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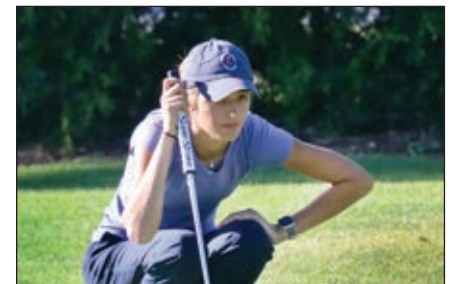
While the Hinsdale Middle School Spartans and the Clarendon Hills Middle School Eagles are rivals in sports, when it comes to graduation both held their ceremonies within three hours of each other in the HMS gym on Friday May 31. HMS graduates and their families filled the gym first at 2:30 p.m. Most will now go on to share a common alma mater as members of Hinsdale Central's Red Devil Nation. Please turn to Page 28 for more pictures. (Jim Slonoff photo)



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# NEWS

## Car wash demise not family's entire mission

By Ken Knutson

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Fuller's Car Wash may be willing to close down to settle a lawsuit over the tragic death of 14-year-old Sean Richards of Hinsdale last summer.

But Sean's family said there's more at stake for both loved ones and the village at large than simply shuttering the business.

The latest developments in the matter emerged at Tuesday night's village board meeting after Sean's father Brian rose to speak during public comment. After thanking the village for placing jersey barriers outside the car wash exit to prevent vehicles from entering the sidewalk, Brian asked when new permanent crash-rated bollards procured by the village would be installed.

Village President Tom Cauley said officials were working with an engineer to certify the strength of the bollards.

"I'm making sure we cross all the t's and dot all the i's on this," he stated.

Cauley then asked Richards if the family's aim was to "shut down Fuller's."

"Absolutely," Brian Richards replied.

Cauley said owner Doug Fuller recently proposed to him the idea of closing the car wash in exchange for the Richards dropping their suit, relating Fuller's reluctance to pay the considerable cost of installing the bollards if the business could ultimately be forced to cease operations.

"To the extent that the business is shut down, why should we spend \$100,000 to install the bollards?" posed Cauley, summarizing Fuller's position. "It seems to me it's entirely within your power to close down that car wash and have something else there."

Sean was struck and killed last July 17 when a vehicle exiting the car

wash accelerated onto the sidewalk where he was walking. The vehicle then proceeded into Fontano's Subs across Lincoln Street, injuring three patrons.

After asserting that a village board meeting was not the forum to negotiate a civil lawsuit, Richards articulated that the family's legal action, which was filed in December, has several goals.

"Our primary objectives are the truth, accountability and public safety," Brian said, suggesting that the suit could drag on for years and noting his own conversations with Doug Fuller.

Cauley pressed Richards on the opportunity to replace the car wash with an enterprise that could be considered a safer use.

"You could settle it tomorrow," Cauley remarked.

While such a deal would promote public safety, Brian countered, it would be insufficient.

"We could let them get away

without the truth. There would be no accountability," he said. "A child was killed.

"Why don't they shut it down first and then we can talk?" he added.

Lauri Aldrich of Western Springs then spoke about an accident in May of 2022 when one vehicle exiting the car wash was hit from behind by another car wash vehicle causing it to proceed across Lincoln Street and into Aldrich's parked car. She said an account of the incident at the May 23 village board inaccurately represented that the day was rainy, the car wash was closed at the time and the vehicles' engines were off.

"The crash was caused by the negligence of a Fuller's employee," Aldrich said, citing other documented accidents at the site with seemingly no subsequent village action taken. "Doing nothing was grossly negligent and extremely reckless, and no amount of data will excuse that."



## Stacking up the trophies

The **Madison Stackers** recently competed on the regional level and 17 members of the team, including Madison PE teacher Jessica Czerniuk, qualified for the AAU Junior Olympics in North Carolina, held this summer. Before regionals the team members held an early morning practice, where district superintendent Hector Garcia viewed the practicing in full swing watching team members Charlie Simpson and Chris Burrows demonstrate the doubles event. Emilie Cartwright, coach and teacher Jessica Czerniuk, Jay Zhang, Zeki Turba across from Madison Milkie, Joshua Schroeder and Alex Crist work on their skills. (Jim Slonoff photos)

# ONCE UPON A TIME



**Proprietors from the past** — Hinsdale's building services supervisor, Jim Piontkowski, took this photo in 1979. Loaves and Fishes was located at 9 E. First St. at the time. Currently The Salon by David & William calls that location its home. Do you have a Hinsdale photo that is at least 25 years old? We'd love to share it with our readers. Stop by our office at 7 W. First St. or email it to [jslonoff@thehinsdalean.com](mailto:jslonoff@thehinsdalean.com).



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Our letters policy is published on Page 11.

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We reserve the right to edit and/or refuse all advertising submitted to The Hinsdalean.

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# Paper earns five trophies in five years

*The Hinsdalean once again wins IPA editorial sweepstakes, advertising division honors*

The Hinsdalean received 29 editorial awards and, for the fifth time in as many years, the Will Loomis Memorial Trophy for being the best large non-daily newspaper in the state in the Illinois Better Newspaper Contest. The paper also won the sweepstakes in the advertising contest, garnering 27 awards.

The awards were presented June 6 at the Illinois Press Association annual convention in Bloomington.

“Being named the best weekly newspaper of our size for the fifth year in a row is an honor,” editor and co-owner Pamela Lannom said. “We appreciate the amazing work of our staff and all the wonderful people in Hinsdale who are willing to share their stories with us so we can share them with our readers.”

Jim Slonoff, publisher and co-owner, noted that two other newspapers vowed to

outperform The Hinsdalean this year, one with a front-page story about its goal.

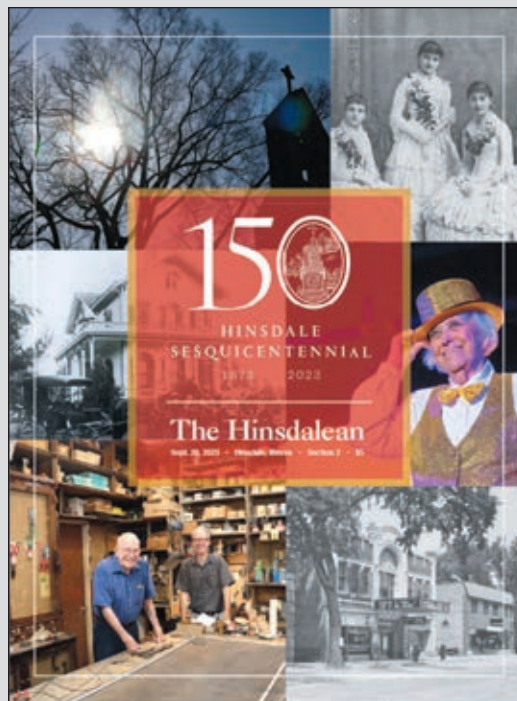
“Our goal, of course, never changed throughout the year,” Slonoff said. “We just try to practice community journalism ‘the way it was meant to be,’ as our motto says.

“Every year when Pam and I collect our entries, we usually come away with the same thought. We love what we see but we’re never sure whether it’s going to win. All of us at the paper are committed to our readers and we take great pride in building a weekly paper that reflects the community we cover.”

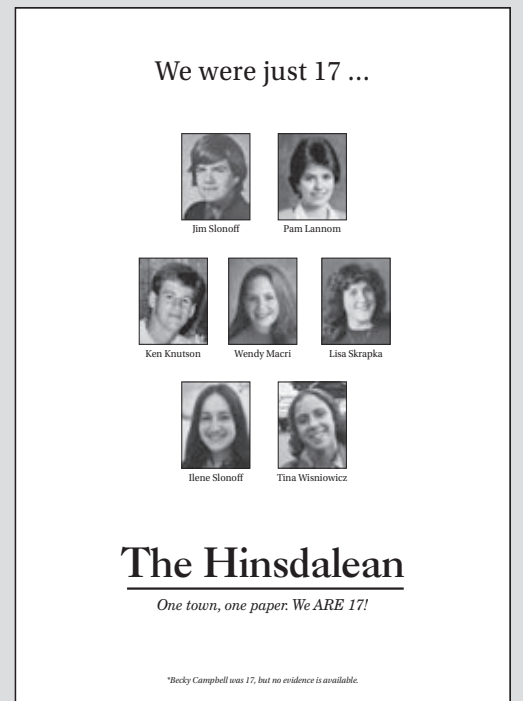
## Editorial contest

The Hinsdalean won 29 awards in the editorial contest (see sidebar), including nine first-place awards.

Lannom and Slonoff each won three first-place awards.



Among The Hinsdalean entries earning first-place honors in the Illinois Better Newspaper contest at the Illinois Press Association convention June 6 in Bloomington were the special section on the village’s 150th anniversary and the ad celebrating the paper’s 17th birthday.



Winning entries	2nd place	3rd place	4th place
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In addition to the nine first-place awards listed in the story, Ken Knutson, Pamela Lannom, Jim Slonoff and intern Sam Wheeler won 20 other awards in the editorial contest.

In addition to the seven first-place awards listed in the story, Becky Campbell and classified manager Tina Wisniowicz won 21 other awards.

Lannom earned top honors for an editorial she wrote on the Hinsdale High School District 86 Board.

“Good local topic. Strong voice condemning election hate speech. Takes names, kicks a--.”

She also received first place in feature writing/personality profile for a piece she did on Dan Janowick and his decision to donate a portion of his liver to his son and one an obituary tribute for a story on the funeral Mass for 14-year-old Sean Richards.

Slonoff earned a first-place award in the personality portrait category for a photo of a Hinsdale Central graduate.

“You captured her facial expression perfectly. The photo really puts the reader in the moment,” judges wrote.

He also took the best sports personality profile and feature photo.

The May series on historic preservation written by Pamela Lannom and associate editor Ken Knutson won first place in the community service category.

“What a great series! Very comprehensive, from news to features to opinion,” judges wrote. “The way you bring these old houses to life most certainly made an impact on

whether or not these pieces of history endured or not.”

The paper’s special section on the village’s 150th anniversary earned first place in that category.

“Wow! Clearly, the staff invested a lot of time researching historical facts and photos for this beautifully designed special section,” judges wrote. “I love the timeline with the photos. What a fabulous keepsake for readers!”

Judges also crowned the paper’s sports section with top honors.

Almost 100 daily and non-daily newspapers entered 1,700 entries in 39 editorial categories for work completed in 2023. The contest was judged by members of the Minnesota Press Association.

## Advertising contest

The Hinsdalean won the sweepstakes and 27 individual awards in the 2023 IPA advertising contest, including seven first-place awards.

“We have a fantastic sales team with Lisa Skrapka leading our sales efforts in town and Wendy Macri working outside of Hinsdale,” Slonoff said. “Becky Campbell is the foundation and keeper of the

creativity — which helps drive home our advertisers’ messages for our clients. Winning the sweepstakes trophy five consecutive years in advertising is an unbelievable feat. The credit is all theirs.”

Senior graphic designer Becky Campbell won six of the paper’s seven first-place awards, including one for a real estate ad for Beth Burtt.

“The center information popped right out,” judges wrote. “Like the soft background of properties. The ad is fresh and clean and a bit different with simplicity.”

Campbell swept that category, winning second, third and fourth place as well.

She won first place in the religious/nonprofit ad category for an ad for Fenwick High School. Her ad for King Keyser earn the top prize for best color ad.

She also won first-place awards for best newspaper promotion (an ad celebrating the paper’s 17th birthday), small ad (Lisa’s pet service) and online ad (Kramer Foods).

The staff also received the top award for annual special section for the Veterans Day pages it runs each November.

# NEXT WEEK

## Hinsdale High School District 86 Board

6 p.m. Thursday, June 13  
Hinsdale South High School  
7401 Clarendon Hills Road, Darien  
[www.hinsdale86.org/board-of-education/board-meetings](http://www.hinsdale86.org/board-of-education/board-meetings)

## Hinsdale Zoning Board of Appeals

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 19  
Memorial Building  
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On the draft agenda: public hearing on 5500 S. Grant St. (Hinsdale Central)

# MEETING ROUNDUP

## Hinsdale Village Board

Among other business Tuesday, trustees:

- held first reads on applications for liquor licenses for Hinsdale Prime Steak restaurant that is expected to open at 40 E. Hinsdale Ave. later this summer and Hinsdale Pantry at 5827 S. Madison St. Hinsdale Prime Steak is requesting a license allowing them to sell alcohol as well as invite customers to bring their own, with a corkage fee. Trustees signaled they will approve both applications on the second read at the July 16 board meeting.

- held a first read on an intergovernmental agreement with the village of Burr Ridge to allow Burr Ridge to loop its water main system through Katherine Legge Memorial Park to create additional fire flow pressure in Burr Ridge's Woodview Estates neighborhood between KLM and the Tri-State Tollway. Hinsdale, in turn, will receive a water main interconnection with Burr Ridge's existing water main on Elm Street near the 59th Street intersection to provide for an alternate water supply. Hinsdale is a DuPage Water Commission customer, while Burr Ridge is a Bedford Park customer. The total cost of the Elm Street interconnection is estimated to be \$400,000 to \$500,000. Burr Ridge has agreed to pay one-third of the engineering and construction costs, while Hinsdale will pay the rest. Hinsdale currently does not have any interconnection feeds with neighboring communities.

- held a first read on an ordinance for a major adjustment to the Vine Street Station development at 125 S. Vine St. to allow for changes to allow the age-restricted lifestyle housing project to reduce the number of units from 12 to nine, and to reduce the number of parking spaces from 25 to 22. The changes were proposed as a result of further investigation of existing conditions at and a structural analysis of the historic former Zion School building.



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**Sunday: CLOSED (Pick up Dad's fish on Sat. 6/15)**

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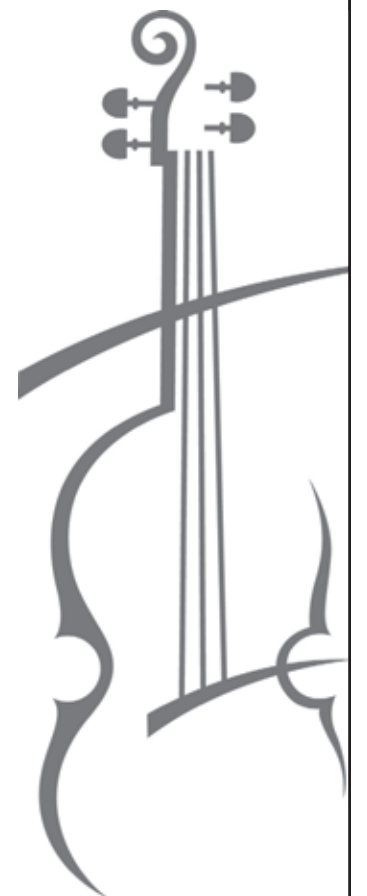
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# D181, D86 welcome new administrators

Community Consolidated Elementary District 181 and Hinsdale High School District 86 have hired new assistant superintendents who are scheduled to begin work July 1.

Erica Ekstrom will be the new assistant superintendent of student services in District 181.

Superintendent Hector Garcia said Ekstrom brings a wealth of experience and leadership to the crucial role, having served in various educational capacities throughout her distinguished career.

"Ms. Ekstrom's proven track record of leading and developing successful programs for students of all backgrounds makes her an ideal candidate for this position," he commented. "We are confident that her expertise in areas such as special education, multi-tiered systems of support and educational policy will be instrumental in ensuring the continued success of our student services department."

In her most recent role as executive director of special education at Community Unit District 200 in Wheaton-Warrenville, Ekstrom oversaw a comprehensive special education program, driving positive

outcomes for students with disabilities. Her prior experience includes serving as executive director of student services, principal and adjunct professor. She also has extensive experience as a classroom teacher and leading district-wide initiatives.

Ekstrom holds a master's degree in education in leadership and special education.

"I am honored to be selected as the new assistant superintendent of student services for District 181," Ekstrom said. "I am committed to working collaboratively with the board of education, administration, staff, parents and community to ensure that all students have the opportunity to succeed in a supportive learning environment for all students."

Jodi Bryant is the new assistant superintendent of human resources in District 86.



Ekstrom



Bryant

Bryant joins the district from Homewood-Flossmoor Community High School District 233, where she has served as the director of human resources since 2011. Throughout her career at Homewood-Flossmoor, she has held various roles including director of public relations, assistant principal, dean of students and teacher.

"Jodi's diverse background as an educator and administrator uniquely equips her to lead our human resources initiatives with vision and empathy," incoming Superintendent Michael Lach said. "We are excited to be adding an experienced leader to our team as we continue to strive to make District 86 the best school district in the state of Illinois."

Bryant holds master's degrees in Leadership & Administration, and Curriculum & Instruction, reflecting

her comprehensive understanding of both the administrative and educational aspects of school operations. She is also an active member of the American Association of School Personnel Administrators (AASPA), the Illinois Association of School Personnel Administrators (IASPA), and the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM), underscoring her commitment to professional development and excellence in human resources.

"I am honored to join Hinsdale School District 86 as we foster an environment where students are empowered, staff are fully supported, and collaboration is at the heart of our success," Bryant said. "I look forward to working with the District 86 school community to create an even brighter future for students and staff."

In her new role, Bryant will oversee the human capital management of the school district to ensure that District 86 recruits, supports, and maintains a high quality workforce that can deliver results and manage ongoing change, while meeting the diverse needs of students, families, and the community.

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# POLICE BEAT

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports June 11.

## DUI arrest

Michael P. Hart, 55, 4310 N. Riverdale Drive, McHenry, was arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol at 4:35 a.m. June 5 at 55th Street and Garfield Avenue after police checked on a disabled vehicle on the side of the road. He refused testing to determine blood-alcohol content and was charged and released to appear in court.

## Vehicle burglarized

An unknown suspect was observed on surveillance video entering a vehicle and rummaging through the interior at 3:55 a.m. June 9 while it was parked in a driveway in the 5600 block of South Park Avenue. Clothing was taken from the vehicle.

## Battery reported

Staff at RML Specialty Hospital, 5601 S. County Line Road, allegedly struck a patient's face while trying to prevent him from getting out of bed at 7 a.m. June 2.

## Vandalism incident

A porta-potty located in the 600 block of South Madison Street was damaged and firework debris left inside between 3:30 p.m. June 6 and 7:29 a.m. June 7.

## Credit card fraud

Fraudulent charges were made using credit card information belonging to a resident of the 500 block of Warren Terrace. The incident was reported June 7.

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

## Police enforcement to increase before July 4

The Hinsdale Police Department has announced stepped-up Fourth of July traffic enforcement with a focus on impaired and unbuckled drivers from June 21 through the early-morning hours of July 8.

"It's a straightforward message: If you're behind the wheel, stay sober. Don't drink, use marijuana, or consume any other impairing substances before or when driving," said Deputy Chief Thomas Lillie.

Follow these tips to help ensure a happy and safe holiday:

- Designate a sober driver and give them your keys before you go out.
- Don't let friends or family members drive under the influence.
- If you are drunk or impaired by marijuana or other drugs,

call a taxi, take mass transit, use your favorite ride-sharing app or call a sober friend or family member to get you home safely.

- Promptly report drunken drivers to law enforcement by pulling over and dialing 911.

• Make sure everyone in the vehicle wears their seat belt. It's not only the law, but also your best defense against an impaired driver.

The statewide "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over," "Drive High Get a DUI" and "Click It or Ticket" programs are made possible by federal highway safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation. The enforcement period runs concurrently with IDOT's media campaign, reminding motorists that "It's Not a Game" to drive impaired.

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# 60 SECONDS

■ “My father would walk the streets looking for work. We never went hungry. He could do anything.”  
— June Franc

## Local woman looks back on century’s harvest

Blowing out 100 candles is no small feat. That is unless one employs a hand fan, as Hinsdale’s June Franc did when she celebrated becoming a centenarian on May 31.

“I’m full of hot air,” Franc quipped while sitting on her front walk surrounded by a lush garden.

She and her late husband, Harold, started tending their plot on the village’s north side in 1958 as Ohio transplants. Harold’s engineering career had brought the young family west, and they were smitten by Hinsdale’s hilly topography in the predominantly flat region.

“There were old houses. A lot of families, a lot of kids,” she said of the block then, noting the redevelopment that has occurred since.

Born in 1924, Franc grew up in Cleveland during the Great Depression. She looked back with gratitude that her parents always found a way to provide for her and her seven siblings.

“My father would walk the streets looking for work. We never went hungry,” she shared of her German immigrant dad. “He could do anything.”

Franc helped her mom by caring for her younger sister

and younger twin brothers. Her now 96-year-old sister, Jean, is her only surviving sibling. Franc met her musical husband through their church’s youth group.

“He played the flute in the church band. His brother played the violin, his sister played the cello, and the other sister played the piano. They were our whole band,” Franc said with a laugh.

Harold and her brothers served overseas during World War II, a source of constant unease. Harold joined the U.S. Army Signal Corps in the Pacific, stringing military communication lines that often required going in ahead of the regiments.

“You had to be very careful where you put your hands when you climbed the tree because in the crotch of the tree they’d put mines,” Franc said of the perilous assignment.

On the homefront, war rationing meant limited supplies.

“You had to have a ticket to buy meat, you had to have a ticket to buy anything,” she said. “We had a lot of chicken soup, because that really lasted.”

Franc recalled her



### JUNE FRANC

NATIVE OF CLEVELAND • ENJOYS READING MYSTERY NOVELS • JUMPED A LOT OF ROPE IN HER YOUTH • FIRST JOB WAS AS A BANK BOOKKEEPER • MOTHER TO JOHN

Cleveland neighbors throwing a victory party at war’s end. Her mom declined the invitation.

“She was on the porch praying that my brothers would come home safe,” she said.

In Hinsdale, Harold became the neighborhood handyman, and Franc found an outlet at Graue Mill volunteering for decades as a spinner and weaver and educating visitors

young and old on the life skills of a bygone era.

“It felt like I was doing something,” she said of the opportunity. “The children had never seen a spinning wheel. They’d never seen how you’d make bread.”

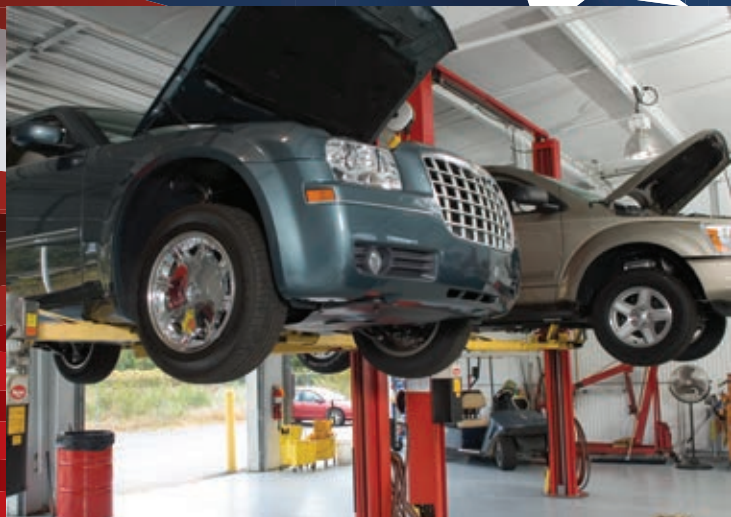
She looked back fondly at family bowling outings, being active at then-Hinsdale Baptist Church and doing crossword puzzles with Harold. She

lamented his death at age 75 before he was able to fully embrace retirement.

Franc shared the secret of how her rich life, like her bountiful garden, continues to flourish.

“Stay out of trouble. Don’t drink, don’t smoke, don’t do any of that stuff,” she said. “You just go day by day.”

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# OPINION

EDITORIAL

## Whatever nation's mood, Stars and Stripes is never flagging

Hats off!

Along the street there comes  
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums,  
A flash of color beneath the sky:  
Hats off!

The flag is passing by!

— from *"The Flag Goes By"*  
by Henry Holcomb Bennett

Tomorrow, June 14, is Flag Day.

On June 6 our nation marked the 80th anniversary of D-Day, when the members of the Greatest Generation carried the flag into the crucible of the Normandy beaches to turn the tide of World War II. The following year, on Feb. 25, 1945, the iconic photo "Raising the Flag on Iwo Jima" was taken of six U.S. Marines raising the Stars and Stripes during the Battle of Iwo Jima in the final stages of the Pacific War.

Few could have imagined how far the flag's impact would extend when it was first designed in 1777 to rally colonists against an empire. The White House proclamation on Flag Day imparts this aspirational backstory.

"Americans flew it at their homes during the Revolutionary War as brave troops fought for our country's independence from British rule

— representing the resolve and resilience of our nation's 13 colonies with 13 stripes and stars. As our nation evolved, so too did our flag — with every new star added to Old Glory, we were reminded that the work of forging a more perfect Union never ends," the proclamation reads.

The young republic has experienced great triumphs and painful tribulations over the centuries, but, like the enduring Constitution that forms the bedrock of our democratic system of government, the Red, White and Blue has remained a steadfast source of pride and inspiration overhead.

"It has flown high on many battlefields, acting as a beacon of light and purpose at home and around the globe. It flies over military cemeteries where our country's service members have been laid to rest, reminding us of the unmoving faith they had in our Nation and the ultimate sacrifice they made. It flies over buildings, classrooms, and courthouses — across small towns, in big cities, and around the world — a constant reminder that democracy begins and will be preserved in the habits and the hearts of ordinary people and that we all share a responsibility to stand up for it each and every day," the proclamation continues.

Bennett's poem goes on to extol Old Glory's galvanizing qualities:

Blue and crimson and white it shines  
Over the steel-tipped, ordered lines.  
Hats off! The colors before us fly  
But more than the flag is passing by.

Sea-fights and land-fights, grim and great,  
Fought to make and to save the State:  
Weary marches and sinking ships;  
Cheers of victory on dying lips;

Days of plenty and years of peace;  
March of a strong land's swift increase;  
Equal justice, right and law,  
Stately honor and reverend awe;

Sign of a nation, great and strong  
To ward her people from foreign wrong:  
Pride and glory and honor, --all  
Live in the colors to stand or fall.

Hats off! Along the street there comes  
A blare of bugles, a ruffle of drums;  
And loyal hearts are beating high:  
Hats off! The flag is passing by!

COMMENTARY

## Hinsdale falls behind competition on latest list

I am sorry to report Hinsdale once again has fallen short of the North Shore.

One of those fancy "W" towns — Winnetka — beat out Hinsdale for the No. 1 spot on the latest list published by HomeSnacks.

What is HomeSnacks, you ask?

We're not entirely sure, but it produces lots of lists — safest states, most dangerous states, even dumbest states. You can read all of these lists on its Facebook page (which contains no information about who is preparing them or why).

And what does this latest list proclaim, you wonder?

The 10 snobbiest places in Illinois for 2023.

Yes, that's right, Hinsdale is less snobby than Winnetka. It's also less snobby than Glencoe, based on home prices, incomes and education levels.

Ridiculous, isn't it?

They list claims only 81 percent of Hinsdale's population is highly educated, that residents' median income is \$224,185 and that the median home price is \$880,000. That

simply can't be right, can it?

Winnetka allegedly tallied 91 percent highly educated, a \$250,000 median income and a \$1.1 million median home price.

Glencoe supposedly had 86 percent highly educated, a \$212,000 median income and a median home price also north of \$1 million.

This so-called data is from something called Saturday Night Science, which sounds like it's based on a Saturday Night Live skit.

"Because place-based rankings aren't peer reviewed, we are trying to achieve a level of accuracy you'd have with friends arguing at a bar," the website states.

I am not reassured.

The site goes on to tout its launch way back in 2015, that it has a "Real Estate Review Roundtable" and that some dude named Nick has been to every state in the country and catalogs his adventures on their YouTube channel. Is that supposed



Pamela Lannom

to make me feel better?

What does make me feel better is that Hinsdale ranked above another "W" town, Wilmette, along with Lake Forest, Lake Bluff, Northfield, Hawthorne Woods, Deerfield and our neighboring "W" town, Western Springs.

In case you're wondering, Illinois is the 14th snobbiest state

in the country. (The snobbiest is Massachusetts, which surprised me. I would have guessed Connecticut, but it came in third.)

Clearly Hinsdale could have performed better.

I doubt Nick has even been to Hinsdale. Has he seen the \$10 million house for sale on County Line Road? The number of Teslas parked downtown on a Friday afternoon? Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club members dressed for a night on the town?

Of course I jest. The first column I ever wrote was in response to a

piece in SmartMoney magazine titled "Deconstructing Hinsdale," in which the author said Hinsdale was filled with "IGMs" (I've Got Mine) — people who have to have the biggest house, the best car, etc. I created quite a lengthy list of people whose generosity proved that accumulating wealth and showing it off was not the goal of every Hinsdalean. (I also created some truly horrible acronyms in the process!).

Like other towns, Hinsdale is filled with all types.

Are some people in Hinsdale snobs? Sure.

Are some people in other towns snobs? Certainly.

Is Hinsdale a great place to live? Better than the North Shore's "W" towns? Absolutely.

Just check out HomeSnacks' list of the 10 best places to live in Illinois. Hinsdale is right there at No. 2 — just after that darned Western Springs!

— Pamela Lannom, editor of *The Hinsdalean*, is on vacation this week. This column was first published Nov. 16, 2023.

# OPINION

GUEST COMMENTARY

## Nice takes leading role on D.C. trip

Unlike the fictional Southern belle Blanche DuBois, I have only rarely relied on the kindness of strangers, especially when it comes to travel plans.

For help, I count on guidebooks and online travel sites such as Trip Advisor.

Before a recent trip my husband, Joe, and I took to Washington, D.C., I found YouTube videos by Rob Pitingolo, who runs Trip Hacks DC Tours. I eventually adjusted to Pitingolo's quirky speech pattern, which GOES something like THIS, paired with robotic hand gestures ADDING extra EMPHASIS.

But Pitingolo knows his stuff, especially when it comes to mass transit, including whether to buy the three-day SmarTrip pass (usually "nope").

Despite all that research, when it came time to catch a bus to Georgetown, the correct stop proved elusive. We popped into a coffee shop and asked the guy behind the counter if we were close to our goal.

"Yep!" was the cheery response from kind stranger No. 1. He headed out the door with us in his wake. After pointing out our stop, a mere block away, he wished us well and headed back to his day job.

Waiting for us at the bus stop — at least it seemed that way in hindsight — was a young, professionally dressed woman who fielded our next question:



Denise Joyce

Would the bus take cash or would we need to use our SmarTrip cards?

Cash is no problem, said kind stranger No. 2, adding that sometimes the cash machine is broken but when that happens, the

driver will just wave you on.

Feeling a bit doubtful, we boarded the bus and heard the driver follow the promised script: "The machine is broken. Just head back to a seat."

On our last day, we met up with the kindest stranger of all. He was a bus driver seriously invested in making sure we made it to our destination, the Supreme Court and the Library of Congress.

En route, the driver noticed Joe was studying a D.C. map and insisted that he take one of the "better" maps in a nearby holder.

When it was time to exit the bus, we were surprised to see the driver exiting with us and offering additional pointers — "cross here, head up the hill and then bear right" — before casually returning to his patient passengers.

Our no-drama adventure in a remarkable city was a tale of buses and the kindness of strangers. It was just missing a streetcar named Desire.

— Denise Joyce of Hinsdale is a former contributing columnist. Readers can email her at [news@thehinsdalean.com](mailto:news@thehinsdalean.com).

GUEST ESSAY

## Dad reflects on first Father's Day without his youngest son

Since our son, Conor, was born in 2002, I have always anticipated Father's Day with joy and expectation. It was one of my favorite days of the year. A Sunday in June when everyone is kind to you and you get to do whatever you want. You receive gifts, some of them handmade (the best kind). Dinner with the entire family. U.S. Open golf on TV. What is not to love?

This year, I am not anticipating Father's Day with joy and expectation. This Sunday will be my first Father's Day without my 14-year-old son, Sean, joining me for a round of golf, competing with me in a spirited game of ping-pong, wishing me a Happy Father's Day and handing me one of his creative, beautiful, hand-made cards. I was not ready to live the rest of my life without Sean. I never even got the chance to say good-bye to my little buddy.

From the day that we moved here 17 years ago, we have loved Hinsdale. It has been an ideal place to raise our four children. But more than the physical space of Hinsdale, we love the people of Hinsdale. Before we moved here, we heard that Hinsdale was loaded with selfish, self-absorbed snobs. That has not been our experience. Both before and after Sean died, we have found the people of Hinsdale to be kind, generous and loving. The support that we have felt from friends, acquaintances and even strangers these past 11 months has helped us move forward with our brokenness and pain. We know that the world is a mess and the media would have us believe that our world is beyond salvation, but we can testify that there is far more love in our world than hate and far more good than evil.

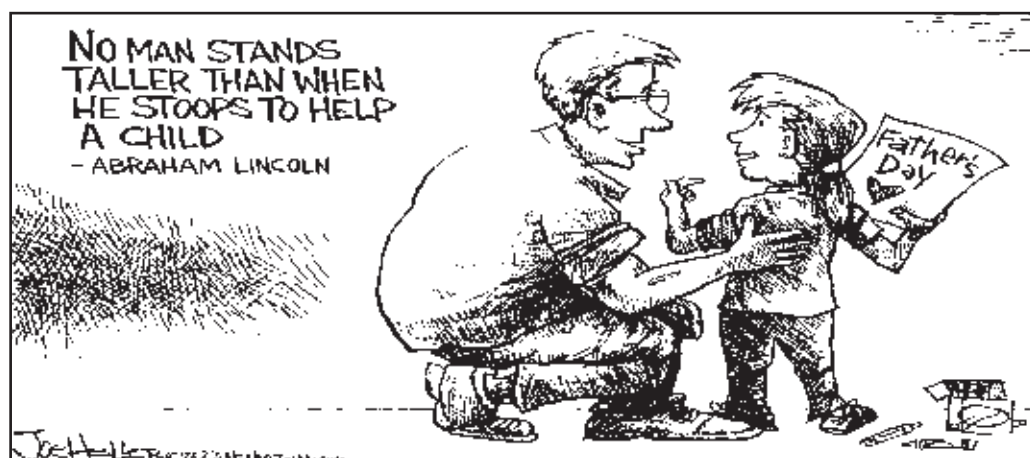
Thank you all for that.

In particular, I would like to recognize three fathers in the Hinsdale community who have helped me to understand that I am not alone in my grief and bereavement. The grief experienced when your child dies is indescribable. You are shattered, blown apart and all but destroyed. But I have learned from Rob Tonn (whose son Brooks died at the age of 10 in 2017), James McCarthy (whose son Jimmy died at age 15 in 1995), and Dave Ricordati (whose step-daughter, Amanda, died at age 20 in 2005) and from many other bereaved fathers that, even when we may not want it to, life goes on and we have a duty to actively love all of our children, living and dead, and to honor our deceased child.

If you are one of the fortunate many who have not lost a child, and you have a friend or even an acquaintance who has, this Father's Day I ask you to reach out to him. Remember his departed child, as well as his living ones. People say, "There are no words." But there are words. They do not have to be profound. They just have to be sincere. Tell a story, if you have one, of their child. Ask for a story if you do not. Say their names. Do not be afraid that it will make us sad — we are already sad. And please do not be uncomfortable if we shed tears. They are tears of love for our child and our child is worth the tears.

After all, we are fathers to all of our children, including those who are no longer with us. Even though we will not get any handmade cards from them this Father's Day.

— Brian Richards lives Hinsdale with his wife, Kristine, and their children, Conor, Grace and Finn.



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# OBITUARIES

## Carolyn Karas

Carolyn Stephanie Karas of Hinsdale passed away peacefully June 6, 2024, at home.

Carolyn, 59, grew up in Golf with her loving parents, Alexander and Lorraine Anderson, and her two sisters. She graduated from Niles North High School and went on to Emory University to major in political science. After graduation she enjoyed a many decades-long career at Nordstroms, but her greatest joy was being a mother.



Karas

She is survived by her daughter, Clara Karas; her sisters, Allison (Todd) Baker and Lara Anderson (Allen Johnson); her nephew, Alexander Baker; and her niece, Kelsey Baker.

Carolyn will be interred at Rosehill Cemetery during a private service later this summer.

In lieu of flowers, donations to [www.cradle.org](http://www.cradle.org) are requested.

Sullivan Funeral Home Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

## John Paro

John Anthony Paro passed away on June 4, 2024, in Burr Ridge, just a few months short of his 94th birthday.

John was born in 1930 to Croatian immigrants Ivo and Marija Paro in the Riverside neighborhood of Seattle, Wash., a tight-knit community that made an indelible impact on his character and outlook. The family moved 11 years later to San Pedro, Calif., where John attended Mary Star of the Sea Catholic Junior High School, San Pedro High and Loyola Marymount University.

As a young man, he frequently worked as a commercial fisherman, longshoreman or lumberyard laborer up and down the West Coast, all while making his mark as a football stand-out and leader on campus, with the invaluable encouragement of his greatest influences: his high school sweetheart, Sophie, and Loyola's Jesuit faculty.

After his U.S. Army service, he completed his bachelor's degree and began his professional career, first at Bethlehem Steel and then for more than three decades at SmithKline & French, which brought him and his family to the Philadelphia suburbs in 1967. During his SmithKline career, he worked in commercial and operational roles of increasing responsibility. His career included a stint as general manager of a new pharmaceutical manufacturing plant in Freeport, Bahamas, from 1980 to 1985, overseeing its construction, hiring and directing all staff, ensuring the facility's success and safety and acting as an industrial ambassador to the Freeport community. He was espe-



Paro

cially suited to this last role, given his communication talents, integrity and sociability — traits that shone brightly in all areas of his life.

Although John was an only child, he was very often considered a virtual brother to those who loved him, the person they would seek out to celebrate milestones or discuss major life decisions. His children and grandchildren are grateful for the example he set and the many passions he passed on: pride of heritage, long-lasting friendships, warm hospitality, family singalongs, guitar, and enjoying music (of all kinds), sports and sportsmanship, storytelling, fishing with grandchildren, golfing with friends, lifelong learning, a love of language, and above all, the joys and blessings of a devoted marriage.

He is reunited with his wife, Sophie, who passed away in the fall of 2023.

He is survived his four children; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; nephews, nieces and many friends.

A visitation will be held starting at 10 a.m. Wednesday, June 12, at St. John of the Cross Catholic Church, 5005 Wolf Road, Western Springs, followed by a funeral Mass. A reception will immediately follow at King-Bruwaert House, 6101 S. County Line Road, Burr Ridge.

Donations in John's memory may be directed to King-Bruwaert, [www.kingbruwaert.org](http://www.kingbruwaert.org), or to the Bethesda Project, [www.bethesda-project.org](http://www.bethesda-project.org).

Sullivan Funeral Home Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

## Sally Pelling

Sally Powers Pelling passed away June 5, 2024, surrounded by her loving family.

Sally, 72, was born in 1951 and attended Streator High School, where she was the cheerleader captain and homecoming queen.

She was cheerleader captain at Northwestern University and MVP of the swim team. Sally was an Illinois state diving champ and ranked ninth nationally.

She was an avid tennis and golf player and enjoyed her time at Ruth Lake Country Club, Hinsdale Golf Club, and Island Country Club in Marco Island, Fla.

Sally was an accomplished real estate broker for 30 years, was a friend to all and brightened the room with her smile.

Sally was preceded in death by her parents,



Pelling

Dr. George Powers, Jr. and Weeta Powers; and her sister, Betty Powers.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years, John B. Pelling, Jr.; her children, John (Erin) Pelling, Chris (Beth) Pelling, Brian (Lori) Pelling, and Katy (Brian) LaCrosse; her grandchildren, Burton, Bear, Georgie, Addy, Josh, Emmy, Charlie, Mia, Ashley, Layne and Ally; and her siblings, Ron (Marianne) Powers and Kathy (Don) Fox.

Visitation will be held from 3 to 8 p.m. today, June 13, at Adolf & Powell Funeral Home, 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook. A funeral Mass will be said at 10 a.m. Friday, June 14, at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church, 306 W. Fourth St. Hinsdale.

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# GOOD NEWS

## COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS PRESENTED

Seven Hinsdale Central High School students have been recognized by the United Nations Association of the USA and InnerView in the seventh annual Community Service Impact Awards. This program has been designed to connect student community service activities, skill development and commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals to transform our world.

The Sustainable Development Goals provide a framework for addressing the world's most pressing challenges. They also present a unique opportunity for UN member states, grassroots organizations and advocates to work together to create a better future for everyone.

The three-tier award program recognizes a range of student achievement: Merit for 30 hours, Honor for 60 hours, and Ambassador for 100 hours of service this school year and special recognition for a focus

on Zero Hunger and Zero Waste.

Ambassador awardees: Shreyas Girotra, Abeeha Mirza

Merit awardees: Dana Karim, Brody O'Hare, Joy Shen, Medha Vemparala

Zero Hero awardees: Dana Karim, Maria Leal, Abeeha Mirza

## COLLEGE STUDENTS MAKE DEAN'S LISTS

Several Hinsdale students earned a place on the dean's list or equivalent for the spring 2024 semester at their respective colleges and universities.

- Mari Angelopoulos, Miami University\*
- Max Aziz, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Kelly Baird, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Jack Beaudin, Northern Illinois University
- Rachel Bergstrom, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Leah Bradley, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Joseph Bracato, Miami

University

- Declan Cain, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Christopher Cavero, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Sharon Chen, Iowa State University
- Jacob Duba, Iowa State University
- Emerson Eck, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Luke Evans, Miami University
- Dilan Garg, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- JJ Garvey, Miami University
- Liam Halpin, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Caroline Hayden, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Stephanie Hayden, Georgia State University\*\*
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- Brendan Kelly, Miami University\*
- Isabella Levinthal, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Madison Lipman,

University of Wisconsin-Madison

- Jacqueline McMahon, Miami University\*
- Joe Masood, Northern Illinois University
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- Alex Meyers, Miami University
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- Ruhi Nagarkatte, University of Wisconsin-Madison
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- James Regas, Elmhurst University
- Michael Ryan, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Jonathon Steil, Belmont University
- Cody Sweeney, Belmont University
- Alegria Waverley, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- Jonathan Webster, York College
- Zachary Zeidel, University of DuBuque

\* *president's list*

\*\* *president's list/4.0*

## QUIZ BOWL TEAM MAKES NATIONALS

A team from Hinsdale Central High School joined the top high school quiz bowl teams at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis for the 2024 High School National Championship Tournament the weekend of May 25, placing 97 out of 320 teams.

The team was captained by Jonathan DeToro, who was joined by Abigail AuYeung, Charlie Doehring and Zaynab Guezzar. The team was coached by Alan McCloud and Mark Wollschlaeger.

Hinsdale Central finished the preliminary rounds with a 6-4 record, which qualified the team for the playoffs.

Central suffered a heart-breaking narrow loss to Johns Creek B from Georgia during round 16 and another narrow loss to Montgomery Blair B from Silver Spring, Md., during round 21, losing their shot at the title.

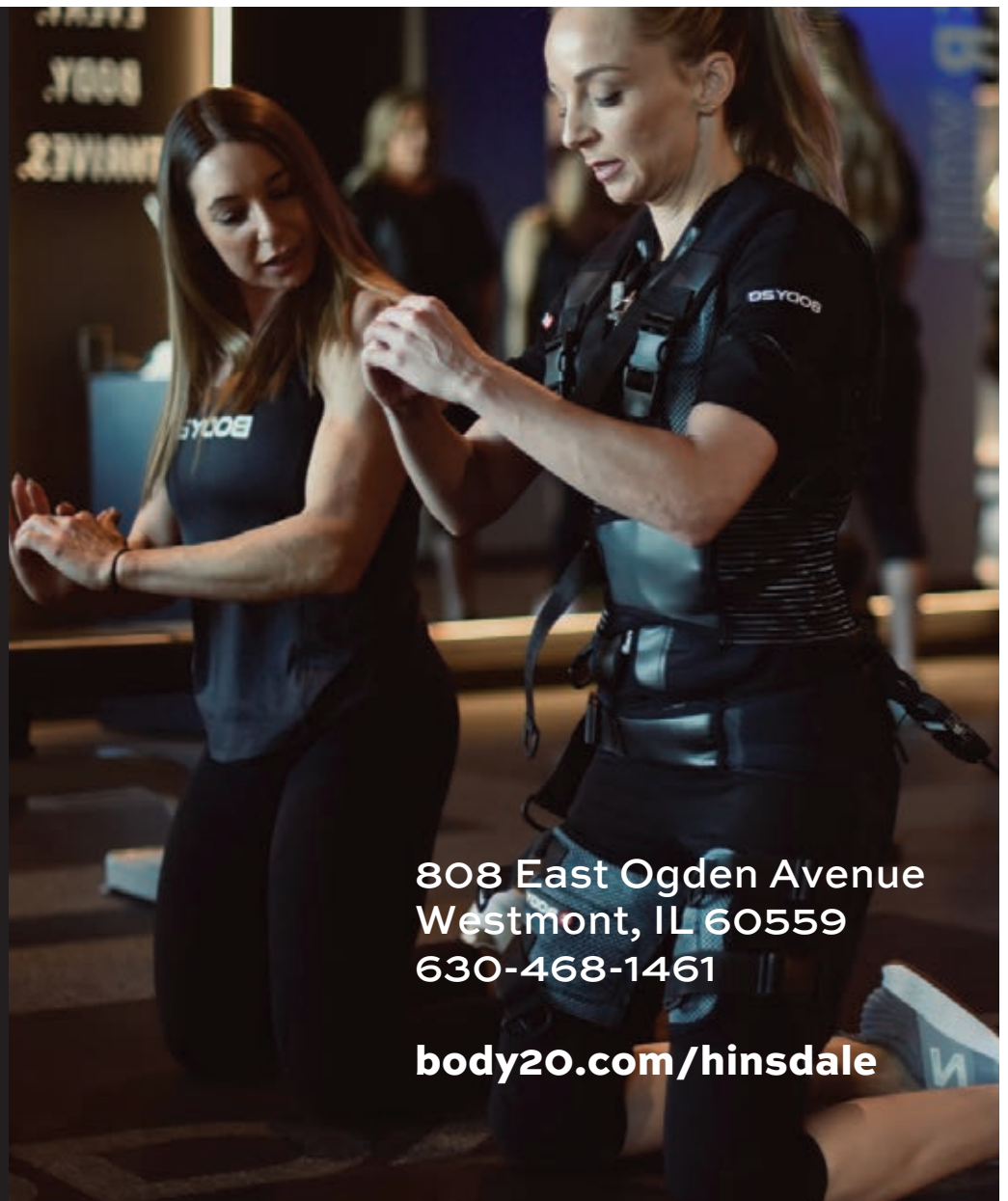
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# ASK AN EXPERT

Dr. Francisco Aguilar, cardiac electrophysiologist

## What's the latest way to treat AFib?

Living in the town where he has worked for the last 14 years, Dr. Francisco Aguilar said he sometimes feels like the hometown country doctor. But there's nothing small-town about the major medical tools that Aguilar is able to offer as a cardiac electrophysiologist at UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale.

The hospital is the first in the western suburbs to provide patients with access to the Farapulse Pulsed Field Ablation (PFA) System in the treatment of atrial fibrillation, also known as AFib. Over a one-week period in late May, Aguilar and two other UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale doctors collectively and successfully performed nine cardiac procedures using the new technology.

AFib is a type of irregular heartbeat that often causes the heart to beat too quickly, causing an increased risk of heart failure or stroke. Aguilar said traditional ablation procedures involve freezing or burning tissue associated with a patient's abnormal heart rhythms. Too often, Aguilar said, the procedure

sacrifices healthy tissue, raising risks for further complications. Farapulse uses non-thermal electric fields to allow the surgeon to pinpoint the affected tissue and protect the rest of the heart.

"It's focusing on what you want to focus on," he said.

That's important to both the patient and to Aguilar, who said seeing patients suffer from the often inevitable side effects of a traditional ablation is the hardest part of his job. He called it "a privilege" to work for a hospital that cares about offering the newest and best tools to its patients and its physicians.

"The introduction of PFA to our atrial fibrillation treatment toolkit allows for safer and faster treatment at a time when we are seeing more patients with this condition. We are excited to offer this cutting-edge technology to our community," Aguilar said.

According to the American Heart Association, AFib affects about 50 million people worldwide. Aguilar said the condition is becoming more common, likely due to the aging population. Age, high blood pressure, sleep apnea, diabetes, kidney problems and obesity all are conditions associated with an increased

risk of heart arrhythmia.

Having performed cardiac ablation procedures for 14 years, Aguilar said the difference for the physician using the Farapulse technology is minimal, as it simply involves using a different catheter to perform ablation of the affected tissue. Because the procedure requires a cardiac electrophysiology lab, Hinsdale is currently the only UChicago Medicine AdventHealth location to offer the procedure.

The 12-year Hinsdale resident is married to infectious disease specialist Dr. Mai Pho. Their son is a rising St. Ignatius College Prep freshman and their daughter will be a Hinsdale Middle School eighth-grader.

In his career Aguilar has seen technology improve from guiding a catheter using only an X-ray image to the use of ultrasound, and finally, to the new technology just introduced. He said he anticipates performing many more Farapulse procedures as AFib cases continue to increase and as more patients learn of the method's advantages over traditional ablation tools.

"It's an exciting part to be involved with," Aguilar said.

— by Sandy Illian Bosch



UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Hinsdale cardiac electrophysiologist Francisco Aguilar, who's also a Hinsdale resident, said the state-of-the-art Farapulse procedure is a quicker and safer treatment for patients suffering from atrial fibrillation. (photo provided)



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## A generation of making Thursdays fun

*Uniquely Thursdays concert series supplies Hinsdale's summer soundtrack*

By Sandy Illian Bosch  
news@thehinsdalean.com

Over the last two decades, summer in Hinsdale has become synonymous with Uniquely Thursdays. Each Thursday night from June through August, families and visitors gather in Burlington Park for an evening of live music, food from local vendors, festive beverages, and plenty of fun.

The fun continues tonight, June 13, with music by Kelly Daniels. Fans of Daniels know him from Rockstar Rodeo, which was a favorite last year, said Amanda Wagner marketing director for the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce.



### Park & rock

Here's the band lineup for this year's Uniquely Thursdays concert series:

June 13  
Kelly Daniels

June 20  
GooRoos

June 27  
Lounge Puppets

July 11  
Reckless

July 18  
Whiskey Road

July 25  
Kelly Daniels

Aug. 1  
Starlight City

Aug. 8  
Infinity

Aug. 15  
Semple Band

Aug. 22  
7th Heaven

**Tonight Kelly Daniels** will kick off the Uniquely Thursdays concert series, the popular weekly summer event that welcomes young and old to enjoy live music, good

food and plenty of fun. Kelly Daniels' will return to the Burlington Park stage on July 25 for a second performance in the series. (photo provided)

"He's a Nashville recording artist," Wagner said. While Daniels' music has a definite country flavor, Wagner said it appeals to a wide audience.

Wagner said the entire summer lineup is designed to please the crowds, with old favorites returning to the Uniquely Thursday stage and new acts making their Burlington Park debut.

The GooRoos are another fan favorite returning to the lineup this summer. They'll perform songs of the '80s through today when they take the stage June 20.

New to Uniquely Thursdays, the Lounge Puppets will turn up the heat June 27 with their hair band and arena rock tributes. The crowd will hear songs by Bon Jovi, Def Leppard, Aerosmith, Van Halen and more. After a break for the July 4 holi-

day, Uniquely Thursdays continues July 11 with a performance by local band Reckless, performing classic hits from bands like Led Zepellin, Maroon 5 and the Beatles.

The evening returns to a more southern mood on July 18 when Whiskey Road makes its Hinsdale debut. They promise a mix of classic, southern and country rock ranging from Lynyrd Skynyrd to Carrie Underwood. The country vibe keeps going July 25 when Kelly Daniels returns for a second performance, followed by Starlight City on Aug. 1. The band describes its show as "a dazzling mix of pop and dance music combined with the powerful energy of a modern rock show."

Rock tribute band Infinity takes the stage on Aug. 8. Starting out as a Journey tribute band in 1985, the

group has expanded its repertoire to include songs made famous by more than 50 artists.

Last year's series opener, Semple Band, returns Aug. 15 with another high-energy performance including covers from the '70s through today, as well as some originals. Semple Band and its members have a litany of accomplishments on their resume, including a top-20 finish on Season 9 of NBC's *The Voice* by the band's lead singer and namesake, Keith Semple.

Uniquely Thursdays 2024 wraps up in its usual style on Aug. 22 with 7th Heaven. A Chicagoland favorite since they first performed in 1985, the band is known for its "30 Songs in 30 Minutes" medley of favorites from the '70s and '80s.

Wagner said this year's

Uniquely Thursdays events will shine a spotlight on food vendors with a designated food court located at Washington and Chicago streets. Visitors can select from Azteca Catering's menu of Mexican fare, Dippin' Dots ice cream, Sugar Mamas' sweets treats, Tropical Sno, Hinsdale's very own Giuliano's pizza, and Holy Pierogi. Every Day's a Sundae is new to this year's list of food vendors. Beer, seltzers and wine are available, too, and the event's many local sponsors are sure to have plenty of surprises in store at their booths.

The action happens each Thursday from 6 to 9 p.m. at Burlington Park, 30 E. Chicago Ave. Guests are encouraged to bring chairs and blankets. Food is allowed, but alcohol must be purchased on site.

# PULSE



**Wonder Woods Mini Golf** is now open at the Morton Arboretum. Competitors can test their skills as they putt through tree rings, past bugs and around mushrooms. See Page 19 for details. (photo provided)

## ARTFULLY DONE

### ■ Drawing Workshop

June 22  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
[www.thecommunityhouse.org](http://www.thecommunityhouse.org)  
(630) 323-7500

This fun, half-day workshop will focus on fundamental concepts such as measurement and proportion, shading and value in a supportive environment. No experience is necessary, and supplies are included. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$60. RR. MD

### ■ Forest Photography

June 22  
Little Red Schoolhouse  
Nature Center  
9800 Willow Springs Road,  
Willow Springs  
[www.fpdcc.com](http://www.fpdcc.com)  
(708) 839-6897

Bring a camera to observe nature on a guided photography walk. The program is for ages 13 and up, and all levels and camera types are welcome. Time: 2 p.m. RR

### ■ Needlecraft Night

June 27  
Hinsdale Public Library  
20 E. Maple St.  
[www.hinsdalelibrary.info](http://www.hinsdalelibrary.info)  
(630) 986-1976

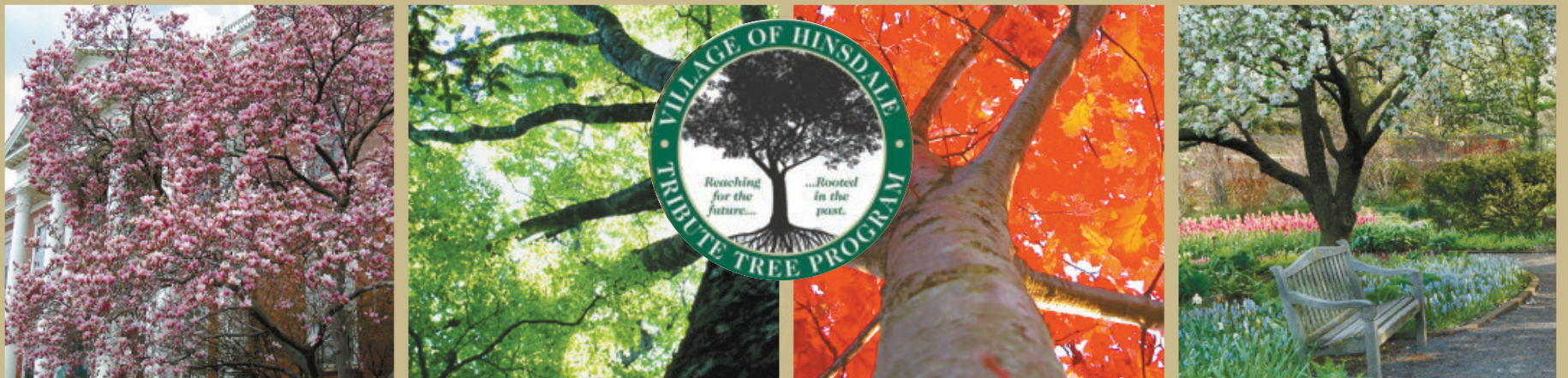
Learn the first step to knitting if you are new to the craft or bring a needlecraft project to work on and enjoy some pleasant conversation. Registration is optional. Time: 7 to 8 p.m.

### ■ Far Afield Exhibit

Through June 29  
Mayslake Peabody Estate  
1717 W. 31st St., Oak  
Brook  
[www.dupageforest.org](http://www.dupageforest.org)  
(630) 206-9566

Take in this exhibit by the Near West Arts Collective created during adventures off the beaten path in nature and the surrounding world. Meet members of the collective and enjoy signature non-alcoholic cocktails at a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, June 19. Hours: noon to 3 p.m.

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# Six health screenings every man should have

As part of Men's Health Month, we want to help fathers, sons, grandfathers and grandsons make great decisions about their health and well-being. The best way to stay healthy well into your later years is to participate in regular screenings. Health screenings catch problems early, before they require large amounts of care. All men should stay up to date on these important screenings.

**• Blood pressure screening**

High blood pressure is the top risk factor for heart disease. That's why adult men should have their blood pressure checked once a year, preferably at a physician's office. However, if you're at increased risk for heart disease, you may need to have your blood pressure checked more often.

**• Cholesterol screening**

High cholesterol puts you at greater risk for heart disease and stroke. All men over 35 should have their cholesterol checked at least every two years with a simple blood test. You may need your cholesterol checked more often, or at an earlier age, if you have a family history of heart disease, have diabetes or high

blood pressure, smoke, or are obese.

**• Diabetes screening**

A blood test can check your blood glucose levels. If these levels are elevated, your doctor may order additional testing, such as an A1C test. This simple test uses a small sample of blood to determine your average blood sugar level over the last three months.

Men should have their blood glucose levels checked every year during their annual wellness exam.

**• Depression screening**

While millions of men suffer from depression each year, many go untreated because of the negative stigma associated with mental illness. Left untreated, depression can affect both your mental and physical health, increasing your risk for heart disease and other serious health issues.

The screening takes only a few minutes and requires answering just a few questions for your physician. If you have any thoughts of suicide, see a physician immediately.



**Dr. Zoheb Osman**  
*Healthbeat*

**• Prostate exam**

Most men over age 50 should undergo a prostate exam to check for signs of prostate cancer, but recommendations vary. Ask your doctor if you need a prostate exam.

You can be screened for prostate cancer in one of two ways. You can have a digital rectal exam where the physician feels your prostate for lumps or swelling. You can also have a blood test to check for prostate-specific antigens. Each test has benefits.

**• Colonoscopy**

New recommendations from the American Cancer Society say all adults should receive their first colonoscopy at age 45. If the doctor finds no problems, you won't need a screening again for 10 years.

While many men dread a colonoscopy, it's one of the most effective cancer screening tests available and has saved thousands of lives. New techniques make the preparation and test more comfortable than ever before while still delivering effective results.

While seeing the doctor may not be on the top of your to-do list, it's an important part of maintaining your physical, mental and spiritual health. An annual exam (or an appointment to discuss symptoms) can give you the opportunity to ask questions, discuss health issues or changes, and get important screening tests to diagnose — and sometimes prevent — serious health conditions.

It can be hard to know when to see a doctor. If you experience symptoms that interfere with your daily life or are troubling you, schedule an appointment. Your doctor can perform a physical exam and order any necessary tests to get to the bottom of what's causing your symptoms. Some symptoms may even point to a potentially serious underlying condition.

Make your health a priority for yourself, your family and your friends. After all, the sooner you receive timely treatment, the better your physical, mental and spiritual health will be.

— *Zoheb Osman, DO, is a family medicine physician with UChicago Medicine AdventHealth Medical Group in Hinsdale.*

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## FAMILY FUN

### Family Container Gardening

June 15  
St. James Farm Pavilion  
2S541 Winfield Road,  
Warrenville  
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(630) 933-7248

Celebrate Pollinator Week with the whole family by learning about several common native wildflowers, how to identify them and why they are important to wildlife. Then get dirty mixing dirt and potting up a container of native plants to take home. Time: 10 to 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$25 per family. RR

### Fishing With Dad

June 16  
Pratt's Wayne Woods  
Powis Road south of  
Stearns Road, Wayne  
www.dupageforest.org  
(630) 933-7248  
Spend time by the lake with

the dads in one's life, creating memories and learning skills to increase fishing successes. Time: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Cost: \$5 per person. RR

### Storytime in the Park

June 26  
Burns Field  
320 N. Vine St.  
www.hinsdalelibrary.info  
(630) 986-1976

Local children's author Laura Smetana will read aloud her book "My Love for You is Like a Garden," and families can make a craft and enjoy a cookie treat. Time: 10 to 10:30 a.m.

## FOR A CAUSE

### Ice cream and fundraiser

June 20  
Signature Homes Office  
22 N. Lincoln St.  
Enjoy free Original Rainbow Cone ice cream while also supporting a local charity. Hours: 3 to 5:30 p.m.

### Swing for Science

June 20  
Morton Arboretum

4100 Route 53, Lisle  
www.mortonarb.org  
(630) 725-2177

All ages are invited to enjoy a special night out at the arboretum's new Wonder Woods Mini Golf experience as part of this fundraiser for the arboretum's science initiatives. The event will include mini golf, an interactive science fair, live music, games, food and beverages. Hours: 4 to 9 p.m. Tickets: \$75, \$35 for ages 3-17.

### Blood drive

June 26  
American Legion Post 1941  
900 S. La Grange Road, La Grange  
www.redbloodcross.org  
(800) 733-2767

Book a time to give now using the contact info above. Those who give blood at this location or any Red Cross drive by June 30 will receive a \$15 e-gift card to a merchant of choice. Hours: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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## ■ Tennis Lessons

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Burns Field  
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www.villageofhinsdale.org/  
pr  
(630) 789-7092  
Beginning and advanced beginners ages 8-12 will con-

centrate on receiving skills, rallying skills, ball receiving and placement, play and score, court movement, agility, and balance and coordination. Players will be divided into groups based on ability level. Time: 11 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$73 for T/TH, \$107 for M/W. RR

## ■ Basketball Training Camp

Mondays July 8-22

Madison School  
611 S. Madison St.  
www.villageofhinsdale.org/  
pr  
(630) 887-1390

This class will help players ages 7-9 enhance the basics and advance their skills to improve teamwork and game strategies. Speed, agility and jump training sessions are part of the program, and a scrimmage game will be played at

the end of each class. Time: 6 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$50. RR

## ■ Wonder Woods Mini Golf

Through Sept. 2  
Morton Arboretum  
4100 Route 53, Lisle  
www.mortonarb.org  
(630) 968-0074

The tree-themed adventure offers a one-of-a-kind course specially designed for the arboretum with giant mush-

rooms, larger-than-life bugs and acorns. Golfers will learn how tree rings can tell the life story of a tree, how trees support the ecosystems of bugs and wildlife and other cool scientific concepts. Tickets must be purchased in advance with arboretum admission. Hours: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; last tee time at 5 p.m. Tickets: \$10, \$8 for ages 4-17. RR, MD

## GREAT OUTDOORS

### ■ MagiCicada Fest

June 15  
Sagawau Environmental Learning Center  
12545 W. 111th St., Lemont  
www.fpdcc.com  
(630) 257-2045

Celebrate the biggest party in 17 years and make some noise with Brood XIII while enjoying scheduled walks, presentations, exhibits and crafts. Hours: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### ■ Bird Outing

June 20  
Bemis Woods-South Ogden Avenue west of Wolf Road near Western Springs  
www.chicagobirdalliance.org/upcoming-events  
(312) 533-5751

Meet at Grove 7 to look for birds — year-round residents and beautiful spring migrants — with the Chicago Bird Alliance. Time 8 to 10 a.m. RR

### ■ Solstice & Cicada Walk

June 20  
Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center  
9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs  
www.fpdcc.com  
(708) 839-6897

Celebrate the emergence of the 17-year cicadas on the summer solstice with a walk and talk about these weird and fantastic insects while a librarian from the LaGrange Park library recites a folktale. Time: 7:30 p.m. RR

### ■ Learn to Fly Fish

June 21  
Palos Park Village Green  
8901 123rd St.  
www.fpdcc.org  
(312) 533-5751  
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fish handling. Time: 6 to 8:30 p.m. RR

■ **Camping 101: Overnight!**

June 22-23  
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p.m. June 22 to 5:30 p.m. June 23. Cost: \$50. RR

■ **The Unseen Prairie**

June 22 or 23  
Sagawau Environmental Learning Center  
12545 W. 111th St., Lemont  
www.fpdcc.com  
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Join this walk series to take a closer look at Sagawau's tall-grass prairie. The June 22 walk will look at sweep netting; the

June 23 walk will explore pollinators. Time: 10 a.m. RR

■ **Marvelous Monarchs**

June 23  
St. James Farm  
2S541 Winfield Road, Warrenville  
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Learn about the farm's beautiful native monarchs and how to help butterflies and other pollinators. Then join a

leisurely 20-minute stroll to find monarchs in their various stages of life. The program is for ages 12 and up. Time: 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. Cost: \$5. RR

**GREEN THUMB**

■ **World of Honeybees**

June 18  
Indian Head Park Administration Building  
201 Acacia Drive

All are welcome to this

Suburban Garden Club gathering to hear Greg Walter discuss honeybees, their role in our landscape and the benefits of locally grown honey. Time: 7 to 8:30 p.m.

■ **Healthy Plants, Happy Gardens**

June 18  
Morton Arboretum  
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## HEALTH & WELLNESS

### ■ Gentle Yoga

Wednesdays, June 19-Aug. 14  
KLM Lodge  
5901 S. County Line Road

[www.thecommunityhouse.org](http://www.thecommunityhouse.org)  
(630) 323-7500

This slower paced class is ideal for all ages, beginners and those recovering from illness or injury, with a focus on flexibility and strength, breath work and poses to increase relaxation and overall well-being. A chair will be used to allow for more support during balance postures and modifi-

cation options. Class is held in the upstairs ballroom. No class July 3 & 31. Time: 9 to 10 a.m. Cost: \$90. RR, MD

### ■ Hot Topics in Breast Cancer

June 22  
Wellness House  
131 N. County Line Road  
[www.wellnesshouse.org/hot-topics-in-breast-cancer](http://www.wellnesshouse.org/hot-topics-in-breast-cancer)  
(630) 323-5150

Hear from top oncologists, surgeons and healthcare professionals in the Chicago area to learn the latest updates in breast cancer research and treatment. Sessions include Medical Updates in the Treatment of Breast Cancers, Genetic Testing, Reducing Your Risk of Recurrence and Updates in the Treatment of Metastatic Breast Cancers. Time: 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. RR

## JUST FOR KIDS

### ■ Paint a Wind Chime

June 21  
Hinsdale Public Library  
20 E. Maple St.  
[www.hinsdalelibrary.info](http://www.hinsdalelibrary.info)  
(630) 986-1976

Stop by the library anytime during the day to pick up this take-home craft for kids in kindergarten through second grade. RR

### ■ Sweet Summertime Scavenger Hunt

Through June 30  
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## LISTEN & LEARN

### ■ Anyone Can Become a Citizen Scientist

June 18  
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[www.hinsdalelibrary.info](http://www.hinsdalelibrary.info)  
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Learn from Hinsdalean and Illinois Master Naturalist Stephanie Rens-Domiano about becoming a citizen scientist through information on research projects and different initiatives open to all. This program is for adults. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

### ■ How The World Eats Rice

June 19  
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Explore the most iconic global rice dishes and learn about their origins, including some of the best creations from main dishes to desserts and even beverages. Samples will be provided. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

## NOTEWORTHY

### ■ Jazz Soirée

June 21  
Robert R. McCormick House  
Cantigny Park  
1S151 Winfield Road,  
Wheaton  
www.cantigny.org

Foodies and jazz aficionados are invited to this first-ever event featuring a

performance by jazz vocalist Gabrielle Goudard, creative cocktails, fine dining and exciting entertainment inside the historic home of Colonel Robert McCormick. The curated menu includes fresh chilled seafoods, imported and domestic cheeses, broiled scallops on the half shell, lamb tenderloin pommes fondant and a wide selection of sweets. Select wine and cocktail pairings will be served from the

“hidden bar” inside the library. Hours: 7 to 10 p.m. Tickets: \$175. RR

## ON STAGE

### ■ ‘Heathers The Musical’

June 13-16  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
www.stagedoorfinearts.com

This darkly delicious story follows brainy, beautiful teenage misfit Veronica Sawyer,

who hustles her way into the most powerful and ruthless clique at Westerberg High: the Heathers. But when Veronica falls in love with new kid J.D. she’s kicked out of the group. Veronica decides to kiss Heathers’ aerobicized butt, but J.D. has another plan. Times: 7 p.m. June 13 & 14, 2 & 7 p.m. June 15, 2 & 6:30 p.m. June 16. Tickets: \$25-\$30.

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## Pet pic of the week



**Pauly and Mollie** are both three-year-old dogs and a bonded pair who need to be adopted into the same home. Pauly is the leader and always looks out for his sister. Mollie is a little more shy and likes to feel safe. They are both wonderful on walks and are eager to please. They are neutered/spayed, fully vaccinated, micro-chipped, and ready to go home today! They have been approved for children ages 5 and up and have an adoption fee of \$500 for the pair. Visit them at the Hinsdale Humane Society Tuthill Family Pet Rescue & Resource Center or get more information at [www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org](http://www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org) or (630) 323-5630. (photo provided)

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### SIGN UP NOW

#### ■ Bubbles & Boards: Charcuterie Crafting

June 20  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
[www.thecommunityhouse.org](http://www.thecommunityhouse.org)  
(630) 323-7500

Learn the art of crafting savory meat and cheese boards, while sipping on effervescent bubbly. An expert will reveal the nuances of assembly and flavor combinations for participants to apply to their personal charcuterie masterpiece — and take home a beautiful mini board. Registration closes June 14. Time: 5:30 to 8 p.m. Cost: \$60. RR, MD

### SPECIAL EVENTS

#### ■ Scottish Festival & Highland Games

June 14-15  
DuPage County Fairgrounds  
2015 Manchester Road,

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[www.chicagoscotts.org](http://www.chicagoscotts.org)  
(708) 442-7268

Chicago Scots will host this 38th annual event featuring the largest pipe band championship in North America, the caber-toss, highland dancing, dogs of Scotland, Celtic rock music, Scottish food and drink and more. Hours: 1 to 10 p.m. June 14, 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. June 15. Tickets: \$20 for one day pass to \$200 for VIP two-day pass, with regular two-day and discounted tickets available.

#### ■ Burdi Functional Art Car Show

June 16  
Hinsdale Avenue & Lincoln Street

This fundraiser will benefit Hinsdale Humane Society and feature peddle car rides, a DJ, lemonade stand and food trucks. The humane society will have a booth and raffle. Hours: 9 a.m. to noon.

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## ■ Summer Day Camp

Through Aug. 9  
The Community House  
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Kids entering first through eighth grade will create memories and safely enjoy time with their peers. The camp offers a variety of creative learning experiences including sports, drama and environmental awareness to name a few. The camp is broken up into weekly themes, with the field trip, activities and projects for the week related to the theme. Before (7 to 9 a.m.) and after (3 to 6 p.m.) care is offered at an additional cost. Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost: \$375 a week, \$80 a day.

## ■ Animal Advocates

Through Aug. 8  
Hinsdale Humane Society  
21 Salt Creek Lane  
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org  
(630) 323-5630

Campers ages 10-12 who are passionate about animals will participate in animal care workshops, a small animal safari, crafts, humane education, animal advocacy and more. Time: 9 a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$300 per session.

## ■ Critter Camp

Through Aug. 8  
Hinsdale Humane Society  
21 Salt Creek Lane  
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org  
(630) 323-5630

Kids ages 6-9 will enjoy outdoor adventures, time playing with dogs and cats, a small animal safari, crafts and more. Time: 9 a.m. to noon or 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$300 per session.

## ■ Summer Arts Camp/Morning Drawing

Through Aug. 16  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
www.thecommunityhouse.org  
(630) 323-7500

Kids ages 5-13 can start their mornings this summer free drawing or participating in a drawing exercise. This can be taken weekly in conjunction with Open Art Studio (below) at a cost of \$210. Time: 9 to 10 a.m. \$80 a week, \$18 a day.

## ■ Summer Arts Camp/Kids

## Open Art Studio

Through Aug. 16  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
www.thecommunityhouse.org  
(630) 323-7500

Kids Open Art Studio gives kids ages 5-13 the change to work with a different set of materials each day. Time: 10 a.m. to noon. Cost: \$135 a week, \$30 a day.

## ■ All Abilities Animal Friends Camp

June 14 or 28  
Hinsdale Humane Society  
21 Salt Creek Lane  
www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org  
(630) 323-5630

This camp is designed for children with developmental and cognitive disabilities. Remaining spots can be filled by children without disabilities. Campers will be provided with an array of activities — from interacting with pets to making crafts — that will encourage them to get active, express their creativity and share their emotions. Additional sessions will be offered July 12 and 26 and Aug. 9. Sign up for one or all five. Time: 9 to 11 a.m.

## ■ RPG Camp

June 17-20  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
www.thecommunityhouse.org  
(630) 323-7500

Role playing games (RPGs) encourage teamwork and help kids exercise imagination and make new friends for life. Kids ages 9 and older who have watched “Stranger Things” and wondered what Dungeons & Dragons was all about can fight their own Demogorgon, writing their own stories, acting out their characters and fighting the BBEG (Big Bad Evil Guy.) A second session will be offered Aug. 5-8. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$235.

## ■ Cheerleading Camp

June 17-21  
Robbins Park  
Seventh and Vine streets  
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr  
(630) 789-7090

Learn how to show spirit for the home team with instruction on crowd and sideline chants and cheers as well as arm motions, tumbling and

floor routines. Basic stunts and jumps will be incorporated throughout the week in this camp for ages 7-12. Time: 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Cost: \$130.

## ■ Comedy Improv Camp

June 17-10  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
www.thecommunityhouse.org  
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Stage Door Fine Arts offers this camp for ages 8-16 interested in participating in improv and having fun. Time: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost: \$255.

## ■ Flag Football Camp

June 17-21  
Robbins Park  
Seventh and Vine streets  
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr  
(630) 789-7090

Players ages 5-12 will build skills like catching, passing, de-flagging and offensive and defensive strategies through positive coaching. Participants will be taught through drills and games in a positive and safe environment. Time: 9 to 10:30 a.m. for ages 5-7, 10 a.m. to noon for ages 8-12. Cost: \$98/\$130.

## ■ Outdoor Floor Hockey Camp

June 17-21  
Burns Field  
320 N. Vine St.  
www.villageofhinsdale.org/pr  
(630) 789-7090

Kids ages 7-12 will be introduced to the fundamental concepts of the game in a fun, supportive and noncompetitive environment. Coaches zero in on skills like ball control, positional play, passing, shooting, speed, getting open, stick handling and goal tending. Time: 1 to 3 p.m. Cost: \$130.

## ■ Watercolor Camp: Global Expedition

June 24-27  
The Community House  
415 W. Eighth St.  
www.thecommunityhouse.org  
(630) 323-7500

Learn epic watercolor techniques and complete a global passport in this camp, with projects inspired by things around the world, like a California sunset or Hawaiian quilt. The camp is for ages 7-14. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Fee: \$235.

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## A house united, part two

**Clarendon Hills Middle School** graduates and their families filled the Hinsdale Middle School gym for their graduation ceremony three hours after HMS held its ceremony. The district saved on the balloons by adding a 'C' to change over the event from HMS to CHMS. The CHMS Choir and the Spartan Chorale were part of the festivities. (Jim Slonoff photos)

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# REAL ESTATE SALES

Deeds for the following properties in Hinsdale and Golfview Hills were recorded in DuPage County between April 29 and May 16.

**1. 1145 Indian Trail Road,** Chicago Title Land Trust Co. to Joseph and Michele Alberts, April 29, \$625,000

**2. 338 N. Quincy St.,** Robert and Sylvia Klinger to Nickolas Tweihns and Kristin Preihs, May 2, \$899,000

**3. 844 N. Washington St.,** Susan Mars to Gwen Bultema, May 2, \$1,125,844

**4. 730 S. Lincoln St.,** Joseph and Michele Alberts to Michael and Caroline Wilson, May 2, \$1,500,000

**5. 811 N. Elm St.,** Hickory Holdings LLC to Skill Management LLC, May 2, \$1,100,000

**6. 640 W. Hinsdale Ave.,** Dawn J. McKenna and Dawn McKenna Revocable Trust to Lauren and Adam Walz, May 3, \$385,000

**7. 126 E. Hickory St.,** Jon and Mary Fyrwald to A&A Homes LLC, May 3, \$3,100,000

**8. 221 N. Grant St.,** Patrick R. and Kelly E. Pelling revocable trusts to Charles and Lisa Sprovieri, May 3, \$2,175,000

**9. 5817 S. Thurlow St.,** Ralph and Vicki Pierson to Sandeep and Shreya Chandra and Madhulika Saxena Chandra, May 7, \$575,000

**10. 149 W. Kennedy Lane,** Evangeline and Nicholas Georgopoulos to Richard and Judith Diruzza, May 9, \$1,125,000

**11. 210 E. Walnut St.,** Jeannet D. Benfield Declaration Trust to Dana and Christopher Kritsas, May 9, \$1,565,000

**12. 207 Ravine Road,** Noel and Susan McBride to Eric and Kayla Makinen, May 10, \$1,150,000

**13. 910 Allmen Ave.,** Diane M. Hogan Trust to One Allmen LLC, May 15, \$729,500

**14. 740 W. Seventh St.,** James Morgan and Dorothy O. Morgan Trust to Daniel and Elcira Martinez, May 17, \$635,000

**15. 450 S. Vine St.,** Helena M. Fellows Trust to Adam and Marie Lucas, May 22, \$1,920,000

**16. 435 N. Madison St.,** Chicago Title Land Trust Co. to Matthew and Caitlin Sweeney, May 23, \$1,200,000

**17. 612 Jefferson St.,** John E. and Catherine E. Baderman trusts to Peter Revenaugh and Emily McKenzie, May 24, \$1,550,000

**18. 120 E. Elm St.,** Chicago Title Land Trust Co. to Dominick and Deidre Keefe, May 24, \$1,800,000

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Published in The Hinsdalean May 30, June 6 & 13, 2024.

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Jean Kaczmarek  
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It is a wise father that knows his own child.  
William Shakespeare


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  - 7 FEATURE OF SOME TRUCKS
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  - 9 OUTBACK BIRD
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  - 12 GOOGLE, FOR ONE
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ANSWERS TO TODAY'S CROSSWORD CAN BE FOUND IN THE CLASSIFIEDS.

## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

**DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK:** ◆◆◆

◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging  
◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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## SCRAMBLERS

solution

1. Peek; 2. Wander;
3. Defend; 4. Score

Today's Word

**WEEKENDS**

## SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each clue to form the underlying words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will appear in the grid.

- CLUE: **KEEP** =
- CLUE: **WARDEN** =
- CLUE: **FENDED** =
- CLUE: **CORES** =

TODAY'S WORD

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# HOROSCOPES

June 2024 Horoscopes • Week 3



CAPRICORN

**CAPRICORN – Dec 22/Jan 20**  
A newfound interest in nutrition and health inspires you to make changes to your diet and exercise routine, Capricorn. Alternative therapies also could be drawing your attention.



ARIES

**ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20**  
It is important to have some deep conversations with a romantic partner to get to the root of issues that have come up, Aries. You may have an even deeper relationship after a discussion.



CANCER

**CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22**  
Practical visions run through your mind this week, Cancer. They include redecorating options or how to make the backyard more functional.



LIBRA

**LIBRA – Sept 23/Oct 23**  
Libra, this is a week to deal with any legal matters that you may have, including trusts and even real estate. Once these issues are settled, you can move on to some fun things.



AQUARIUS

**AQUARIUS – Jan 21/Feb 18**  
Aquarius, perhaps you are thinking about expanding your horizons by taking classes in a creative pursuit, such as writing or music. These activities can benefit your mind in many ways.



TAURUS

**TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21**  
Taurus, if a particularly large purchase is on the horizon, you may need to adapt your budget accordingly. Start making small changes now so you'll have the extra cash.



LEO

**LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23**  
You may have a desire to spend a lot of time with your family over the next few days, but at least one person is not enamored with interacting with you, Leo. You'll get to the bottom of it.



SCORPIO

**SCORPIO – Oct 24/Nov 22**  
Scorpio, you have an uncanny ability to blend both intellect and intuition when you make decisions. It helps form plans that have high chances of success in your career and life.



PISCES

**PISCES – Feb 19/Mar 20**  
Now might be a good time to start thinking about financial investments, Pisces. Work with other people who may offer recommendations on which avenues to pursue.



GEMINI

**GEMINI – May 22/Jun 21**  
Suddenly you are more mysterious than in the past, Gemini. You may be able to use this allure to make some new friends or networking contacts.



VIRGO

**VIRGO – Aug 24/Sept 22**  
Virgo, recognition of your efforts at work could lead to some welcome news on the financial front. It can be tempting to spend that money in advance, but wait until you receive the news to start spending.



SAGITTARIUS

**SAGITTARIUS – Nov 23/Dec 21**  
Relationships will become more solid and enduring this week, Sagittarius. You even may be able to work through a long-standing bit of tension with someone close to you.

# SPORTS

## Local golfers compete close to home



Hinsdale's Lilly Riegger sizes up her putt on the first green at Hinsdale Golf Club on Tuesday during the Women's Western Junior Championship.

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field, which includes golfers she has met before, as well as future teammates. Abdullah will play for the University of Wisconsin after completing her senior year at Central.

Among the 78 competitors is defending Western Junior Women's champion Suzie Tran of Washington. Tran finished Tuesday's first round tied for 11th place with a 2-over-par score of 74.

Hinsdale's Owens finished the first day of competition on par in a five-way tie for 2nd places. Abdullah finished the first day's play tied for 57th place, while Riegger tied for 67th.

Play was set to continue on Wednesday before cutting the field to 16 players for three rounds of match play on Thursday and Friday.

"There will be one champion at the end," said Melissa Banas, tournament director. Past winners of the Western

Junior Women's tournament include Cristie Kerr, who has 24 professional wins, and Nancy Lopez, whose career includes 4 LPGA tournament titles.

Along with the title, this year's champion will earn American Junior Golf Association status and the opportunity to play in the Women's Western Amateur set for July in Lake Forest.

Hinsdale Central golfers Jack Mulligan and Dru Devata are set to represent the home team when the Western Junior begins later this month.

Hinsdale last hosted the Western Junior Tournament in 1934, when it was held at the Hinsdale Golf Club. This is the first time the tournament has been played at Ruth Lake.

Competition among the 156 participating golfers will begin with 36 holes on Tuesday, June 18, after which the field will be cut to the

low 44 and ties. Those who make the cut will play 36 more holes of stroke play in hopes of winning the coveted Western Junior title.

Past winners of the tournament include 2013 champion Collin Morikawa, currently ranked 8th in the PGA's world rankings, and Rickie Fowler, who won the tournament in 2005 and has since won six PGA Tournaments.

The tournament's top three finishers and ties receive exemptions into the Western Amateur, to be played in Dayton, Ohio, later this summer.

Banas and men's Tournament Director Steve Prioletti said the public is welcome at both tournaments. For more information, visit [www.womenswesternjunior.com](http://www.womenswesternjunior.com) or [www.thewesternjunior.com](http://www.thewesternjunior.com).

"It's going to be a great week in Hinsdale," Banas said.

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# SPORTS

## Local golfers compete close to home

*Junior tournaments return to Hinsdale area to the delight of competitors and fans*

**By Sandy Illian Bosch**  
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Elyssa Abdullah plays golf every day. But despite living just a couple of miles from Hinsdale Golf Club, the Hinsdale Central golfer never set foot on the links that serve as the home course for the Hinsdale Central boys team.

"We've never had the opportunity to play on it," Abdullah said.

That all changed this week as Abdullah prepared for the 97th Women's Western Junior Championship, taking place June 10-14 at Hinsdale Golf Club. Hinsdale last played host to the tournament in 1937.

The competition is one of two major junior championships being played in the area Hinsdale this month. The Western Junior Championship will be played June 17-20 at Ruth Lake Country Club. That



**Caroline Owens watches** her tee shot on the second hole Tuesday during the Women's Western Junior Championship at Hinsdale Golf Club. She was one of three Hinsdale residents competing in the event among players from around the globe. (Jim Slonoff photos)



**Hinsdale's Elyssa Abdullah** tees off on the third hole Tuesday at Hinsdale Golf Club. The rising Hinsdale Central senior has been a mainstay for the Red Devils varsity squad since freshman year and placed second in the state tournament as a sophomore.

course, coincidentally, serves as the home course for Hinsdale Central's female golfers.

Along with Abdullah, who enters the competition ranked among the top 5 junior golfers in the state, Hinsdale is represented in the tournament by Hinsdale Central golfers Caroline Owens and Lilly Riegger. All three were members of Central's 2022 state champion team, as well as the 2023 runner-up team.

To qualify, golfers must be 18 or younger with an up-to-date 18-hole index of 9.4. The tournament's 78 competitors have an average index of 1.9. Abdullah, Owens and Riegger are among 78 competitors selected from 26 states and six countries.

Abdullah said she's motivated by the competitive

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