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## Popsicles and party on the patio

**Children from The Community House** summer day camp took a break in the shade — and enjoyed some cool treats and a magic show — while attending the Party on the Patio event last week. The next Party on the Patio is planned for 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Aug. 9, and the public is invited to listen to a DJ and take part in some yard games. Please turn to Page 24 for more pictures. (Jim Slonoff photo)





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## **NEWS**

## Members go out for tacos after meeting

Three who met for dinner say they didn't break the law, as no D86 business was discussed

By Pamela Lannom

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All three Hinsdale High School District 86 members who met for dinner following their July 11 meeting say they did not violate the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

Board President Cat Greenspon and board members Peggy James and Jeff Waters, who gathered at Taco Grill in Westmont, said no board business was discussed.

"We all stayed after (the meeting) to help clean up as we typically do
— there are any number of board members that stay after to clean

up — and decided we were hungry and went to eat," Greenspon said. "That was it."

The Illinois Open Meetings Act prevents the majority of a quorum (three members for a seven-member board) gathering "for the purpose of discussing public business."

James noted the three were meeting outdoors at a public restaurant, not behind closed doors.

"I can only tell you we did not discuss board business," she said.

Yvonne Mayer, who has been a critic of recent board actions, and Greenspon in particular, discov-

ered the three at the restaurant and took a photo of them at about 8:30 p.m.

Mayer said she went home after the meeting, which adjourned at 7:02 p.m., and didn't want to eat the dinner her husband had made.

"I was hungry after the meeting. I went to go where I regularly go and there they were," she said. "I thought, 'This is gossip confirmation. There they are.'"

Mayer said she has heard many rumors that board members get together after meetings to debrief, and she doubts no board business was discussed. "It's just not credible. It's just not believable," Mayer said. "Even if it was true, they should have avoided the appearance of impropriety."

Greenspon confirmed that she has been out with other board members after meetings and said she does not believe such gatherings are inappropriate.

"As a board member, I do not give up my rights as an individual private citizen at all," she said.

Waters agreed.

"Upon being elected to the District 86 Board of Education, I did not give up my private life," he wrote in an email.



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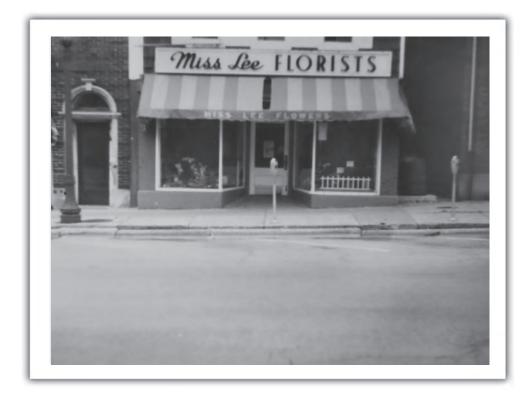
The Regarding Rainey Dog Foundation held a red carpet dog fashion show June 29 at The Community House. Holly Wengerski of Suburban K9 walked Anakin and Bigsby down the red carpet. Len Szatkowski had his corgi, Leia, looking pretty in pink. Bender, whose owner goes by B, tried out a skate board. Shadow didn't have to walk, as Cathy Baker carried him down the aisle. (Jim Slonoff photos)



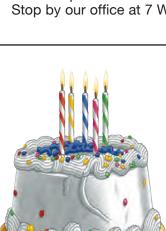




## **ONCE UPON A TIME**



Pictures from the past — Hinsdale's building services supervisor, Jim Piontkowski, took this photo in 1979. Miss Lee Florists may have changed it's name to Phillip's Flowers and Gifts, but it is still located at 47 S. Washington St. and still is owned by the Phillips family, as it has been for more than 100 years. Do you have a Hinsdale photo that is at least 25 years old? We'd love to share it with our readers. Stop by our office at 7 W. First St. or email it to jslonoff@thehinsdalean.com.



**Happy Birthday!** Madeline Katz turns 16 July 19

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#### **NEWS**

## Summer school makes the grade in D86

Students may sacrifice some seasonal frolicking but are keen to their advance scholarship

By Ken Knutson

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"Why are you willing to spend time on something you're not getting credit for?"

The question was posed to rising Hinsdale Central junior Asha Sarai, a student in last week's AP History Writing Workshop, by Alex Mayster, executive director of communications for Hinsdale High School District 86.

Sarai had a ready response.

"I obviously do care about my academic success," she said, citing the summer slide that can happen. "It's a great way to get back in the mindset of learning and just enhance my experience as a student in the coming years."

The interview was part of video Mayster and a film crew were producing on the district's summer school program, hosted this year at Hinsdale South High School.

Owens, a Central social studies teacher, led the three-day workshop with about 20 students enrolled. She said the non-credit offering is designed to provide tools to rising sophomores and juniors for performing well in their first AP class.

"The idea is to give them examples of writing and multiple choice examples so that when they're seeing these types of questions and these types of essays for the first time, they have some basis of comparison," Owens told Mayster. "They're really getting a lot of information in a really short amount of time that they can reference.

"It's not like high time commitment, high pressure, high stress. It's more for fun," Owens later told The Hinsdalean.

In class Owens showed students images representing significant 20th-century events and figures. She advised students jot down pertinent information like dates, location and ensuing developments in shorthand form that could then be expanded in an essay.

"Do not write in complete sentences for now," she said leading into a six-minute note-taking exercise. "Very raw. Just sort of try it. You learn a little bit better







by trying and doing."

Back in the South library where Mayster conducted his interviews, South drivers ed teacher Nathan Wolkow gave a video interview on the scheduling advantages of getting instruction in the summer versus the school year.

"The summer is a more condensed version. During the semester they spend a whole semester in drivers ed, whereas in the summer they're doing a month-and-a-half to two-month section. The same requirements are being met," Wolkow said.

Summer school co-director Sue Grady said drivers ed is one of the most popular courses, with nearly 90 students signed up.

"The Geometry Accelerated program is always highly attended as well," Grady related. "Taking those classes in summer allow students to open up time in their regular schedules for other interests."

That was rising sophomore and Geometry Accelerated student Christian Jaimes' motivation for signing up. The aspiring engineer wants to be on track to take AP Calculus as a senior.

"I thought it would be good to just knock out geometry over the summer," Jaimes told Mayster, praising teacher Lexi Fosco. "I've gotten all the material very quickly."

Fosco, who teaches at South, said the course covers in six weeks what normally takes a full school year.

"By taking geometry over the summer, (students) can then go into Algebra II their sophomore year, junior year Pre-calculus and then senior year typically AP Calculus," she explained.

Most of her underclassmen already have their sights set on a STEM-related career, Fosco noted, and their Algebra I teacher has often recommended them for the accelerated opportunity

Grady and co-director Jordan Stob — both Central English teachers — have coordinated summer school in the district for several years. Grady is proud of the menu of classes available, such as Science Inquiry and Research (or SIR) I, II and III.

"It takes a lot of discipline from the students," she remarked, particularly rising freshmen in SIR I who have yet to take a high school class. "They're engaging in this high-level academic science course. I think that really sets us apart."

Pulling together the sixweek, two-session endeavor begins in November with constructing a program of studies, Grady said, and requires considerable multi-tasking.

"In addition to hiring, we also do payroll, we also do all the scheduling, we're the deans, we do the counseling," she enumerated, grateful that she and Stob share the responsibilities. "It's kind of a big job. It's a little too much for just one person. On June 3 we're like, 'Oh, we're basically done!' "

Grady knows it's an important facet of the high school experience for many in the

Hinsdale Central social studies teacher Kelly Owens (clockwise from top left) and rising Central junior Asha Sarai are interviewed July 9 by Alex Mayster, executive director of communications for Hinsdale High School District 86, for a video he's creating on the school district's summer program held on Hinsdale South's campus. Owens instructs students in the AP History Writing Workshop, a three-day non-credit course. Other students took full-credit classes in subjects such as math and consumer education. (Jim Slonoff photos)

#### **■ SUMMER DAYS**

This is one in a series of stories featuring visits to summer events and activites in the village.

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"It's just really nice for kids and families to be able to get some of those credits out of the way," she said, "For students that come a solid six weeks for five hours a day, it takes some dedication. You can only miss two days."

Mayster said the summer school video will be the first of a series "that puts kids and teachers in the forefront."

Heading back to AP History Writing Workshop after their interview, Sarai and Central classmate Ary Bansal said they're glad to have incorporated school into their summer

"I had to beg my parents to do it," revealed Sarai, whose other option was tennis camp.

Bansal said he's not missing out on fun with friends.

"They're probably still sleeping," he quipped.

## **NEXT WEEK**

## **Hinsdale Parks and Recreation Commission special meeting**

6 p.m. Tuesday, July 23 Memorial Building, 19 E. Chicago Ave.

## **MEETING ROUNDUP**

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

Among other business July 11, board members:

• approved legal bills totaling \$63,325 from Robbins Schwartz for the month of May. Board member Terri Walker pulled the item from the consent agenda, saying she has concerns about the dramatic increase in legal bills.

"Perhaps there is a way we could be a little more prudent in our approach, because this money could be used directly toward improving student outcomes," she said.

• approved revisions to policy 2:140 regarding communications to and from the board. The revisions add wording that indicates the policy applies to communication on a board member's private device or account and to call for departing board members to provide the board attorney "with copies or originals of any material in their personal possession that may constitute a public record and, only after doing so, shall delete or destroy any remaining personal copies of public records."

Walker pulled this item from the consent agenda as well, asking why the additional language was inserted and whether other districts are following the same practice.

"The intent was to provide guidance when using personal devices for board communication," policy committee Chair Peggy James responded. "I do not know if other districts are following the same suit. I think it's appropriate for District 86."

The board voted 6-1 to make the changes, with Walker voting

• voted 5-2 to approve revisions to policy 2.160 regarding the board attorney. The changes call for the superintendent to notify the board president when contacting the attorney and indicate the attorney will work with the superintendent to keep the board president informed of that advice. It also indicates the superintendent shall not consult with or hire other attorneys in matters relating to district business.

Walker pulled this item from the consent agenda as well, noting that the board recently hired a new chief administrator.

"I really don't see the need for extra layers of review, particularly at the beginning of the tenure of the new superintendent," she said. "Dr. Lach has shared there could be a way for us to get the information we need to feel appropriately informed without having to have the board president involved in every conversation and changing this policy in this way."

Waters said the changes are in line with the Illinois School Code and the controls are important for the board to be fiscally responsible in regards to legal bills.

The revised policy was approved 5-2, with Walker and board member Asma Akhras voting no.

#### **Hinsdale Village Board**

Among other business Tuesday, trustees:

- reviewed an ordinance allowing construction of a new plaza on the south side of the Memorial Building, an intergovernmental agreement with the Hinsdale Public Library and a \$318,835 bid from Apex Landscaping to construct the plaza and install landscaping. The library has agreed to split the cost with the village and contribute up to \$200,000. Trustees are expected to vote on the items at their Aug. 13 meeting.
- discussed an ordinance limiting short-term rentals in the village to 90 days, with a vote slated for Aug. 13
- granted liquor licenses to Hinsdale Prime Steak, which will open soon in the old Corner Bakery location at Garfield and Hinsdale avenues, and Hinsdale Food and Liquor on South Madison Street



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## Two new paddle courts likely at KLM

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

Hinsdale paddle tennis enthusiasts likely will have two new courts to use at Katherine Legge Memorial Park this fall or winter.

"We feel like this proposal is a win-win-win situation," said Kevin Parks, a board member of the Hinsdale Platform Tennis Association, citing the village, HPTA and the public as beneficiaries. "Through our partnership with the village, we have been able to create a world-class facility now over at KLM park.

"It competes with anything in public programs, in private programs around the area and really across the country. It's a beautiful facility. Making it even better is a privilege that we have in front of us," he added.

The Hinsdale Village Board Tuesday reviewed HPTA's request to expand its special-use permit to build two new courts. HPTA already manages six paddle tennis courts and a clubhouse at the site.

The new courts will be located almost 132 feet from the south property line abutting King-Bruwaert Independent and Assisted Living Facility in Burr Ridge and almost 227 feet from the east property line next to single-family homes in Burr Ridge. Existing courts have 92- and 60-foot setbacks.

Each new court will be lighted with LED lights that will be place on an automatic timer system to operate from 7 a.m. until 10:30 p.m. The lights will be installed at a 90-degree angle and should not provide glare to adjacent properties.

HPTA plans at some point to replace the lights at the existing six courts with LED lights, Parks said. The ordinance approving the expansion of the existing special-use permit will include a timeline of two years for that to occur.

"It's a goal to do it a lot soon-



**This birds-eye view** shows the location of the six existing paddle tennis courts and clubhouse in the southeast corner of KLM Park. The Hinsdale Paddle Tennis Association wants to build two more courts at the site. (photo provided)

er than that," Parks said.

The Hinsdale Plan Commission voted 9-0 to approve the project after holding a public hearing in June.

HPTA has some 800 members, about half of which are from Hinsdale, said Parks, a Hinsdale resident himself.

"It's a bona fide community that really uses the asset over there," he said.

Trustees expect to vote on the request at their next meeting Tuesday, Aug. 13. If they give their approval, HPTA will prepare a bid package and go out to bid for the project, with construction expected to begin this fall.

"We're hopeful that we can begin construction in that September/October time frame so we can use those courts for our league play through this winter," Parks said Wednesday.



## **POLICE BEAT**

Hinsdale police distributed the following reports July 16.

#### **DUI & drug arrest**

Qasem N. Bashir, 40, 7249 W. 84th St., Bridgeview, was arrested for felony methamphetamine possession, driving under the influence of drugs, improper lane use, operating an uninsured vehicle, failure to signal when changing lanes and failure to signal when required at 4:08 a.m. July 11 at Route 83 and Ogden Avenue. He was in possession of drug paraphernalia containing a white crystal substance that field tested positive for methamphetamine. He was charged and released to appear in court.

#### E-bike stolen

An e-bike valued at \$2,800 was stolen between July 2 and 13 from an unlocked garage in the 10 block of North Quincy Street.

#### **Check thief sought**

A known suspect stole checks from a resident of the 900 block of South Vine Street, forged them and used them to make fraudulent bank transactions between June 25 and July 1. The incident was reported July 8.

#### **Identity theft incidents**

- Personal information belonging to a resident of the 5600 block of South Park Avenue was compromised from a cyber attack on July 6.
- Someone used bank account information belonging to a resident of the 300 block of West Fourth Street to make fraudulent transactions on June 26. The incident was reported July 15.

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

## Did you know?

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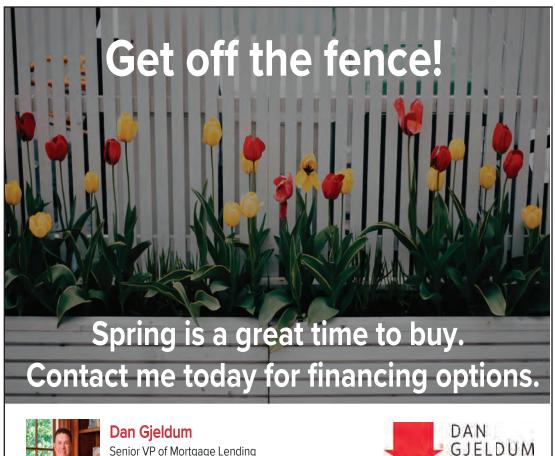
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## **60 SECONDS**

■ "It just seemed like a really amazing community where people were happy." —**Tina Weller** 

# Hinsdale woman finds multiple ways to give back

From the first time she visited Hinsdale, Tina Weller liked what she saw. She's spent the last two decades making it, and the world around it, even better.

"It just seemed like a really amazing community where people were happy," Weller said of Hinsdale, the village she and husband Jeff chose as their home 20 years ago while expecting their first son.

Since then, Weller has taken nearly every opportunity to give back to her adopted hometown. From volunteering at her two sons' schools to opening a business that donates a portion of its profits and serving on multiple nonprofit boards, Weller said she rarely says no when it comes to helping a philanthropic endeavor.

"Our whole goal is to give back more than receive," Weller said.

She founded her company, Fumée Claire, with the intention of giving back. A portion of profit from every clean-burning candle or plant-based body product sold is donated, bringing the grand total to more than \$35,000 in the company's first three years. The company website states that Fumée Claire prod-

ucts are made in the USA. What it doesn't say is that they're created in Hinsdale

"I make them all in my home. Everything is handmade by me," Weller said.

Among the organizations to benefit from Fumée Claire is the Hinsdale Historical Society. Weller said that as the owner of a nearly century-old home in Hinsdale, preserving the history and character of the village and its homes is important to her. For several years Weller organized the annual trolley VIP experience for the society's Kitchen Walk fundraiser.

She also is an active member and former board executive for Service Club of Chicago, Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club and the Infant Welfare Society, all of which share Weller's vision of a better world and better lives for those in it.

Other than her position as treasurer on the Hinsdale Central hockey team board, Weller has stepped down from her many board positions to allow more time with her youngest son in his final year of high school. She said she'll spend the next year focusing on family while also making time for the causes close to her



#### **TINA WELLER**

GRADUATE OF UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS CHICAGO • SHE AND HER HUSBAND ARE SELF-DESCRIBED 'FOODIES' • GREW UP WORKING IN HER PARENTS' RESTAURANT • ONCE HAD A JOB SELLING COMMERCIAL TRUCKS

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She and Jeff also will continue to support nonprofits and local sports teams through sponsorships and gifts.

"There's really not much we say no to," said Weller, who is preparing for several runway appearances as area nonprofits prepare for fundraising fashion shows.

When she's not walking the runway, planning a fund-

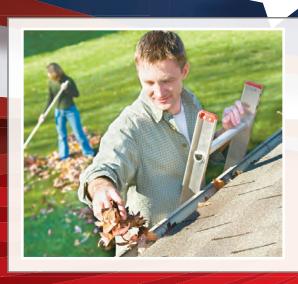
raising event, attending her son's hockey game or creating products for Fumée Claire, Weller can be found at Weller Dental, where she coordinates treatment plans and guides patients through their experience. Weller said she was highly fearful of dentists before she married one, so she understands the emotions that often accompany a visit to her husband's practice.

"Now, I talk people through their fears and anxieties," she

Through her gifts of time, talent and treasure, Weller said she has met many neighbors and gained a knowledge and appreciation for the town she has chosen to call home.

"That's another reward of giving back," she said.

— story by Sandy Illian Bosch, photo by Jim Slonoff



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## **OPINION**

**EDITORIAL** 

## Still plenty of summer to enjoy in Hinsdale

Camps. Lessons. Team practices. Trips to the pool — or maybe summer school. Appointments at the DMV.

All of the above can leave us wondering — just where are those lazy days of summer that they sing about?

And with the Fourth of July well behind us and the first day at Hinsdale Central less than a month away, summer seems to be quickly slipping from our grasp.

But there is plenty of summer left and plenty of activities to enjoy before it's time to pull out the wool slacks and cashmere sweaters.

Residents have six more opportunities to enjoy the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce's Uniquely Thursdays concert series, including tonight's installment featuring Whiskey Road. Other upcoming performers are Kelly Daniels, Starlight City, Infinity, Semple and 7th Heaven. Bring some friends, buy some food and drinks and enjoy a relaxing summer evening in Burlington Park.

Another stalwart of summer, the farmers market (also sponsored by the chamber) continues through the end of summer in September and on into October along Chicago Avenue near Burlington Park. Booths offer fresh produce and a variety of specialty food items that can be enjoyed at home or onsite.

The pool remains open through Labor Day, Sept. 2, with reduced back-to-school hours starting Aug. 19. Remaining special events include Flick 'n' Float July 19 (featuring "Elf"), Grandparent's Day July 22, Five Dollar Friday Aug. 9 and the Back to School Bash Aug. 10.

Grab the kids for the Hinsdale Public Library storytime at Burns Field from 10 to 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays through the end of July. Enjoy stories, fingerplays and music. Head to the library if it's raining!

The library will host its next HPL After Dark event from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, July 28, on the lawn. The blues concert features the Bear Williams Trio, and while it's geared toward adults, families are welcome.

Gary Kantor will perform his magic for the final installment of the popular Lunch on the Lawn series at 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 14, in Burlington Park.

Dogs will enjoy a summer romp through KLM Park during Dog Days of Summer 2.0 from 10 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 17. Small dogs (under 25 pounds) can play the first two hours, larger dogs the second two.

The Hinsdale Hospital Foundation Junior Board will host the 70th annual ice cream social from 1 to 4 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 25, in Burlington Park. In addition to complimentary ice cream, attendees will enjoy face painting, mini golf and other games, a jumpy castle, arts and crafts and more.

Enjoy an outdoor showing of "Migration" at the final Movies in the Park screening at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23, at Robbins Park.

The Community House sponsors the ultimate hoops showdown with its 3-on-3 Tournament starting at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 17.

Third-graders through adults are invited to compete on more than 15 outdoor and indoor courts.

A relaxing dinner served al fresco at one several Hinsdale restaurants offering outdoor dining is the perfect end to a summer day — or a great start to a fun summer night.

Here's to more summer fun!

#### **COMMENTARY**

## Assassination attempt prompted history lesson

When I heard of the assassination attempt on former President Donald Trump, I mentally ticked off the same list many others did—Lincoln, JFK, RFK Jr., Reagan.

Then I heard a news report about an attempt on former President Teddy Roosevelt's life as he sought another term. I was surprised to hear about an assassination attempt that I didn't remember learning about in school.

Then I did a little research online and discovered the list of assassination attempts on presidents and would be presidents in this country is long. Saturday's shooting marks the 20th time someone has killed or tried to kill a president or presidential candidate, with the first incident dating back 189 years.

Jan. 30, 1835 — Richard Lawrence attempts to shoot President Andrew Jackson at the Capitol. Both of his pistols misfire.

April 14, 1865 — John Wilkes Booth assassinates President Abraham Lincoln at the Ford Theater in Washington, D.C.

July 2, 1881 — President James Garfield is shot by Charles Guiteau at a train station in Washington. He dies in September, likely due to poor medical care.

Sept. 6, 1901 — President William

McKinley is shot by anarchist Leon Czolgosz at the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo and dies of gangrene eight days later.

Oct. 14, 1912 — former President Theodore Roosevelt is shot on the campaign trail by John Schrank. He gives his speech — with the bullet lodged in his chest — before seeking treatment.

Feb. 15, 1933 — Giuseppe Zangara attempts to shoot President-elect Franklin Delano Roosevelt but misses.

Sept. 8, 1935 — Carl Weiss shoots at Huey Long, a senator from Louisiana who was expected to run for president in 1936. Long is killed, most likely by accident from his bodyguards' return fire.

Nov. 1, 1950 — Puerto Rican nationals try to kill president Harry Truman, who is staying at Blair House during White House renovations.

Dec. 11, 1960 — Richard Pavlick plans to crash into the car of President-elect John F. Kennedy and blow it up with dynamite but doesn't carry out his plan when he sees the president's wife and children with him. He is arrested before



Pamela Lannom

he can try again.

Nov. 22, 1963 — Lee Harvey Oswald shoots and kills Kennedy during a motorcade in downtown Dallas.

June 5, 1968 — Presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy is shot by Sirhan Sirhan in Los Angeles after winning the California primary.

March 15, 1972 — Democratic presiden-

tial candidate George Wallace is left paralyzed after he is shot in Maryland.

Feb. 22, 1974 — Samuel Byck hijacks a DC-9 in order to crash it into the White House to kill Nixon, but he is fatally shot by police before he can do so.

Sept. 5, 1975 — Lynette "Squeaky" Fromme, a supporter of mass murderer Charles Manson, tries to shoot President Gerald Ford in Sacramento. Her gun misfires.

Sept. 22, 1975 — Sara Jane Moore shoots at Ford in San Francisco. She misses

March 30, 1981 — President Ronald Reagan is shot by John Hinckley Jr. in Washington and suffers a serious wound.

1993: A plot by employees of Iraqi

President Sadam Hussein to blow up President George H.W. Bush by car bomb is foiled in Kuwait.

Nov. 11, 2011 — Oscar Ramiro Ortega-Hernandez fires multiple shots at the White House, striking the building. No one — including President Barack Obama and his family — is injured.

2005 — President George W. Bush faced a failed assassination attempt by a man with a grenade while visiting the country Georgia.

The number of assassination attempts doesn't minimize what happened Saturday. And I certainly support a move away from heated political rhetoric and toward unity, as many have called for. But I do think it's important for us to acknowledge that assassination attempts have occurred more often than most of us realize — and that we as a country have not crossed some line from which there is no going back.

Restoring civility is not that difficult. Be kind. Respect others' opinions. And maybe turn off the TV if the program hosts are screaming at one another or their guests.

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

## **OPINION**

**GUEST COMMENTARY** 

## 'Albert's First Day'

Shortly before daybreak on July 18th,

Two sharp, tiny claws bored a hole in the ground.

And crawling up from his dark birthplace beneath,

A white nymph emerged without making a sound.

Then, knowing not why — some deep instinct, I s'pose,

He found a tall maple and started to climb.

Soon, into bright sunlight young Albert arose.

And found himself 30 feet high in no time.

The instinct that told him to climb now said, "Stop!"

So Albert latched onto the dry, ragged bark. And there, very near the great tree's leafy top,

He surveyed the vast expanse of Robbins Park.

"Good time for a stretch," Albert sleepily thought.

And flexed the strong muscles along his white back

But to his surprise, his small shell grew so taut,

Two wings burst right out through a newly formed crack!

"What fun!" Albert thought. "Wonder if I could fly?"

But they were too delicate to bear his weight.

So he let them hang in the warm breeze to dry,

And rested a moment to deliberate.

"I wonder if anyone else is about? Of course, I reckon I'd have heard them by now.

Some instinct tells me that they'd give me a shout.

Or some sound their anatomy would allow!"

Alas: he heard nothing, save leaves on the

No fellow cicada was near to be found. Albert was alone on his perch in the trees. His fellows were gone. The new nymphs? Underground.

Alone in a foreign and alien world,



**Peter Celauro** 

The lonely cicada lamented his fate.

Inside his bug mind, an aching regret swirled.

"Oh, curses! I've woken up three weeks too late!"

But just as he thought he might die from these feels,

He spotted a colorful, strange caravan.

Five riders on metal frames fitted to wheels:

A family ride for the Celauro clan.

Two grownups on big bikes. Behind them, two boys.

The smaller of these cackled gaily, midlaugh.

And there in the baby seat, clutching some toys:

A curly-haired girl, barely two-and-a-half.

The riders were boisterous — lively and

The kids, in particular, seemed quite untame.

But something about this gregarious crowd Had piqued Albert's interest as nearer they

So without a thought, he departed his tree Descending quite quickly as they passed helow

And ever so lightly, upon the girl's knee, He landed ... now bound for wherever they'd go.

They played at the playground. They swam in the pool.

They visited Grandma and picnicked for lunch.

They ran through the sprinklers, trying to stay cool.

They are ice cream sandwiches, bunch after bunch!

Near dusk, as the family went in for bath, Albert found a cozy tree in the parkway. He smiled as he thought of his hopeful new path.

"What blessing, to live a whole life my first day."

— Hinsdale native Peter Celauro is a former contributing columnist. Readers can email him at news@thehinsdalean.com.

#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR







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#### **OBITUARIES**

#### John Buchanan

John "Jack" Buchanan, 100, of Clarendon Hills, passed away July 7, 2024, at Oak Trace Senior Living Community in Downers Grove.

Mr. Buchanan was born in 1923 in Chicago. He served in World War II as a navigator in the Navy Air Corps, received a business degree from Northwestern University, followed by a distinguished career at Sears as a buyer. Most notably, he was known as the "Godfather of the Merry Mushroom,"



Buchanan

having introduced this popular ceramic collection to the housewares department.

He is survived by his son, John (Cheryl); his daughter, Joanne (Edward) Rutty; and his grandchildren, Lauren, Thomas, Matthew and Michael.

Funeral services were July 16 at Church of the Holy Nativity in Clarendon Hills.

Interment will be private.

Sullivan Funeral Home in Hinsdale handled the arrangements.

#### Kevin Michael Colombo

Colombo

Kevin Michael Colombo, 70, of Clarendon Hills died July 11, 2024, of an apparent stroke.

He was born in Chicago in 1953 to Patrick and Jeanne Colombo and was one of five siblings.

Kevin graduated from Hinsdale Central in 1971. He went on to get his bachelor's in English from the University of Illinois-Chicago in 1978, followed by earning his law degree from Chicago-Kent College of Law in 1981. He was a partner at Saikley, Garrison, Colombo and Barney for almost 40 years.

Kevin had many interests along with a great sense of humor. He gave credit to the Brookfield Zoo and his job of shoveling elephant "pies" as his motivation for finishing college. He was an avid reader, golfer and poker player. He had a passion for history and music.

According to his little sisters, he was the best giver of noogies ever. He was an expert table tennis player starting back during his days at UIC. He once won a prize for having the "Best Legs." He ran the Chicago Marathon several times.

He earned various professional accolades including the Pro Bono Service Award in 2015. He was thought of as the funny jokester, always ready with a smile.

He was preceded in death by his father, Patrick Colombo; his brother, Rick Colombo; and his uncle, Gerald Griffin.

He is survived by his mother, Jeanne Colombo; his sisters, Leah Bolek, Janet

(John) Lattmann, Valerie (Michael) Redlich; and his nieces and nephews, Brian (Rachel) Bolek, Valerie (Jose) Bolek, Zachary (Amber) Lattmann, Patrick Lattmann, Luke Lattmann and Michael Redlich; and his great-nephews, Patrick Lattmann, TJ Bolek and Wesley Bolek.

Visitation is from 10 a.m. to noon Friday, July 26, at Sullivan Funeral Home, 60 S. Grant St., Hinsdale. Interment is at Queen of Heaven Cemetery in Hillside.

Memorials may be made to a charity of choice.



Don J. Hindman, 97, of Hinsdale and Key Largo, Fla., passed away peacefully in his sleep July 6, 2024.

Don was born in 1926 in Spearville, Ky., to Lela, a piano teacher, and Don C. Hindman, a Presbyterian minister. Raised in New Martinsville, W.V., Don inherited his mother's passion for music and learned to play clarinet and alto sax as a child, a hobby he would enjoy throughout his life. His father was the pastor at the

Moundsville, West Virginia State Penitentiary and he convinced Don to sit in with the prison band where he played alongside inmates and other colorful characters.

After graduation from Magnolia High School, Don enlisted into the U.S. Army Air Corps, where he trained as a waist gunner on a B-29 toward the end of World War II. After basic training, he shipped out to Clark Field in Manila. Shortly after arriving in Manila, his CO learned of his musical talent and asked him to join the USO band.

The band was de-commissioned at the end of the war, but Don had dreams of moving to NYC to pursue life as a professional jazz musician. His mother had other plans for her only son and demanded that he return stateside to attend Indiana University on the G.I. Bill. While at IU, Don pledged Beta Theta Pi fraternity and graduated with a business degree in 1949. He was later honored as the Kelley School of Business Distinguished Entrepreneur in 1987.

After graduation, Don joined Inland Container, a corrugated box company, and moved to Indianapolis. He excelled in sales, becoming a top producer and sales manager within three years. It was during the early years of his career that he met his future wife, Patricia Deforest, a first-year



Hindman

student at Indiana University. After a brief courtship they married in 1951. Pat and Don moved to Chicago in 1952 and later to Hinsdale, where they raised their four children.

When Don was 28 years old, he founded Time Container with seed money from his mother (which he dutifully re-paid in three years). Don built Time into a successful public enterprise and then sold it in 1970. After a brief retirement, Don acquired

Clark Products, a paper distributor, which he also grew into a prosperous company with locations across the U.S.

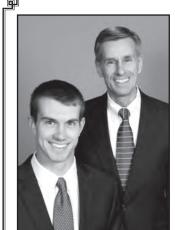
As a young business owner, he joined Young Presidents Organization. Don often found investment opportunities with his YPO friends. Among his more exciting endeavors included a partnership in a California vineyard and the Aspen Inn. Don and Pat made cherished friendships through their YPO travels and experiences.

After business, Don's passions included golf and big band music. He loved playing golf with friends at the Hinsdale Golf Club and Ocean Reef Club, a hobby he continued well into his 90s. He loved listening to jazz music and was a wonderful raconteur.

Pat and Don were married for 72 years until she preceded him in death in November 2023.

Don is survived by his four children, Jeff (Gina) Hindman, Leslie Hindman, Sally (Dan Sawislak) Hindman and Donald (Maron) Hindman; his nine grandchildren, Jeff (Nicole) Hindman, Lacy (Mike) Bailey, Kirsten Hindman, Austin Hindman, Charlie Hindman, Hadley Hindman, Duke Hindman, Trudy Hindman and Sylvia Sawislak; and his four great-grandchildren, Paige, Lucy, Trip and Dylan.

A private service will be held at a later date.



Brian Powell, Sr. Brian Powell, Jr.

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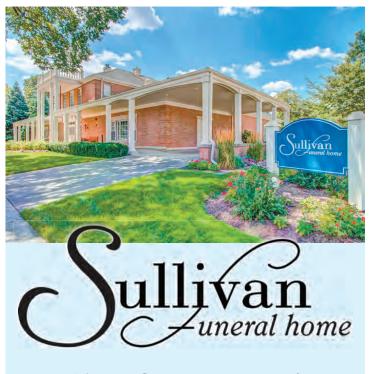
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## **IN FOCUS**



# Party on the patio

Martin Arifi was on of the dozens of children who enjoyed the Magician Keith at The Community House Party on the Patio last week. With popcorn and popsicles and entertainment, the free event was a big hit with the kids and adults in the audience. Jay Ozienkowski didn't realize he had several coins in his ears and nose and Juliette Synowiecki was surprised to find a wooden egg in a bag that was empty before the magic happened. (Jim Slonoff





## **BUSINESS PROFILE**

The funeral business has changed in the century since Harry Sullivan made the transition from an accounting career.

"The first location was really just a storefront, because they were still doing wakes and everything in homes," funeral director Brian Sullivan said of the venture his great-grandfather launched in Chicago's Marquette Manor neighborhood in 1924.

For 100 years the Sullivan family has served grieving families, helping them navigate one of the most difficult episodes of life.

"By the time you get done with the services and the family is happy, that's one of the most rewarding things," Brian said.

Brian's father Terry — still working at age 76 — said walking alongside clients more than once is especially gratifying.

"That means a lot. Obviously they felt good about the first experience," he commented.

Terry said the custom of at-home services changed after World War II. Sullivan maintained a Chicago location until 1994, but now operates out of its Downers Grove location and the Hinsdale facility it took over from

#### SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME

Gibbons Elliston Funeral Home at 60 S. Grant St. on July 2, 2015. Two days after the purchase, Brian discovered a notable quality of the site during the village's Independence Day parade.

"I had no idea the location we had," he remarked of its spot on the parade route. "People came up to us and said, 'Thank you so much for opening the building, I used to come here as a kid.'"

Brian recalled spending time in the Marquette Manor funeral home as a kid.

"We'd be there at night when my dad was working. Growing up we'd have dinners there, running up and down the halls, hiding," he fondly recounted.

But he wasn't necessarily sold on becoming the fourth generation to run the business. He's thankful Terry didn't pressure him to do so.

"In high school I worked at a mall. I caddied for a while. I worked at a bank, I was down at the board of trade," Brian related. "(My dad) always would make us go do different jobs."

The summer before his senior year in college he gave the family business a try.

"I liked it but I still didn't know if that's what I was going to do," he said.

But the time graduation approached he had decided to go to mortuary school and get his license. He looks back grateful for his decision.

"I'm not at a computer all day long, I'm out at churches, cemeteries, hospitals," he said. "You do get to meet a lot of people and become friends with them after you've had services with them, which is one of the neatest things about the job."

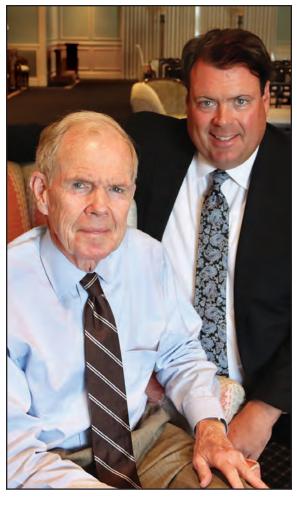
That sometimes means frigid or sweltering days at a graveside service, but the outfit doesn't change.

"We're probably one of the only businesses left that wears a suit every day," Brian quipped.

He's thankful for longstanding employees who understand the unique dynamics of the business. And he's been touched at the response to the celebratory centennial banner hung above the Grant Street entrance.

"It's kind of neat how many people stopped me and said something," Brian said.

— by Ken Knutson



**Terry Sullivan** and son Brian of Sullivan Funeral Homes, marking 100 years in business, said holding memorial services during the pandemic prompted technology upgrades. But their underlying care for the grieving has remained steady. (Jim Slonoff photo)

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## We all scream for ice cream!

National Ice Cream Month the perfect time to try soft-serve, hard pack and gelato

By Pamela Lannom plannom@thehinsdalean.com

July is National Ice Cream Month. What better way to celebrate than to enjoy some of the frozen treats available right here in Hinsdale?

#### **Twisted treats**

A creamy homemade vanilla soft serve swirled with a delicious fruit sorbet takes ice cream to the next level at Vistro Prime.

"Right now we have blueberry from Ellis Farm," Angelyne Canicosa, pastry chef at the restaurant, said of the sorbet currently available.

Of course, either flavor can be ordered individually. But the swirl is the pièce de résistance of the soft-serve machine that has been at the restaurant since it opened in 2014. Using the machine requires Canicosa to adjust her recipe a bit.

"I have a standard recipe for the vanilla ice cream, which actually has a little bit higher water content than the traditional hard-pack ice cream," she said.

The sorbets, which rotate depending on the season, also must be adjusted for water content.

"You never know with the

growing season," Canicosa said. "If it's more rainy, the fruit ends up a little more watery. You have to cook it down to get it to the right consistency."

Canicosa's favorite sorbet flavors are peach, which is next on the rotation, and concord grape, which usually is on the menu in October or November. Concord grape is one of the more unique pairings.

"I think that is exciting to people. The concord grape is really different. I think they both stand up well to each other. The vanilla is very vanilla-y and luscious and the concord grape is just such a great flavor. I think it goes so well together," she commented.

Those who like toppings can order chocolate pearls, candied nuts, chocolate and caramel sauce, house-made jam and house-made sprinkles.

Ice cream is a dessert that's hard to turn down, Canicosa believes.

"It's something that you really can't say no to at the end of the meal," she said.

#### **Sundae special**

Ice cream is more than a cool treat on a hot summer day, according to Rob Whalen, co-owner of Every Day's a Sundae in Hinsdale.
"I think it's just some-

thing for everybody, of all ages, and makes everybody happy," he said.

The Hinsdale location is the second for Every Day's a Sundae. Like its sister location in Downers Grove, it serves more than 40 flavors of Sherman's ice cream. Popular flavors in Hinsdale include mint chip, cookie dough, cookies and cream and moose tracks.

"I'm a chocolate peanut butter guy myself," Whalen said.

Patrons can choose a cone, a cup, a sundae or a shake.

"I like shakes," Whalen noted. "I like to be efficient."

Seasonal flavors from other ice cream producers round out the menu. Current selections are bananas foster, key lime pie, peach and orange creamsicle

"We select them from different suppliers, depending on the time of the year, what would fit best," Whalen said.

A pumpkin ice cream might be added in the fall, with gingerbread, eggnog and peppermint possibly on tap for the winter.

Whalen invites customers to sample of any flavor they want to taste.

"Don't be afraid to try something new. There might be something you didn't even consider. Try it out," he said.

Whalen enjoys a little ice cream every day.

"I've got to make sure it's fresh and cold."

#### **Molto dolce**

Gelato, ice cream's Italian cousin, is the frozen dessert of choice for Carmela St. John, owner of Altamura Pizza. In fact, she was enjoying a cup during this interview.

"We just had something to eat and I had to have



The Hinsdale Delight specialty sundae at Every Day's a Sundae features three scoops of Mackinac Island Fudge ice cream, hot fudge, raspberry topping, whipped cream, crushed Oreo cookies and the requisite cherry on top. (Jim Slonoff photos)

flavor.

something sweet. It's always gelato," she said.

Gelato, which means "ice cream" in Italian, is similar to the American version, but it contains less milk fat than ice cream, is churned at a slower rate and is served slightly warmer.

"The difference between gelato and ice cream is a lot of times its consistency. It's creamier. It's lighter," she said.

The size of her shop precludes St. John from making her own gelato, but she found a first-generation Italian immigrant who makes the sweet treat the way it was made when she was growing up in Italy.

"I can't even tell you how much gelato I tested before I found this guy," she said. The real ingredients he uses result in incredible

"As soon as people taste it, the look on their face tells you everything," St. John said. "It's the flavor, that authentic natural taste of whatever the ingredient is, whether it's pistachio, which is one of our top sellers, or the lemon basil for summer, which is a really unique one."

St. John's favorite flavors are pistachio and bacetto, a chocolate hazelnut that reminds her of eating Nutella as a child in Italy.

"Gelato has always been in my life — my whole life," St. John said.



**The strawberry** gelato at Altamura Pizza tastes so much like fresh strawberries because it's made with real ingredients by a first-generation Italian immigrant, owner Carmela St. John said.



**Pastry chef** Angelyne Canicosa shows off the frozen dessert currently on the menu at Vistro Prime — vanilla soft-serve ice cream swirled with blueberry sorbet.



**Whiskey Road will bring** its unique blend of rock and country to Uniquely Thursdays tonight in Burlington Park. Turn to Page 22 for details. (photo provided)

#### **ARTFULLY DONE**

#### ■ Art in Nature

July 24 Swallow Cliff Woods-North Route 83 west of La Grange Road near Palos Park www.fpdcc.com

(312) 533-5751

Create land art, write a poem and make tie dye using fruits and spices at this dropin program. Time: 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

#### ■ Nature Down the Road

Through Aug. 24 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook

www.dupageforest.org (630) 206-9566

Enjoy original works by local artists in this fotoMuses exhibit, which began as an artistic response to COVID and the challenges to find the beauty of nature all around. Hours: noon to 3 p.m. weekdays. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays.

#### **FAMILY FUN**

#### ■ Flick N' Float

July 19 Hinsdale Community Pool 500 W. Hinsdale Ave. www.villageofhinsdale.org/ pr

(630) 789-7090

Dive into Christmas in July with a screening of "Elf" along with a special visit from Santa & Mrs. Claus and themed activities. Inner tubes or raft floats are not permitted. Pool noodles will be provided or can be brought. Time: 7:30 p.m. visits with Santa, movie at dusk. Cost: \$9 per person, free for pool members.

#### **■** Storytime at Burns Field

July 24 & 31 Burns Field 320 N. Vine St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

Join librarians for stories, fingerplays and music. In the event of rain, storytime will move to the library. Time: 10 to 10:30 a.m. RR

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#### **FOR A CAUSE**

#### ■ Sunsets in Santorini July 20 www.hjwc.us

Hinsdale Junior Woman's Club is celebrating its 75th year with an elegant Santoriniinspired cocktail party fundraiser to kick off its grant funding for the upcoming 2024-25 club year. The pool-side affair will include music, dancing, HJWC history, open bar, food, raffle, silent auction and more. All proceeds from ticket sales go to grants. The address of the private Willowbrook residence hosting the event will be shared with ticket holders prior to the event. Time: 7 to 11 p.m. Tickets: \$175.

#### $\blacksquare$ Golf Fundraiser for Dems

July 21 Belmont Golf Course 2420 Haddow Ave., Downers Grove www.secure.actblue.com/ donate/dgtdo-golf2024

The Downers Grove Township Democratic Organization will hold this inaugural event to help support for local Democrats. Participants can sign up for golf and a BBQ lunch or just lunch. Proceeds will go to grassroots organizing, volunteer training and community outreach efforts. Time: noon lunch, 12:10 p.m. tee times start. Cost: \$90, \$30 for just lunch. RR

## ■ Hinsdale Humane Society Golf Outing

July 31 Seven Bridges Golf Club 1 Mulligan Drive, Woodridge www.hinsdalehumanesociety.org

Enjoy 18 holes of golf, hole contests, prizes and giveaways, a cash bar and a post-golf dinner while raising money for animals and programs in the this second annual event. Play will be in a scramble format with chances to compete for prizes in several competitions throughout the day. Register by July 26. Time: Noon checkin, 1 p.m. shotgun start, 5:30 p.m. dinner. Cost: \$175, \$700

for foursome, \$60 for just dinner. RR

#### **GAME ON**

## ■ Gymnastics Developmental Training

Mondays & Wednesdays, July 29-Aug 14 Hinsdale Central High School 5500 S. Grant St. www.thecommunityhouse. org (630) 323-7500

Kids ages 5-12 can take this accelerated class for the capable and motivated young gymnast. Determination and hard work will focus students to achieve excellent basics and higher-level skills. Students must be instructor approved. Time: 5 to 7 p.m. Cost: \$318. RR, MD

#### ■ 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 mushrooms, 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**

#### **■** Fridays in the Field

July 19-Aug. 30 Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs www.fpdcc.com (708) 839-6897

University of Illinois Extension Certified Master Naturalists will connect visitors with nature through inquiry-based activities. Amphibians & Reptiles is the topic July 19, and Wildflowers will be the focus July 26. See the website for August topics. Time: 10 a.m. to noon. RR

#### ■ Sagawau Symbiosis

July 21 Sagawau Environmental Learning Center 12545 W. 111th St., Lemont www.fpdcc.com (630) 257-2045

Talk and walk to learn about the specialized relationship between certain fungi and plants. The program is for ages 18 and up. Time: 1 p.m. RR

#### **■** Learn to Fly Fish

July 25 Horsetail Lake 104th Avenue north of McCarthy Road near Palos Park www.fpdcc.com (312) 533-5751

Ages 18 and up are invited to review casting and other aspects of fly fishing, then jump into fishing with instruction and tips. Time: 6 to 8:30 p.m. RR

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#### **■** Moonlight Moth Walk

July 26 Forest Preserve District Headquarters 3S580 Naperville Road, Wheaton www.dupageforest.org (630) 933-7248

Join this National Moth Week guided night-time walk through the woods and prairie to discover how the forest district uses a variety of monitoring techniques to investigate moth biodiversity. Participants will learn about moth conservation and contribute to a citizen science project. The program is for ages 12 and up; those under 18 must be with an adult. Time: 9 to 10:30 p.m. Cost: \$10. RR

#### **GREEN THUMB**

## ■ Community Garden Plot Program

Through Oct. 31 Peirce Park 700 E. Walnut St. (630) 789-7090

Discover the joys of gardening by cultivating a 4x6-foot plot to grow fresh fruits and veggies and bond with fellow gardeners. For rules and guidelines, visit www.cms-4files.revize.com/hinsdaleil/Garden-Plot-Manual.pdf and share garden progress on Facebook and Instagram @ HinsdaleParks. Cost: \$25. RR

#### **HEALTH & WELLNESS**

#### ■ Yoga

July 28 Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center 9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs www.fpdcc.com (708) 839-6897

Enjoy an all-levels yoga class indoors with a certified instructor, then stay for a self-guided walk after the program. The program is for ages 18 & up. Time: 10 to 11 a.m.

#### **JUST FOR KIDS**

#### **■** Kindergarten Readiness

July 29 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

Kids can practice writing their name, forming and naming shapes with play doh, tracing letters and numbers and more. Time: 10 to 11 a.m. RR

#### **LISTEN & LEARN**

#### ■ Author Angelique Burrell July 23

Clarendon Hills Library
7 N. Prospect Ave.
www.clarendonhillslibrary.
org

Angelique Burrell, this year's winner of the Soon to Be

Famous Illinois Author Project Book Contest, will discuss her winning debut book, "A Mark in the Road," as well as her life as a writer, wife, mother and teacher of English and creative writing at Hinsdale Central. The speculative, actionpacked novel, with a promise of hope fringed on a highway of despair, will leave readers breathless and eagerly awaiting the next ride. Copies of the book will be available for purchase. Time: 7 p.m. RR

## ■ The Best of Regional Pies, Pastries and Cookies

July 31 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

Learn about sweet specialties throughout the U.S., uncovering some of the best and some of the most unusual. Samples of a few of the des-

serts will be provided. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

#### **■** Director Lecture Series

Saturdays through Aug. 10 Theatre of Western Springs 4384 Hampton Ave. https://signup.com/go/bQa-SqAg (708) 246-4043

Each week a different director will provide a unique per-

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spective on the directing process regarding a specific topic, then allow time for questions. This series will teach the role of the director and provide some tricks of the trade. The remaining topics in order are musicals, black box, farces and research. Contact Nicole Leatherwood at nleatherwood@comcast.net with questions. Time: 10 to 11 a.m. Cost:

\$20 at the door, free for active TWS members, HSR students and CTWS parents. RR

#### **NOTEWORTHY**

#### **■** The Brit Pack

July 19 Lakeside Pavilion College of DuPage 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn www.atthemac.org (630) 942-4000 Here this British Invasion tribute band play the UK's best music with a dynamic blend of The Beatles, Rolling Stones, Queen, David Bowie, Elton John, The Who, Radiohead, The Police and more in this free concert. Time: 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

#### **■** Joey Alexander

July 25 Lakeside Pavilion College of DuPage 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn www.atthemac.org (630) 942-4000

Indonesia-born pianist, composer and bandleader Joey Alexander has been widely regarded as one of the most highly skilled pianists and thoughtful improvisers in jazz. Time: 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

#### **■** Uptown

July 26

Lakeside Pavilion College of DuPage 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn www.atthemac.org (630) 942-4000

This powerhouse of R&B finesse, top-notch voices, and mesmerizing moves bring their blend of contemporary radio hits and classic Motown music. Time: 7:30 p.m.

## ■ HPL After Dark: Bear Williams Trio

July 28 Memorial Building lawn 20 E. Maple St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

Hear this group led by award-winning Chicago-based blues artist Bear Williams, who has recorded or performed with legends like Mavis Staples, Diana Ross, Little Richard and Alanis Morissette. Guests at this outdoor HPL After Dark: Summer Family Concert should bring a lawn chair and can enjoy a snack and wine, beer or a soft drink compliments of the Friends of the Hinsdale Public Library. While the concert is geared to adults, children are welcome. Time: 6 to 8 p.m. RR

#### **■** Sounds Good! Choir

Aug. 1 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St. www.soundsgoodchoir.org (630) 395-9542

Hear the area's largest choral-music organization for adults 55 and older better perform its summer concert, featuring music by The Drifters, Marvin Gaye, The Beatles and more. Led by professional conductors, the whole family will enjoy the show. Time: 7 to 8 p.m.

#### **ON STAGE**

#### ■ 'Monty Python's Spamalot'

July 26-28

Theatre of Western Springs 4384 Hampton Ave. www.theatrewesternsprings.com

(708) 246-4043

The Children's Theatre of Western Springs presents this hilarious musical-comedy inspired by the movie "Monty Python and the Holy Grail." Killer rabbits, Black Knights, French people and lots of silliness in Camelot await. The show is recommended for ages 10 and up. Times: 7 p.m.

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July 26, 3 & 7 p.m. July 27, 2 p.m. July 28. Tickets: \$17.

#### ■ 'Ain't Misbehavin'

Through Aug. 18
Drury Lane Theatre
100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook
Terrace
www.drurylanetheatre.com

Stride along with the toe-tapping, finger-snapping revue that journeys through the Harlem Renaissance with the music of legend Fats Waller. Brimming with the energetic charm of jazz classics such as "Honeysuckle Rose" and "I Can't Give You Anything But Love," the crooners of "Ain't Misbehavin'" bring soulful melodies to life. Times: see website above for a full schedule. Tickets: start at \$67.95.

#### **■** 'House on Pooh Corner'

Weekends through Aug. 25 Morton Arboretum 4100 Route 53, Lisle www.mortonarb.org

Enjoy this family friendly outdoor play adapted for this

arboretum performance in which the audience is led to each scene at several natural backdrop locations along a one- to two-mile hiking route. Bring water, a portable chair or blanket and bug spray. Time: 6 p.m. Tickets: \$25, \$15 for ages 2-17, free for infants. MD

#### **SENIOR SCENE**

#### **■** Memory Cafe

July 24 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

This gathering of individuals living with dementia and their care partners offers a place to socialize and connect with others in similar situations using prepared activities. Activities may include education, music, games and arts. The program is sponsored by The Birches and Independence-4-Seniors Home Care. Time: 2 to 3 p.m. RR

**■** AARP Driver Safety Course

July 30 & 31 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St. www.thecommunityhouse. org (630) 323-7500

Drivers over the age of 50 who wish to update their driving skills can take this classroom-only program. Attendance both days is required to receive a certificate. Arrive 10 minutes early the first day to sign-in and pay; payment is due at the class. Coffee will be provided and you may also bring a beverage or snack, if desired. Time: 9

a.m. to 1 p.m. Cost: \$25, \$20

for AARP members. RR

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#### **■** Beginning Knitting

July 30 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

Learn how to cast on and how to knit that first stitch. All supplies are included. Additional sessions on how to purl (Aug, 29) and how to follow a basic pattern to knit a scarf (Sept. 10) also are planned. Learn the basics and join the library's Needlework Nights every other Thursday night. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. RR

#### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

## ■ Voyage en France July 20

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www.cantigny.org

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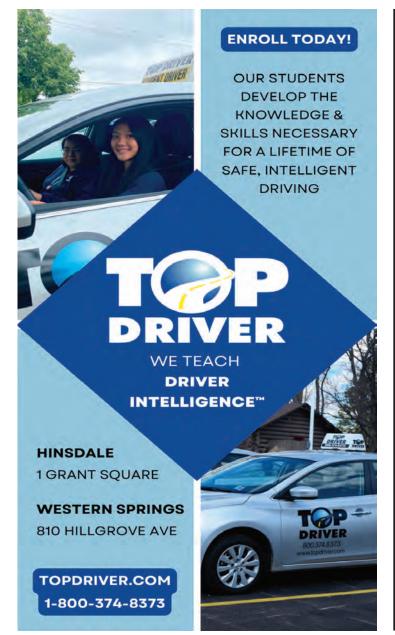
al festival celebrating the sights, sounds and flavors of France. Experience demonstrations, live entertainment - including Salt Creek Ballet special garden displays, children's activities, a French marketplace and a replica Eiffel Tower, a simulated Moulin Rouge at the South Grove Beer Garden for adult guests and the Little Louvre Museum for families to learn about artists and create personal art. The French Food & Wine Experience is available for \$125 in the Robert R. McCormick House with seatings at 11 a.m. or 2 p.m., and the after-hours Rendezvous en France from 7 p.m. to midnight for ages 21 and up promises a night of elegance and entertainment with pricing from \$65 to \$150. Hours: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission: \$15, free for ages 15 and under.

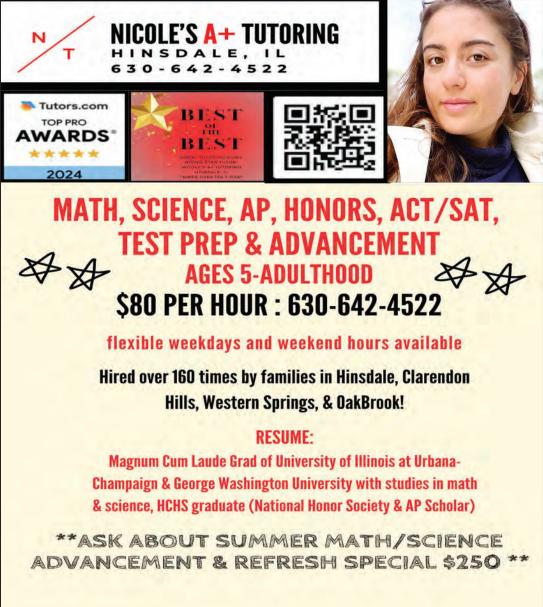
#### **■** Birdies and Brews

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

Play a round of Wonder Woods Mini Golf, enjoy beer on tap and stay to learn about studying, appreciating and protecting birds. Watch a professional falconer hold and fly trained birds and take a photo with a falcon. Tickets include a round of mini golf and two drinks. The event is for ages 21 and older, and advance timed-entry tickets are required. Time: 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets \$50. RR, MD

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#### **STEPPING BACK**

#### ■ The 1st Infantry in Normandy

July 22 Cantigny Park 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton

www.cantigny.org

Hear the presentation "Beyond the Beaches: The 1st Infantry Division and Armor in Normandy" about the 1st Infantry Division and its associated tank units, analyzing their roles during D-Day and the Battle of Normandy, and highlighting the challenges they encountered, the strategies employed by the German defenders and the innovative solutions devised by the troops. Time: 7 to 8 p.m. Admission: Free with \$5 parking. RR

#### **■** Date with History

Aug. 1 Cantigny Park 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton www.cantigny.org

Two-time Pulitzer Prizewinning journalist and New York Times best-selling author David Maraniss will discuss his book "They Marched Into Sunlight: War and Peace, Vietnam and America, October 1967. The book weaves together the stories of three different worlds: the death and heroism of 1st Infantry Division soldiers in Vietnam, the antiwar movement back home and the obfuscating behavior of Washington officials. Maraniss is an associate editor at The Washington Post. A cocktail reception with Maraniss will be held after the program in McCormick House;

advance tickets are \$60 and include parking, drinks and hors d'oeuvres. Time: 6 p.m. Admission: Free with \$5 parking.

## ■ At Home With Nature House Tour

Through Sept. 30 Mayslake Peabody Estate 1717 W. 31st St., Oak Brook

www.dupageforest.org (630) 206-9566

Learn some of the surprising history of Mayslake Hall, the 1921 home of F.S. Peabody and a landmark and architectural gem that has been surrounded by an oasis of nature for more than 100 years. Ages 12 and up are welcome. Time: 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. weekdays, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturdays. Cost: \$8.

#### **■** Nothing But Victory

Ongoing First Division Museum Cantigny Park 1S151 Winfield Road, Wheaton

www.cantigny.org

This immersive outdoor exhibit commemorates the 80th anniversary of D-Day, fusing art and history and spanning across the grounds to recall the pivotal day of World War II: June 6, 1944. A complementary exhibit inside the museum highlights the D-Day service of seven well-known personalities. Lectures, guided exhibit tours and dropin events for kids and families are also featured.

#### **SUMMER SERIES**

## ■ Uniquely Thursdays Thursdays through Aug. 22

Thursdays through Aug. 22 Burlington Park 30 E. Chicago Ave. www.hinsdalechamber.com

The annual concert series sponsored by the Hinsdale Chamber of Commerce will feature Whiskey Road tonight, July 18. Also enjoy food vendors and plenty of fun surprises. Hours: 6 to 9 p.m.

#### ■ Cantigny Summer Concerts Sundays through Sept. 1 Cantigny Park Parade Field 1S151 Winfield Road,

www.cantigny.org

Wheaton

The outdoor concert series continues July 21 with Saved by the '90s. Seating is on the lawn, and guests are encouraged to bring chairs or blankets and picnics; an area will be reserved for guests with pop-up tents and canopies. Time: 3 to 5 p.m.

#### **■** Arbor Evenings

Wednesdays through Aug. 21

Morton Arboretum 4100 Route 53, Lisle www.mortonarb.org

Enjoy this outdoor concert series against the backdrop of spectacular sunsets at the arboretum. Purchase drinks, ice cream and more from a variety of food trucks and play lawn games. The series continues July 24 with the Semple playing hits from the '80s and '90s. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Time: 6 to 8 p.m. Tickets: \$15, \$5 for ages 2-12.

#### **■** Farmers Market

Mondays through Oct. 14 Chicago Avenue near Burlington Park www.hinsdalechamber.com

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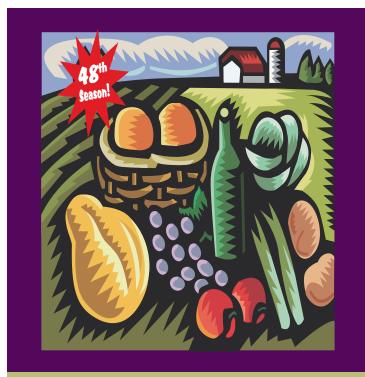
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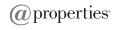


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Commerce, will feature farmers from near and far, with booths of fresh produce and unique finds from their farms and stores. Hours: 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### **TEENS & TWEENS**

## ■ Self Defense for High School and College

July 24 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

Learn the mindset, skill set and planning necessary to stay safe from instructor Lindsey Daehnke of Strictly Self Defense through an introduction to basic physical self-defense techniques. The training also will include an age-appropriate discussion encouraging attendees to make good decisions, to speak up when something does not seem right and to use physical techniques only if there is a real threat. Time: 4 to 6 p.m. RR

#### ■ Six Flags Middle School

Aug. 2 Leave from The Community House 415 W. Eighth St. www.thecommunityhouse. org (630) 323-7500

Kids ages 10-15 can have summertime fun at Six Flags amusement park with transportation included. Time: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost: \$125. RR, MD

#### **WEE ONES**

#### ■ Babies Go For The Gold!

July 25 Hinsdale Public Library 20 E. Maple St. www.hinsdalelibrary.info (630) 986-1976

Parents and their child ages newborn to 18 months can prepare for the Olympics by completing various obstacles. Time: 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. RR

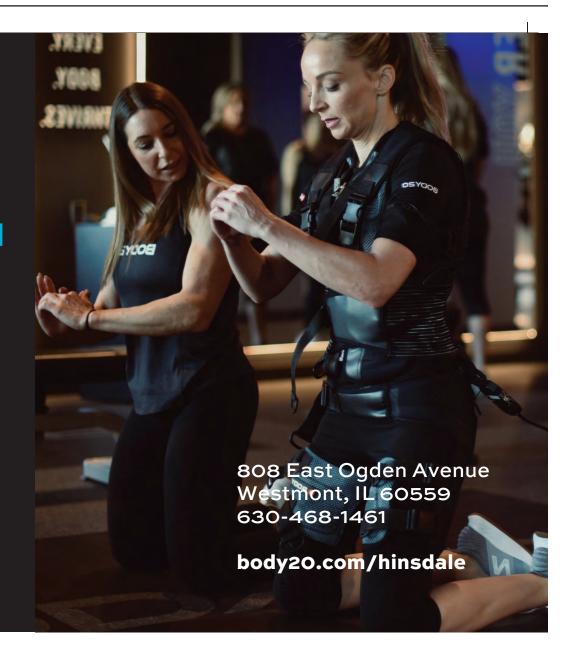
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## **SUMMER CAMPS**

#### **■** Multi Sport Camp

July 22-26 Robbins Park Seventh and Vine streets www.villageofhinsdale.org/

(630) 789-7090

Participants will learn the fundamentals of basketball, soccer and T-ball in this camp for ages 4-6. Time: 9 to 10 a.m. Cost: \$65.

#### **■** All Abilities Animal Friends Camp

July 26 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. An additional session will be offered Aug. 9. Sign up for one or both. Time: 9 to 11 a.m.

#### ■ Baseball/softball camp

July 29-Aug. 2 Veeck Park 701 E. Chicago Ave. www.villageofhinsdale.org/

(630) 789-7090

This camp for ages 7-12 will include instruction in skill development, fundamentals and games. Drills for defense, hitting, base running and throwing will be taught, along with outfield, infield, pitching and catching segments. Time: 1 to 3 p.m. Cost: \$130.

#### **■ Chess Camp**

July 29-Aug. 2 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St. www.thecommunityhouse. org (630) 323-7500

This camp includes master level instruction, grand master moves, tournaments, speed chess and team games for beginners or experienced players ages 5-14. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$344.

#### **■** Tennis Camp

July 29-Aug. 2 Robbins Park Seventh and Vine streets www.villageofhinsdale.org/ (630) 789-7090 Young players ages 5-12

will learn the game in a fun, supportive and positive atmosphere. Fundamentals such as ground strokes, volleying, serving and overhead shots along with agility, speed and coordination will be the focus of drills and games. Time: 9 to 10 a.m. for ages 5-7, 10 a.m. to noon for ages 8-12. Cost: \$39/\$78.

**■** Mock Trial Summer Camp Aug. 5-8

Hinsdale Central Library 5500 S. Grant St. www.hinsdalecentral.8to18.

Hinsdale Central's camp is designed to introduce high school students, inlcuding rising freshmen, to the principles of law and procedures of a trial. Participants will get background on constructing a compelling case, understanding rules of evidence, making

and responding to objections and more. Students may be interested in trying out for the Mock Trial team or simply have an interest in law. Questions: Email Chris Freiler at cfreiler@hinsdale86.org. Time: 8:30 a.m. to noon. Cost:

#### **■ SDFA Musical Theater Acting** Camp

Aug. 5-9 The Community House 415 W. Eighth St. www.thecommunityhouse. (630) 323-7500

Campers ages 10-18 will develop a show, complete with song, dance, solo work an ensemble performance. The week will focus on famous shows, actors and composers, with a final performance featuring Broadway favorites. Time: 1 to 4 p.m. Cost: \$255.



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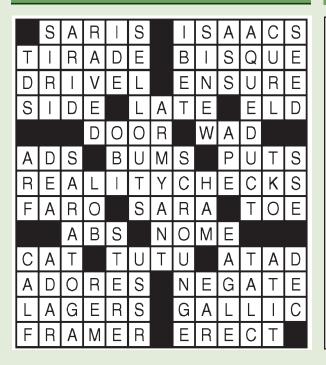


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Copies of documents relating to the proposed request are on file and available for public inspection during regular Village business hours in the Memorial Building, 19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale,

The common address is 326 E. Sixth Street, Hinsdale, IL 60521 and legally described as follows:

THAT PART OF LOT 1 IN BLOCK 16 OF W. ROBBIN'S ADDITION TO HINSDALE, LYING WEST OF A NORTH AND SOUTH LINE DRAWN THROUGH SAID LOT 1 AT RIGHT ANGLES TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID LOT, 175 FEET WEST THE NORTHEAST CORNER THEREOF, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE SOUTH HALF OF THE NORTHEAST QUARTER NORTHEAST QUARTER AND OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE NORTH HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 38 NORTH, RANGE 11 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED JUNE 12, 1871, AS DOCUMENT NO. 14048, DUPAGE COUNTY, ILLINOIS.

PIN: 09-12-402-003

At said public hearing, the Hinsdale Historic Preservation Commission shall accept all testimony and evidence pertaining to said applications. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard

Dated: July 15, 2024

Emily Tompkins, Village Clerk

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Copies of documents relating to the properties proposed for inclusion, including legal descriptions, are on file and available for public inspection during regular Village business hours at the Village offices in the Memorial Building, 19 East Chicago Avenue, Hinsdale, Illinois. Please email Village Planner Bethany Salmon at bsalmon@villageofhinsdale. org for additional information. This request is known as HPC-13-2024 (Round 8).

The following properties, as described below by their common addresses and property index numbers, in Hinsdale, Illinois, 60521, are currently located within the established boundaries of the Village of Hinsdale's Historic Overlay District in Cook County. Illinois and DuPage County, Illinois, and are proposed to be considered for inclusion on the Village's Historically Significant Structures Property

Properties in DuPage County, IL 1. 743 W. Chestnut Street in the R-4 Single Family

Residential District (PIN: 09-11-202-012) 2. 425 E. Eighth Street in the R-1 Single Family Residential District (PINs: 09-12-407-007;

09-12-407-008) 3. 514 S. Garfield Street in the R-4 Single Family Residential District (PIN:

09-12-133-013)

4. 314 N. Lincoln Street in the R-4 Single Family Residential District (PIN: 09-01-312-009)

Inclusion on the Village's Historically Significant Structures Property List, Significant among other things, makes a property eligible for certain incentives as detailed in Chapter 14-7 of the Village

#### **Legal Notices**

At said public hearing, the Historic Preservation Commission shall accept all testimony and evidence pertaining to the said applications, shall determine whether each property proposed for inclusion on the Historically Significant Structures Properties List possesses one or more of the criteria set forth in Subsection 14-7-3.B. of the Village Code, and make a recommendation to the Board of Trustees as to whether each property should be included on the Historically Significant Structures Property List. The public hearing may be continued as to one or more properties as deemed necessary by the Commission. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard

Dated: July 8, 2024

Emily Tompkins, Village Clerk

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by Linda Thistle

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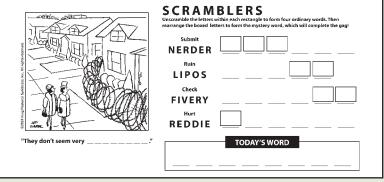
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July 2024 Horoscopes · Week 4



CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20 Now isn't a good time to think you can fake your emotions, Capricorn. Others will see right through you and read your mind quite easily. It's better to be honest and





CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22 ARIES – Mar 21/Apr 20
Aries, show off your true colors and let others see who you are and what makes you tick. You are given the spotlight right now to shine and get noticed even more.

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CANCER – Jun 22/Jul 22
Right now you have to take a leap of faith if you really want to grow, Cancer. Take a trip somewhere you've never visited, learn a new language, or make an effort to meet new neonless.



LIBRA – Sept 23/0ct 23
Libra, people from all corners will come together to help you out, just when you will get to realize those people who truly support you.



AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18 Someone you haven't spoken to in a while might be on your mind, Aquarius. This might be the right time to bridge the gap and open lines of communication.



TAURUS – Apr 21/May 21
The full equation may not be revealed this week until you start to unrayel some of the pieces, Taurus. You will need to remain patient as the process plays out.



LEO – Jul 23/Aug 23
Leo, although you might want to keep your aspirations to yourself, it is helpful if you run your ideas past a few trusted people to see if their enthusiasm mirrors your own.



SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22



them to learn and grow.



PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20
Pisces, it can be difficult to delegate to others and not handle everything yourself. But you have to trust in others and support them if you want them to learn and grow them to the property of the p GEMINI yoursen with a ning individuals.



VIRGO -Aug 24/Sept 22
Virgo, you can certainly proceed according to logic, but you might be better off trusting your gut for the time being. It rarely steers you wrong with the bigger things in life



## **SPORTS**







**A signature** of Amegadjie's touchdown celebrations during Hinsdale Central games was hoisting his score-making teammate high above his 6-foot-5-inch frame. Chicago Bears fans hope his powerful performances

will give the team a lift this year as the rookie hits the field with his bally-hooed fellow Bears draftees, namely top pick quarterback Caleb Williams and wide receiver Rome Odunze.

## Hinsdale native gets Halas Hall call

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committed to Yale University from a slew of college scholarship offers only to have his freshman season wiped out by the pandemic.

"The way I look at it, it was an opportunity for me to grow and learn and use it as a redshirt year. It was a blessing in disguise," he said.

Amegadjie would go on to rack up numerous accolades with the Bulldogs while also helping the team win a pair of Ivy League championships.

Al Netter, Amegadjie's former offensive line coach at Yale, said in the video that Amegadjie impressed from the start.

"I really just saw in him, from a length and athleticism standpoint ... there was no denying that he was built like an NFL offensive tackle," Netter said.

Even battling injury his senior year, his stock kept rising with pro scouts taken with both his measurements — 6'5", 326 pounds — and a quickness that belied his size, perhaps a benefit of that hiphop class. And a degree from a top-flight institution never hurts.

"It was great to get an education," said the political science major. "My goal was to one day play the NFL and that's what I was working toward. I grew a ton as a person, a football player, a son, a brother. I had a great experience there."

As the draft unfolded, Amegadjie had gotten signals that the Bears would select him in the third round.

"The pick was coming up and my agent pretty much told me, 'If they're going to call, they'll call you within the next two three minutes,' " he said. "Thirty seconds after that my phone rang."

It was Ryan Poles, general manager of the Bears, informing Amegadjie that he would wear the hallowed navy and orange. He turned his attention to the broadcast as one of his boyhood idols — former Bears star cornerback Charles Tillman — approached the dais and proceeded to announce the pick.

"It was all very surreal," Amegadjie said. "One of the best memories of my life was hearing (Tillman) call my name. I had the opportunity to meet him two or three weeks after the draft.

He felt he was where he belonged.

"It didn't come as a shock to me because I worked for it," Amegadjie remarked. "I knew it was the possible."

Yale head coach Tony Reno agreed in a statement about his star lineman's ascendancy.

"Kiran has worked relentlessly in the weight room, meeting room and on the field to achieve this amazing accomplishment. The sky is the limit for him as a player, and we are so excited for what's ahead for him as a Chicago Bear." Underscoring the significance of the occasion, the king of the Cameroonian village Amegadjie's mom hailed from was in attendance at the Hinsdale draft party.

"He was gracious enough to

attend the party and be there for the celebration and kind of represent my heritage," Amegadjie said.

Recovery from quad surgery last October has kept him on the sideline for offseason practice thus far, but he expects to be ready for training camp, which starts July 26.

"I feel like I'm in good shape," he said,

Being in familiar environs helps the healing process, suggested Amegadjie, identifying Hinsdale's Giuliano's Pizza as a favorite spot.

"I know the city. I can get around, I have family here, friends here, so I can really just focus on football, and I'm not trying to learn a million other things," he said. "I keep in contact with a couple of my teammates from Central and lot of people in the community."

He's eager to continue the growth individually and collectively that's he's experienced with the Bears organization.

"The progress we've made as a team is exciting. There's definitely a lot to learn, but everybody in the building is helping us as rookies," he said while confessing that he still doesn't know the players' ticket protocol to meet people's increasing requests.

Amegadjie senses the heightened anticipation for the 2024 season fueled largely by the arrival of draft classmates quarterback Caleb Williams and wide receiver Rome Odunze.

"There's a strong reputation and image to uphold. I think we all understand what we were brought in here to do," he said. "The real work starts now."

## **SPORTS**

## Hinsdale native gets Halas Hall call

Amegadjie will tackle his pro football dreams close to home for the Chicago Bears

By Ken Knutson

kknutson@thehinsdalean.com

Kiran Amegadjie didn't start playing football until age 13 when he joined the Hinsdale Falcons youth program.

"I remember getting hit, and I remember my first headache after a long practice and all the soreness I felt," Amegadjie recounted. "I was like, 'What did I just get myself into?'"

The Hinsdale native had no idea he'd gotten himself onto a path that less than 10 years later would lead to the National Football League as the 75th pick in the 2024 Draft by his hometown Chicago Bears.

Speaking to The Hinsdalean a couple weeks before the start of his first Bears training camp in Lake Forest, the offensive lineman reflected on his journey as the son of immigrant parents: his mother, Gislaine, from Cameroon, and father, Boris, from





**Kiran Amegadjie contributed** to Hinsdale Central's gridiron success. The offensive lineman will now block for the Chicago Bears after the team selected him in the third round of this year's NFL draft. A Bears fan as a kid, Amegadjie didn't start playing football until age 13. (Jim Slonoff photos/photo courtesy of the Chicago Bears)

Togo. They made sure he and his twin sister, Maiwen, were exposed to a range of activities from baskethall and tennis to horseback riding and hip-hop dance.

"I did so many different activities growing up,"

**Amegadjie's size, power** and quickness captured scouts' attention during his tenure playing for Yale University. He's the second former Red Devil drafted by the Bears following the team's sixth-round selection of Doug Kramer in 2022.

Amegadjie said.

Football, at least the American variety, was not among them, however.

"For them it was too violent," remarked the 22-year-old, who nonetheless persisted in his pursuit to put the pads on. "I finally got them to let me start playing."

Amegadjie said he was the only newcomer his first Falcons season, as most of the kids had been in the program for several years. He found his footing quickly

"I think I just kind of picked it up naturally," he commented.

Soon the goal became suiting up for the Hinsdale Central Red Devils.

"I alway used to go to the games on Friday nights, and I was looking forward to putting the horns on my helmet," Amegadjie said, fondly remembering the hard-fought contests against conference rivals like Glenbard West.

A self-described "calm,

collected" person with an inner confidence, Amegadjie acknowledged his competitive spirit can erupt in big moments.

In a video produced by the Bears, Central head coach Brian Griffin recalled one game when the normally quiet giant erupted in celebration.

"There was one game as a senior when I remember him coming off the field after a touchdown and going nuts and screaming and getting his teammates excited," Griffin said, not surprised by Amegadjie. "He knows his goals and works toward those goals and is willing to put in the time and effort to get where he wants to go."

April 26 certainly now ranks among them, a day of building anticipation as he waited with loved ones in hopes of hearing his name called on the draft's second day. Waiting was nothing new for Amegadjie, who

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