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Warriors win state!



Holy Cross School players, coaches and fans celebrate after the eighth-grade team won the IESA Class 1A State Basketball Tournament on Feb. 15 at Warrensburg. The Warriors defeated Pana Sacred Heart, 41-33, in the championship game to finish the season with a 21-2 record. Holy Cross won over Griggsville-Perry, 46-29, in the opening round of the state tournament and then defeated Lincoln Chester-East Lincoln, 39-29, to make it to the title game. See more team coverage on page B1. (Photo courtesy of Todd Doyle)

Sublette Antique Tractor & Toy Show is fast approaching

Event scheduled for March 16 & 17

By BRANDON LaCHANCE
Staff writer

SUBLETTE – If spring can't get here fast enough, neither can the 42nd Annual Sublette Antique Tractor & Toy Show.

This year's event is going to be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 16 and Sunday, March 17 in five different buildings in Sublette.

As always there is a featured tractor, and it is John Deere this time around.

"Our feature changes from year to year between eight different brands of tractors from old to new. Some companies are no longer around but there are still the antique tractors in this area," said Maurice Zimmerlein, who is called the president of the show's committee, but he'll tell you he's just a member who runs the meetings because everyone has a job to do. "John Deere has always been big in this area. They have such a big dealer network, and a lot of local farmers are either CASE IH or John Deere. I prefer the John Deere because that is what I grew up on.

"All models of John Deere equipment are welcome to showcase. We would like to feature the Model 4020 tractor because it is the 60th year of the tractor. We're looking for those specifically. I know there are a lot of those in this area and we're trying to dig them out to get them to the show."

Although John Deere tractors are likely to come from anywhere, Zimmerlein and the committee are aware and thankful many exhibits will be provided locally as



The featured tractor during the 42nd Annual Sublette Antique Tractor & Toy Show is John Deere. The John Deere 4020 is specially featured since 2024 is the 60th year of the tractor.

families have brought as many as 10-15 tractors and Prairie State Tractor in Mendota will bring brand new John Deere tractors.

At the show, the antique tractors will be outdoors, there will be a local semi-tractor display, farm toy layout displays, Firemen's Pancake Breakfast held by the Sublette Volunteer Fire Department from 7 a.m.-noon on Sunday, March 17, lunch stands by Sub-let Indians and Maytown Comets 4-H clubs, and a free shuttle service to each of the five buildings.

"The show takes a lot of preparation. We have six committee members (Zimmerlein, John Stenzel, Anthony Morgan, Mark Henkel, Jeremy Zapf, and Evan Bickett) and a lot of volunteers who are putting this thing together, added Zimmerlein. "There are people who will come out of the woodwork a week before the show to help us set up. It works out really well. It's a community minded event."

For more information, call 815-503-2607 or 815-866-8017.

City Council approves agreement with Black Bros.

By KIP CHEEK
Staff writer

MENDOTA - The Mendota City Council handled several items of business at its Feb. 19 regular council meeting.

In Aldermanic reports, Kyle Kim presented an ordinance amending Chapter 305-parking violations, which was approved by the council. The ordinance now includes wording covering those violations having to do with no registration.

Mayor David Boelk handled Alderman John Holland's business in his absence. The council approved an ordinance for a redevelopment agreement with Black Bros. Co. for construction of a new building on the BBCO property. The Mendota company will construct an additional 18,000 square feet of manufacturing space near its north parking lot. Construction on the new building, which will house the company's roll department to afford it a modern

space to operate more efficiently, will begin soon.

Also from Holland's business, the council placed the FY23 audit on file for public inspection.

Alderman Jim Fitzpatrick informed fellow council members that the Mendota Area YMCA has requested the use of Veterans Park in downtown Mendota for the YMCA Easter Egg Hunt to be held on Saturday, March 30. The council approved the item.

Fitzpatrick announced

that the city incinerator-burn pit will open for the season on Monday, April 1. Hours of operation are Monday from 3-6 p.m., and Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The facility will be closed on Wednesday and Sunday.

In action from Mayor Boelk, he issued a proclamation declaring April 2024 to be Fair Housing Month.

The next regular meeting of the Mendota City Council will be Monday, March 4 at 5:30 p.m.

Illinois is a prime state for wintertime eagle watching

By ZETA CROSS
The Center Square contributor

UTICA – For a real February thrill, Bob Bryerton, program manager of the Forest Preserve District of Will County's Plum Creek Nature Center near Beecher, recommends taking a short winter hike to do some eagle spotting.

"They are really, really big," he said. "Larger than anything else in our sky, with a 6-foot wingspan."

More eagles spend the winter in Illinois than in any other state except Alaska.

A hike on a trail along an Illinois river or waterway often will reward you with an eagle sighting.

"When the water freezes in the north, eagles move a little bit south. Illinois seems to be the place where they can find open water," Bryerton said.

Bring binoculars if you have them, but you don't need them.

Up in the sky, eagles look something like turkey vultures and hawks. Turkey vultures rock more when they fly, Bryerton said. Their wings tilt up in a V-shape.

"Eagles will flap a little bit more than a vulture. They do glide a lot," he said.

Hawks are smaller and more streamlined. Eagles have a bulkiness to them. They look heavy.

Look for a huge dark bird that is not tilting with the



wind, Bryerton said. "If the bird is flying like it is on a mission, in a direction that it is choosing, it is likely an eagle," Bryerton said.

If you are lucky enough to see an adult eagle, the white head and the whitetail are the complete giveaway, Bryerton said.

It takes an eagle about five years to develop the white head and white tail that people expect to see on an eagle, Bryerton said.

"For the first five years, eagles might have various white patches on their body and maybe a little bit on their head, but for the most part, they are just a giant dark bird with some streakiness to them," Bryerton said.

The other thing to look for is an oversized beak.

"If you can get any kind of look at the bill and the head, the eagle has a ridiculously large bill," Bryerton said.

"When the water freezes in the north, eagles move a little bit south. Illinois seems to be the place where they can find open water."

—Bob Bryerton, Will County Plum Creek Nature Center

An eagle's bill is much larger than a hawk's bill.

"The eagle bill is made for catching fish and ripping stuff up," he said.

No need to go to Will County to see the Eagles. Download the free app eBird at ebird.org for a database of reported eagle sighting locations near you.

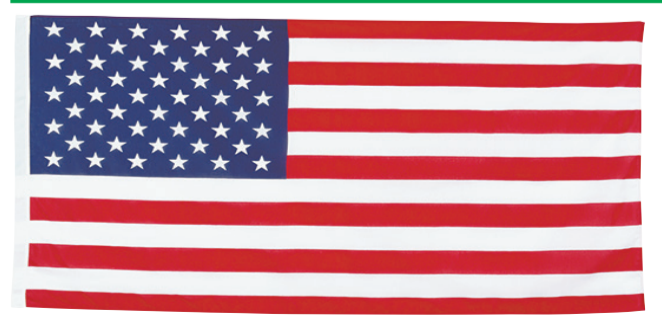
In Will County, Bryerton recommends the Four Rivers

Environmental Education Center in Channahon and the Rock Run Rookery Preserve in Joliet. Eagles love dams, Bryerton said. At Starved Rock Dam near Utica, the water stays open all winter so eagles congregate there.

"When water gets frozen in other places, eagles will move to any place where there is open water," Bryerton said.



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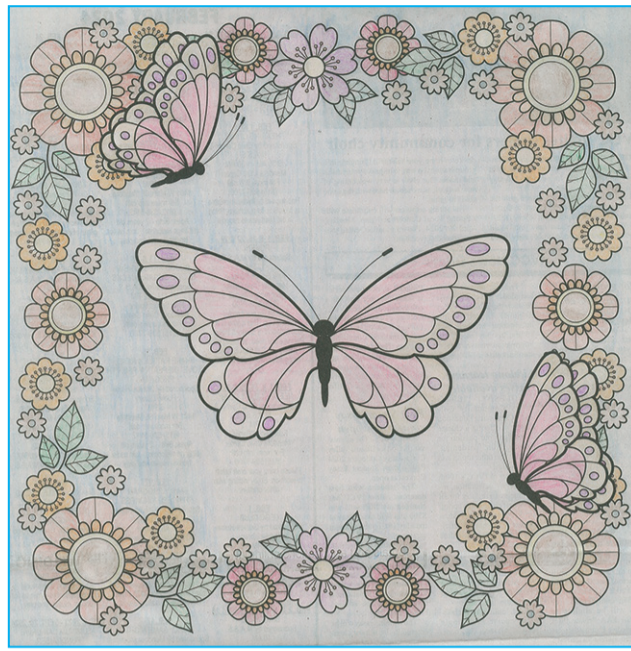


LOCAL AND AREA

Adult Coloring Contest Winners



First place: Jacqueline Bend



Second place: Bruce Wilhelm



Third place: Esther Countryman



Why we love Mendota

“Last year, we received the Community Heart & Soul Grant. The purpose of the grant was to understand what people like about Mendota and what they wanted for Mendota,” said Mendota project director Annie Short. “We received over 1,700 responses on what people liked about Mendota. We had all of those responses created for a word art window cling. Every response is accounted for. The lake was mentioned the most, so it has the largest font size. It’s a great way to visually see all the things people think are cool about Mendota. We should be proud of our town. We have a lot to offer in this community, so this is a great way to see it. We kicked it off on Valentine’s Day and used a heart because these are the reasons we love Mendota. We encourage people to post why they love Mendota on the Reimagine Mendota Facebook page.” (Brandon LaChance)

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Blackstone School Report

Stacy Kelly, Principal

We can’t thank our families and community enough for the recent support of our last fundraiser of the year. We sold over 6,000 Nothing Bundt Cakes and we are so grateful for the support. Thank you also to the parent volunteers and staff who had the monumental task of counting, organizing and distributing all of the cakes. We greatly appreciate the overwhelming support! Blackstone will use the funds raised for end of year fun activities for our students.

Valentine parties were held on Feb. 14. The students enjoyed opening their cards from their friends and all of the delicious treats. Thank you to the parents who donated items for the students. They had a great day.

As part of a February kindness project, all of our kindergarten and first grade students made Valentine’s Day cards that were delivered to OSF Saint Paul in Mendota. The cards were shared with patients, delivered with meals to the elderly who participate in the Meals on Wheels Program and given to hospital staff. We actually heard from a few people who received our cards at the hospital or with

their meals that were delivered and they were so appreciative of this kind gesture.

The students nominated for the principal award this past week included Nevaya Varela, Noelia Chicas, Maybell Godinez, Liam Salinas, Merakim Riniker, Ellie Krisch, Ysabella Hernandez and Antonio Vergara. The winners were Margaret Bend, Jayce Woods, Elizabeth Feurer and Samantha Guerrero. Congratulations to all of you!

We’ve been getting lots of yearbook orders turned in. If you’d like a yearbook, don’t forget to place your order by Thursday, Feb. 29. Students can return the order envelope or parents can order online at www.inter-state.com/order and use the code 84066B. Please note this code is only for students in grades preK-4th. The middle school at Northbrook has a different code for their book.

Looking ahead at our calendar, there is no school on Friday, Feb. 23 and there is a half day on Wednesday, Feb. 28. Students will be dismissed at 11:20/11:30 for a teacher inservice.

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LOCAL AND AREA

City of Mendota, YMCA partner for Early Out events

By **BRANDON LaCHANCE**
Staff writer

MENDOTA – Whether you're a student, a teacher, or a parent, there is always a consensus question when it comes to school early dismissal days, "What am I going to do?" or "What are the kids going to do?"

The City of Mendota and the YMCA have partnered together to for Early Out events.

The first programs will take place from 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. as the YMCA will host Early Out Hangout for sixth, seventh, and eighth graders at Lincoln Elementary School and the City of Mendota will host Early Out Café at Main Street Station's The Other Side for high school students.

The funds to support the students having fun on early dismissal days are from a grant Mendota received. The grant's five-year agreement began Sept. 30, 2023 where the city will receive \$375,000 per year.

"The money is to go toward working on preventing youth from using drugs and mental wellness. This grant is from SAMHSA, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration," said City of Mendota Project Director Annie Short. "On our end, we have to do activities for the youth. There is going to be an upcoming partnership with the prescription drug take back and the national prevention week is in May where we will have some activities going on."

"Throughout the year, we will be doing all kinds of activities to bring awareness about what drugs are being used, how to prevent youth from using those drugs, and also helping parents with having those conversations with their kids."

Through Reimagine Mendota and the Community Heart & Soul Grant, the City of Mendota has constructed a game plan to involve, interact, and entertain youth.

The idea of a teen center was thrown out because of the financial responsibility to keep it afloat. Also, a teen center could get boring for youth because it could form the, been there done that mentality.

Instead, different activities at different locations will be planned for every early dismissal day.

"Part of the grant is identifying ways to create opportunities for youth. Of course, the youth always tell us there is nothing to do," Short said. "The early dismissal days lends itself to seeing kids walking around aimlessly around town. If they go to a

restaurant they can only stay for so long. And in February, it's still cold and you don't know how the weather is going to be.

"This creates a space for them to hangout and be a kid. We have a partnership with the YMCA and it will serve as our youth coordinator for this project. They do a lot of youth activities, and this is a great way to contract them and become partners for the youth."

"They have the expertise in creating programs for youth. We have talked about expanding past the early dismissal days, but we're starting with this to see where it goes."

The activities and the locations will be found in the Mendota Reporter, fliers around town, and on the Reimagine Mendota and the Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce Facebook pages.

Stephen Donnell, the Mendota YMCA branch manager, is always trying to form activities for the youth, and having a partner makes it easier.

"It's always our goal to partner with organizations. We've done stuff with Graves-Hume Public Library, Mendota School District #289, and FFA," said Donnell, who does most of the coordinating while assistant branch manager Omar Espinoza helps man and run programs and activities. "This year is about community and collaboration and having organizations work together. Being able to work with the City of Mendota to help give the kids something to do means a lot to me and to the YMCA."

"Most of our programs are sports related, so to have something where it's not all sports and other students can get involved is something we're happy to be part of."

New to the City of Mendota staff is Maria Artega, who is the project coordinator.

Artega is thrilled to have a program for the youth as her first project.

"I'm very happy and excited that this is happening. The youth need things to do to stay out of trouble. And they don't really have anything until now on early dismissal days," Artega said. "March is Youth Art Month, so we're planning opportunities that have to do with art. We're going to have some rocks to paint. We have chalk from Reimagine Mendota to decorate the city's sidewalks. It's the week the Chamber's Easter Hop, so when everyone is walking around town, they'll see the art."



Holy Cross Warriors rode in style thanks to Arredondos, community

By **BRANDON LaCHANCE**
Staff writer

MENDOTA – Tony Arredondo Sr. and Tony Arredondo Jr. were waiting.

They waited for a few minutes and were shocked they didn't see a bus with the Holy Cross eighth grade basketball team after it beat Streator Woodland in their sectional game on Monday, Feb. 5.

The owners of TNT Concrete and Handyman Services put together a plan quickly to arrange a bus for the Warriors for the state tournament.

"We went to the sectional game when they played Streator Woodland in Benson," Arredondo Jr. said. "When we left, we pulled over outside the gates waiting for Mendota's bus. We saw the Woodland bus pass. We sat for another 10 minutes, and my dad said, 'I don't think they have a bus. I think the parking lot is empty.'"

"When we got back, I text Aaron Eddy (Holy Cross eighth grade assistant coach) and said we were at Road Ranger waiting for a bus. They were at Cindy's and everyone drove separate. A lot of vehicles, but not a bus."

"I told my dad, 'When they go to state, we have to get them a bus.'"

The Arredondos contacted Green River Lines-Hansen Tours to see what kind of bus they could get for the Warriors.

With all of the passenger busses already in use, a sleeper coach called "The Rockstar"

was purchased. The Rockstar, a full-size charter bus associated with touring rock bands and baseball teams, was big enough to house 28 people and featured TVs and booth seating.

The Rockstar took the Warriors to the first day of IESA Class 1A State Tournament play on Saturday, Feb. 10, in which they won both games.

"We were totally caught off guard," said Holy Cross eighth grade coach Luke Tillman, who along with the team gave TNT Concrete a photo and a signed plaque. "He stepped up and got a bus for Saturday and it happened again for Thursday. We had no idea it was happening."

"The list of people who have supported us is amazing. The community support has been awesome. The outpouring from everyone has just been awesome. Everything was just a great showing of a great community."

Then it occurred to the Arredondos, another bus would be needed for the state final on Thursday, Feb. 15.

Tony Arredondo Jr. asked for donations on Facebook for the second bus and the community made a 52-person charter bus, and much more, happen.

"The community opened up its wallets and its hearts and we were able to raise enough money to pay for the bus completely and have enough money to pay for 10 pizzas from Pizzas By Marchelloni to feed the kids on the way to the game," Arredondo Jr. said. "There was

also enough money left over to pay for everyone who rides the bus to get into the game."

"We were also able to take \$250 and get a fan bus. It's a regular school bus that holds 50 people. It was free of cost, all paid for by community donations."

"It was awesome. The community stepped up. It was more than I expected."

There isn't a player on the Warriors with Arredondo blood. The Tonys are not teachers or coaches at Holy Cross.

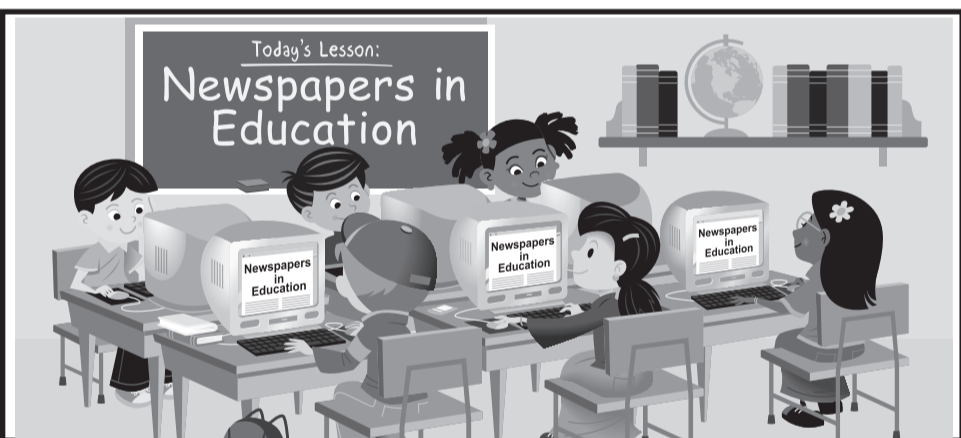
But they are Mendota citizens who care about their community and wanted the boys to ride in style and comfort to the big game.

They rode like champions before and after they officially became state champions.

"If you think about it, you can't be a team unless you ride together," Tony Arredondo Jr. said. "They're riding down there in their parent's vehicles. Maybe cramped up. I asked my dad, 'What would we want?' 'It's a team game. They needed to be together as a team. That's how you build comradery.'"

At a reception for the Holy Cross team on Tuesday, Feb. 20, the Arredondos bought basketballs for each player. The used a white paint pen to write out a couple spots and wrote the scores from state finals.

Each ball was passed around for each player to sign with their name and number to give each player, each coach, and the school, a memorable ball they'll have forever.



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OBITUARIES/LOCAL NEWS

Helen M. Algieri

MENDOTA – Helen M. Algieri, 88, of Mendota, passed away peacefully on Feb. 5, 2024, at Allure of Mendota with her daughters by her side.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Visitation was Friday, Feb. 16 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at First United Methodist Church of Mendota with services following at 1 p.m. Rev. Mary Bohall officiated. Inurnment was immediately following services in Restland Cemetery. Wasmer Funeral Home is privileged to assist the family.

Helen was born Nov. 22, 1935, in Mendota to Ralph and Zelda (Kleckner) Rider.

She will be missed by two daughters, Julie Algieri of Shabbona and Jo-Lynn Truckenbrod of Mendota; son, Ralph (Kathy) Algieri of Fountain, Colo.; five grandchildren, Miles Truckenbrod, Chelsi (Corey) Cullen, Jade (John) Reed, Taryn Algieri, and Kailyn (Dalton) Carr; two great-grandchildren, William Reed and Conner Reed; two sisters, Judy (Swede) Svendsen of Rollo and Barb Klatt of Mendota; and the father of her children, Walter Algieri of Mendota.

Helen is preceded by her parents; brother Bill Rider; sister Peggy Fassig; brothers-in-law, Duane Fassig and Jerry Klatt; nephew Scott Rider; and her beloved pets, Henry and Daffy.

Helen had many jobs during her work career. She worked with Wilson Travel in St. Charles as a travel agent for a few years, was a caretaker and companion for several years, but her passion was cooking, and she plied her craft at a number of different places. For over 20 years she was in the kitchen of Mendota Community Hospital, and then she delighted the attendees at the Moose steak fries. Last but certainly not least she took on the Mendota Lions Club and they enjoyed her varied dishes twice a month for many years, and particularly looked forward to the annual Christmas dinner when Helen would showcase her talents with prime rib and all the fixings.

Helen belonged to the First United Methodist Church, Mendota Elks Lodge #1212, Mendota Moose Lodge #714, and the Mendota Lions Club where she held the office of President twice.

Memorials may be directed to the local animal shelter of your choice. Condolences may be left at wasmerfuneralhome.com.



Marion L. Barnickel

WEST BROOKLYN – Marion Lois Barnickel, 94, of West Brooklyn, passed away on Feb. 17, 2024, at Allure of Mendota surrounded by her family.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. at the Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota with Rev. Michael Slutz officiating. Burial will be at Restland Cemetery, Mendota. Visitation will be from 9:30 a.m. until time of services.

She was born on Jan. 16, 1930, at her family's sesquicentennial farm in Westfield Township, Bureau County to Walter and Marie (Billhorn) Meisel. Marion met her husband Earl Barnickel while roller skating in Mendota and they were married on Aug. 30, 1947, in Ohio, Ill.

Marion is survived by her five children, Linda (Tim) Hahn of Seatonville; Earl (Brenda) Barnickel of Mendota; Gale (Christina) Barnickel of Compton; Mary (Michael) Labriola of West Brooklyn; and Bette (Bruce) Peterson of Carmel, Ind.; seven grandchildren, William (Cassie) Barnickel of Washington, Ill.; Brian Barnickel of Mendota; Walter Barnickel of Compton; Marie (Luke Neumann) Barnickel of Oconomowoc, Wis.; stepgranddaughter Jamie Labriola of San Diego, Calif.; Danielle Peterson of Carmel, Ind.; Michelle (Matt) Rupright of Fort Wayne, Ind.; and David (Katie) Peterson of Bargersville, Ind.; and a great-granddaughter, Brielle Barnickel, of Washington, Ill.

Marion was preceded in death by her husband on Aug. 24, 2023; their beloved first child, Donald Barnickel on Jan. 21, 1957; and her sister, Marjorie Faber on Oct. 7, 2015.

She proudly farmed with her husband and children and completed her 80th harvest in 2023. She was a long-time member of Immanuel Lutheran Church of rural Compton, active as an usher and funeral dinner committee chairperson. For many years Marion volunteered in the community assisting the Tri-County Fair Baking Department, serving as an election judge, and helping at the N.I.C.E. Food Pantry. She was an incredible generational historian of the local area, meticulous record keeper, and an avid reader. She loved dancing, gardening/canning, watching polkas, and performing in a two-person band with her husband in their early years of marriage. One of her crowning musical moments was when she played the Hawaiian guitar at Soldier Field in 1939.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Compton Volunteer Fire Department or the Mendota Moose Lodge. Online condolences may be left at www.merrittfh.com.



IVCC now accepting applications for new dental hygiene program

OGLESBY—Illinois Valley Community College's new dental hygiene program is accepting applications this spring for its first class that begins this fall.

IVCC already offers dental assisting, and the addition of dental hygiene will boost the Illinois Valley's dental health services in several ways. It will mean local students can finish both certificate and degree programs here and qualify for better-paying jobs, supply the region's dental practices with additional trained professionals, and enable the college to expand free and low-cost dental care.

"Employment of dental hygienists is projected to grow in the next 10 years faster than the average of all occupations," Dean of Health Professions Heather Seghi said. "Our area is in desperate need of both dental assistants and dental hygienists. Since our program prepares both, it should fulfill the need in our area well."

Dental assistants assist the dentist in preventative, restorative, and surgical procedures, complete lab work, perform instrument sterilization, electronic dental record-keeping, digital radiography and can perform office administrator duties. Dental hygienists have wider responsibilities, including patient assessment, treatment and prevention of oral diseases, and community oral health program planning. They work in a wide variety of settings, including general dentistry or periodontal offices, public health clinics, pediatric offices, and hospital clinic settings, among others.

Applicants preparing to enroll in IVCC's Dental Hygiene program must have completed an accredited Dental Assisting program here or at another college. "I would anticipate that most, if not all, students that apply will have been graduates of our program at one time or another," Seghi said.

IVCC's program offers a career laddering option, one of two community colleges in the state to do so. After completing a Dental Assisting Certificate, students can work in the field while earning an Associate in Applied Science degree in Dental Hygiene. The dental assisting program can be completed in three semesters and the dental hygiene curriculum can be completed in an additional four semesters.

Adding dental hygiene means the college's free and low-cost dental clinic, now scheduled every spring, can be open over three semesters to provide more people with affordable dental care, Seghi said. "That will help improve the overall oral health of our community while giving our students an amazing opportunity to hone their skills before joining the workforce in either dental assisting or dental hygiene."

The program will mean staffing changes but no facility changes, at least for now. Seghi said the program will seek a supervising dentist and registered dental hygienist who have earned at least a bachelor's degree to join the team of instructors welcoming the incoming fall class. They'll join two full-time and five part-time dental faculty. Both clinical segments will operate from the two-year-old Dental Health Center in the Gym building.

An announcement this month that IVCC's program was granted Initial Accreditation status by the Commission on Dental Accreditation set the launch in motion this spring, Seghi said. The announcement capped three years of development by dental program faculty and advisers.

"One of our amazing adjunct faculty members, Katie Henkel, started this process for us before she moved into elementary education and our current Program Coordinator Lyndsey Beetz finished it. We are very fortunate to have the support of our faculty, administrators, community member and dentists as we would not have gotten this far without them!" Seghi said.

Applications are being accepted until May 1, 2024. For more information on the program and its requirements, visit www.ivcc.edu/dentalhygiene. To apply, visit www.ivcc.edu/appl.

Blood drive nets 77 units

MENDOTA – The American Red Cross held a blood drive on Tuesday, Feb. 6 at the Mendota Moose Family Center.

There were 77 good units collected. There were 61 whole blood donations and 16 power red donations. Multi-gallon donors were Judith McConville—one gallon, Connie Ganz—one gallon, Deborah Stevens—one gallon, Jesse Beetz—two gallons, Loretta Swed—four gallons, Barbara Cantlin—five gallons, Piper Deering—five gallons and Roger Stamberger—five gallons. Congratulations on these milestones. First-time donors were Anita Kobilsek, Felix Guajardo and Rita Lilja.

were Paddy Schwemlein, Kathi Stamberger, Margy Frey, Sandy Schroeder, Lori Schlesinger, Lori Simonton and Peg Mathesius-Cerveney. Mendota Subway donated sandwiches for the luncheon and First State Bank sponsored the egg salad sandwiches, BBQ, and chips for the drive. Desserts were provided by Marlene Simonton, Paddy Schwemlein, Kathi Stamberger, Margy Frey and Lori Simonton.

The next bloodmobile will be held on Tuesday, April 2 at the Mendota Moose Family Center. If you would like to make an appointment or have questions, please call Lori at 815-866-3582.

Bloodmobile produces 45 products

SUBLETTE—A Red Cross Bloodmobile was held on Feb. 13 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Sublette.

There were 45 total products collected, including from several walk-ins.


Multi-unit collections were from Steve Crook (86), Gaylene Noble (71) and Pete Rood (64).

The next Red Cross Bloodmobile will be Tuesday, April 9 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Sublette.

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LOCAL AND AREA

As dual credit participation grows in Illinois, study shows gaps widening

Urban, low-income, high-minority districts lag behind rural counterparts

By PETER HANCOCK
Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – As the cost of higher education continues to rise in Illinois and elsewhere, a growing number of students are working to earn as many college credits as possible while they are still in high school.

But even as the popularity continues to grow for “dual credit” offerings – courses in which a student earns credit toward both a high school diploma and a college degree – a new study shows disparities between racial, economic and geographic groups are also widening.

According to the study, dual credit programs are more prevalent in districts that serve rural communities and small towns in downstate Illinois than in suburban and urban districts. They are less prevalent in districts that serve minority and lower-income students.

And even within individual districts, the study found that white students and those from more affluent backgrounds were more likely to enroll in and complete dual credit courses than minority students or students from lower-income households.

The study was conducted by the Illinois Workforce & Education Research Collaborative, or IWERC, a research arm of the University of Illinois System’s Discovery Partners Institute, which works to develop the state’s high-tech workforce and economy.

Dual credit courses are offered through partnerships between high schools and postsecondary institutions.

According to the study, a small number of dual credit courses are offered through public four-year universities, but the overwhelming majority – about 97 percent – are offered through local community colleges. As a result, the courses offered in any given high school are strongly influenced by the policies and programs of the community college district that overlaps with the high school district.

Sarah Cashdollar, an IWERC researcher and author of the report, said in an interview that details of those partnership agreements may help explain some of the disparities between school districts and between differ-

ent geographic areas.

“It is costly to provide dual credit, especially for community colleges,” she said. “Depending on the partnership, it can also be costly for the school district. And so there might be variation in terms of how community college districts have managed those costs.”

Although students typically pay some tuition to enroll in a dual credit course, Cashdollar said the cost is typically only a fraction of what students would pay otherwise, which is one of the reasons why dual credit programs help lower the overall cost of higher education.

In recent years, Illinois lawmakers have taken several steps to make dual credit programs more accessible and affordable.

Among those actions is the Dual Credit Quality Act, first passed in 2010 and amended several times since then, which requires public colleges and universities to accept credit from those courses if a standard agreement is in place. It also requires community colleges to enter into dual credit agreements with any high school in their district that requests one.

The Education Workforce Equity Act, passed in 2021, provides that starting this year, high school students who meet or exceed state standards on their annual assessments in English language arts, math, or science may automatically be enrolled the following year in the next most rigorous level of advanced coursework offered by the school. For seniors, that must include a dual credit, Advanced Placement, or International Baccalaureate course.

And this year’s state

budget includes just over \$3 million for community colleges to help them lower the cost of dual credit programs.

Despite those efforts, however, the study found that while overall participation in dual credit programs has grown – from 10.2 percent of high school students in the 2018 school year to 14 percent in 2022 – the racial and economic disparities in participation rates and completion rates has widened.

That was due mainly to the fact that participation rates grew more slowly among students of color and students from lower-income backgrounds than they did among white and Asian students and students from more affluent backgrounds.

Cashdollar noted those kinds of achievement gaps are similar to the gaps that researchers find in other aspects of education, including college enrollment rates and college completion rates. And because dual credit programs are, by definition, intended for students who aspire to continue their education beyond high school, she said the gaps point to differences in the types of students who are seen as being college-bound.

She said prior research on the topic has found the biggest predictor for racial gaps in students enrolled in dual credit was enrollment in accelerated coursework taken prior to high school.

“So who are those kids who are in the gifted classes? Who are taking algebra in eighth grade? Who are the kids in the honors program, maybe at the middle school?” She said. “And it’s kind of like, that sets the wheel in motion in terms of who is then either tracked into these

higher-level courses, who is thinking about themselves as the type of kid who takes these courses.”

The report recommends the state continue investing in efforts to make dual credit programs more accessible and affordable but that it focus on increasing dual credit offerings in districts that currently have the lowest participation rates, especially urban and suburban districts.

“Only by attending to these issues of representation can the potential for (dual credit) coursework to reduce inequities in postsecondary educational attainment be fulfilled,” the report concludes.

(Editor’s note: The IWERC study was funded by a grant from The Joyce Foundation, a private, nonpartisan philanthropy organization whose mission is to invest in public policies and strategies to advance racial equity and economic mobility. The Joyce Foundation provides matching funds for donations received by Capitol News Illinois during our end-of-year fundraising campaigns. Capitol News Illinois donors, including the Joyce Foundation, have no influence over our news coverage or story selection.)

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Apply online now at srccf.org/scholarships. An essay and two letters of recommendation is required.

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To be eligible for the scholarship competition:

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- The applicants must attend an Illinois-accredited post-secondary educational institution of higher learning during the fall of 2024.

• Applicants must be a resident of Bureau, Carroll, LaSalle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Stark, or Whiteside counties in Illinois.

• Students must be considered full-time (minimum of 12 semester hours) to qualify for the full \$1,250 scholarship. Part-time students will be considered in the competition. However, scholarship awards will be pro-rated if they are selected as a winner.

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Farm Bureau plans freezer food fundraiser

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There are 10 delicious meals for only \$195.00. Each meal will feed between 4-5 people. The 10 meals are Hickory Smoked Pulled Pork, Hickory Smoked Pork Loin, Smoked Sausage w/ Peppers & Onions, Chicken Teriyaki, Pork Fritters w/ Mixed Veg, Ham Steak w/ Mashed Tators, Sweet Chili Meatballs, Mostaccioli w/ Meat Sauce, Chicken Cavatappi, and Pulled Pork Mac & Cheese.

To place your order, visit www.lcfb.org for the order form or call the Farm Bureau office at 815-433-0371. All orders must be turned in by Thursday, March 14. The food pick-up day is on Wednesday, April 3 from 2-5 p.m. at the LaSalle County Farm Bureau office, 4201 N. Columbus St., Ottawa.

All proceeds will go to the LaSalle County Farm Bureau Foundation Ag in the Classroom programs that provides FREE hands-on agriculture lessons to fourth grade classrooms in LaSalle County.

LOCAL AND AREA

IVCC to fuel an appetite for engineering with edible car contest

OGLESBY — A quirky contest designed to fuel an appetite for engineering still satisfies the Illinois Valley's craving for fun nearly 20 years later.

Illinois Valley Community College's Edible Car Contest counts faculty and students from the college and area high schools among its fans, said CAD instructor Dorene Data, who created and organized the delectable derby. IVCC's MIMIC project and the Workforce Development Division sponsor it in recognition of National Engineering Week.

The 18th annual contest is Wednesday, Feb. 28, in Room CTC 124. Entries are dropped off at 10 a.m., judging is at 11:30 and racing begins at noon.

The edible car concept surfaced as Data and IVCC representatives toured the area promoting IVCC's engineering programs. Edible cars were a refreshing change from the robots that were popular demonstrations at the time, and food proved to be more obtainable and affordable than electronics components, she said.

The car bodies' design ingredients read more like a restaurant menu than an auto

parts store. Over the years, salami, cheese, rice cakes, pasta, tortillas, tacos, pretzels, Twinkies, bananas, donuts and lots and lots of Rice Krispies treats were molded into odd-looking vehicles with the requisite three (at least) wheels and two axles -- and sometimes carrying marshmallow Peeps drivers.

Every item used to make the car must be edible, even if the entry isn't very mouthwatering by the time it reaches -- or doesn't reach -- the finish

line. Judges from the college and community award prizes in up to 10 categories, including aerodynamics, design, speed and creativity.

Choosing sturdy, operable ingredients to fashion a moving object uses science, engineering, and math skills. "You can't have something that turns sloppy and caves in," Data said. Even chemistry comes in handy to keep an ice cream carriage from melting before the race. Outside-the-box thinking is critical, too.

Second-year CAD students Kenny Harsted, Faith Pack and Josh Washkowiak are ready to apply lessons learned in last year's contest to new contenders. Last year's entry crumbled at crunch time, they said.

Washkowiak, who had built an entry in eighth grade, enjoyed the task and said it was something anyone of any age can do.

The racetrack, originally a table propped at an angle that allowed for gravity propul-

sion, grew more sophisticated thanks to students from electronics classes, who rigged a course with a push-button gate, lights and timers. Cars compete singly in time trials.

The contest draws as many as 75 contestants and fans from around the area and school and college campuses. While they're here, they tour a campus some of them might be seeing for the first time, Data said.

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By Mike Weill

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(Weill is the Social Security District Manager in Peru.)

Sublette Village Board taking bids for concrete work; hears updates to Comprehensive Plan

By BRANDON LaCHANCE
Staff writer

SUBLETTE – The February Village of Sublette meeting had three common words – accept, approve, and pass.

The key words at the meeting on Monday, Feb. 12 at the Ellice Dinges Center surrounded different projects and happenings in Sublette that have been on the agenda for some time.

At a committee meeting on Feb. 6, the groundwork was discussed about many projects including the water main, storm sewer, and street work needing to be completed on Richmond, Virginia, and Reeve streets. This carried over to a meeting on Feb. 8 where an engineer from Willett, Hoffman & Associates was in attendance to talk about the surveying work.

The committee meeting on Feb. 6 also discussed

sidewalk repair around the Ellice Dinges Center and downtown Sublette.

At the village meeting, the board approved a motion to elicit bids for contractors to replace the broken concrete on the front sidewalk, entrance way and by the backdoor of the EDC, as well as a 6x8 section on the Main Street sidewalk.

Recently, the Village of Sublette message board was turned off.

President John Stenzel and the board members acted quickly to reverse the result of miscommunication.

“The Sublette Business Association used to own the village message board and then it turned it over to the Village of Sublette,” Stenzel said. “The invoice was never delivered because it was being sent to the association. The board was shutoff, but the contract is now renewed. “We have some decisions

to make because the company that supports the board is no longer going to have parts readily available for it. The Sublette board is going to start looking at other possible options. The message board could run for many more years, but we have to decide what we're going to do when it no longer runs.”

Updates were given to the Sublette Comprehensive Plan as it should be officially completed by May after one more public hearing and it is presented to the village board.

Then a copy will be given to Lee County to be included into the county's plan.

“You develop a zoning map within a 1 ½ mile of the village borders to see how the village wants to be built whether it's commercial, residential, or light industrial,” said Stenzel, who was part of the board that put together the last Sublette Comprehensive

Plan in 2005. “It shows which direction the village wants to go in. When you have a comprehensive plan that has been developed that states what's going to go where, since we don't do our own zoning the county can make changes, but when we have a plan, it has more pull or weight bearing of what the village wants to do. The county then takes it into consideration before they say this should go there when it's different than our comprehensive plan.”

“It also lets us know what we're lacking in Sublette and what residents want to see more of in town. We did a survey with the campgrounds and residents in town last February. We've compiled the surveys to help with the comprehensive plans.”

Also approved was for Stenzel, as acting mayor, to sign the agreement for the electric supply bid for the village electrical account, which expires in May. It was passed for the Municipal Aggregation Program Resolution, which is a combination of 11 communities.

On the Sublette calendar, Sublette 365 is hosting Dueling Pianos on Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Township Community Building.

The Ellice Dinges Center will be open Tuesday, March 19 for the General Primary Election.

The next Village of Sublette meeting is scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday, March 11.

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Earlville man charged with many offenses after arrest in Dixon

DIXON – William Whitford, 31, of Earlville, has been charged with numerous offenses stemming from an incident in Dixon on Feb. 18.

At approximately 10:26 p.m., Deputies from the Lee County Sheriff's Office responded to 291 IL Route 2, Dixon, for the report of a motor vehicle theft. The vehicle was located by the Dixon Police Department and stopped as it came into Dixon city limits.

Through the investigation, Whitford was arrested and charged with the following: possession of a controlled substance (Class 1 felony); unlawful possession of a stolen vehicle (Class 2 felony); aggravated battery to a peace officer (Class 2 felony); resisting/obstructing a peace officer (Class 4 felony);

criminal trespass to vehicle (Class A misdemeanor); driving while license revoked (Class A misdemeanor); and failure to appear warrant for parole violation.

The Lee County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Dixon Police Department.

Whitford was taken to the Lee County Jail, where he was being held for a detention hearing. All charges are merely an allegation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until proven guilty.

Citizens are reminded to call the Lee County Sheriff's Department at (815) 284-6631 or Crime stoppers at 1-888-CAUGHT-U. Callers can remain anonymous and receive rewards of up to \$1,000 if their information leads to an arrest.

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WARRANT ARREST

Jose C. Guadalupe, 39, of 406 First Ave., Mendota, was arrested at 9:45 p.m. Feb. 18 on a valid Kendall County warrant for violation of an order of protection. The subject was transported to the LaSalle County jail to await transfer to Kendall County.

DRIVING WHILE LICENSE REVOKED

Danny Rocha, 44, of 410 1/2 11th Ave., Mendota, was charged with driving while license revoked after a traffic stop at 11th Avenue and Fifth Street at 7:49 p.m. Feb. 16. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

CRIMINAL TRESPASS TO REAL PROPERTY

Miranda J. Dearing, 40, no address, was charged with criminal trespass to real property after police officers were called to the 400 block of Third Avenue for a trespassing complaint at 1:38 p.m. Feb. 18. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

RETAIL THEFT, REVOKED LICENSE

Beth M. Kerchner, 61, of 105 20th St., Apt. B4, Mendota, was charged with retail theft and driving while license revoked after police officers were called to the 1300 block of 13th Avenue for the report of a theft at 12:47 p.m. Feb. 19. The subject was released with a LaSalle County court date.

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I think we'd be amazed if we knew how many people are walking around with bitterness, resentment, and unforgiveness in their hearts.

Bitterness often begins with the little things. When people wrong us in some way, it's tempting to store it away in our memory and never forget. Apart from the help of the Holy Spirit, our natural inclination is to "keep score" and want to make people pay for what they've done.

However, this is how a root of bitterness gets planted. First, we get offended, then we allow that offense to fester and grow. Hebrews 12:15 (AMP)

says, "See to it that no one falls short of God's grace; that no root of resentment springs up and causes trouble."

You see, regardless of how big or small the offense, God commands us to keep a clean heart so we can continue to grow in Him and experience the freedom He has created us for. Ephesians 4:32 says, "Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you" (NIV).

I recently saw a movie that really impacted me. The main character had been mistreated very badly, but he eventually chose

to forgive the person. Even his wife asked him, "How can you forgive?" His answer has stuck with me ever since. He replied: "If you forgive, you only have to do that once. But if you hate, you have to do that every day for the rest of your life."

So, I ask you: Has someone hurt or cheated you? If they have, don't let them continue hurting you every day of your life. When you choose to forgive someone, you are taking your life back!

For years, I used to be controlled by my emotions. If I was upset at Dave about something, I could go days without talking to him. Or if someone rubbed me the wrong way at church, I was really good at holding a grudge.

Of course, I was the one who lost my peace and joy while the other person had no idea I was even upset. But it wasn't only me—my anger and bad attitude also created a toxic atmosphere in my house and affected my family and those around me.

It was a great day when I realized I could do the right thing even when I don't feel like doing it. And when we do, something marvelous happens—our feelings catch up with our decisions.

You see, God desires for us to grow and mature to the place where we're not always led around by our feelings. He desires for us to obey His Word and choose to forgive others even when we're right and even when the other person doesn't seem very sorry.



The truth is, life isn't always fair. But God is fair, and He will make wrong things right if we continue to trust Him. If we allow Him to, He can take our bad experience and work it out for our good.

Just look at the life of Joseph. Genesis tells us that as a young man, Joseph had great dreams for his life. But his older brothers resented him and sold him into slavery, and he was taken to Egypt.

Now, let's stop right here. If Joseph allowed himself to stay hurt and offended and never forgave his brothers, I don't think anyone would have blamed him. However, Joseph refused to grow bitter and let this stop him. As a result, he found great favor with his master, Potiphar, and was eventually put in charge of his entire household.

Years later, Joseph faced another test when Potiphar threw him in jail for a crime he didn't commit. But he still didn't allow bitterness and unforgiveness to take root, and the Lord eventually gave Joseph an opportunity to interpret a dream for Pharaoh, who then promoted him to the highest official in Egypt!

Joseph literally went

from the pit to the palace. Then, years later, when a famine struck the land, the Lord used Joseph to save his family and the entire house of Israel.

When Joseph finally came face to face with his brothers, they were petrified because of what they had done to him. But look at what Joseph said: "As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good..." (Genesis 50:20 AMP).

Because Joseph was willing to forgive all along the way, God was able to take what was wrong and make it right!

I don't know where you are today. Maybe you've suffered some painful experiences in the past that have left you struggling to forgive. Or maybe little things are slowly chipping away at one of your relationships and bitterness is attempting to take root in your heart.

Whatever it is, the single greatest thing you can do is forgive and trust God to reward you and make things right. I encourage you to pray and ask for God's help even before someone offends you!

Because when you're determined to do what's

right—when you're ready to forgive others and keep your heart free from anger and resentment—it honors God. And the Bible says that when you honor God, He will honor you (1 Samuel 2:30).

For more on this topic, order Joyce's three-part teaching resource *Burnt But Not Bitter*. You can also contact us to receive our free magazine, *Enjoying Everyday Life*, by calling (800) 727-9673 or visiting www.joycemeyer.org.

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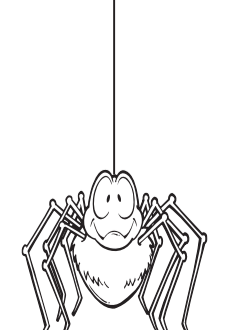
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