 board At the March 11 board meeting, Superintendent Tammy Prentiss reported that the Illinois State Board of Education and Illinois Department of Public Health last week revised social distancing parameters to 3 to 6 feet in classrooms when everyone is masked and the everyone is masked and the everyone for teachers who chose to be vaccinated will receive their second shot



Buses queue up outside Hinsdale Central High School waiting for dismissal. After spring break, many Central students will be needing bus service five days a week again if they opt to return to a full in-perso schedule, which the district is planning to resume Ap 5. (file pho

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The Liturgies of Holy Week

Palm Sunday — March 28th

Masses: 4:30pm [Saturday], Sunday / 7:30, 9:00, 10:30am & Noon

Confessions: Saturday, March 27th - 2:00 - 4:00pm

Palm Sunday, March 28th — 2:00 - 6:00pm

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week - March 29th, 30th & 31st

Daily Masses: 7am & 5pm

Confessions: Tuesday, March 30th 3-5pm & 6-8pm [The last scheduled Confessions before Easter]

#### The Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday — April 1st

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7pm

\*Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament follows in the church until Midnight. Night Prayers at 11:45 pm.

Good Friday - April 2nd

Afternoon Service of the Lord's Passion: 3pm

Stations of the Cross: 7pm

Holy Saturday - April 3rd

Blessing of the Easter Food: Noon

EASTER VIGIL — The Mass of the Resurrection: 7pm

Easter Sunday Masses — April 4th

7:30, 9:00, 10:30am & Noon

Live streamed Masses can be viewed on SIJ.NET and Facebook live feed, St. Isaac Jogues Church Facebook.

> Palm Sunday / 4:30 pm Mass on Saturday & 10:30am Sunday Holy Thursday / 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Good Friday / 3pm Afternoon Service of the Lord's Passion

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Easter Sunday / 10:30am Easter Morning Mass



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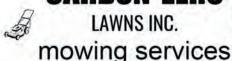
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March 4, 2021 STEINWAY PIANO



March 11, 2021 STEINWAY PIANO



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## OUR LUCKY WINNER FROM MARCH IS: Karl Meyer

who will receive an Ultimate car wash gift certificate from Fuller's Car Wash.



#### **MIND GAMES**

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## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

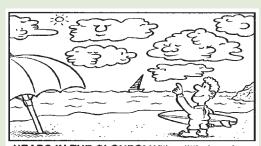
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#### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

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HEADS IN THE CLOUDS! With a little imagination, you should be able to pick out at least 15 people who have their heads in the clouds.

YOUR AGE IS! Did you know that you can tell how old a person is just by knowing what their shoe size is? Here's how:

- 1. Have the person write down his or her shoe size (forget half sizes).
- 2. Tell him to multiply the size by 2.
- 3. Have him add 5 to the result.
- 4. Next, he must multiply the sum by 50.
- 5. Now tell him to add the "magic number" 1748 to the product.
- 6. Finally, tell him to subtract the year of his birth from the previous sum.

You now ask him what number he is left with. You'll find that the last two digits will be the person's age on his birthday this year. (Each year the magic number is increased by

1. This year, 1998 is 1748; next year, 1999 is 1749, etc.)

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#### April 2021 Horoscopes · Week 1



CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20
This may not be a good week to travel, Capricorn. Look over your itinerary again and try to reconfigure them so you can travel later on instead.



ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20 to reevaluate your finances, Aries. Investments could be the right path for now, but you may want to seek some professional advice.







LIBRA – Sept 23/0ct 23
Avoid any drama or chaos
that may surround you this
week, Libra. Others may
seem on edge, but you can
remain calm. Quarantine
yourself at home and the
storm will blow over.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23



AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18 Aquarius, trust your gut instinct about big financial moves regardless of any advice you're getting from others. You'll likely see that now isn't the time for spending.



TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
A message from a busi-A message from a business partner could bring welcome news, Taurus. This might be the break you are waiting for at this juncture in your life. Career changes could be in store

in store.

new goals.



LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23 Description 23/Aug 23
Obstacles at work or home interfere with your ability to work efficiently, Leo. Even though tasks may take you a little longer, don't throw in the towell just yet



SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22 Scorpio, even though a few setbacks come your way, your financial situation still looks very promising this week. Figure out how to capitalize on this favorable position



PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20 A bumpy start to the week that has you questioning several choices will smooth out, Pisces. The weekend will be very startly s productive.



GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21
Gemini, expect to engage in a very interesting conversation this week. This person has not crossed your path in a while, and the reconnection sparks paw goals.



VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, do your best to lighten the atmosphere around the house this week. Encourage others to kick up their heels and keep the focus on fun and fun alone.



SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21 SAGITTARIUS

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## **SPORTS** — END ZONE

#### BY THE QUARTER

#### HINSDALE CENTRAL 41 — LEYDEN 7

Hinsdale 27 Leyden 0

Hinsdale 14 Leyden 0

Hinsdale 0 Leyden 0

Hinsdale 0 Leyden 7



Charlie Sessa, in spite of a being hit before the pass arrives, held on and set up another first-quarter drive bringing score to 21-0. The Devils will face the York Dukes at 1 p.m. Saturday at Dickinson Field.

#### STATS

	Central	Leyden
Rushing yards	108	34
Receiving yards	154	114
Total yards	265	148
Touchdowns	6	1
PATs	5	1
2-pt. conv.	0	0
Field goals	0	2

#### **OFFENSE**

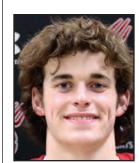


Michael Brescia 6 passes, 108 yards 2 TD passes 3 carries, 75 yards, 2 TDs



Ryan Orput 2 catches, 30 yards 1 TD

#### DEFENSE



Mikey Franko 1 tackle, 2 assists 1 fumble recovery



Carson Boggs 1 tackle, 9 assists 1 tackle for loss

Jay Randle
recovers a
fumble with
the entire
team closing in Friday
night as the
Red Devils
took on
Leyden in
Franklin Park.
(Jim Slonoff
photos)



## **SPORTS** — ROUNDUP

#### STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



Name: Brooke Cooper Year: senior Hometown: Burr Ridge

#### When did you first start playing volleyball?

I started playing volleyball when I was in third grade, but I never really got into club until (age) 11.

#### What do you enjoy most about the sport?

I played tennis before I played volleyball, and it was a very lonely sport, I felt. When I got into volleyball and I felt that team energy, I loved it and wanted to get more serious and see where it would take me.

#### **How has COVID-19** affected competitions?

It definitely gave me more of an appreciation just for court time and being with my teammates and having the ability to play with them.

#### Do you have any premeet rituals or routines?

I am probably the most superstitious person you will ever meet in your entire life. I stand in the same spot on the sideline. I warm up in the same spot. I do everything the same.

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

I've gotten a lot of good advice. I think most of my good advice came from my coach, Tracey Marshall (who passed away April 2, 2020). She would always tell me no matter what, keep your head up and never settle for anything less than your best.

#### What are your plans for the fall?

I'm so lucky — I am committed to Cornell University. I will be heading to Ithaca, N.Y., in the fall to play volleyball there. I'm also going to be getting a really good education.

#### What is it like having your former coach's best friend as your new coach?

I think she's doing a really amazing job filling the huge shoes that Coach Marshall left behind for her. I just think she is doing a fantastic job with our program.

#### Why does Coach Lisa Tazelaar like having Cooper on the team?

Brooke is the true definition of a work horse. She pushes herself to improve her game and strives to be the best player in the gym. She has not hit her ceiling yet, and I cannot wait to see how she will elevate her game at the next level. I just wish I would have had a full season with her as she would have been a game changer this year.

> — profile by Pamela Lannom, photo by Jim

#### **RESULTS**

Badminton March 25 @ IHSA sectional Yang, 4th V places 1st with 15.5 points Soccer, boys Singles Han, 2nd Shah, 3rd, 21-19, 21-15

Doubles

Berti/McCain,

1st, 21-6, 21-11 Maduzia/

March 30 @ Downers North V loses 0-3 March 25 vs. LT V loses 0-1

#### Volleyball, girls

March 25 @ York V loses 23-25, 25-18, 18-25 Nedic, 11 kills, 3 blocks, 6 digs Sessa, 6 kills Borhani, 5

kills, 3 aces, block Cooper, 5 kills,

10 digs Lim, 3 aces Thick, 2 blocks Pelton, 8 digs

Water polo, boys March 25 @ Hinsdale South V wins 15-3

#### Water polo, girls

March 25 vs. Hinsdale South V wins 15-2

#### Instant replay





Hinsdale Central's Jack Finley plays the ball off his chest while teammate Brandon James takes a shot on goal during the Central's soccer showdown Tuesday afternoon with host Downers Grove North. The Red Devils fell to their conference rival Trojans 0-3. (Jim Slonoff photos)

## **SPORTS**

## Hope springs eternal for HC teams

Boys soccer, girls volleyball adjust to calendar switch; boys gymnastics powers up

By Ken Knutson

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Thanks to the pandemic, the spring sports season has gotten a temporary (hopefully) makeover with transplanted stalwart fall programs boys soccer and girls volleyball playing their deferred schedules. Boys gymnastics is also happy to be back in action after being grounded last spring. The teams' coaches offer thoughts on their squads below as competitions begin. The previews of the football and boys and girls water polo teams ran in the March 25 issue.

#### **Boys gymnastics**

**First meet:** April 7 @ Glenbard West

**Last year:** season canceled due to COVID-19

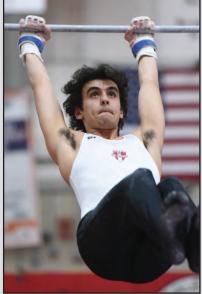
Head coach: CJ Johnson Seasons as head coach:

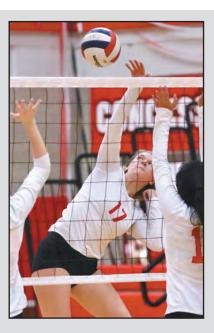
No. team members: 11 Team strengths: The

boys are working to better themselves, and that's all I can ask out of any one of them. Our attitude is pretty good. They're working in the gym really hard to live up to the legacy of Hinsdale Central gymnastics. If our seniors do their jobs, I think we can do (all right).

Areas for growth: We're going to struggle. We had some kids who left the team this season, so I have some hollow spots that I have to fill. We may split the team to have at least four on events for varsity and move the other kids to the JV so they can compete. Many events won't be covered because we don't have enough kids. I need to see more aggressiveness. I haven't been able to go into a PE class to see if I can recruit kids for the team. We're trying to evaluate individuals to see what they can do and what they're







**Central teams competing** this spring season include boys gymnastics as well as boys soccer and girls volleyball, which were relocated from the fall due to COVID-19. (file photos)

going to do.

Who to watch: Veteran junior Matthew Cihlar is going to be the top dog without a doubt, and he and senior Koby Turrentine will lead the way with their experience. Freshman Mark Cihlar is a fun guy to work with; he does his job and he's getting better. Junior Chris Reyes is strong on pommel horse and floor exercise.

**Season outlook:** I think that we can salvage the season. I'm hoping that we're going to be very close with York, Downers North and LT. Glenbard West has a lot of boys in their program, so I'm sure they'll have some good ones among them. I'm going to aim our sights that if we can beat Downers, it'll be a heck of a year. I just have to keep positive. I don't believe in perfection; I believe in making mistakes and learning as much as you can because that's how you're going to get better.

#### **Boys soccer**

First game: March 11 @

Hinsdale South (V won 2-1)

**Last year:** 10-7-2, lost in state sectional championship

**Head coach:** Mike Wiggins

Seasons as head coach:

No. varsity team members: 22

Team strengths: We're excited to get an opportunity to play. We've got 11 seniors on varsity, and they've really done a nice job of speaking up during a halftime talk. They're competitive, and our coaching staff is always looking at how do we create the best experience for them in a shortened period of time.

Areas for growth: We're getting to see guys really in a different time of year and a different environment. We still have our core values that we're trying to get the boys to understand, our "Soccer Central" approach to remind them about taking care of their responsibilities in the classroom as well as to the team. The coaching staff is excited to interact with the players and work with them and

see how they respond.

Who to watch: All the seniors, in particular senior goalkeeper Ryan Kosick and senior midfielder Ryan Martinath.

Season outlook: We're excited that the seniors have been able to take the field, and hopefully that's something they've been able to enjoy and make the most of. Also the younger players have been able to see what it means to be in those big games and that we continue to move forward as a program. We still emphasize the value that comes with being a student-athlete, that their athletic involvement makes a difference in their development as people beyond soccer and high school.

#### **Girls volleyball**

**First game:** March 18 vs. Proviso East (V won 25-2, 25-13)

**Last year:** lost in state regional championship

**Head coach:** Lisa Tazelaar

Seasons as head coach: 1st

No. varsity team members: 16

**Team strengths:** We have a lot of experience on the court, and I feel like we have quite a bit of depth.

**Areas for growth:**Consistency and also improving our passing so we can be more effective on offense.

Who to watch: senior outside hitters Brooke Cooper and Nickolette Nedic; senior setter Alyssa Lim; and junior middle hitter Lauren Borhani.

**Season outlook:** Stay consistent and go undefeated for the rest of the season. We dropped a match to LT and that was a great wake up call for us. It gave us the motivation to get back into the gym and work hard and practice with a purpose. Although there is no conference championship, I told the girls that this is a good year to defeat teams they have not consistently beaten in the past. I want them to change the mentality for the program into a winning mentality and leave a lasting legacy.



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