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**Hinsdale Central Coach** Mike Wiggins talks to students as the Friday session of his 5 Star Winter Soccer Camp opens. The winter camp, which now meets at Hinsdale Central, has been offered in Hinsdale every year since 1994, when it was held at the old Hinsdale Middle School. Additional camps will be offered this summer. (photos by Jon Langham for The Hinsdalean)



Two-part series on Hinsdale nonprofits concludes today.

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# NEWS

## Senior living may replace IBLP building

By Ken Knutson

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A nearly 17-acre parcel in Hinsdale's northwest corner would become home to a 330,000-square-foot, 262-unit senior living complex under a developer's proposal.

At Tuesday's Hinsdale Village Board meeting, trustees heard the conceptual plan for Clarendale of Hinsdale Senior Residences at 707 W. Ogden Ave. on the north side of the roadway and along the west side of Adams Street. The property is the site of the vacant Institute for Basic Life Principles, which owns the land.

Developer Ryan Companies, in partnership with assisted living operator Life Care Services, would build a complex with 122 units for independent living, 85 for assisted living and 38 for memory care services. The proposal also includes eight single-story duplex villas and

one single villa north of the main building on land that includes lots in Oak Brook, which would need to grant approval for that portion.

"This is probably the largest real estate project that we've looked at in greater than a decade," Trustee Luke Stifflear said in introducing the plan.

To carry out the project, the developer needs the village to change 7.6 acres of the site designated for institutional buildings to single family residential use to match the rest of the property. The developer is also seeking permission for a planned development in a residential district on a 15-acre lot instead of the current 20-acre minimum.

The proposed building ranges in height from one to four stories, with a two-story height along Ogden and rising in the portions further from the roadway.

Dave Erickson, vice president of real estate development for Ryan,

told trustees the \$95 million project would be the 10th Clarendale community it has built, including ones in Addison and Mokena. He told trustees that a study identified a population of roughly 23,000 seniors 75 or older within a 15-minute drive of the site.

"By 2024, there's going to be about 25,000. That's a lot of seniors," Erickson said. "We are very confident that there is significant demand in this market."

He acknowledged that nearly a quarter of the property is flood plain or wetlands, which means the project will need approval from both DuPage County and the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The plan calls for 60 percent of the development to be green space.

Addressing potential concerns about the facility's traffic impact, Erickson said seniors tend not to drive at high-volume times and staff schedules do not correspond to the

normal workday.

"The majority of our residents are not driving during those hours," he said. "The employee shift change is not during the peak hours of traffic,"

Trustee Scott Banke said the impact on the village's emergency services as well as a lack of traffic control device at Ogden and Adams will be factors as the process for approval advances.

"That will be a pretty considerable consideration," Banke said.

Trustee Jerry Hughes suggested the village examine the evolution of Bethlehem Woods in LaGrange Park as a comparable development to Clarendale. The 43 acres owned by IBLP on the east side of Adams are not part of this proposal.

The matter will be discussed again at the board's Jan. 21 meeting, after which it may be referred to the plan commission for further review.

## Hinsdale firefighters evacuate residents, extinguish fire



**Hinsdale firefighters responded** to a call for a house fire at 427 Justina St. at about 11:05 a.m. Wednesday. When they arrived they discovered flames coming from the attached garage in the front of the three-story home. One of the home's occupants, who had made it outside, said her two brothers were upstairs asleep. Firefighters successfully searched the home, found the boys and helped them and their two dogs to safety. Several nearby fire departments also were called to the scene to provide mutual aid. The fire is under investigation. Damage is estimated at \$50,000. (Jim Slonoff photos)



ONCE UPON A TIME



**Postcards from the past** — It was a lot easier to get mail around the country in 1938. This card was simply addressed to Miss Alice Garner, Blue River, Wisconsin. The card was postmarked in Hinsdale at 8 a.m. July 25. The message was “a card a day while they last will be my motto temporarily. I found out the Zephyr fare to P. du C. (Prairie du Chien, Wis.) is \$4.54 one way so guess that’ll be OK. Please notice familiar “Walgreens” on the corner. Sincerely, Dick.” (Hinsdale Historical Society photo)

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# Nonprofit leaders share thoughts on '19

*Upcoming anniversary, new strategic plan, new facility among highlights of past year*

By Pamela Lannom  
and Ken Knutson

At the start of each new year, The Hinsdalean asks the leaders of nonprofit agencies in town to share a recap of the previous year and offer their hope for the next 12 months.

This is the second installment of the series. HCS Family Services, Robert Crown Center and Wellness House were featured in a Jan. 2 article.



## Community Memorial Foundation

Leaders at Community Memorial Foundation spent at least part of 2019 looking forward to the year ahead.

The foundation, which has granted more than \$77 million to partners since its inception, will celebrate its 25th anniversary this year.

The theme is “Turning Silver into Gold: Building Grantee Resilience,” said Greg DiDomenico, CMF’s president and chief executive officer.

“Our vision for this milestone year is that the focus will not be on the foundation, but the focus will be on our grantee partners and our community,” he said.

In addition to planning for the anniversary, foundation leaders spent 2019 focused on increased partnerships and responsive grant-making.

A new initiative was the Community Health Worker Program, funded in partnership with the Healthy Communities Foundation. Each partner is investing almost \$250,000 a year for the three-year pilot to place health workers in community agencies to connect people in need to services that can help them.

“It was really an attempt for us to continue to answer the pressing questions, ‘Where do I go for services? What is available?’” DiDomenico said.

The workers are placed in five organizations in West Cook, including Aging Care Connections in La Grange.

Another new initiative, offered in collaboration with the Road Home program at Rush, provides mental health care for veterans and their families. Initial efforts focused on education and outreach, with the Living Room facility in Broadview offering intensive outpatient treatment one day a week.

With additional funding from agencies such as the McCormick Foundation, the

clinic will operate two days a week this year.

CMF also funded a new website, <https://www.redefiningaging.org>, created by The Community House in partnership with The Hinsdalean and other members of the Healthy Aging Task Force.

“I think it’s such a user-friendly website that is accessible to folks to be able to get information they need,” he said.

The foundation also continued its partnership with Amita Medical Center Hinsdale and the Northern Illinois Food Bank to provide mobile food pantries offering healthy food to clients screened for food insecurity.

The 25th anniversary celebration will be launched in just a couple of weeks, DiDomenico said, after which he and his colleagues will devote time to expressing their gratitude to agencies working on the front line to help others.

“The staff and I are doing a thank you tour with community partners throughout the year to thank them for the partnership with us,” he said.



## Hinsdale Historical Society

A new strategic plan in 2019 resulted in a new organizational structure for the Hinsdale Historical Society.

“We restructured our board and our committee levels as well as our staffing to meet the needs of what we needed right now as opposed to future goals,” said Anne Swenson, board president, who also served as the Hinsdale History Museum manager 10 years ago.

The role of executive director was replaced by two part-time positions in September. Jenna Krukowski joined the staff as the programs and collection manager and Amanda Bruce-Oliver as the administrative coordinator.

“We revamped our board structure as well, so our committees are more focused and there are less of them,” Swenson said. “We used to have quite a few committees.”

In addition to an executive committee, the board now has four other committees: collections and programming, finance, community/development and governance.

Working on the strategic plan gave the board the opportunity to take a step back and reflect.

“It was really just an exercise for the board to have some great discussions on where we are as an organization and where we want

to go,” she said. “We wanted to focus more on not as many new projects, but really doing what we do very well.”

That list includes maintaining the archives at Immanuel Hall, offering educational programs and serving as a community resource.

This year will mark the 15th anniversary of the Hinsdale Cooks! Kitchen Walk, a fundraiser organized by the society’s Women’s Board.

“It’s just growing and we’re so excited,” Swenson said, promising some exciting things in May.

“The Women’s Board has done a phenomenal job. Every year it gains traction. It’s exciting,” she said.

The historical society also welcomed the support of a junior board as the year came to a close.

“It’s very small right now. We’re hoping to grow that over the course of 2020,” Swenson said.

This past year also saw the relaunch of the Historic Plaque program to recognize homes more than 100 years old, with 15 recipients.

“It was a very strong response from everyone, so we’re really happy with that,” Swenson said. “I know we have a few more in the queue.”

Swenson said being able to share information about the village’s history with those who are interested in learning more is a special role.

“We want to make sure we continue to tell that story to everyone who lives here,” she said.



## Hinsdale Humane Society

Moving to the new 16,000-square-foot Tuthill Family Pet Rescue and Resource Center in November 2018 made for an interesting start to 2019 for the Hinsdale Humane Society, said Tom Van Winkle, executive director.

“It really was a new beginning for us,” he said. “It was such a large move in such a short period of time. From an operational standpoint, it was really starting an almost brand-new shelter. We had to learn to do things in this bigger space.”

The challenges led to some wonderful outcomes, however. Adoptions were up 35 percent in 2019 and the number of animals

## One wish

Nonprofit leaders shared one desire for the year ahead.

“In our 25th year as we celebrate the impact of our grantee partners, my wish is that we strengthen our work together so that our community is both healthier and stronger.” — **Greg DiDomenico, Community Memorial Foundation**

“That we stay relevant to the residents of Hinsdale and continue to offer them the archives and the programming and the education that they are looking for.” — **Anne Swenson, Hinsdale Historical Society**

“My one wish for 2020 would be having more people come to volunteer for some of our more front-line jobs — the adoptions counselor, the kennel attendants — really come in and help us help the animals by giving them better care.” — **Tom Van Winkle, Hinsdale Humane Society**

“I wish for a stronger, more deeply connected community, because I think everyone wins and everything levels up when your community is strong and deeply connected.” — **Annie Horton Krug, The Community House**

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## NEXT WEEK

### Community Consolidated Elementary Dist. 181 Board

7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 13

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

**On the draft agenda:** special education spotlight, STEAM iLab update, math ELA placement with math trajectory, one-to-one classroom management tool, recommendation to purchase CLEAR services

### Hinsdale Historic Preservation Commission

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15

Memorial Building, 19 E. Chicago Ave.

### Hinsdale Parks and Recreation Commission

7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14

Memorial Building, 19 E. Chicago Ave.

**On the draft agenda:** summer tennis program/HTA, pool hours/daily fees update, grant update

### Hinsdale Police Pension Board

7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15

Memorial Building, 19 E. Chicago Ave.

### Hinsdale Zoning Board of Appeals

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15

Memorial Building, 19 E. Chicago Ave.

**On the draft agenda:** public hearings on 5500 S. Grant St. (Hinsdale Central) and 908 N. Elm St.

## MEETING ROUNDUP

### Hinsdale Village Board

Among other business Tuesday, trustees:

- approved the submission of a Park and Recreation Facility Construction Program (PARC) grant application to receive up to \$2.5 million for renovations to the Lodge at Katherine Legge Memorial Park. The village is expected to contribute up to \$625,000 toward the project, depending on the amount awarded. The money would be used on ADA improvements, including elevator installation, bathroom and flooring enhancements and upgrades to the HVAC system, windows and storage. Staff reported that the Lodge loses an average of 36 rentals a year due to inaccessibility throughout the building and that updating the facility could mean \$72,000 a year in additional revenue.

- were told that southbound Garfield Avenue between First and Third avenues will be closed from Monday to Thursday next week to install a storm pipe as part of the parking deck project.

## Trial in Urban murder case to begin Tuesday

The jury trial for the man accused of murdering Andrea Urban in her Hinsdale home is scheduled to start Tuesday.

Dominic Sanders, 30, of 819 White Oak Lane, University Park, is charged with first degree murder for killing Urban, a 51-year-old mother of two, at her home May 4, 2017.

Sanders has been held without bail since his arrest on May

25, 2017, after being stopped in Will County for a traffic violation. He is also charged with home invasion and armed robbery in the case. Sanders has pleaded not guilty.

Trial proceedings are scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. in courtroom 4004 of the DuPage County Courthouse in Wheaton.

## Town hall on 5G is Wednesday

Learn more about 5G, how 5G will affect the community and how to take action at a town hall meeting set for 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15, at The Community House, 415 W.

Eighth St., Hinsdale. Hinsdale Village Board and DuPage County Board members will speak at this session, sponsored by Stop 5G Hinsdale and Neighbors.



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# More than 250 new laws, fees in Illinois

*Hinsdale's legislators in Illinois House, Senate, offer their insight on a handful of bills*

By Pamela Lannom  
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Jan. 1 marks the start of a new year — and the enactment of a number of new laws and fees for Illinois residents.

Most are aware of the law making recreational marijuana legal, but it's just one of more than 250 that went into effect last week.

"We were happy to be able to get as much done as we did," said state Sen. Suzy Glowiak-Hilton (D-24, Western Springs), who represents Hinsdale and 11 other western suburbs.

State Rep. Deanne Mazzochi (R-47, Elmhurst), whose district also includes Hinsdale, offered praise and criticism of legislators' work in 2019.

"I think that there are obviously some good things, and certainly some of them I'm happy about because they are bills that I sponsored or co-sponsored," Mazzochi said. "One of the things I'm obviously disappointed about is the things that need to get done in terms of true structural reform to get the state back on track and get its fiscal house in order didn't happen."

One bill Mazzochi co-sponsored will allow any high school student whose grade point average is in the top 10 percent of the class to be automatically accepted to Northern, Southern, Eastern or Western Illinois universities. The law is designed to help avoid the "brain drain" from the state, she said.

"The fewer barriers we have and the easier we can make it to make sure our top students stay in Illinois, the better off we'll be," Mazzochi said.

Glowiak-Hilton pointed to a new law passed after a 29 dogs died in a January 2019 kennel fire near West Chicago. The law requires kennels to have monitoring or sprinkler systems.

"I think that's a great piece of legislation that people weren't thinking about, and it's something we can do and help

these dog and cat owners. We were all happy to support that," she said.

Each legislator lauded bills designed to keep Illinois residents safer.

Mazzochi pointed to a bill she co-sponsored that eliminates the statute of limitations on criminal sexual assault, aggravated criminal sexual assault and aggravated criminal sexual abuse. In the past, prosecutors had 10 years to bring charges if an offense was reported within three years after it occurred.

"Say you're engaged in human trafficking or you're underage, 13, 14," she said. "By the time you get to a point where you might be able to do something against your abuser, the statute of limitations period could have expired. This gives women a lot more options to actually hold their abusers accountable."

A cyber security bill Glowiak-Hilton supported requires companies to report a breach to the Illinois attorney general if the data affects 500 or more residents.

"Before there was no accountability," she said. "There is so much data out there that is being collected by so many people. We have to tighten up what's happening with it."

The two cast opposite votes on the minimum wage bill, which increases hourly pay by \$1 to \$9.25. Subsequent increases will bring the rate to \$10 an hour July 1 and \$15 an hour on Jan. 1, 2025.

Mazzochi said she would have liked to see a provision to adjust the rate in parts of the state where the cost of living is much lower. She also is concerned businesses will send manufacturing



Glowiak-Hilton



Mazzochi

work overseas, automate more jobs or be unable to survive.

"You're going to get paid more to work this job, it's just going to disappear next year — that's not really a win for workers," she said.

Glowiak-Hilton said she was pleased to support the increase to help a group of workers who have a tough time making ends meet — especially in her district.

"It's a gradual increase so businesses can adjust," she said. "We're giving people time to adjust to the new rates and things they'll have to do."

All residents will have to devote more of their earnings to the state. The renewal fee for license plates has tripled (\$151 from \$50) as part of the "Rebuild Illinois" infrastructure program.

Mazzochi said the fee increase is an unfortunate component of a much-needed capital plan.

"It is absolutely critical to Illinois' economic growth and development," she said. "I don't like raising fees, but I do believe in necessary infrastructure and that was just part of the compromise that got worked out."

Glowiak-Hilton supported some of the infrastructure programs but did not agree with the funding mechanism.

"I did not believe we should increase fees and taxes in order to pay for that," she said.

Glowiak-Hilton also lauded legislation that increases fees for drivers who fail to slow down or more over for emergency vehicles on the side of the road and the creation of a full-time Alzheimer's/dementia coordinator for the state.

"My husband died of Alzheimer's disease at a very young age," Glowiak-Hilton said. "It's very personal to me and important that we support caregivers and support those with the disease."

Mazzochi praised a new law that allows for harsher penalties when crimes are committed in places of worship and criticized one that makes it easier for people awaiting trial in county jails to cast their ballots, which she believes opens the door for abuse.

"It will make history during the 2020 presidential primary as the first polling place in a jail," she said.

## Other new laws

- The maximum fine for a hitting a construction worker with a vehicle will increase to \$25,000 from \$10,000.
- Passing a stopped school bus that has its "STOP" arm extended will now result in a \$300 fine, up from \$150 for the first offense. The second offense will cost drivers \$1,000, up from \$500.
- Public locations must convert single-occupancy restrooms into all-gender restrooms and designate them for use by no more than one person at a time, or for families or assisted use. Public locations must change exterior signage as well.
- Public buildings will be required to have baby changing facilities in any of their public restrooms.
- The burial benefit for a firefighter, state police or local law enforcement officer killed in the line of duty will increase to \$20,000 from \$10,000.
- Insurers in the state will be required to cover the costs of medically necessary epinephrine injectors, commonly referred to by the brand name EpiPen, for persons under 18 years old.

— Jerry Nowicki of Capitol News Illinois contributed to this story.



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# POLICE BEAT

The following reports were distributed by Hinsdale police Dec. 30 and Jan. 7.

## Arrest for hitting nurse

Emily J. Daniels, 21, 812 S. Garfield Ave., Hinsdale, was arrested on a felony charge for aggravated battery Dec. 24 after pushing and punching a nurse with a closed fist while she was a patient at Amita Medical Center Hinsdale, 120 N. Oak St. at 11:30 p.m. Dec. 23. She was arrested Dec. 24 and taken to DuPage County Jail.

## DUI arrests

- Ronald Malish, 56, 6015 Forest View Road No. 3A, Lisle, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08 and improper lane use at 8:30 p.m. Dec. 28 at Ogden Avenue and Adams Street. He was charged and released to appear in court.

- Ann Marie Copp, 51, 731 S. Madison Ave., La Grange, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a blood-alcohol content higher than .08 and speeding at 1:25 a.m. Dec. 29 at 55th and Madison streets. She was charged and released to appear in court.

## Arrests for license violations

- Thomas R. Meyer, 19, 106 N. Yale Ave., Villa Park, was arrested for driving without a valid license and operating an uninsured motor vehicle at 8:12 a.m. Dec. 27 at Quincy and 55th streets. He was charged and released to appear in court.

- Kierre Tysha Edwards, 29, 2521 Highland Place, Indianapolis, Ind., was arrested for driving with a suspended license and speeding at 10:19 p.m. Dec. 31 at Ogden Avenue and Monroe Street. She was charged and released to appear in court.

- Bernard Branch, 54, 1609 S. Wolf Road, Hillside, was arrested for driving with a suspended license at 4:17 p.m. Jan. 4 at Ogden Avenue and Salt Creek Lane. He was charged and released to appear in court.

## Homeowner confronts burglar

A home in the 400 block of South Quincy Street was forcibly entered through the rear door between 11:25 and 11:56 a.m. Dec. 20. The suspect, described as a skinny white male with blonde hair wearing a black jacket, left the home after being confronted by the victim. Nothing was reported missing from the home.

## Vehicles stolen from driveways

- A 2013 Lexus GS350 was stolen between 6 p.m. Dec. 22 and 6:08 a.m. Dec. 23 from a driveway in the 700 block of Woodland Avenue. A purse, credit cards, cell phone, gift cards, drivers license and I-PASS were inside the vehicle. The victim subsequently received a fraud alert of an attempted use of a credit card at a gas station in Stickney.

- A 2015 Infiniti X60 was stolen between 11 p.m. Dec 20 and 11:55 p.m. Dec. 21 from a driveway in the 500 block of The Lane. Miscellaneous property inside the vehicle included an I-PASS.

## Vehicles burglarized

- An unlocked vehicle parked in a driveway in the 100 block of West North Street was rummaged through between 10 a.m. Jan. 4 and 9:30 a.m. Jan. 5. About \$40 was stolen.

- An unlocked vehicle was rummaged through between Dec. 22 and Jan. 6 while it was parked in a driveway in the 100 block of North Adams Street. Nothing was reported missing.

- Two unlocked vehicles parked on a driveway in the 10 block of South Quincy Street were rummaged through between 11

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## 60 SECONDS

### Eagle project continues teen's fight against local hunger

Becoming an Eagle Scout was never really part of Jack Otten's plan.

"I never gave it much thought," Otten said. "I was just enjoying being a Scout."

But as he approached his final year of high school, the Hinsdale Central High School senior said earning Boy Scouting's highest rank suddenly seemed like a natural progression to his decade-long scouting career. So he set out in search of a project — a final step in every scout's journey toward the Eagle rank.

Otten said he knew almost immediately that his project would benefit the HCS Family Services food pantry and the people it serves. A longtime volunteer at the pantry and a member of the HCS Junior Board, Otten wanted his project to help alleviate some of the food insecurity that exists in DuPage County. He also wanted it to draw attention to the fact that food insecurity exists in and around Hinsdale — something he said many people still don't realize.

Working with HCS Executive

Director Stan Cook, Otten decided to build two mobile collection bins that will allow people to easily donate food to the pantry. Each bright red bin is equipped with casters for easy portability, along with two placards with important information about HCS and its needs. One tells the story of HCS and why donations are needed. The other tells potential donors what specific items are needed to fill the pantry shelves and the cupboards of hungry neighbors.

Otten was familiar with the needs of the food pantry and its clients. But he wasn't as comfortable with the tools and skills it would take to build the two bins.

"This was a project bigger than I had taken on before," he said.

But an Eagle Scout project isn't meant to be completed alone. Like all aspects of Scouting, earning Eagle rank is about leadership, Otten said. The potential Eagle Scout is expected to organize his project and enlist the help of whatever volunteers or experts he needs to get the job done.

So on a sunny afternoon several months ago, Otten gathered with

Eagle coach Shashank Upadhye, dad John and about a dozen fellow Scouts to turn a pile of wood and screws into tools for feeding the community.

"I learned a lot of skills working on these boxes," Otten said.

It didn't take long for Otten's contribution to start working.

When Jack and his dad delivered the completed boxes on a Saturday in November, the Memorial Building was not yet open for the day. They left a bin outside the building while picking up the second box from Hinsdale Covenant Church, home of Hinsdale Troop 8. When they returned to the Memorial Building just a few minutes later, someone had already dropped the first donation into the bin.

One box remains at the Memorial Building. The other spent a week at the Hinsdale Public Library and will likely make its way to various parts of the village, inviting people to make a donation and to learn a little about the needs of their community.

— story by Sandy Illian Bosch,  
photo by Jim Slonoff



**JACK OTTEN**

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# OPINION

## EDITORIAL

### New year, new opportunity for D86 to listen

Tonight, for the first time in almost a month, the Hinsdale High School District 86 Board will meet.

A lot has happened since Dec. 12. Students and staff enjoyed winter break. A new year, and a decade, started at midnight Dec. 31.

And Superintendent Tammy Prentiss announced that the district is slowing down its implementation of a “physics first” science sequence at Hinsdale Central, with the phased-in roll out set to begin fall 2021.

The announcement should appease at least some of the parents who have raised loud and frequent objections to the plan. But some, we expect, will continue questioning the decision during public comment at school board meetings.

They are entitled to do so, and the board must respect that. Last month, four residents were not afforded that right when they attempted to read a letter that referenced Carol Baker, the district’s assistant superintendent for academics. At the first mention of Baker’s name, board

President Nancy Pollak interrupted the speaker. Subsequent efforts to read the letter resulted in the microphone’s removal from the podium by a district employee.

The district has a reasonable interest in protecting an employee from harsh criticism or personal attacks. However, the letter (which was posted on Facebook) contains neither. It’s not a flattering portrayal of Baker, but if she is going to speak about family decisions at a school board meeting in her home district, then she has opened the door to that topic being discussed here.

When we asked the district’s communications director to identify the personal attacks in the letter, he cited comments that were “personal” and “editorialized” Baker’s decisions. He also pointed to “recent social media posts that feature attacks of a personal nature against this employee.”

Those social media posts are not justification for restricting residents’ freedom to speak. Additionally, board members had been sent the

letter prior to meeting and, presumably, knew its content. And they stopped the reading anyway.

To be clear, we are not taking a position here on the new science sequence or Baker, whose contract likely will not be renewed at tonight’s board meeting.

But the board has to be very careful when limiting residents’ speech. The decision to pull the microphone comes on the heels of talks of limiting both the total amount of public comment offered at meetings and the time spent on individual topics. We’re relieved to see that proposed policy has been abandoned.

Those four residents silenced at the meeting have hinted at filing a complaint with Illinois Attorney General’s office regarding a violation of the Open Meetings Act. We’d hate to see taxpayer money spent in the district’s defense.

Instead, administrators and board members should reflect on the decision they made Dec. 12. And if those residents happen to show up tonight with the same letter and attempt to read it, we’d strongly encourage them to listen.

## COMMENTARY

### ‘Acceptance’ will be my guiding word for 2020

Every January for the past few years, Chicago Tribune columnist Mary Schmich has chosen an annual “guiding word” and encouraged readers to do the same.

I heard about this for the first time over the weekend and was intrigued.

Her word for 2020 is “slower” — an interesting choice, she admits, for a woman who works on deadline. As she goes on to discuss, though, slowing down rarely makes us late.

“All we have to do is breathe more slowly, and we know that slowing down is a way to see and hear and think more clearly,” she writes in her Jan. 4 column. “Slowing down, we make space to notice what’s going on, and noticing helps us make better choices.”

Her rationale almost makes me want to choose slower as my 2020 word, too. But when I first read her column, I knew immediately what my word should be.

Acceptance.

The word — for me — immedi-

ately prompts a recitation of the Serenity Prayer: “God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change the things I can and wisdom to know the difference.”

I typically can muster the courage to make the changes I can, and usually am able to differentiate between what is in my control (my own thoughts and behavior) and what is not (absolutely everything else).

Accepting things I cannot change is the tough one for me. Perhaps it is so difficult because the number of things I can change is so minuscule compared to the number of things over which I have no control.

I can’t change the behavior of other drivers, even those who believe a “turn” at a stop sign involves two cars instead of one.

I can’t swap the caloric content of foods I enjoyed before Christmas (cookies, candy and cheesecake)



Pamela Lannom

with those I am “enjoying” now (chicken breast, broccoli and more chicken breast).

I can’t eliminate all mistakes in my work or make school board meetings shorter or extend a deadline by 24 hours if I’m not feeling particularly motivated to write.

I could go on, but the list would be long. As

I wrote earlier, almost everything I encounter falls under the category of “things I cannot change.”

Of course that’s where the beauty of acceptance comes in. If I can slow down (right, Mary?) and truly accept that which I find annoying or distasteful or even unacceptable, I will change my perception. And in so doing, I will change my reality.

I realize the notion of accepting the unacceptable might not seem pleasant. Some assume such an approach involves removing all boundaries and tolerating unacceptable behavior. That’s not what

I believe.

I believe acceptance means you meet a situation as it is. You stop fighting it or denying it or wishing it were different.

You accept it — and then you decide what to do about it. You might decide the situation is so unhealthy you need to remove yourself from it. You might decide your best course of action is to do nothing. Or you might choose one of the infinite number of options in between.

Eckhart Tolle writes about acceptance (and so much more) in “A New Earth: Awakening to Your Life’s Purpose.”

“Only if you resist what happens are you at the mercy of what happens, and the world will determine your happiness and unhappiness,” he writes.

The first thing I have to accept is that practicing acceptance is going to take time and effort. Good thing I have a whole year to work on it.

— Pamela Lannom is editor of *The Hinsdalean*. Readers can email her at [plannom@thehinsdalean.com](mailto:plannom@thehinsdalean.com).

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# OPINION

## GUEST COMMENTARY

### The joy of a little creative clutter

Each January after the holidays are over, there seems to be a renewed obligation or duty to reorganize. Everywhere you look there are articles, books and news stories that promise to help you tidy up and embrace your inner minimalist.



**Amy McCauley**

However, for those of us who despite our best efforts can't fully commit to the minimalist movement, there may be scientific validation. If you too have a beloved collection of books or a permanent stack of paperwork on the corner of your desk then take heart. That mess just might be the right environment to spark creative thought and inspiration.

"If a cluttered desk is the sign of a cluttered mind, of what then is an empty desk a sign of?" quipped Albert Einstein in defense of his notoriously messy office. Would it surprise you to learn that a scientific study might prove that Einstein was right?

Dr. Kathleen Voh, a social psychologist and professor at the University of Minnesota School of Management sought to study just that question. She published her findings in the journal *Psychological Science*. In her study, she found that although tidy work environments promoted healthful eating and generosity, they tended to stifle creativity. Her study found that working in a "messy room" actually encourages novel thinking.

So, if you too think best with a little creative mess then you are in good company, as Voh notes that other innovators who had notably messy desks include Mark Twain, Frida Kahlo, Thomas Edison, Martin Luther

King Jr. and Steve Jobs.

In case you were wondering, I am not a hoarder and my house is not a terrible mess. But I doubt my office would meet the lofty standards set by all those organizational experts. My house has its own colorful and charming eccentricities. I have collections of things I love — books, magazines and an oversized closet full of art supplies. When inspiration strikes, I have been known to make quite a creative mess. This may from time to time cause my neatnik husband to shake his head and question my sanity.

However, he has learned it is best to just walk away. We have an understanding that it will all get cleaned up.

Is there some middle ground? Can happiness and a little clutter really coexist? Experience has taught me that there is such a thing as a happy mess. A little paint and glitter on the kitchen table and a dish or two in the sink are the spontaneous creative moments that fuel me.

Along the way, I have made peace with the reality that young children come with a certain amount of mess. As a mother I would rather spend my time imagining new adventures than always having an impeccably clean house. So, here's to a new year filled with more creativity and less worry. In the end, it's all relative.

Every drawer in my house might not be perfectly organized, but my home will be artsy and above all joyful.

— Amy McCauley of Hinsdale is a contributing columnist.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Anna Martch an asset to business owners, village

The village of Hinsdale is fortunate to have Anna Martch as one of its employees. As the economic development and communication specialist, she adds tremendous value to the success of our business community.

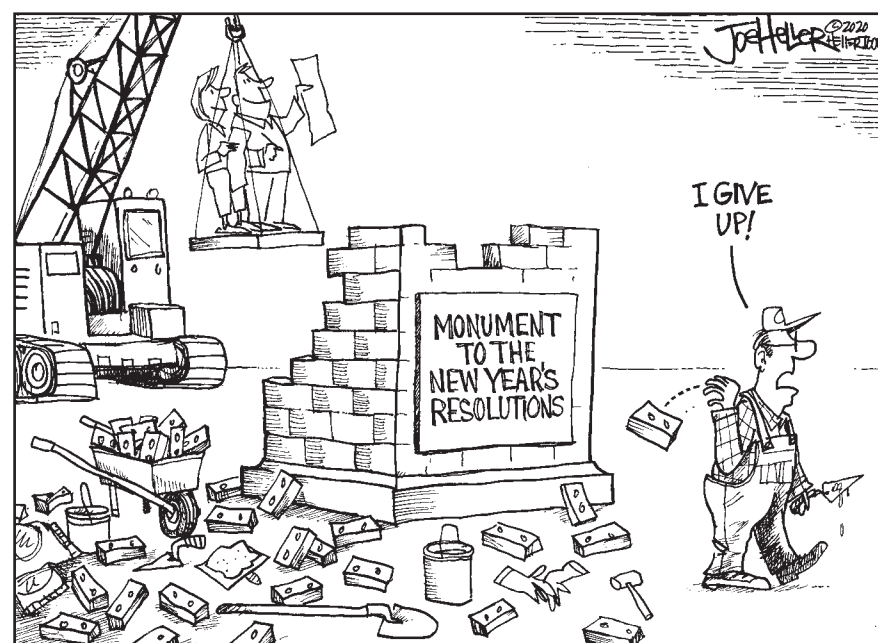
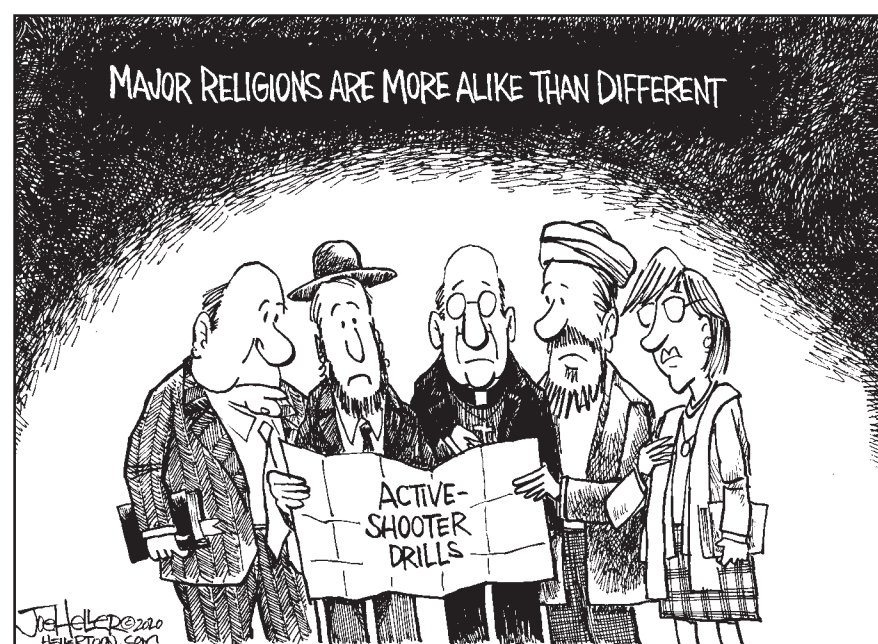
As a business owner, I have worked with Anna on several initiatives including the very successful Hinsdale Wine Walk last year. She is full of energy with a remarkable work ethic. You will see her showcasing Hinsdale business properties to perspective businesses, check-

ing IDs for beer sales at Uniquely Thursdays and walking around downtown Hinsdale handing out fliers for upcoming programs.

Downtown Hinsdale has 97 percent occupancy rate and I believe Anna has had a major influence in achieving that.

Anna is knowledgeable, responsive and kind. Her affable personality is a great asset to our village government.

Thank you, Anna, for all you do. — Sean Chaudhry, owner, Hinsdale Wine Shop



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# OBITUARIES

## Elaine M. Basile

Elaine M. Basile, 88, passed away Jan. 2, 2020, at St. Patrick's Residence in Naperville.

She was born in 1931 in Naperville and was a retired registered nurse.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Ronald J. Marrero; and her son, James Marrero.

She is survived by her husband, Ernest M.; her children, Susan (Steve) Markus, Kathleen (Michael) Pagnano, Richard (Amy) Marrero, Annette (the late Floyd) Garver and Stephen (Paula) Marrero; her grandchildren, Michelle (Adrian) Dunholter, Stephanie (Tyler) Holmberg, Katherine Markus, Connor



**Basile**

(Katie) Marrero, William (Alexandra) Markus, Kyle Marrero and Joseph Marrero; and her great-grandchildren, Andria and Gina.

Visitation is at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 8404 S Cass Ave., Darien. A funeral Mass will follow at the church at 10 a.m.

Interment will at Queen of Heaven in Hillside.

Memorials may be made to St. Patrick's Residence, 1400 Brookdale Road, Naperville, IL 60563.

Brian Powell Funeral Directors of Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

## Matthew Fitzpatrick Beuke

Matthew Fitzpatrick Beuke, 30, of Hinsdale passed away Jan. 5, 2020, surrounded at home by his loving family and friends who supported him through his long and courageous journey of ALS.

Matty's journey with ALS began in June 2017. The support from his family and friends has been overwhelming these last 2 1/2 years. The Les Turner ALS Foundation, Journey Care and the many people Matty met along the way gave him the strength and courage to fight this insidious disease.

On Sunday, Matty won the fight and passed away peacefully surrounded by his loving family. #MATTYMATTERS.

He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Kane and Andrea Keirnan.



**Beuke**

He is survived by his parents, Richard and Annamarie Beuke; his brothers, Peter (Katie) Beuke and Ricky (Nicole Morin) Beuke; his nieces, Lily and Zoey Beuke; his grandparents, Chuck and Elaine Beuke; and many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

The visitation is from 3 to 9 p.m. Friday, Jan. 10, at Sullivan Funeral Home, 60 S. Grant St., Hinsdale.

A funeral Mass will be said at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at St. John of the Cross Church, 5005 Wolf Rd. Western Springs.

Interment will be private at Bronswood Cemetery in Oak Brook.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Les Turner ALS Foundation, 5550 W. Touhy Ave. Skokie, IL 60077 or online at <https://www.lesturnerals.org>.

## Ellen Pusser Carmignani

Ellen Pusser Carmignani, 78, formerly of Hinsdale, passed away Jan. 4, 2020, surrounded by family.

Ellen was born to Henry and Margie Pusser in 1941 in Chesterfield, S.C.

After graduating from Chesterfield High School (a school so small she served as the bus driver her senior year), Ellen earned a degree from Furman University in Greenville, S.C., where she also met Tony. Married in 1962, she and Tony spent the first several years living around the world while Tony served in the U.S. Army, before finally settling in Hinsdale in the mid-70s to raise their family.

Ellen was very active in the community as a longstanding member of Union Church as well as volunteer for Meals on Wheels, the Ben Fuller Museum Association, Hinsdale Community Service and the Hinsdale Center for the Arts, among many other causes. She shared her love of her adopted hometown by becoming a Realtor, a job in which she found great satisfaction.

Ellen was a great cook — a foodie before



**Carmignani**

that was a thing — and she and Tony enjoyed hosting many famous parties in their Hinsdale home for dear friends and family.

Ellen's family would like to thank the staff at Cedarhurst of Naperville and the nurses, caregivers and counselors from Angel's Grace Hospice of Bolingbrook for their compassionate care for Ellen at the end of her life.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Anthony B. Carmignani.

Ellen is survived by her sister, Nancy Burgess; her children, Jim (Kim) Carmignani, Dina Carmignani-Bunn and Timothy (Mary) Carmignani; her grandchildren, Elizabeth Carmignani, Katherine (Daniel) Webster, Allison (Aaron) Biskine, Zachary Bunn, Jordan Bunn and Dixon Bunn; and many cousins, nieces and nephews across the country.

A graveside celebration of Ellen's life will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Jan. 17, at Bronswood Cemetery, 3805 Madison St., Oak Brook. Friends and family are invited. A luncheon will follow for all.

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## Nonprofit leaders share thoughts on '19

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requiring euthanization remained flat.

"I think that was one of the most exciting things to me," Van Winkle said. "We wanted to get bigger, but we also wanted to get better."

Some 10 to 15 percent of animals that arrive at the shelter need more than routine medical care, with another 5 percent requiring significant attention.

"We just had a dog that is going home tomorrow that had to have a leg amputated because of an injury," Van Winkle said.

Unless an X-ray or special equipment is required, the care can be offered in the center's new clinic.

The larger space has many advantages, but it also carries higher costs for things like electricity and water, Van Winkle said. Supporters in 2019 came through.

"In general we increased our number of donors by 40 percent, so the community has really stepped up and helped us," he said.

And then there was the generous \$1 million donation from Florrie Tuthill, which gave her naming rights to the building.

"That was very, very helpful to us,"

Van Winkle said.

Many longtime volunteers accompanied the society to its new location — and even more are needed.

"We're finding the volunteers can be of greater help in day-to-day caring for the animals," he said, citing opportunities to serve as adoption counselors or kennel attendants.

In the midst of these growing pains, staff developed a software database platform that will be rolled out to other shelters this year.

"Through that collaboration, we will be able to share information about animals and get animals adopted more quickly, not only from here but also from other shelters," Van Winkle said. "We're really, really excited about that."

### The Community House

This past year was one of self-reflection for The Community House's board of trustees and staff, according to executive director Annie Krug.

"We went through this kind of purpose-driven mission exercise to find the important scaffolding to tell our story," said Krug, describing the archival search undertaken to trace the agency's historical evolution.

Krug said leaders wanted to clearly discern the thread that connects the organization's youth sports, counseling center and art programs, among other offerings.

"What they're all connected by is a sense of community around them," she related. "To be able to start talking about ourselves in that way, that was very exciting for me."

That community grew in 2019 with the implementation of the Before and After the Bell program for District 181 students into all nine of the district's schools instead of housing it at the Youth Center.

"It's not only an area of program expansion but a point of synergy where our community meets someone else's," she said. "Now we go into the schools and we get this awesome, seamless hand-off from the teachers, who can tell us how the kids are doing."

The Willowbrook Corner outreach, providing academic tutoring and social support to local underserved youth and families, is serving the largest number of kids in program history.

"We have a phenomenal team at The Community House, and you're seeing that in the number of kids that are coming to our program. It's exciting to



watch it gain traction," Krug said

And the LyArts Program continues to thrive under the direction of Jimmy McDermott. Krug said in addition to the many classes offered, the rotating gallery exhibits featuring local artists has proved an enriching feature. She is gratified to see visitors check out the art while there for other activities.

"They stop and they walk through the gallery and learn something about that artist. That's been really amazing," she said.

The annual Walk for Walk yielded strong results both as a fundraiser and community building event, she said, and last month's Holiday Ball struck the perfect tone with its theme of Vibrant Legacy, Brilliant Future.

"It was a tribute to everything we've done in the past that brought us to the moment we're in and celebrate all of those people and moments," Krug said.

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# ASK AN EXPERT

MICHAEL GERSHBEIN, ORGANIZATION GURU

## How can apps help people start 2020 off right?

It's that special time in a year's infancy when people realize the new is not like the old, and those best-laid resolutions are getting waylaid.

Tools exist to help snatch self-improvement success from the jaws of defeat, however, right in one's palm. Mike Gershbein, founder of the tutoring firm Very Smart People, will impart apt apps for goal achievement at Change Your Life Online from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 29, at the Hinsdale Public Library.

Gershbein said he seeks key characteristics in apps he recommends.

"Interface, stability, how well it matches the goals you're trying to achieve and a free component," he related.

For interface, he said the spectrum runs from objective-specific (e.g. weight loss) to comprehensive.

"You can either get really targeted with an app or it can do a whole wide range of things," Gershbein said. "I try to cover a wide enough range to get people thinking, 'There are apps that are out there for me.'"

One he recommends is stickK, in which users are prompted to, in effect, put their money where their resolutions are.

"Depending on how well you keep up with them, you may have financial stakes. Like, if you don't achieve it, you have to send your money to charity, and it may be a charity you really don't agree with," he said.

He inclines toward programs that have demonstrated staying power rather than flashes in the app store.

"Many have been around so long that they reach a point of maturity. It almost makes it easier to choose apps with a long history," Gershbein said.

The app Sanvello has been around so long that it recently changed its name (from Pacifica), but its mission has remained focused on supporting mental health.

"It's a mood tracker app. You check in every day, and it kind of keeps a journal of how you're feeling emotionally over the course of the year," he explained.

Gershbein classifies his roughly 50 top apps into seven categories, including inspiration/mindfulness, organization and financial planning. And it's always a bonus when they come with a financial hit.

"I look for apps that have a free component. Some may offer a paid service as well," he said. "With free ones, you can keep downloading stuff."

Brain training apps, he noted, are good for keeping one's mind nimble.

"They have math games and logic games and vocabulary games to keep your brain thinking," Gershbein said.

People of all app-titude levels are welcome at his talk, and attendees are encouraged to add to the list.

"I love for people to volunteer their own apps. I'm not an expert on every app out there," Gershbein said.

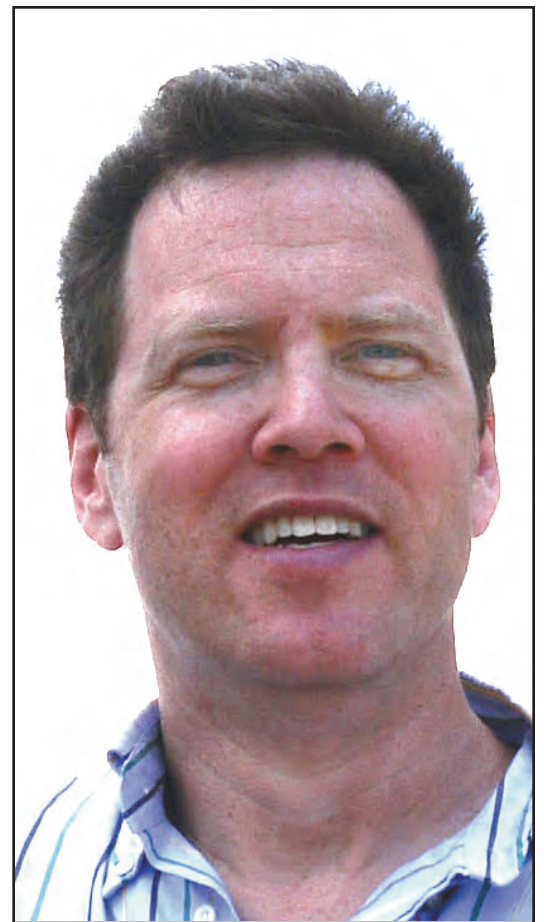
His aim is to awaken people to the profusion of customizable digital assistants available.

"If somebody walks away with one or two apps, that's a success for me," he said. "I try to make it lightweight and fun. I'm not there to guilt them into anything. People like knowing about all these options in their hands or on their wrists."

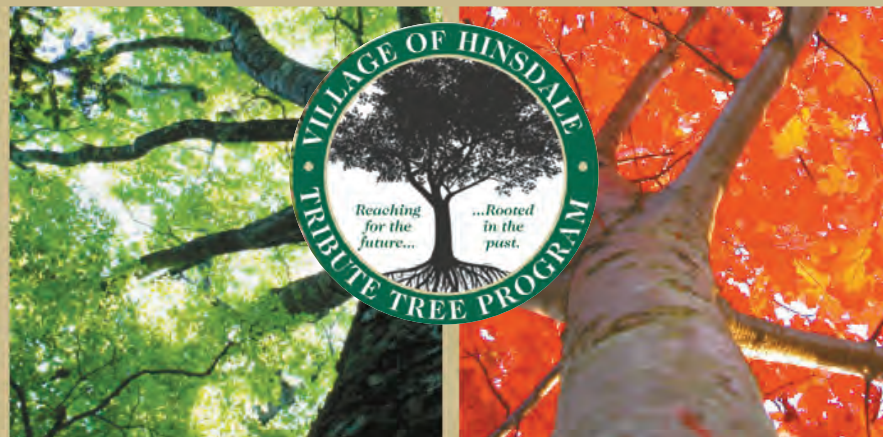
So what is the Very Smart People founder's 2020 resolution?

"I don't do resolutions."

— by Ken Knutson



**Technology tutor** Michael Gershbein will lead the program Change Your Life Online at the Hinsdale Public Library Jan. 29 to show people how apps can support their personal goals. "I hope to get them to think about things that they may not have thought about before," he said. (photo provided)



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## William Brooks Keenan

William Brooks Keenan, Jr., 81, of Oak Brook died Jan. 2, 2020.

He was a proud graduate of Fenwick High School in 1956 and Xavier University in 1960. Bill was President of Keenan Transit Co. for 59 years, a company founded by his father in 1946. He was past president of Butterfield Country Club.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William Brooks and Genevieve Sullivan Keenan; and his grandson, Brooks Tonn.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Nancy Higgins Keenan; his children, Betsy (Brian) Moran, William Brooks III (Denise) Keenan, Trish (Patrick) Kinsella, Dan (Tracey) Keenan, Tom (Danielle) Keenan and Nora (Robert) Tonn; his grandchildren, Kate (Christian)



Keenan

Arquilla; Jack, Christopher and Nora Moran; William IV and Hannah Keenan; Genevieve, Patrick Cass and Colette Kinsella; Christopher, Lauren, Jane and Ben Keenan; Patrick, Caroline and Sean Keenan; and Hunter, Griffin and Scarlett Tonn; his great-grandchildren, Hannifin and Elizabeth Arquilla; and his brother, John Keenan.

Family and friends will meet at 11 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 9, for a funeral Mass at St. John of the Cross Church, 5005 Wolf Road, Western Springs.

Interment is private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made online to the Brooks Strong Foundation at <https://www.brooksstrong.org>.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

## POLICE BEAT

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p.m. Jan. 5 and 9:47 a.m. Jan. 6. Nothing was reported missing.

- An unlocked vehicle was entered and a garage door opener stolen between 7 p.m. Jan. 2 and 9 a.m. Jan. 3 while it was parked in a driveway in the 400 block of South Bodin Street. The victim observed the garage door to be half opened.

### Porch pirates strike

- Two packages containing \$149.88 in clothing were stolen between 4 and 4:15 p.m. Dec. 30 from a home's front porch in the 600 block of Justina Street. The suspect, observed on surveillance camera, is described as a black male wearing a black hooded sweatshirt, black pants, white socks and black shoes.

- A package containing \$315.16 in clothing was stolen between 3 and 7 p.m. Dec. 30 from a home's front porch in the 700 block of North Oak Street.

- A package containing a \$100 knife block was stolen at 9:10 p.m. Dec. 27 from the porch of a home in the 400 block of South Adams Street. The suspect, observed on surveillance video, is described as a thin white male wearing a black ball cap and dark colored clothing. The incident was reported Jan. 4.

### Vehicle vandalized

The driver's side of a vehicle was scratched from the front fender to the rear quarter panel between Dec. 14 and 28 while it was in a parking stall in the 5700 block of South Garfield Street.

### Attempted burglary reported

The front door glass of Jimmy John's, 777 N. York Road, was broken at 10:08 p.m. Dec. 24. No entry was gained to the business.

### Identity theft incidents

- The identity of a resident of the 400 block of East First Street was used to open a checking account at 9:48 a.m. Dec. 24. A loan request using the victim's identity was denied. No dollar loss was reported.

- The identity of a resident of the 5600 block of South Oak Street was used to open a cellphone account at 2:04 p.m. Dec. 26. The account has an outstanding balance of \$847.

- Credit card information belonging to a resident of the 200 block of South Monroe Street was used to make \$8,335.09 in fraudulent charges Sept. 16 to 18. The incident was reported Dec. 24.

- The identity of a resident of the 5700 block of South Garfield Avenue was used to open two fraudulent bank accounts on Dec 11. No dollar loss was reported. The incident was reported Dec. 26.

- Fraudulent charges and withdrawals totaling about \$20,000 were reported from a checking account belonging to a resident of the 10 block of East Birchwood Avenue between Jan. 1 and Nov. 30. The incident was reported Dec. 30.

### Fraud reported

A resident of the 700 block of South Bodin Street sent an unknown suspect \$450 using Zelle at noon Jan. 2 for show tickets advertised on Craigslist but has been unable to contact the suspect since.

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## Hinsdale cooks share recipes from 2019

*Chef, home cook and Hinsdale Bite Club members dish on their favorite creations*

**By Pamela Lannom**  
plannom@thehinsdalean.com

Less than two weeks into the new year, cooks already can find enough recipes online to take them through 2020 — and beyond!

Before plunging into the “741 best dinner recipes” or the list of “Southern recipes everyone should make in 2020,” how about a look back at 2019?

Four Hinsdale cooks (including one Michelin Star chef) shared recipes they enjoyed making last year with The Hinsdalean. All are available online at <https://www.thehinsdalean.com>.

### Don't forget the Fritos

Home cook and food blogger Marissa Donovan has been making her favorite chili for about 10 years.

“I originally found it online somewhere and each time I made it, I tweaked a little of this and a little of that.

“This just has such good flavor because of all the different ingredients and the spices, the three different kinds of beans and the beer.”

Donovan isn't opposed to taking advantage of shortcuts in the kitchen, but she said a packaged chili spice blend won't produce the same result.

“When it comes to chili, it's just so worth it to take the time to put it together yourself,” she said.

The chili always makes an appearance at the Donovans' annual Halloween party and on Super Bowl Sunday. It can be made ahead and reheated on the stove or in a crock pot the next day or two days later. It also freezes well, flat in a freezer bag.

Whenever she makes it, Donovan makes sure to have all the toppings available.

“The toppings are big here,” she said. “Fritos definitely don't make a regular appearance on my grocery shopping list, but corn chips top off chili in the best way — and you can't skip them.”

### Goulash with a twist

Chandra and Chander Jadhvani enjoy cooking the Indian food they grew up eating. They also like trying different things, so they signed up to attend the September meeting of the Hinsdale Bite Club at the Hinsdale Public Library. Members prepare dishes from a particular country or centered around a certain theme.

“We were very excited until we heard it was German cuisine,” Chandra said. “I was like, ‘Oh my gosh. What did I get myself into?’ ”

Her husband chose a goulash recipe from Mimi Sheraton's “The German Cookbook: A Complete Guide to Mastering Authentic German Cooking,” the library-recommended cookbook for the meeting.

“We don't eat beef, so he made the chicken goulash,” Chandra said.

Chander, who said he enjoys tinkering with recipes, wasn't afraid to alter to this one, adding a little more red pepper.

“I come from India, so we need hot and spicy,” he said.

Chandra chose a cucumber salad recipe she found online, turning to her spiralizer when she realized she had lent her mandolin to a friend.



**Home cook and food blogger Marissa Donovan and chef and restaurateur Paul Virant shared recipes for two dishes they enjoyed in 2019, a flavorful chili and pimento cheese spread. (file photos)**

“It's very simple and refreshing,” she said. “The salad has a fair amount of dill, so it's a cleanser for the palate.”

The theme for the Jan. 21 gathering is Game Day Favorites.

“We're looking forward to the sporting event,” she said.

### Make it a cheeseburger

The pimento cheese that covers the dry-aged griddled burger at Vistro in Hinsdale has been a favorite of chef Paul Virant's since it was on a barbecue

week menu years ago at Vie.

“When we opened Vistro, it became the cheese component on our burger,” Hinsdale's Virant said. “It's been a staple on the Vistro menu since we opened.”

He pointed to his Jar Sessions pickled peppers as one of the reasons the spread is so tasty, along with the smoked aged cheddar from Nordic Creamery in Wisconsin.

Virant suggested trying different types of cheeses in the spread.

“I think a Monterey Jack would be really good,” he said.

The spread could be used on other meats, such as a pork roast, on a sturdy fish like sturgeon or with bratwurst and sausages. It could even be combined with Swiss chard, kale or collard greens to create a gratin.

“You could add it into that, put some bread crumbs on it and broil it,” he said. “That would be tasty.”

The dip tastes good straight out of a bowl, too — scooped up with veggies, crostini, crackers or flat bread.

“It's a perfect sort of party snack,” Virant said.

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# PULSE



Learn more about huskies and watch them work at Husky Heroes Jan. 25-26 at the Morton Arboretum. See the listing on Page 24 for details. (photo provided)

## ARTFULLY DONE

### ■ Vision Board Workshop

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

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

### ■ Dyeing 101

Jan. 14  
Congregation Etz Chaim  
1710 S. Highland Ave.,  
Lombard  
<https://www.illinoisprairieweavers.org>

The Illinois Prairie Weavers Guide welcomes Dagmar Klos, dye master, fiber artist, and teacher to lead this program on natural dyeing. All are welcome. Time: 10 a.m.

### ■ Creative Art Journaling

Thursdays, Jan. 16-March 5

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

Repurpose a hardcover book by using it as the base for creative expression, and learn to manipulate materials by layering with acrylics, pastels, watercolors and collage. A \$10 supply fee is due at the first class. Time: 9:30 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$145. RR

### ■ Design with Perler

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

Use Perler Beads to create mosaics and designs that can be transformed into pop art, pictures, coasters, magnets and more. Hours: 2 to 4 p.m.

### ■ 'Toy Stories Too'

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

The library's winter art exhibit, on display in the Quiet Reading Room, fea-

tures works by Benedictine monk Kevin Coffey, who combines and arranges different varieties of toys to create unexpected scenarios and situations, revealing timeless qualities in human behavior and relationships. Each painting intermingles the awkward, ironic, cute and surprising with the sometimes harsh and edgier moments in life that have the potential to become surprisingly relevant experiences over time. Library hours: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, noon to 6 p.m. Sunday.

## FAITH COMMUNITIES

### ■ Women's Life Village Bible Study

Thursdays, Jan. 9-Feb. 27  
The Village Church  
4475 Wolf Road, Western  
Springs  
(708) 246-1530  
<https://www.wsbc.info/womenslife>

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# Misericordia goes country to benefit Heart of Mercy

The Misericordia Women's League will take its annual fundraiser off the March Madness court for a country-music inspired fete with a goal to raise nearly a half a million dollars to help children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

For Hinsdale resident and Misericordia Women's League President Nancy Jacob, the storied Chicago-based Misericordia/Heart of Mercy home has been hugely important to her family. Nancy's young adult daughter, Maggie, has special needs and has benefited tremendously from the nonprofit.

"Misericordia is a Godsend for families who have loved ones with intellectual and developmental disabilities," Jacob said. "The outreach program offers classes, summer and work-related camps. Young adults who have aged out of the school system, like my daughter Maggie, can take part in Misericordia's adult enrichment program that offers work experience, health and wellness programs, and social and recreational activities."

To continue to provide services and programs to the more than 600 children and adults who receive care at

Misericordia, the Women's League overall must raise more than \$19 million annually to address "the shortfall that government funding" does not provide, added Jacob.

More than 450 people are expected to attend this year's "Heart of Gold with a Touch of Country" fundraiser at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Feb 28, at the Hilton Oak Brook Hills Resort.

"Every dollar raised at this event will be donated to Misericordia to offer an environment that fosters each person's spirituality, dignity, respect and quality of life," Jacob added. Last year, the event raised \$450,000.

At the event, the Ryan sisters of Hinsdale will receive the "Heart Of Gold" award in recognition of their long-standing commitment to the organization. Mary Ryan Buddig, Donna Ryan Coffey, Therese Ryan Rooney and Eileen Ryan Seyfarth will be rewarded for their 25 years of volunteerism, fundraising and service to the organization.

"We had a little sister, Jean Marie



**Alexis Braden**  
*Society spotlight*

Ryan, number eight of eight kids, who was born with several issues, one being Down syndrome," said Donna Ryan Coffey, who along with her sisters helped to establish the Women's League in the western suburbs. "My mom happened to find Misericordia South one day by chance and walked in to meet Sister Rosemary Connolly, a saint in our humble opinion. Jean went to

Misericordia soon after that chance meeting and lived there for the next year or so ... before she passed away. So we have always had Misericordia in our hearts."

Guests will enjoy dinner, dancing and silent and live auctions.

Tickets are \$225 each. Visit <https://www.events.org/cPage.aspx?e=131350>.

## Hats off to 15 Years

The Hinsdale Historical Society Women's Board annual luncheon, "Hats Off to 15 Years," will take place at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22, at The Drake Hotel in Oak Brook.

Guests will have an opportunity to shop and view the latest runway fashions while enjoying lunch. Select guests will have the chance to be the subject of their own custom illustration, drawn live at the event by nationally-published artist Rosemary Fanti.

Hats are optional, but encouraged, and WGN's Micah Materre will emcee the event.

Tickets are \$85 a person and available at [https://www.flipcause.com/hosted\\_widget/event\\_step2/NzE3NTQ=/63518](https://www.flipcause.com/hosted_widget/event_step2/NzE3NTQ=/63518)

## Light up the Night

Infant Welfare Society Auxiliary's Clarendon Hills Chapter will host its annual dinner-dance fundraiser, "Light Up The Night," from 6 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Jan. 25, at Butterfield Country Club.

Proceeds benefit the Angel Harvey Family Health Center in Chicago.

Tickets are \$175 per person. Visit <https://e.givesmart.com/events/6EF/>.

— Alexis Braden of Hinsdale is the paper's society columnist. Readers can email her at [news@thehinsdalean.com](mailto:news@thehinsdalean.com).

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Coffee will be served, and child care is available. Time: 9 to 11 a.m. Cost: \$15

## FAMILY FUN

### ■ Little Miss Ann Children's Concert

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

This fun concert will feature the music of Ann Torralba, aka Little Miss Ann, a former Chicago Public School teacher, a veteran instructor at Chicago's Old Town School of Folk Music and a first-generation Filipina-American. The program is presented with Hinsdale Community Preschool. Time: 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. RR

### ■ Archery: Families

Jan. 20  
Herrick Lake  
3S580 Naperville Rd, Wheaton  
(630) 933-7248  
<https://www.dupageforest.org>

Those ages 8 and up can learn safety tips, proper shooting techniques and basic skills. The program is indoors and equipment is provided. Participants should secure long hair and should not wear loose clothing, and must arrive in time for the safety instructions at the start of the program. Those under 18 must be with an adult. Time: 10 to 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$5. RR

## GREAT OUTDOORS

### ■ Fitness hike

Jan 26  
Country Lane Woods  
95th Street east of Willow Springs Road, near Willow Springs  
(708) 386-4042  
<https://www.fpdcc.com>

This five-mile hike is for those looking to get some exercise outdoors, conducted at a faster pace with little to no stopping or interpretation on unpaved, rolling terrain. Time: 10 a.m.

### ■ Chicago Wolves Skating Rink

Through Jan. 27  
Brookfield Zoo

8400 31st Street  
(708) 688-8000  
<https://www.czs.org>

Enjoy outdoor ice skating at the zoo's rink, which is made of a synthetic material known as Glice, so no water or elective is required for operation. A limited number of skates are available for a \$5 rental fee (credit card required). Skaters also are welcome to bring their own skates. Hours: noon to 4:30 p.m. Admission: \$7.

### ■ Hard Water Classic

Feb. 8  
Blackwell Forest Preserve  
Butterfield Road just west of Winfield Road, Warrenville  
(630) 933-7200  
[dupageforest.org](http://dupageforest.org)

This event was rescheduled from Jan. 11 in hopes of having better ice fishing conditions. Anglers of all ages can test their skills at this eighth annual DuPage County Forest Preserve District ice fishing tournament. The top three catches of largemouth bass, bluegill, northern pike and crappie will receive gift cards to local sporting goods stores. The biggest catch overall will earn a gas-powered auger or ice shelter. Door prizes will also be awarded. Participants must bring gear and bait and comply with all applicable fishing regulations and tournament rules. Anglers 16 and older who are not legally disabled must carry valid Illinois fishing licenses. Proceeds support ranger-led recreation programs for special-needs groups, youth groups, Scouts and community resource centers in DuPage County. Time: 11-11:45 a.m. check-in, noon to 3:30 p.m. tournament. Cost: \$20 online, \$25 at the event.

## GREEN THUMB

### ■ Suburban Garden Club

Jan. 20  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale

Carolyn Ulrich, editor of Chicagoland Gardening Magazine and a former garden columnist and feature writer for the Chicago Sun Times, will discuss England's Greatest Hits. She put together this tour when

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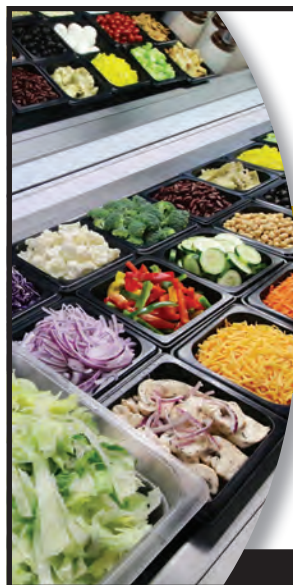
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she became a garden writer, including must-sees such as Sissinghurst, Hidcote, Great Dixter, Barnsley House and Oxford's New College, plus a ruined castle or two. Time: 7:30 to 9 p.m.

## HEALTH & WELLNESS

### ■ Mindfulness-Based Stress Reduction

Fridays, Jan. 10-Feb. 28  
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(630) 654-5194  
awoods@wellnesshouse.  
org

This eight-week program is designed to teach participants how to integrate and apply mindfulness in their lives and to the range of challenges arising from medical and psychological

conditions. Participants will be guided in a variety of mindfulness practices and discussions aimed at enhancing daily awareness, pain relief, anxiety management, coping with illness and inner peace. The program will conclude with an all-day Saturday retreat on Feb. 29. To register, contact Amanda Woods using the information listed above. Times: noon to 1:30 p.m. RR

### ■ Yoga in the Woods

Jan. 12  
Little Red Schoolhouse  
Nature Center  
9800 Willow Springs Road,  
Willow Springs  
(708) 839-6897  
<https://www.fpdcc.com>

Take a hike before practicing yoga indoors. Participants should bring a mat or beach towel. The program is for ages 16 and up. Time: 10 to

11:15 a.m. RR

### ■ Introduction to Aromatherapy Blending

Jan. 13  
Clarendon Hills Public  
Library  
7 N. Prospect Ave.  
(630) 323-8188  
<https://www.clarendon-hillslibrary.org>

Learn about the properties of various oils as Brittany

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## opening doors . . .

### Hinsdale Bite Club: Game Day Favorites

**Tuesday, January 21  
7:00 pm–8:30 pm**

*Bring your appetite and a game day recipe to share. Copies of "The Hungry Fan's Game Day Cookbook" by Daina Falk are available for inspiration. Limit 12.*

### Parent to Parent: The Secret of Happy Parents

**Monday, February 3  
7:00 pm–8:00 pm**

*Join Indre Jasinkaite, a certified yoga teacher, to learn the secrets for a calmer life and the keys to being a better parent. Limit 20.*

### HPL After Dark: Jammin' in the Stacks

**Friday, January 31  
7:00 pm–8:30 pm**

*Enjoy a bold and engaging performance by jazz singer Typhanie Monique. Refreshments and beverages are provided. Limit 150.*



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Hogan, aromatherapist and founder of Nefertem Holistic Skincare, discusses the history, production and safety of oils. Attendees will blend their own scent to take home in a roller bottle. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. RR

### ■ Head and Neck Cancer Updates

Jan. 16  
Wellness House  
131 N. County Line Road,  
Hinsdale  
(630) 323-5150  
<https://www.wellness-house.org>

Drs. Samer Al-Khudari and Michael Jelinek of Rush University Medical Center will discuss the latest developments, including robotic surgery, chemotherapy and radiation options as well as head and neck cancers related to human papillomavirus. Time: 6:30 to 8 p.m. RR

### ■ Zumba

Jan. 17-May 29  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.,

Hinsdale  
(630) 323-7500  
<https://www.thecommunity-house.org>

This ongoing dance fitness class for all exercise levels features energetic music blending Latin and world rhythms with easy to follow dance moves to provide a fun total body workout. Time: 9 to 9:45 a.m. Cost: \$175 for 10-punch card, \$18 for drop-in daily fee. RR, MD

## JUST FOR KIDS

### ■ Winter Reading Club

Through Jan. 15  
<https://www.RepMazzochi.com>

State Rep. Deanne Mazzochi (R-47, Elmhurst) invites kids ages 5-12 to join this club by reading three books over the course of the month. Participants will receive a reading certificate and enjoy a fun afternoon with other readers at the Oak Brook Recreation Center. Club registration forms are available at the website listed above, at the Hinsdale Public

Library or at Rep. Mazzochi's office at 1 S. Cass Ave., Westmont. Forms should be delivered to her Westmont office or sent to [mazzochi@ilhousegop.org](mailto:mazzochi@ilhousegop.org).

### ■ Be Smart About Smartphones

Jan. 15  
Hinsdale Public Library  
20 E. Maple St.  
(630) 986-1976  
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

This informative program will give you an idea of what features to look for in a new smartphone and whether flagship phone models are worth the premium over their mid-tier counterparts. Time: 7 to 8:15 p.m. RR

### ■ School's Out Movie Day

Jan. 17  
Leave from The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.,  
Hinsdale  
(630) 323-7500  
<https://www.thecommunity-house.org>  
Kids in kindergarten

through eighth grade are invited see the latest children's movie at Hollywood Blvd. in Woodridge. They will be able to relax in big comfortable chairs with a lunch of pizza, popcorn and drink included. Extended care from 3:30 to 6 p.m. is available for \$29. Time: 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Cost: \$70. RR, MD

## LINK UP

### ■ Newcomers & Neighbors luncheon

Jan. 15  
Davanti Enoteca Restaurant  
800 Hillgrove Ave.,  
Western Springs  
<https://www.HinsdaleNewcomers.org>  
Newcomers & Neighbors of the Greater Hinsdale Area will hold its annual "My Greatest Things" luncheon and gift exchange. Attendees should choose one of their favorite things worth \$20 to bring as wrapped White Elephant gift. Newcomers & Neighbors welcomes residents of Hinsdale, Burr

Ridge, Oak Brook, Clarendon Hills and Westmont. For further information, visit the website listed above or send an email to [info@hinsdale-newcomers.org](mailto:info@hinsdale-newcomers.org). Time: 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$25. RR

## LISTEN & LEARN

### ■ Kitchen Remodeling

Jan. 11  
Normandy Remodeling Showroom  
440 E. Ogden Ave.,  
Hinsdale  
<https://www.normandyremodeling.com/events/>  
Gain insight on how to maximize kitchen functionality and use textures, colors and styles to create a unique and useful space. By the end of the workshop, homeowners will have a handle on what to contemplate in the pre-planning stages, including what layout, style and selections make sense in their home. A light lunch will be served. Time: 10:30 a.m. to

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7. Eyebrow Waxing	\$20 -----> \$10
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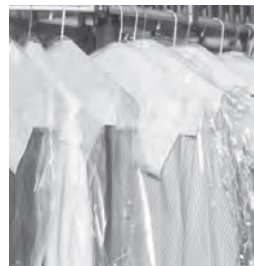
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12:30 p.m. RR

### ■ Mediterranean Travel

Jan. 15  
Davanti Enoteca  
800 Hillgrove Ave.,  
Western Springs  
[travel@lemonlimetravel.com](mailto:travel@lemonlimetravel.com)

Hinsdale resident Cynthia Maragos, owner of LemonLime Travel, along with Domes Resorts of Greece will present this program for guests to learn about customized trip planning services and January specials for the 2020 summer season. Apertivos will be served. To RSVP, send an email to Maragos at the address listed above by Jan. 12. Time: 7 to 9 p.m. RR

### NOTEWORTHY

#### ■ Elmhurst Symphony Orchestra

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

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

### ON STAGE

#### ■ 'The Nerd'

Jan. 16-26  
Theatre of Western Springs  
4384 Hampton Ave.  
(708) 246-4043  
<https://www.theatreofwesternsprings.com>

Get ready to laugh when a nice guy from Terre Haute hosts the house guest from hell. Times: 8 p.m. Jan. 16-18 & 23-24; 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Jan. 19, 2:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Jan. 25, 2:30 p.m. Jan. 26. Tickets: \$22-\$24.

#### ■ 'Shrek The Musical'

Jan. 17-26  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.,  
Hinsdale  
(630) 708-7332  
<https://www.stagedoorfinearts.com>

Based on the Oscar-

winning DreamWorks Animation film, an ogre becomes as unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking Donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short-tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude and more than a dozen other fairy tale misfits and it makes for an irreverent, fun adventure for the whole family. Times: 7:30 p.m. Fridays & Saturdays; 2 and 6:30 p.m. Sundays and Saturday, Jan. 25; 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23. Tickets: \$20.

#### ■ 'Disney and Cameron Mackintosh's Mary Poppins'

Through Jan. 19  
Drury Lane Theatre  
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace  
(630) 530-0111  
<https://www.drurylanetheatre.com>

Based on the stories of P.I. Travers and the beloved Walt Disney film, this "practically perfect" musical will delight the whole family this holiday season. Lunch- and dinner-theater packages are available at an additional cost. Show times: 1:30 p.m. Wednesdays, 1:30 and 8 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays, 3 and 8 p.m. Saturdays, 2 and 6 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$60-\$75, \$55 for senior matinees.

#### ■ 'Jeeves Saves the Day'

Jan. 29-March 1  
Mayslake Peabody Mansion  
1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook  
(630) 986-8067  
<https://www.firstfolio.org>

Jeeves and Bertie are back in this world premiere production as Bertie, once again, finds himself suffering the slings and arrows of misfortune at the hands of his relatives. Caught between the magisterial machinations of his fierce Aunt Agatha and the plaintive pleadings of his cousin Egbert, not to mention the imperious Sir Roderick Glossop — who fully expects his daughter Honoria to save Bertie from his ill-advised bachelorhood — and it's another priceless predicament that only the redoubtable Jeeves can overcome. Times: 8 p.m. Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays and Thursday, Jan. 30; 3 p.m. Thursdays & Sundays; 4 p.m.

Saturdays, Feb 8-29. Tickets: \$34-\$44, \$29-\$39 for seniors and students, \$25 for preview shows Jan. 29-31.

### SIGN UP NOW

#### ■ Not Your Mother's Line Dancing

Thursdays, Jan. 16-Feb. 27  
Darlen Park District  
7301 Fairview Ave.  
(630) 789-7090  
<https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

Learn to line dance to country, pop, rock, oldies and current hits using a pattern of steps that repeats throughout a song. Time: 6:30 to 7:45 p.m. Cost: \$50. RR

#### ■ Chinese Readers Theater

Jan. 26  
Hinsdale Public Library  
20 E. Maple St.  
(630) 986-1976  
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Experience reading and acting out classic Chinese stories. Spend the first half of the program learning and practicing the story and the second half performing — and enjoying snacks. Advance registrants will receive a character and the story ahead of time; drop-ins are welcome to watch and listen to the show. The January stories are "The Story of the Zodiac" and "The Boy Who Cried Wolf." Register with Patty Lawley at [plawley@hinsdalelibrary.info](mailto:plawley@hinsdalelibrary.info). Time: 2 to 4 p.m.

#### ■ Change Your Life Online

Jan. 29  
Hinsdale Public Library  
20 E. Maple St.  
(630) 986-1976  
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Get help staying on top of those new year's resolutions by hearing about the top health, organization and learning apps. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m. RR

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### ■ Enchanted Railroad

Jan. 17-Feb. 23  
Morton Arboretum  
4100 Route 53, Lisle  
<https://www.mortonarb.org>  
The popular Enchanted Railroad pulls into the arboretum, where families can

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experience tiny versions of tree collections from around the world and more than 10 model trains winding through the intricate two-level display. Pick up timed tickets at the visitor center information desk. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekends. Admission: \$15, \$13 for seniors 65 and older, \$10 for kids 2-17 and free for children under 2. MD

### ■ Husky Heroes

Jan. 25 & 26  
Morton Arboretum  
4100 Route 53, Lisle  
<https://www.mortonarb.org>

Visitors can enjoy photo opportunities with huskies and rigs, learn about the equipment and watch demonstrations of husky sled-pulling and skijoring — where dogs pull a person on skis — at this annual event. Create a canine-related craft at the Sterling Morton Library and obtain adoption information from Adopt-a-Husky. Dogsled course demonstrations are scheduled for 11:30 a.m. and 12:45, 2 and 3:15 p.m., regardless of the presence of snow. Hours: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$15, \$13 for seniors ages 65 and older, \$10 for ages 2-17, free for children under age 2. MD

## STEPPING BACK

### ■ The Peabody Family

Jan. 21  
Mayslake Peabody Estate  
1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook  
(630) 206-9566  
<https://www.dupageforest.org>

Hear about the original owners of Mayslake Hall, and

see artifacts and photographs for a better understanding of how the family affected DuPage County, the U.S. and the world. The program is for ages 12 and up; those under 18 must be with an adult. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. Cost: \$5.

## TEENS & TWEENS

### ■ Silhouette Mugs

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

Make a mug with a cool silhouette design to take home while enjoying hot chocolate. Time: 2 to 3 p.m. RR

### ■ Entrance Exam Practice Tests Winter

Jan. 25  
Hinsdale Public Library  
20 E. Maple St.  
(630) 986-1976  
<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

College and high school entrance exam practice tests, including ACT and SAT for college-bound students in grades 10-12 and SSAT, ISEE and HSPT secondary school entrance exams for grades seven and eight will be proctored by Nurturing Wisdom Tutoring. Test takers will receive a personalized analysis of their results within two weeks. Time: 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. RR.

## WEE ONES

### ■ Toddler/Preschooler Obstacle Course

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## Pet pic of the week



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<https://www.hinsdalelibrary.info>

Kids up to age 5 are invited to test their ninja warrior skills as they hop, skip, and jump their way through an obstacle course. Hours: 10 a.m. to noon.

### ■ Yoga for Youngsters

Tuesdays, Jan. 14-March 3  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St., Hinsdale  
(630) 323-7500  
<https://www.thecommunityhouse.org>

Kids ages 3-5 will learn a variety of yoga poses, or

mudras, as well as play fun yoga games, with help from books and stories to increase yoga knowledge. Creative expression with many yoga moves will help children learn relaxation and meditation. Time: 10 to 10:30 a.m. Cost: \$135. RR, MD

### ■ Kid Rock

Tuesdays, Jan. 14-March 3  
Clarendon Hills Community Center  
315 Chicago Ave.  
(630) 789-7097 <https://www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr>

Children ages 2-3 will learn new songs, rhymes

and gross motor skills while using rhythm instruments and movement props. They'll develop listening skills, fine motor skills and coordination through imaginative play and sensory integration. Times: 10:15 to 10:55 a.m. for Kid Rock I (age 2 with a caregiver), 11 to 11:40 a.m. for Kid Rock II (ages 3-5). Cost: \$85. RR

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RR - registration required  
MD - member discount

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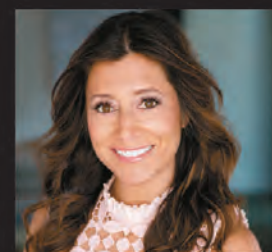
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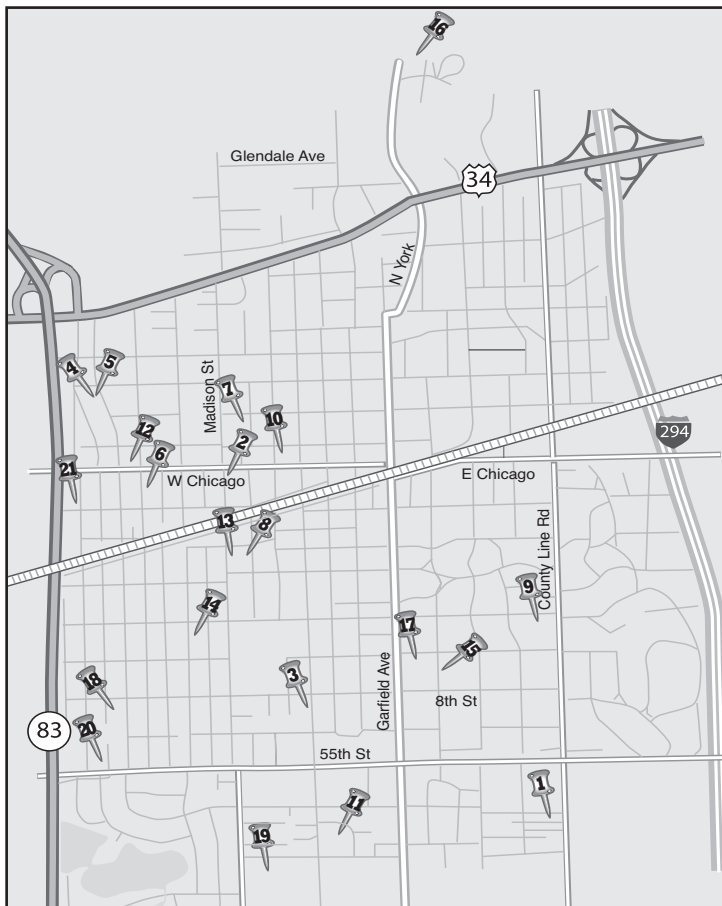
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# REAL ESTATE SALES



Deeds for the following properties in Hinsdale were recorded in DuPage County between Dec. 4 and 20.

**1. 202 Chanticleer,** Edward Pinkowski and Sheila Dowd to Gerald and Kathleen Ahern, Dec. 4, \$205,000

**2. 131 S. Madison St.,** Dipak and Jean Lyall to Linas Montvidas, Dec. 5, \$290,000

**3. 828 S. Grant St.,** Jan S. Bomher Revocable Trust to Kevin and Emily Gerow, Dec. 6, \$1,225,000

**4. 800 W. Hickory St.,** Daniel and Jennifer Walker to Cartus Financial Corp., Dec. 6, \$925,000

**5. 800 W. Hickory St.,** Cartus Financial Corp. to Laura and Tyler Raine, Dec. 6, \$845,000

**6. 235 S. Adams St.,** Kevin and Emily Gerow to Matthew and Sarah Siedlecki, Dec. 16, \$950,000

**7. 415 N. Clay St.,** 415 North Clay LLC to Martin and Megan Brotschul, Dec. 17, \$2,200,000

**8. 408 W. Second St.,** Michael and Jan Edleson to Jeffrey and Heather Beck, Dec. 18, \$995,000

**9. 448 E. Sixth St.,** Geoffrey Anderson and Ruth T. Anderson Trust to Carolyn J. Ryan Living Trust, Dec. 18, \$700,000

**10. 19 N. Vine St.,** Joshua Kanagy and Ellen Burns to Michael Peterson and Lauren Ryan, Dec. 18, \$865,000

**11. 7 E. Kennedy Lane,** William and Tessa Tong to Daniel and Patricia Jordan,

Dec. 18, \$663,000

**12. 8 N. Adams St.,** Martin and Megan Brotschul to 415 North Clay LLC, Dec. 20, \$1,050,000

**13. 216 S. Madison St.,** Adam and Sarah Kozmic to Treacy Weldon and Daniel O'Keefe, Dec. 20, \$435,000

**14. 629 S. Monroe St.,** Vera McCabe Trust to Edwin and Christine Gebauer, Dec. 23, \$750,000

**15. 739 S. Lincoln St.,** John and Lara Heiberger to Christine and James Armstrong, Dec. 23, \$1,067,500

**16. 1222 Indian Trail Road,** Sarah S. Bacus Revocable Trust to Kenneth and Sharon Sive, Dec. 24, \$415,000

**17. 122 E. Seventh St.,** Thomas and Christy Cunningham to Thomas and Denise Mitchell, Dec. 24, \$1,232,500

**18. 807 S. Quincy St.,** Karen S. Foster Living Trust to Yinong and Weiheng Wang, Dec. 24, \$890,000

**19. 486 Old Surrey Road,** Meda Investments Co. to Donn and Giovanna Muckerheide, Dec. 24, \$267,000

**20. 940 S. Quincy St.,** DuPage County Sheriff and Edward S. Wiacek Revocable Living Trust to ARYF Investments LLC, Dec. 26, \$234,600

**21. 833 W. Chestnut St.,** Mikhail and Katya Kalinin to Eric Anerino, Dec. 27, \$307,500

Source: DuPage County Recorder of Deeds

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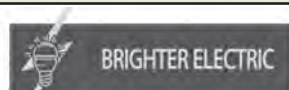
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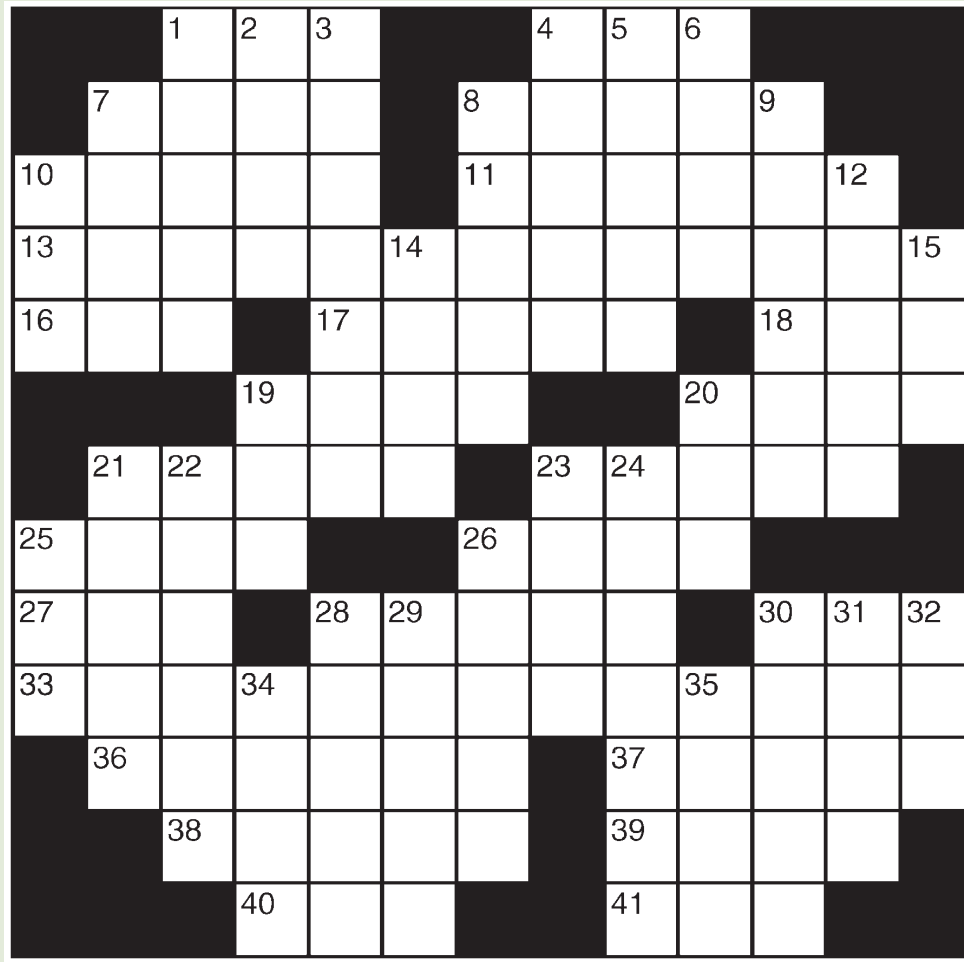
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7 RINGLET  
8 PRECLUDE  
10 "M\*A\*S\*H" SETTING  
11 SCENTS  
13 KITCHEN PAIR  
16 - AND OUTS  
17 "THE - SHOW WITH JON STEWART"  
18 WHOPPER  
19 CITI FIELD TEAM  
20 MARCHING  
21 MUSICMAKERS  
23 TOPPER FOR MISS USA  
25 RUSHMORE OR RAINIER  
26 RESPONSIBILITY  
27 CRIED  
28 LAWYERS' ORG.  
29 MEMORABLE MISSION  
30 SHOOTER AMMO  
33 13-ACROSS, E.G.  
36 AFRICAN DESERT WIND  
37 OINTMENT  
38 MILITARY SUBDIVISION  
39 UNATTRACTIVE  
40 MAUNA -  
41 MORE, TO MANUEL



- DOWN**
- 1 THROWS HARD  
2 NEIGHBORHOOD  
3 - : SPOKEN :: LIBEL : WRITTEN  
4 DANGER  
5 BLACK WOOD  
6 READY FOR ACTION  
7 QUARTER, E.G.  
8 CSA PRESIDENT  
9 OVERCOAT SLEEVE  
10 JAPANESE POND CARP  
12 EPITHET FOR SIMON  
14 TEMPLAR (WITH "THE")  
15 INFORMATION  
19 SCARLET  
20 SPRING MONTH  
21 ON THE OTHER HAND  
22 BIG BRASS  
23 SLANTED, AS  
24 LETTERING  
25 VIRAL WEB PHENOM  
26 ONE SKILLED IN  
27 PLAYING DEAD  
28 " - KAPITAL "  
29 GOES UP A FEW  
30 DEGREES  
31 WORSHIP  
32 PARKINSON'S  
33 TREATMENT  
34 DOCTOR'S ORDERS?  
35 JEALOUSY  
36 IRON OR BRONZE  
37 OUT OF CONTROL  
38 LONG STORY

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by Linda Thistle

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### DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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**TRY CHEWING ON THIS ONE!** It's blue ribbon time if you can find the following "cow" words. All of the words get progressively longer, and they all start with the word COW. Use the following definitions:

1. COW (in place). 2. Monk's hood.  
3. Frightened off. 4. Cattle herder.  
5. Tuft of hair. 6. Yellow primroses.

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SPORTS — ROUNDUP

STUDENT ATHLETE PROFILE



**Name:** Caroline Kloblach  
**Year:** senior  
**Hometown:** Hinsdale

**When was your first gymnastics class?**  
I started doing gymnastics when I was 2 years old, but I only started high school last year. Third grade I started competing in club, but I was doing younger classes before then.

**What do you enjoy most about the sport?**  
I just really enjoy the tumbling aspect of it and just being able to flip around.

**What is your favorite event?**  
Either floor or bars.

**What is your most challenging event?**  
Definitely the beam. I have a hard time staying on with tumbling series and things like that.

**What is the best advice you've gotten from a coach?**  
What you do in practice is what you're going to do during the meet, and when you know how to do something, your body will remember that even if you're nervous. Also, it's just for fun and it's supposed to be enjoyable, not especially stressful or upsetting, especially when you're at competitions that don't matter that much.

**What is your goal for the**

**season?**  
I want to make it to state for more than just one event. I would really hope to make it for the all-around. As a team we want to be able to advance further than we did last year. Individually a few of us were able to move on past regionals and sectionals, but not all of us. It would be really cool as a team to do that.

**What do you try to do as a team captain?**  
I try to just encourage them to have a lot of fun with it, because I know when I first started high school gymnastics last year, I was still treating it like club gymnastics. I was very hard on myself, very serious. If something goes wrong or they do bad, we just try to laugh it off and go back in the gym and work hard for next time.

**Did you make a New Year's resolution?**  
I'm going to try to keep a positive outlook on life and not let the small things affect me.

**Why does coach Kim Estoque like having Klobach on the team?**  
Caroline is a hard worker and a team leader. She is our top all-around gymnast on the team and she is a pleasure to work with.

— profile by Pamela Lannom, photo by Jim Slonoff

RESULTS

<b>Basketball, boys</b> Jan. 4 vs. Willowbrook V wins 67-39	Jan. 7 vs. Wheaton North V loses 31-52 Monyek, 14 points Cernugel, 8 points Butler, 6	points Sarros, 2 points Howe, point	V loses 2,051-2,388 Harvey, 438 Venis, 375 Yopp, 338 Riehle, 333 Gitts, 309 Newmann,	<b>Hockey</b> Jan. 5 @ DuPage Stars V won 5-0
<b>Basketball, girls</b>		<b>Bowling, girls</b> Jan. 7 vs. Leyden		

Instant replay



**Lauren Riehle (top),** Grace Gitts and their Red Devil teammates took on Leyden Tuesday afternoon at Suburbanite Bowl. Central wasn't able to fend off the Eagles and lost the match 2,051-2,388. (Jim Slonoff photos)



# SPORTS

## Bringing growth from the grind

*Central's Jason Hayes prepares Red Devil wrestlers to be champions in life*

By Ken Knutson

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*"The first period is won by the best technician. The second period is won by the kid in the best shape. The third period is won by the kid with the biggest heart."*

— Dan Gable, Olympic wrestling gold medalist

Jason Hayes yearned to make the basketball team at his Decatur, Ind., high school as a freshman. But his skills and stature didn't quite measure up, so he was directed to another winter sport: wrestling.

"I got cut from basketball, and my PE teacher was like, 'Hey, we need a 103-pounder,'" Hayes related. "My life went in a whole different direction."

Hayes proceeded to capture state runner-up honors his senior year while leading the program to a state wrestling championship. Now in his 11th year at the helm of Hinsdale Central wrestling, Hayes aims to instill in his charges that abiding spirit of resilience and sacrifice that fostered his success — traits that will also serve them well grappling with life's challenges.

"I try to lead through having a strong work ethic to help them through the ups and downs and adversity," he said. "Everybody in the whole state practices hard from 3 to 5 p.m. What did you do outside of the (practice) room to separate yourself?"

A physical education teacher, Hayes likes to get to Central early for a workout in the fitness center. During wrestling season he holds a two-hour after-school team practice or is coaching them at a meet (along with regular weekend tournaments). He also holds a kids club for aspiring wrestlers in kindergar-



Hinsdale Central head wrestling coach Jason Hayes said the tactics he imparts are designed to have lasting application. "It's what you're teaching them

for when they move onto the next journey in life," he said. "That's what's rewarding, seeing them do well at the next level." (Jim Slonoff photo)

ten through eighth grade Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

It's not an easygoing schedule, which is just how Hayes likes it.

"I love to work out, I love to train, I love pushing myself to the extreme," Hayes said.

That compulsion to test his mettle inspired him to walk on to the Purdue University wrestling squad as a freshman. He was rewarded with a full scholarship junior year and named team captain as a senior, making his mark in the Big 10 Conference.

"Some days you would walk in that room and you would just get your butt whooped every single day," Hayes recalled. "One day in practice I took a two-time All-American down, put him to his back. I was like, 'Whoa, I can do this. I can compete at this level'."

After graduation he served as an assistant coach at Northern Illinois University before turn-

ing his talents to the high school level.

He credits his coaches and mentors along the way for equipping him to run a wrestling program and develop student-athletes. Dave Grant at Northern taught him to maintain a practice log.

"I still keep a journal of daily practices, and I kind of gauge how the kids are performing," Hayes said. "I can tell you what we did five years ago and how the kids were wrestling. You can't train every team the same way each year because their abilities are a little different."

Each summer he takes his team to a camp at Division III wrestling powerhouse Wabash University, where Hayes' high school teammate runs the program.

"A lot of the top coaches in the country are there. Our kids get to learn from them, and they're saying a lot of the same things we're saying here," he said.

In victory or loss, wrestlers need short memories and fierce discipline.

"If you're not getting your sleep, monitoring your diet, it's going to be seen in the third period," Hayes said, referencing Gable's quote above. "I tell them, 'Get comfortable being uncomfortable, because that's when you're going to win your big match.'"

Jack Allen winning the school's first state wrestling state title in 2011 is among Hayes' career highlights. As was Joe Strocchia's performance in Champaign the previous year, when he upset a top-ranked opponent in the semifinals.

"I said, 'Strocchia, you're going to beat this guy!' And he believed it. He ended up beating the guy in overtime," Hayes said, "That was a great moment."

Strocchia recalled leaping into Hayes arms after the victory as the stadium erupted. Although a senior when Hayes arrived at Central, he appreciated

the way Hayes emphasized character development and enjoyment of the sport.

"The style of coaching was different. It changed toward a more transformational leadership style," Strocchia said. "Wrestlers who have never wrestled before and aren't used to such a physically demanding sport may need that element of fun. A coach like Hayes knew that."

At 43, Hayes has relinquished some of the hands-on training he would do, instead empowering his assistants to step up and hone their coaching skills.

"Each person is good at something," he said. "I think passion is what leads you to be successful."

And seeing his former wrestlers have success beyond the mat is truly rewarding.

"When someone you coached 10 years ago says, 'Thanks for everything you've done,' it's bigger than the wins and losses."



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- Follow prompts to create a new account
- Follow steps to register your child



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

## **Coach Volunteers**

- As you register your child, there will be a section where you can volunteer to coach
- You will be subject to a background check
- Please note we cannot guarantee everyone will be able to coach as there may not be enough spaces - we will contact coaches shortly after registration closes



## **Tentative 2020 Season Schedule**

- Registration starts 12/16/19
- Player Evaluation 1/26/20
- Registration closes 2/15/20
- HLL draft 2/29/20
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