

THE LANSING JOURNAL

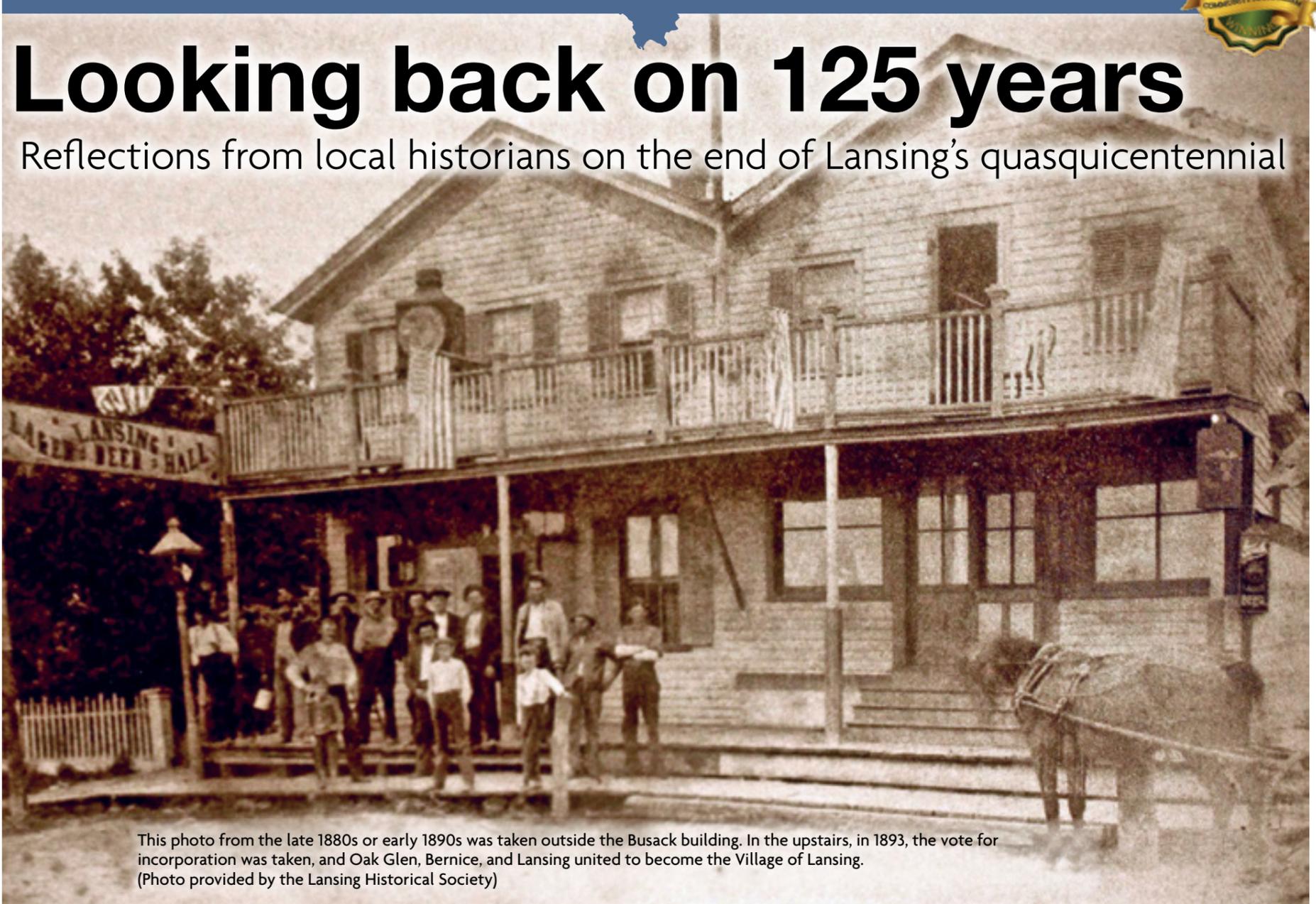
Every community deserves a good newspaper

Sign up for daily news: TheLansingJournal.com



Looking back on 125 years

Reflections from local historians on the end of Lansing's quasiquicentennial



This photo from the late 1880s or early 1890s was taken outside the Busack building. In the upstairs, in 1893, the vote for incorporation was taken, and Oak Glen, Bernice, and Lansing united to become the Village of Lansing. (Photo provided by the Lansing Historical Society)

BY CARRIE STEINWEG

LANSING, Ill. (December 4, 2018) – In March of 1893, the Village of Lansing was incorporated by combining three communities: Oak Glen, Bernice, and Lansing became one. This year as the quasiquicentennial came around there have been celebrations and history lessons to give a sense of how the village has grown during those 125 years and what some of the significant events have been.

The Good Neighbor Day parade in May carried a theme to honor the village's history. That was followed with the Hangin' at the Hangar event where the community was invited to celebrate this milestone in the village.

BUBBLE GUM AND GAS RATIONS

Some of the village's seasoned life-long residents have seen the village change from a small, quiet, rural community to the busy, developed suburb it is today. Paul Schultz said one of his favorite memories from his childhood was visiting the neighborhood stores, like Horn's Store on Ridge Road, where he liked

to buy sugary treats. "During the war you couldn't buy bubble gum at all," he said. "I remember when word got out that Horn's got a box of bubble gum, and the kids were all lined up to buy a piece of gum for a penny. And the adults lined up the same way to buy the cigarettes that were being rationed."

War time in Lansing also shaped a lot of the memories of life-long resident Herb Krumm. His older brother would pick up prisoners from a nearby German POW camp to bring them to work on his family's farm. He also recalled how his sister had an unusual ride home from the hospital after giving birth at St. Margaret Mercy Hospital in Hammond in 1943 while her husband was stationed in Italy. "Gas was being rationed," he said, and his uncle, Charlie Neidow, who was an undertaker in Hammond, had to pick her up from the hospital in a hearse.

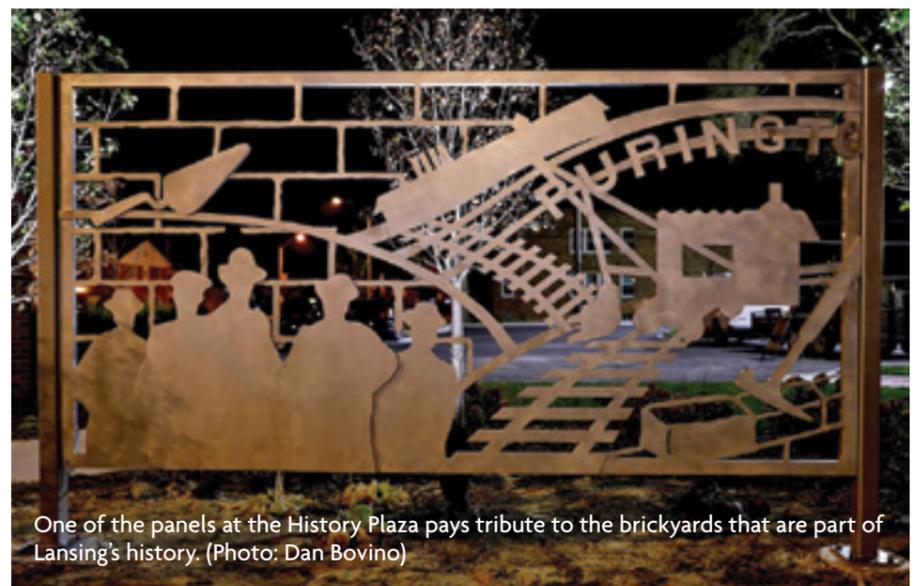
BRICKYARDS, ONIONS, FIRES, AND MOVIES

Schultz thought back to some of the significant events in Lansing history during his lifetime. "The brickyards closing in the late 1940s were a big deal. And then there was

the big building boom of the late 40s and early 50s," he said. Much of the housing in the north part of Lansing was constructed during that time for the GIs returning home and starting families. Before construction, much of that land was composed of onion fields, said Schultz. As for the brickyards, Schultz said he remembered the big holes in the ground when he was a child. Three of those brickyards became lakes. Two became landfills.

Krumm told a story related to the onions that were so prevalent in town. An onion warehouse in what is now the downtown area was filled with onion crates where the onions were placed to dry out. One day some kids decided to roast some onions behind the wood building. When they finished, they went home unaware that the fire was still smoldering. "Their first line of defense was the old Ford fire

See "125 years," page 9



One of the panels at the History Plaza pays tribute to the brickyards that are part of Lansing's history. (Photo: Dan Bovino)

PRSRRT STD
ECRWSS
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
Homewood, IL
Permit No. 130

Residential
Postal Customer

CHRISTMAS INSIDE—

✧ Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebración in Lansing (p4)

✧ Festival of Lights (p3)

✧ Christmas wishes from various advertisers

✧ Preparing children to meet Santa Claus (p20)

✧ Miracle on 34th Street (p21)

Lansing Christmas traditions rescheduled

Rainstorms push tree-lighting and Santa's arrival to Wednesday, December 5

BY MELANIE JONGSMA

LANSING, Ill. (December 1, 2018) – Out of concern for the dozens of children potentially involved in Saturday evening's tree-lighting and Santa arrival, the Village of Lansing and the Lansing Area Chamber decided Friday morning to reschedule the holiday tradition for Wednesday, December 5, beginning at 5:30pm.

The planned program remained the same—including Christmas carols by the Memorial Junior High School Choir and Girl Scouts, presentations by Village representatives, and Santa's arrival in time to witness the lighting of the Christmas tree by Mayor Eidam.

The Santa House officially opens after the tree-lighting. Santa's December schedule for receiving visitors at the Santa House is as follows:

WEDNESDAYS 6:00–8:00PM

December 5, 12, and 19

FRIDAYS 6:00–8:00PM

December 7, 14, and 21

SATURDAYS 1:00–3:00PM

December 8 and 15

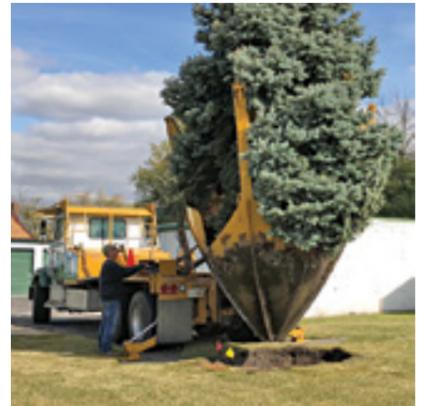
Also, pancakes

In addition, the Chamber's annual Pancake Breakfast With Santa will be held on December 8, from 8:00 to 11:00am in the cafeteria at TF South High School (18500 Burnham Avenue). Every child at the breakfast will receive a goody bag. Tickets are \$5.00 each, and proceeds from ticket sales benefit the Family Giving Fund, which helps local families who are experiencing hard times.

The Santa House is located at 18106 Henry Street, just north of the Fox Pointe stage.



Above: Everything was ready for Saturday, but the weather did not cooperate. The Santa House was decorated, and the storage shed to the north was removed, for aesthetics as well as potential parking. Goody bags for Santa's young guests had also been prepared by the Lansing Area Chamber of Commerce.



Right: In October the Lan-Oak Park District had moved the Village Christmas tree from its previous position near the Clock Tower. Its new location near the Santa House offers more space, free from overhead cables. The tree was trimmed and decorated in time for Saturday, but plans were put on hold until Wednesday.



Cookies and community

BY MELANIE JONGSMA

LANSING, Ill. (December 1, 2018) - One thousand homemade cookies baked by about 40 volunteers and served for three hours on a Saturday morning. That's Oak Glen United Reformed Church's recipe for building community. Saturday was their fifth annual Christmas Cookie Walk, a tradition that has proved to be a festive way for church members to meet new people.

Phaedra Bullock and her son Jeremiah were among the estimated 50 guests. They live in the neighborhood, saw the signs, and did the Christmas Cookie Walk last year. The cookies were so delicious and the people were so friendly that they decided to come again this year.

Each guest is invited to hand select up to two dozen cookies, including Outrageous Chocolate, Mocha Truffles, and Decadent Brownies, as well as holiday-themed cookies like Eggnog Spritz and Christmas Pinwheels.

Oak Glen United Reformed Church is located at 2244 Indiana Avenue.

THANK YOU

The Lansing Journal is grateful to have the support of our community. These wonderful people made contributions during November:

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|
| ALEXA BAISE | MEGAN HARVEY | KATHLEEN MAANUM |
| SUSAN BOVINO | DONNA HUIZENGA | JOYCE MULDER |
| KERRY CZAROBSKI | LEROY JANSMA | JOANNE PRITCHARD |
| RICH AND BARB DUST | ROBERT JARANOWSKI | SLAUGHTER & ASSOCIATES |
| FRIENDS OF THE LANSING JOURNAL | PATRICIA KREMER | LINDA TODD |
| TINA FUNCHION | LISA LEONARD | PATRICIA YOS |

We welcome the support of our community. If you value the writing, photography, ink, paper, and postage that keep you informed about Lansing news, consider giving online: thelansingjournal.com/news/support/ Or feel free to mail an occasional check to The Lansing Journal, P.O. Box 742, Lansing IL 60438.



THE LANSING JOURNAL

ABOUT US

Every community deserves a good newspaper. The Lansing Journal serves the Lansing, Illinois, community with consistent, trustworthy, community-building news and information. Our partnership with The Shopper, which has served South Holland and the surrounding region since 1957, combines professional journalism, community values, and local publishing. We offer advertising opportunities for local businesses, byline opportunities for local journalists, and learning opportunities for local students. Content appearing in The Lansing Journal—in print or online—is subject to copyright laws. (© 2018 by The Lansing Journal. All rights reserved.)

The Lansing Journal, P.O. Box 742, Lansing, IL 60438
(708) 831-2250 • info@thelansingjournal.com • www.thelansingjournal.com

PUBLISHED BY

The Shopper Group LLC, 924 E. 162nd Street, South Holland, IL 60473
(708) 333-5901 • general@myshopper.biz • www.myshopper.biz

STAFF

Managing Editors: Melanie Jongsma, Arlo Kallemeyn, Matthew J. Splant
Regular Contributors: Katie Arvia, Josh Bootsma, Ashlee De Wit, Ernst Lamothe Jr., Carrie Steinweg, Jennifer Yos

ADVERTISING

The Lansing Journal offers a range of ad sizes and prices for businesses, schools, and churches who want to reach potential customers and constituents. Prices range from \$100 to \$1,000. Download our easy-to-read Ad Rates at thelansingjournal.com.

SUBMISSIONS

The Lansing Journal is a community newspaper. We need help making sure our full community is represented in all its demographic diversity. If you have story ideas, photos, or articles you'd like to send us, email info@thelansingjournal.com.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Lansing Journal publishes online daily and in print monthly. Online subscriptions are free at thelansingjournal.com/news/subscribe. Print subscriptions are free to Lansing residents—email info@thelansingjournal.com to add your address to our distribution list. Print subscriptions outside of Lansing are \$30/year. Send your check and mailing address to The Lansing Journal, P.O. Box 742, Lansing, IL 60438.

PUBLISHER'S NOTICE

All real estate advertising in The Lansing Journal is subject to Fair Housing Laws, which makes it illegal to advertise "any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, familial status, sexual orientation, marital status, military status, age, ancestry, parental status, source of income, military discharge status, or housing status," no matter how large or small the property. This newspaper will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. Our readers are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised in this newspaper are available on an equal opportunity basis. To complain of discrimination, call HUD toll-free at 800-669-9777. The toll-free number for hearing-impaired people is 800-927-9275.

The Lansing Journal is a member of the Illinois Press Association, Independent Free Papers of America, and the Lansing Area Chamber of Commerce.



Festival of Lights celebrates Christmas culture around the world

BY CARRIE STEINWEG

LANSING, Ill. (December 2, 2019) – Following a performance of holiday music by the TF South High School Choir, the Lansing Historical Society opened their annual Festival of Lights exhibit on November 26 in the Lansing Historical Museum, which is housed in the lower level of the Lansing Public Library. For about six weeks each year, the regular exhibits are packed away, covered up, or incorporated into this holiday wonderland that includes more than 35 trees or scenes dedicated to different cultural celebrations and local groups.

Much of the exhibit is made up of full-sized trees that are decorated with authentic ornaments to represent different countries. Many are

accompanied by informational boards that give background on how Christmas is celebrated in that country. Trees are decorated by historical society members and other volunteers. Some decorate trees that have a special connection to their heritage. Joyce Mulder celebrates her heritage by decorating the Dutch tree. Karen Kleine decorates a tree to represent her mother's Puerto Rican roots. Village Clerk Vivian Payne, who recently visited family in Croatia, puts authentic touches on the Croatian tree.

Museum Curator Barb Dust also collects items in her travels to add to the exhibit. When she and her husband Rich visited Iceland, they put together a small display to represent Icelandic tradition, where Christmas trees are

scarce and driftwood is often decorated to deck the halls. This year the couple traveled to the Galapagos Islands, so they created a small Ecuador tree in the museum.

CROWD REACTIONS

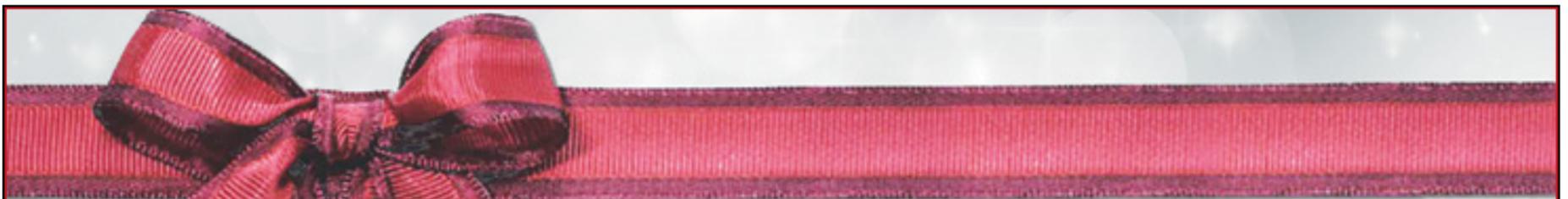
Mixed in with the trees are displays that tell of customs around the world. "The whole thing takes a long time to put up, and it's wonderful that the volunteers can get involved and do what they enjoy every year," said Lansing resident Elayne Young as she walked through the museum. She said her favorite tree was the German tree. "Do you know it took 5 hours to put up?" she asked. "It was very meticulously done."

Caitlin and Jerome Kotel of Lansing first saw the tree exhibit because their nephew was playing guitar as

See "Lights," page 6



"I love Christmas trees," said Darvionne Givhan, of Glenwood, who was seeing the Festival of Lights for the first time. "This clearly took a lot of time, and I appreciate the effort." (Photo: Carrie Steinweg)



The 2018 Lansing Santa House

Come visit Santa Claus!
18106 Henry Street, Lansing, IL

NEW THIS YEAR:
See the official Village Christmas tree!
(Its new home is right next to Santa's House!)




Bring your camera!

Wednesdays
December 5, 12, 19
6:00-8:00pm

Fridays
December 7, 14, 21
6:00-8:00pm

Saturdays
December 8, 15
1:00-3:00pm

For more information, call 708-895-7208.



46 volunteers from 46 Lansing organizations, churches, and schools were honored at the November 9, 2018

Evening of Thanks

The dinner, awards, and entertainment were made possible through generous donations and support from these local businesses and community organizations:

Calumet Bakery • Minuteman Press • River Oaks Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram • Schultz Insurance Agency • Thornton Township
 American Family Insurance • American Lawn • American Legion Riders Chapter 697 • Beggars Pizza • Besse Shirt Lettering • Bogs Management, Inc. • Canalia & Clark Attorneys At Law • Chicago's Finest Ironworks • Crystal Rose Beauty Salon • Dr. Nicholas & Janis Pallotto • Edward Schultz Auxiliary Unit 697 • Evers Realty Group • First National Bank of Illinois • First Savings Bank of Hegewisch • Foot Health Institute/Dr. Wood • Jim & Bonnie Cuthbert • John & June Cole • Lansing Area Chamber of Commerce • Lansing Fashionette • Lansing Old Timers • Leonard & Carol Ann Surufka • Lorraine Przybyl • Lynnies Ques Airport Bar & Grill • Maureen & Anthony Perovich • Municipal Collections of America • Piekarski & Sons/Mulch Masters • Ridge Animal Clinic • Ridgeway Petroleum • Sandrick Law Firm LLC • Schroeder Lauer Funeral Home • Serbian Social Center/Kaptur Events • Strack & Van Til • Water's Edge Gift, Garden & Pond Center

Evening of Thanks is organized by the Lansing Volunteer Recognition Committee as a way to give Lansing the opportunity to express thanks for all the good work accomplished in our community through faithful, generous, humble volunteers.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebración in Lansing



BY MELANIE JONGSMA

LANSING, Ill. (December 2, 2018) – Three Roosters Produce and Alberto's Beauty Salon will again hold their traditional celebration in honor of the Virgin of Guadalupe. The two stores neighbor each other, and Alberto's hosts the event while Three Roosters donates the food, including their famous *posole*. A Catholic priest does the mass, and a Mariachi band accompanies the festivities. More than 100 people attended last year's celebration.

Though the *Celebración de nuestra Virgen de Guadalupe* is particularly meaningful for Hispanics,

hospitality is extended to all of Lansing. The Lady of Guadalupe is said to represent the poor and marginalized, and Mexican-American hospitality is famous for making people feel welcome.

December 12 is the date when tradition says the Lady of Guadalupe appeared to a Mexican peasant, Juan Diego, in 1531. In Mexico, the date is a national holiday, a day when schools and businesses close and families gather for feasting and music.

Lansing's tribute to the holiday will take place at 9:00am on Wednesday, December 12, at Alberto's Beauty Salon, 3220 E 171ST Street, Lansing IL 60438.

Home... For the Holidays
 (Prayers for Safe Travels)



RE/MAX
 2000

Maria Eng
 CALL ME DIRECT: 219-682-6497
 mariaeng@remax.net
 mariaeng21@yahoo.com
 www.mariaeng.illinoisproperty.com

LICENSED in Illinois & Indiana

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you with your real estate needs.

WARM WISHES, ENJOY THE MEMORIES

New Hope Church cares about
 Body and Soul



FREE DENTAL SERVICES
 for Lansing area residents with financial needs

- Oral exam • Oral cancer exam • Teeth cleaning •
- Fluoride application • Blood pressure, too! •

Appointments most Tuesdays. Call 708-474-7717 to schedule.

New Hope Church
 BIBLE-BASED, COMMUNITY-INVOLVED
 3642 Lake Street • Lansing IL 60438 • www.aNewHopeMinistry.org
 Worship services 10:00am Sundays—join us!

Charges filed in November 20 shooting

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE LANSING POLICE DEPARTMENT

LANSING, Ill. (December 2, 2018) – On November 21, the Cook County State’s Attorney’s office charged Steven Resendez, age 36 of Lansing, with one count of First Degree Murder and one count of Attempted Murder. He was scheduled to be in bond court on November 22, 2018, at 2650 S. California Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Resendez’s second victim was still listed in critical condition at the time of this writing.

The charges were related to a November 20, 2018, incident. At 4:12am, the Lansing Police Department responded to the area of Thornton-Lansing Road and Chappel Avenue for a report of shots fired. Upon arrival, officers located two male subjects lying in the street with gunshot wounds. The first victim was a 20-year-old male who was pronounced deceased on scene. The second victim was a 19-year-old male who was treated and transported to Munster Community Hospital, and later, to the University of Chicago Hospital.

The Lansing Police Department, with the assistance of the Major Crimes Task Force, was able to identify Resendez as a person of interest. The South Suburban Emergency Response team, along with Lansing’s Emergency Response team, responded to the 17800 block of Locust Street to assist with taking the subject into custody. A peaceful surrender was negotiated.

Officials were not able to comment on the relationship between the three men or the circumstances surrounding the shootings.



Quiet Zone delineators and signage in place

Final approval still forthcoming

BY MELANIE JONGSMA

LANSING, Ill. (December 1, 2018) – Lansing Public Works was busy at five Lansing railroad crossings in mid-November. The required flexible delineators were installed at those locations, a next step in making the areas Quiet Zones, which means train horns will not sound at those crossings.

Flexible delineators are designed to prevent vehicles from going around the gate when it is down. Adding that safety measure is required before CSX Rail will agree to discontinue train horns, because the horns are also intended as a safety measure.

“No Train Horn” signage has also been installed, though the signs are covered for now. “The reason we cover the signs is so the public doesn’t think the Quiet Zone is now in effect,” explained Jeff Pintar, who serves as Village Engineer. “As of now, we are not yet ready to set a definitive date as to when the Quiet Zone will be established.”

Pintar explained that additional safety measures are required in order to compensate for the loss of the train horns. “We need to be sure all of the safety measures are installed in accordance with federal guidelines before notifying the railroads we are ready for the Quiet Zone to begin.”



Human Relations Commission holds first meeting

As one long process ends, another begins

BY JOSH BOOTSMA

LANSING, Ill. (November 27, 2018) – The Lansing Human Relations Commission held its first meeting November 27 in the classroom at the Lansing Police Department. The meeting included the reading of the commission’s mission and goals, planning the commission’s regular meeting schedule, and receiving a training session from a representative of the Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR).

The meeting marks the end of a long process of preparation and planning, and the beginning of a

new process of collaboration and relationship-building.

In August of 2017, a community meeting was held to address police and community relations in Lansing. This meeting took place in response to an incident involving a white off-duty police officer and a black teenager that occurred in June 2017. Forming a Human Relations Commission was one of many actions recommended at the meeting, and it was an action that Mayor Eidam promised to address immediately, in keeping with the platform she had campaigned on prior to taking office.

On Tuesday, the Commission met for the first time, in front of a crowd of about 20 Lansing officials and interested parties, primarily to receive training concerning intercultural communication.

The commission’s chairman, Leo Valencia, called the meeting to order. After some opening remarks, he read the mission statement and goals of the Commission, which include “designing and recommending innovative programs to enhance community involvement among all Lansing entities in order to increase cultural competency and improve intergroup relations.”

After Chairman Valencia’s statements, IDHR representative Kori Clemons gave a training presentation entitled “Intercultural Communication: Overcoming Cultural Barriers.” The training focused on

the basics of understanding cultures and subcultures, effective communication, and the dangers of ethnocentrism.

Clemons ended her presentation by saying, “I commend all of you guys for coming together to do this. ...Today you are taking this step to move your village into a better place, and I’m very proud to be a part of this.”

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Following the presentation, the commission scheduled their meetings to take place on the third Thursday of every month. The meetings will start at 6:30pm and will be held in the Community Room of the Lansing Public Library. They are open to the public.

The first meeting will take place on December 20.

Notice of Public Sale

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will sell, to satisfy lien of the owner, according to (770 ILCS 95/) Self-Service Storage Facility Act I at public sale by competitive bidding on www.storage-treasures.com ending on **December 12, 2018 at 10:00 am** or after for units located at:

**Compass Self Storage,
2556 Bernice Rd., Lansing, IL 60438**

The personal goods stored therein by the following may include, but are not limited to general household, furniture, boxes clothes and appliances. Purchases must be made with cash only and paid at the time of sale. All goods are sold as is and must be removed at the time of purchase. Compass Self Storage reserves the right to refuse any bid. Sale is subject to adjournment.

Unit #	Tenant Name	Unit #	Tenant Name	Unit #	Tenant Name
A1001	Rebecca Rosiak	B1153	Tamika Hargrove	B1271	Jamil Love
A1029	James Neff	B1172	Cynthia Weatherspoon	B1298	Ariel Martin
A1037	James Lawrence	B1216	Patricia Rimmer	B1339	Claudia Smith
A1044	Legal Shield	B1221	Nikeya Johnson	B1451	Jeanina Payne Baker
B1043	Rita Partee	B1269	Alon Caldwell		

\$20 OFF any large 16" pizza OR **\$30 OFF** any super 18" pizza

YOU LOVE IT. YOU WANT IT. YOU GOTTA HAVE IT.

rico's

Must mention coupon when ordering. Not good with any other offer. Expires 1/4/19.

3651 Ridge Road, Lansing 708-895-2630 • 219-972-2630

Lights, from page 3

part of the TF South Chorus one opening night. They returned again this year to see what was new. "I like to read about the traditions," said Caitlin. "I enjoyed reading about the tradition in Iceland where everyone gets books and sits in bed eating chocolate and reading."

"I really like the Greek and Irish trees," said Jerome. "My mom has always decorated close to what the Greek tree looks like, even though we're not Greek at all. I like all the gold decorations."

Tammy Bartosz of Lansing, previously of Berwyn, was seeing the exhibit for the first time. "This is really amazing," she said. "The choir was fantastic, and the info given in the exhibit is interesting and informative."

Her favorite tree was the Dutch tree because she spotted the wooden shoe ornaments, which reminded her of the real wooden shoes her parents bought her when they all visited Holland, Michigan. "It brings back memories," she said.

"And I think that's what Christmas is all about."

Darvionne Givhan of Glenwood said that her fondness of Christmas trees drew her to the library to see the exhibit for the first time. "I really like it. I love Christmas trees, and I think they represented everything well," she said. "I like the blurbs you can read to learn a little more. This clearly took a lot of time, and I appreciate the effort."

There seemed to be a lot of stopping and reading as guests made their way through on opening night of the exhibit. Jose Munoz knelt down beside his daughters, Sarah (8) and Christina (6) as they took turns reading paragraphs on a board explaining Christmas traditions in the United Kingdom.

Historical Society member Phyllis Drewno said that she isn't big on decorating trees ever since she worked at Sears where she had to have 26 trees set up in September to be on display for those who wanted to put them on layaway. Decorating a tree became more of a chore then, but she

does enjoy looking at them now and admiring the work that others do. "The volunteers do such a fantastic job with this," she said. "There are so many authentic ornaments."

Juanita and Bruce Ross

of Lansing were also among the visitors on opening night of the exhibit. "My favorite tree is the German tree," said Juanita. "I love the tinsel. A Christmas tree just isn't a Christmas tree until it has tinsel on it. Some disagree, but that's the way I was raised. I love how the light shines through it."

THROUGH JANUARY 5

The exhibit is free to the public and runs through January 5. The museum has extended holiday hours:

- Mondays and Tuesdays: 6:00-8:00pm
- Wednesdays and Thursdays: 3:00-5:00pm
- Saturdays: 11:00am-1:00pm

The Munoz family took a close look at the display describing Christmas traditions in the United Kingdom.

(Photo: Carrie Steinweg)



Left: The wooden shoes ornaments on the Dutch Christmas tree brought back memories for Tammy Bartosz.

Right: Museum Curator Barbara Dust and her husband Rich traveled to the Galapagos Islands this year, which sparked ideas for an addition to the Christmas displays. (Photos: Carrie Steinweg)



At Your Service Business Directory

To get listed on this page, please call 708-333-5901 Today!

 <p>APPLIANCE REPAIR</p> <p>THE HEATING & APPLIANCE REPAIR MAN</p> <p>#1 Priority is Servicing your A/C, Refrig., Washer, Dryer, Stove.</p> <p>FREE FREE FREE service charge with same day repair. \$25 discount on all repairs.</p> <p>CALL AL AT 708-985-1623</p>	<p>CONCRETE</p> <p>Brian Caputo's SouthWest Concrete Commercial & Residential Concrete Specialist of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driveways • Sidewalks • Patios • Garages • Stamp & Color • Decorative Concrete Overlay <p>FREE SPECIAL Free concrete sealer with purchase of new concrete</p> <p>708-514-0457 Brian</p> <p>BBB Accredited • 5 Star Rating</p> <p>cuputosouthwestconstruction.com</p>	<p>GARAGE DOORS</p> <p>G's Garage Doors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supply & Installed • Service Openers • Broken Springs, Cables • Entry & Storm Doors <p>FREE ESTIMATES</p> <p>CALL 708-323-5954</p>	<p>HANDYMAN</p> <p>Problems IR Solved</p> <p>HANDYMAN SERVICES General Repairs • Drywall Basic Carpentry • Painting Basic Electric • Plumbing</p> <p>SENIOR DISCOUNTS</p> <p>FREE ESTIMATES</p> <p>Call 708-392-9453</p>	 <p>LANDSCAPING & LAWN CARE</p> <p>Roas Lawn Maintenance</p> <p>Spring Cleaning • Planting • Grass Cutting • Edging • Aeration • Snow Removal • Sod • Gutter Cleaning • Power Raking • Fall Cleanup • Tree & Shrub Trimming • Tree Removal</p> <p>FREE ESTIMATES</p> <p>Call Tomas 708-825-4292</p>	<p>PROPERTY MANAGEMENT</p> <p>BOGS MANAGEMENT INC.</p> <p>Property Management & Real Estate Sales Licensed in Illinois & Indiana Robert & Les Bogs 708.895.1411 bogsmtg@sbcglobal.net BogsManagement.com Let Us Help You Manage Your Property</p>	<p>ROOFING</p> <p>CHUCKS DISCOUNT ROOFING</p> <p>Since 1963 Roof Repair • New Roofs • Re-Roof Insurance Work • Shingles • Rubber Hot Tar • Roof Cert. • FREE Roof Insp. Before You Buy, Give Us A Try Licensed, Bonded, Insured Free Estimates</p> <p>708-672-0043 708-935-5558</p>
<p>Mr. Fix-It REPAIRS DONE RIGHT APPLIANCE & HVAC</p> <p>708-895-5433 708-429-7479</p> <p>SPECIAL • SPECIAL • SPECIAL</p> <p>BACK TO BASICS REPAIRS DONE RIGHT</p> <p>\$15 Service Fee Monday & Tuesday Only \$25 All Other Days</p> <p>ALL MAJOR APPLIANCES [HEATING & AC ESTIMATES AVAILABLE]</p>	 <p>CONSTRUCTION</p> <p>Allen Construction Capital Management</p> <p>Bathroom, Kitchen, Carpentry, Tile Flooring, Window-cleaning, Electrical, Painting, Clean-outs, Drywall, Plumbing, Tuckpointing, Roofing, Siding, Vinyl, Decks.</p> <p>Licensed, Bonded, Insured. Free Estimates. Credit Cards Accepted</p> <p>847-744-1259</p>	 <p>GUTTERS</p> <p>THE GUTTER GUY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seamless Alum. Gutter Installations • Leaf Relief Covers • Minor Exterior Repairs • Gutter Cleaning <p>219/201-6966</p>	<p>HEATING & AC</p> <p>ILLIANA A Christian-Owned & Operated Company Since 1987</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Free estimates • Financing available • Emergency service is available <p>Serving N.W. Indiana and South Chicagoland since 1987</p> <p>(219) 627-1344 illianaheating.net</p>	 <p>MUSIC INSTRUCTION</p> <p>Senses to Soul School of Music</p> <p>Affordable Music Lessons for Adults & Young People Instrumental & Vocal Lessons Only \$15</p> <p>Allen Kern Certified Music Educator</p> <p>Mon-Sat 10a-9p 150 W. 168th St - 2nd Fl South Holland, IL sensesetosoul@yahoo.com (773) 837-8638</p>	 <p>REMODELING</p> <p>ROBERT NEEDS WORK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carpenter • Plumbing • Remodel • New Construction • Handyman Services <p>Kitchen/bath/bsmts/decks Doors/floors/walls and all!</p> <p>Call 773-647-7948</p>	<p>SNOWBLOWER REPAIRS</p> <p>Riccoss Repair Service OUTDOOR POWER EQUIPMENT REPAIR RiccossRepairService.com</p> <p>Ricco Bertoletti PridelnWorkmanship@gmail.com</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lawn Equipment • Snow Blowers • Generators • Chain Saws • Pressure Washers • Small Engine Repair <p>3149 Glenwood-Dyer Rd., Unit L, Lynwood (708) 248-6354</p> <p>SENIOR LIVING/CARE</p> <p>VILLAGE WOODS Retirement & Assisted Living</p> <p>2681 Route 394 Crete, IL 60417 (708) 672-6111</p>

OBITUARIES

AHRENS

A funeral mass for Ann Marie Ahrens (nee Mutka) was held on December 1, 2018 at St. Jude the Apostle Church.

Mrs. Ahrens was born April 10, 1936 and died November 23, 2018. She was the mother of Luann (Chi) Ahrens; grandma of Anna Paula and Lily; sister of Eleanor Lukowski, Florence Mika and John (Nancy) Mutka.

Interment was at Holy Cross Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to Thornridge Funeral Home (Janusz Family Funeral Service).

BARBORIK

A private funeral service for Robert Barborik was held in December, 2018.

Mr. Barborik, a U.S. Army Korean War Veteran, was born December 2, 1930 and died December 1, 2018. He was the son of the late Henry & Elsie (née Koprowith) Barborik. Brother of Arlene Barborik, the late Henry (late Evelyn) Barborik Jr., Lorraine (late John) Garvis, and Shirley (late Robert) Hansen; uncle of many nieces and nephews.

Interment was private. Arrangements were entrusted to Thornridge Funeral Home (Janusz Family Funeral Service).

BOSCH

A memorial service for Janet Bosch (nee Kooyenga) will be held December 22, 2018 at Parkview Christian Church in Orland Park, IL.

Mrs. Bosch was born April 26, 1944 and passed away November 23, 2018. Wife of the late Cornelius R. Bosch. Mother of Laura (John) Moseley, Sheila (Tim) Krygsheld, and Steve (Melissa) Bosch. Grandmother of 10. Sister Barb Marcom (late Tim Tanis, late Ray Marcom) and Charlene (Ted) Rappatta.

Arrangements entrusted to Smits Funeral Home, Dyer, IN.

DEN BESTEN

A funeral service for Kennetha J. Den Besten (nee Sittema) was held Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at Smits Funeral Home in Dyer, Indiana with Rev. Cal Aardsma officiating.

Mrs. Den Besten was born September 18, 1939 and passed away November 21, 2018. Wife of the late Gerald C. Den Besten. Mother of Marla (Calvin) Boender. Grandmother of Loren Boender. Sister of

the late Richard (late Jeanette) Sittema, Shirley (late Gerald) Zylstra, late Janis (late Christopher) Jonkman and the late Annette (late Garry) Keessen.

Interment was at Chapel Hill Gardens South, Alsip, IL. Arrangements were entrusted to Smits Funeral Home, Dyer, IN.

DEPASQUALE

A funeral service for Jadwiga "Harriet" DePasquale (nee Krzys) was held on December 1, 2018 at Thornridge Funeral Home.

Mrs. DePasquale was born June 17, 1946 and died November 28, 2018. She was the wife of John; mother of Dino (Susan) DePasquale; sister of Karolina Nosal and Janina Stec; sister-in-law of Armand (Andrea) DePasquale.

Interment was at Good Shepherd Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to Thornridge Funeral Home (Janusz Family Funeral Service).

DESMOND

A funeral service for Clinton John Desmond was held Thursday, November 29, 2018 at Smits Funeral Home in Dyer, IN with Rev. Dr. Frederick Niedner officiating.

Mr. Desmond was born September 9, 1932 and passed away November 24, 2018. Husband of Lenore Desmond, nee Peters. Father of Laura (Marylyn Grabosky) Desmond and Clinton (Erin) Desmond. Brother of Lois Aguina and Sandra (Frank) Wolf.

Interment was at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. Arrangements were entrusted to Smits Funeral Home, Dyer, IN.

OSWALD

A Funeral Mass for Mary Ann Oswald (nee Alois) was held on December 3, 2018 at Our Lady of Knock Church.

Mrs. Oswald was born February 16, 1942

and died November 25, 2018. She was the wife of Robert; mother of Ann (Tim) Leyden and Robert (Brook) Oswald Jr.; grandma of Michael and Kimberly Oswald, Rebecca, Brian and Allison Leyden.

Interment was at St. Mary Cemetery. Arrangements were entrusted to Thornridge Funeral Home (Janusz Family Funeral Service).

VAN DYKE

A funeral service for Lois Van Dyke (nee Iwema) was held Saturday, December 1, 2018 at Smits Funeral Home in Dyer, IN, with Rev. Jason DeVries officiating.

Mrs. Van Dyke was born September 3, 1929 and passed away November 28, 2018. Wife of Albert Van Dyke. Mother of Joan (John) Worries, and Paul (Karyl) Van Dyke. Grandmother of 7; great-grandmother of 11. Sister of Margaret (late James) Brandsma, late John (late Minnie) Iwema, late Jeanette (late John) Oezer, late Ernst (late Ida) Iwema, and late Anjean (late Arnold) Bandstra; sister-in-law of Kathryn (late Robert) Levitt.

Arrangements were entrusted to Smits Funeral Home, Dyer, IN.

VERDOUW

A funeral service for John H. Verdouw was held Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at Smits Funeral Home in Dyer, IN, with Pastor Joel Zuidema officiating.

Mr. Verdouw was born July 21, 1939 and passed away November 29, 2018. Husband of Barbara K. Verdouw (nee Keyzer). Father of Kathy (Paul) Ambrose, Timothy (Dawn) Verdouw, and James Verdouw. Grandfather of 7. Brother of George Verdouw, and Ronald (Estella) Verdouw.

Arrangements were entrusted to Smits Funeral Home, Dyer, IN.

The Lansing Journal runs full obituaries with photos in our daily online news as we receive information from local funeral homes. For \$100, we can also include an edited version of the notice in our upcoming monthly print edition. Interested families can contact The Lansing Journal directly, or ask your funeral home to do so.



George H.W. Bush, former US President, dies at 94

United States and Illinois flags to fly at half-staff until December 30

INFORMATION COMPILED FROM WIKIPEDIA AND A PRESS RELEASE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

WASHINGTON, DC (December 3, 2018) - George Herbert Walker Bush died on November 30, 2018, at the age of 94 years, 171 days. He has the distinction of being the longest-lived president in American history.

Bush (June 12, 1924 – November 30, 2018) served as the 41st President of the United States from 1989 to 1993. Prior to assuming the presidency, Bush served as the 43rd Vice President of the United States from 1981 to 1989. As a member of the Republican Party, he had previously been a U.S. Representative, Ambassador, and Director of Central Intelligence.

During his career in public service, he was known simply as George Bush. After his eldest son George W. Bush became President of the United States in 2001, he was referred to as "George H. W. Bush," "Bush 41," or "George Bush Sr."

After leaving office in 1993, Bush was active—often alongside his former opponent Bill Clinton—in humanitarian activities. With George W. Bush's victory in the



(Photo: Melanie Jongsma)

2000 presidential election, Bush and his son became the second father-son pair to serve as president, following John Adams and John Quincy Adams.

On December 3, the Department of Central Management Services received notice from the President of the United States of America that all persons or entities covered by the Illinois Flag Display Act are to fly the flags at half-staff in honor of President George H.W. Bush. Per the notice, United States flags and the State flags at all buildings occupied by agency personnel were to be lowered immediately until sunset on Sunday, December 30, 2018.

LOCAL CHURCHES

Bethel Church



3500 Glenwood-Lansing Road, Lansing (West of Wentworth Avenue) 708-474-9226

PASTOR CAL AARDSMA

WORSHIP SERVICES

9:30am and 5:00pm
Church School—9:45am



(formerly First Baptist Church)
3440 178th Street, Lansing
708-474-5400

WORSHIP SERVICES

Sunday School.....9:30am
Sunday Worship10:30am



3134 Ridge Road, Lansing
708-474-9610
www.firstchurchpca.org

BEN KAPPERS, PASTOR

WORSHIP SERVICES

Morning Worship 9:30am
Sunday School.....11:00am
Evening Worship..... 5:30pm

Lynwood United Reformed Church



1990 E. Glenwood-Dyer Road, Lynwood
708-474-4100
www.LynwoodURC.org

REV. NICK ALONS PASTOR

WORSHIP SERVICES

9:30am and 5:00pm



2244 Indiana Avenue, Lansing
708-474-9576
www.oakglenurc.org
FB: Oak Glen United Reformed Church

REV. ED MARCUSSE, PASTOR

WORSHIP SERVICES

Morning Worship 9:30am
Sunday School.....11:00am
Evening Worship.....5:00pm

TO ADD YOUR CHURCH TO THIS DIRECTORY, EMAIL ERICA@MYSHOPPER.BIZ

Thornton Township wins four awards at Springfield conference

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THORNTON TOWNSHIP

SOUTH HOLLAND, Ill. (November 29, 2018) – Thornton Township walked away with four prestigious awards at the annual Township Officials of Illinois Conference in Springfield, Illinois:

- Caseworker of the Year, awarded to Lakeela Jennings
- Best Township Innovative Program
- Best Township Social Media
- Message of the Year, awarded to Ernst Lamothe Jr.

It is the second straight year Thornton Township has received Best Social Media. The Communication Department has received four awards in the past two years.

"It is an incredible honor to be recognized with a statewide award for the way we communicate with our residents," said Lamothe, of Lansing. "Supervisor Frank Zuccarelli continues to push for new and groundbreaking programs and services for our community. We appreciate that all our hard work is being viewed by others outside the township."

Thornton Township's Community Relations Department was recognized for its social media, township brochures, website, and overall ways that it effectively educates and disseminates information to residents.

It was also the third straight year Thornton Township took home hardware, including last year's win for Zuccarelli as Youth Department Champion of the Year and a 2016 award for Township of the Year.

"We are very proud of the hard work our staff does to provide the highest quality of service to our community," said Frank M. Zuccarelli, Thornton Township Supervisor. "Our motto is 'People working with people,' and we truly believe that township government is at the ground floor of providing the necessary programs that communities need. We are honored and humbled by this award and that the Township of Illinois recognizes the hard work we have put in this year to help our local residents."

Thornton Township provides general assistance programs offering financial relief for qualified residents. In addition, the township registers voters, helps with homeowners and senior citizen homestead exemptions, and helps with food, gas, and energy bill relief.

"I work with a lot of incredible people that helped me get to where I am. I am just so thankful to work for a great township," said Jennings.

The township also has a robust youth and adult program that features free family counseling and after school tutoring and programs in Dolton, Harvey and Riverdale.

Thornton Township is made up of all or part of 17 south suburban communities. They are a three-time winner of Township of the Year—in 2004, 2008, and 2016.

"What we do at Thornton Township is very special. Our goal is always to serve as many people as possible and get the word out about all our great programs," said Lamothe. "We will continue to work



Top: The team from Thornton Township displays the four awards they received.



Above: Lakeela Jennings (left) and Frank Zuccarelli display the awards for Caseworker of the Year and Best Township Innovative Program. Right: Ernst Lamothe Jr. (left) and Frank Zuccarelli receive the award for Message of the Year. (Photos provided)



hard in the new year to bring our township to another level."

"We understand the importance of working together for a common goal," added Zuccarelli. "We are here to serve the people and make sure that we build each other up and we

build our communities up. We are able to accomplish this because we have a strong Board of Trustees who care about the community and a strong management team in all areas working to make sure we provide the best services possible."

Considering a Move? Call Cathy & Jim Higgins

• Complimentary Market Evaluation

• We'll Provide Answers to all of your Real Estate Questions

• We'll Advise you on what you need to do to get your home ready for sale!

• We'll take you step by step through the entire process!

• Experts in the coordination of your Sale & next Purchase!

• Licensed in Illinois & Indiana for your convenience

• We are committed to the highest standards of Professionalism, Integrity & Client Service.

• Put our Experience to work for you!

See what we do at www.CathyHiggins.com

Email: Cathyah@aol.com Call: 708-828-3304

We Sold 170 + Homes the Past 2 Years For a Reason!

ELECTRICAL SERVICES

Residential electrician specializing in old homes. Small jobs no problem. Emergency service available. Licensed • Bonded • Insured

Senior Discount 10% Free Estimates*

South Holland, IL • 708-822-7758

*Restrictions Apply

Install circuit breakers. Small jobs o.k. Licensed & Insured.

MONTHLY SPECIAL 15% OFF Labor*

Don't wait for the monthly print issue

Get Lansing news online EVERY DAY, with photos, videos, and links to related stories. Signing up is easy. Visit thelansingjournal.com/news/subscribe/.

South Holland Dental

Thomas Wiese, D.D.S.

Dentures ♦ Fillings Extractions Senior Citizen Rates

15475 South Park, Suite 108A South Holland, IL 708-339-3002

Visa & MasterCard accepted

REX's ANTIQUES

FREE ESTATE APPRAISALS - TRUSTED HOUSE CALLS

WE ALWAYS PAY A FAIR MARKET PRICE

FIREARMS Curios - Relics Old Shotguns Modern Weapons WAR SOUVENIRS Helmets - Daggers - Medals Wings - Pins - Badges Swords - Knives German Uniforms	ART GLASS Loetz - Durand FURNITURE Dining Room Sets Bedroom Sets Hall Trees - Floor	Lamps Hoosier Cabinets Bookcases - Curio Cabinets China Cabinets - Oriental Rugs Fine Table Lamps ART WORK Bronzes - Oil Paintings Water Colors - Etchings Statuary - Pottery - Fine Sterling COINS All Silver & Gold Coins Indian Head Pennies Bullion Pieces GLASSWARE	Depression - Fiesta Carnival - Fine Crystal Fine Pottery - Crocks Stoneware - Hummels JEWELRY Diamonds - Fine Costume Sterling - Gold Rings Hat Pins - Wrist Watches Pocket Watches TOYS Cars & Trucks Wind-Up Toys Pre-1960 Dolls - Banks Marbles - Slot Cars Robots	Pedal Cars - Barbies GI Joes MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS Fountain Pens - Postcards Clocks - Old Photos Political Items Guitars & Amps Slot Machines - Jukeboxes Beer Signs - Old Quilts Children's Items Neon Clocks Old Tapestry Old Shaving Gear Advertising Items
---	--	---	---	---

REX NEWELL is a professional speaker and appraiser with over 20 years experience. Rex is a noted speaker at libraries, historical societies, banks, YMCAs, church and senior citizen organizations, and has been a guest speaker on FOX TV. Feel free to call with confidence.

WE SPECIALIZE IN 1950s MODERN FURNITURE Herman Miller - Heywood Wakefield - Knoll	WE SPECIALIZE IN ART WORK Paintings - Etchings - Prints	WE SPECIALIZE IN TIMEPIECES Rolex - Omega - Cartier Patek Phillippe - Hamilton Audemars Piguet - Gruen Bulova - Waltham Longines - Corum
---	---	---

CALL REX NEWELL • 708-868-5428 • 219-513-0715

Loubelle's

'For People Who Really Care About Their Dogs'

OVER 40 YEARS

CUSTOM GROOMING

By professionals with 35 years experience

BOARDING ALL BREEDS

Private Indoor & Outdoor Runs, Radiant Heat, Air Conditioning, 24-Hour FM Music, Attendant On Duty 24-Hours a Day

DAY CARE FOR DOGS

Recommended By Veterinarians

HOURS:
MON.-FRI. 7:00 A.M.-6:30 P.M.
SAT. 7:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M.
CLOSED SUNDAYS & HOLIDAYS

16440 State Street South Holland, IL (708) 333-6200

125 years, from page 1

truck," said Krumm. "They doused the other nearby buildings and were fighting a valiant battle until a train came by. They had to string hoses across the tracks, and they got cut when the train went by."

Another big fire in town was one that destroyed the First Reformed Church at the corner of Ridge Road and Burnham Avenue. "I was there, and that was a pretty big fire," said Schultz. "It was in January, and I was about 7 or 8 years old."



In January 1945, fire consumed the Lansing First Reformed Church (now known as First Church PCA). Located on the northwest corner of Burnham Avenue and Ridge Road, the church was rebuilt one year later. (Photo courtesy of the Lansing Historical Society)

Krumm remembers the opening of the Lans Theater in 1946. The building is now the home of Beggar's Pizza. "We went there every week. It was reward for doing chores," he said. The first movie he saw there was *Three Girls in Blue*, which he described as "hokey." Serials and cowboy movies were shown on Saturdays, and they changed movies three times a week. A big draw to the theater was a chance to win china pieces, he said.

BUILDINGS, ROADS, AND AIRPLANES

Construction of buildings and roads accounted for some of the most significant parts of Lansing history according to the two. In 1945, Krumm said, land was surveyed for what was to be called the Chicago-Detroit Expressway, but due to the war, building materials weren't available.

Schultz said that the building of the expressway was a pivotal point in shaping Lansing's future. "We

were kind of this sleepy little town, but then we turned into this bedroom community because everyone was going to work jobs in the steel mills. You made more money at the mills than you would at farming. As people went to the steel mills, agriculture went down."

Although it happened before he was born, Schultz said the construction of the airport was also a big event that has had a lasting impact on Lansing. "We never thought it would be recognized on the National Register. It was just there, but

the old-timers could tell you the history and who's who of aviation in the 1920s and 30s that flew in," he said. "People in that generation don't realize sometimes how important something is. It is the next generation that sees it and says, 'You've got a gift there!'"

FROM FAMILY FARM TO FOX POINTE

There's been recent construction on the land that was once Krumm's family farm. His family has a photo taken 100 years ago in 1918 of his mother and his older brother, at age 8, standing in a pasture. A century later, that pasture has been developed into the new Fox Pointe site.

EDUCATION

Construction of schools has also been a game changer in the village. At the time that Krumm's older brother finished eighth grade, the nearest high school that Lansing kids could attend was Thornton Township High School in Harvey. Because of the need to travel such a far distance, it wasn't unusual for kids to not attend high school.

Thornton Fractional High School in Calumet City opened in 1926, and both Krumm and Schultz attended the school. Krumm graduated in 1954. Schultz graduated in 1957, the last class of Lansing kids to attend Thornton Fractional High School. In 1958, Lansing built its own high

school, designated as Thornton Fractional South High School, and the Calumet City high school added "North" to its name.

However, Thornton Fractional wasn't Lansing's first high school. Illiana Christian High School opened its doors in 1945. Schultz, who attended Coolidge School

and later St. Ann School, recalled that in his school days there were more parochial schools than public schools. Prior to World War II, there were just two public schools—Coolidge School and Indiana Avenue School—both of which went up to grade 8. Parochial schools included St. John, Trinity Lutheran, St.



From left: Arthur C. Krumm, Mrs. Marie Krumm, and daughter Margie Krumm stand on the family farm in the summer of 1918. The site later became known as Fox Pointe because Fox Lumber was located there. In 2017, Lansing began developing Fox Pointe as a performance and entertainment venue, which officially opened in 2018. The house in the background of this photo is the red brick home still on Henry Street today. (Photo courtesy of Herb Krumm and the Lansing Historical Society)

Ann, Lansing Christian, and Illiana. Although Trinity Lutheran School has now closed and Illiana Christian High School has moved to Indiana, Lansing has gained a college. Visible Music College opened in 2014 in Lansing's original Village Hall building.

Lansing History highlights

- 1893 Lansing is incorporated by combining three communities
- 1894 The first village hall is built
- 1900 Ridge Road is completed
- 1905 Lansing gets its first baseball team
- 1912 Electricity is installed in Lansing
- 1915 Lansing hires first full-time police officer
- 1921 Indoor plumbing comes to Lansing
- 1922 Lansing forms volunteer fire department
- 1926 Henry Ford builds airport
- 1929 The first speed limit signs are posted in Lansing
- 1934 Lansing Bugle Corp takes first place at the World's Fair in Chicago
- 1936 Lansing opens its first library
- 1942 Blackout measures are taken during World War II
- 1944 Land is acquired from Lansing for new expressway
- 1945 Illiana Christian High School opens
- 1951 Parking meters installed on Ridge Road
- 1952 Lansing Knights of Columbus established
- 1958 Thornton Fractional South High School opens
- 1961 Lan-Oak Pool is dedicated
- 1967 First Good Neighbor Day Parade
- 1970 New post office is built
- 1976 Lansing purchases and incorporates Lansing Airport
- 1980 Eisenhower Recreation Center opens in former school
- 1985 Ford Hangar is placed on National Register of Historic Places
- 1991 The Landings shopping center opens
- 1992 Lansing loses its first officer (Kenneth Novak, Jr.) in the line of duty
- 1993 Lansing K9 discovers over \$5 million of drug money
- 1995 Lansing Veterans Memorial dedicated
- 1997 Lansing Youth Center opens
- 2001 Lansing firefighters raise \$45,000 for 9/11 first responder families
- 2002 Second runway opens at airport
- 2005 Pennsy Greenway opens
- 2009 Lansing village offices move to new location
- 2012 Lansing holds its first Autumn Fest
- 2014 Visible Music College opens
- 2017 History Plaza and Fox Pointe construction begins, new Santa House opens
- 2018 Fox Pointe opens



Lansing acquired the airport property—including the Ford Hangar—in 1976. (Photo: Darlene M. Kadar, 1979)



We're THAT Good!

\$2 OFF

your order of \$20 or more

\$3 OFF

your order of \$25 or more

\$4 OFF

your order of \$30 or more

OPEN DAILY AT 4PM

AURELIO'S PIZZA
416 Ridge Road, Munster
219-836-2336

Latin American Motorcycle Association delivers Thanksgiving

Snowfall did not stop the ride

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE LATIN AMERICA MOTORCYCLE ASSOCIATION

CROWN POINT, Ind. (November 26, 2018) – Snowflakes and wet roads did not stop Latin American Motorcycle Association of Crown Point from delivering Thanksgiving dinners to several families in Lake County Indiana and neighboring Illinois suburbs last week.

“It was a humbling experience. I have much in my life to give thanks for, and providing this small gesture of kindness made me proud to be part of L.A.M.A. Crown Point”, said L.A.M.A. secretary Jose Munoz, Jr.

East Chicago resident Sylvia Perez was overwhelmed when members of L.A.M.A. Crown Point delivered a Thanksgiving meal filled with all the trimmings. “We do not have any family here, and now I can give my children a good Thanksgiving,” she told the riders. “This was so nice, and I am so thankful.”

In years past L.A.M.A. Crown Point held a food drive among their members in order to serve others in their community. This year, however, food items were purchased from the club’s funds. “Our dues can be used for different types of events, and we voted to give back to our community,” said L.A.M.A. member Gilberto Romero.

“It was nice to know that we brought some comfort to hurting families, whether it’s emotional, financial, or both,” said Munoz, Jr.

L.A.M.A. Crown Point is an organization that fosters diversity and fellowship, promoting a positive image of motorcycle riders through volunteering and neighborhood initiatives. L.A.M.A. consists of people from around the globe who value family, integrity, and loyalty and who have a passion for motor touring.

To learn more about this event or about Latin American Motorcycle Association Crown Point, contact lamacrownpoint@gmail.com.

Right: L.A.M.A. members did not let snow stop them from delivering Thanksgiving dinners. (Photo provided)

Below: Sylvia Perez received a Thanksgiving meal with all the trimmings from L.A.M.A. (Photo provided)



Lansing Library to host property tax assessment appeal seminar for Thornton Township

Monday, December 17, 6:00pm

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE COOK COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW

LANSING, Ill. (December 3, 2018) - Cook County Board of Review Commissioner Dan Patlak will hold a property tax assessment appeal seminar at the Lansing Public Library (2750 Indiana Avenue) for taxpayers seeking to appeal their 2018 property tax assessments. Thornton Township is open for appeal through December 27, 2018. The seminar will be held on Monday, December 17, at 6:00pm.

The seminar is sponsored by Lansing Mayor Patty Eidam. The hour-long session will educate taxpayers on how to file a successful tax appeal.

The seminar will include a presentation by Commissioner Dan Patlak explaining the appeal procedure. Before the end of the evening, taxpayers will have an opportunity to work with staff from the Board of Review to address their specific questions and concerns.

NO FEE

This event is free to the public, and there is no fee to appeal at the Board of Review. Registration is not required.

FILING OPTIONS

Taxpayers may file an appeal online by visiting the Board of Review website: www.cookcountyboardofreview.com.

Alternatively, appeal forms also may be picked up at the Board of Review (located at 118 N. Clark Street, Room 601, in Chicago) or at local township offices. Forms can also be downloaded from the Board of Review website and printed out.

ABOUT THE BOARD OF REVIEW

The Cook County Board of Review is a quasi-judicial elected office responsible for adjudicating assessment appeals for all property in Cook County. Commissioner Dan Patlak represents the 1st District of the Board of Review, which encompasses 90% of suburban Cook County and part of the 19th, 41st, and 45th Wards of Chicago.

BANNER SALE

Exclusive to Shopper Readers!



3x6 Outdoor Banner

with Professional Graphic Design

\$199



- Includes thermal hem and grommets in corners
- Other sizes available
- Save more - provide your own design



708-333-0773

New Star shines light on community integration

BY JENNIFER YOS

CRETE, Ill. (December 1, 2018) – For parents of children who are intellectually or developmentally disabled, the concerns and solutions regarding the question “What next?” after their child’s high school graduation can be complicated. As a single parent of a disabled son explains:

“That’s the difficult part because once they’re done with school and you have to work, you have to figure out what you’re going to do with your child. As a parent, and a single parent, it’s very difficult, and you just have to be prepared and be knowledgeable of what is out there for your child, before they are done with school, because then you’ll be faced with what are you going to do? And like most kids, they don’t want to stay at home when they’re done because they’re used to being active and doing something. There’s a program through DORS [Division of Rehabilitation Services of Illinois]. They have a program where they can go to either an adult senior day program, or they can get a PA, which is a personal assistant, and a personal assistant can go into their home and help them out during the day. I think it’s like five or six hours a day.

“Resources are limited once they are done with school... Unless you have a parent that stays home already, there are not too many options that they have. My son was on the PUNS [Prioritized Urgent Need Services] list for eight years before he got services. They have to be pulled off the PUNS list. Once they get pulled off the list, then they receive an award letter, and then their individual service coordinator will give them a list of different places where they can have services.”

NEW STAR: MEETING THE NEED

This particular parent chose New Star Services for her son. New Star was formed in 2016 when two former south suburban organizations—SouthSTAR Services and New Hope Center—merged. New Star’s mission is “to provide choices and opportunities for persons with disabilities

and their families through a culture of innovation and caring to enrich their lives and maximize their independence.” New Star currently has two main locations: In Chicago Heights, at 1005 West End Avenue; in Crete, at 25930 S Cottage Grove Avenue.

New Star uses the term “consumers” to refer to people who use the wide range of services they offer. Consumers may be referred through their past agency (once they receive funding through the State of Illinois), or they may come through their high school transition program. New Star does an assessment with the high school, with their ICAP (Inventory for Client and Agency Planning), and with Suburban Access Service, Inc., to help determine whether the consumer needs to be working on employment skills, on production, or on life skills. New Star offers an impressive array of classes, field trips, recreational opportunities, and work experiences to assist consumers with basic life skills, community integration and assimilation, relationship building, academics, vocational training, job placement, and self-advocacy.

NEW STAR: BUILDING COMMUNITY

Group outings include visits to the Field Museum, Navy Pier, and Lake County Fairgrounds. With community integration the goal, New Star takes

consumers on tours where they can possibly get jobs, such as different lawn and gardening places, Albanese candy company, and Krispy Kreme.

In addition to the services offered at their two facilities, New Star provides and maintains 22 off-location homes, where consumers live with New Star staff members. A staff member is present whenever the consumer is home, including overnight. Each home has a vehicle, and New Star also provides bus transportation. The consumer makes the decisions about what to do, where to go, and what to eat, and also shares in the responsibilities around the house.

Lansing resident Tavarus Wesley has been receiving New Star services at the Chicago Heights location since 2008. As a result, he is able to give back to his community. “I’ve learned a lot here,” says Wesley. “After the first two months that I got here, I was doing janitorial up to 2010, and then that’s when I came over to the maintenance department.”

See “New Star,” page 12



New Star’s Crete office is located at 25930 S. Cottage Grove Avenue, Crete, IL 60417. (Photo: Jennifer Yos)



High Tech Service in Lansing For Over 35 Years!

UNLIMITED SERVICE AUTOMOTIVE **YOUR "CAR GUYS" SINCE 1982**

708-895-9520

3210 RIDGE ROAD • LANSING, IL

George Vincent Owner
Ron Wood Manager

Maintenance Club Special
\$39.95

- 5 qt. Valvoline Oil Change
- Tire Rotation
- Peace of Mind Inspection

*Hear the sound, see the light
Angel voices, starry night
Before the dawn of breaking day
Above the place where
God’s Son lay...*

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

TOWNE INTERIORS

3219 Ridge Road | Lansing, IL 60438
708-474-4260
WWW.TOWNEINTERIORS.NET

PRESCRIPTIONS IN 20 MINUTES!

OLD-FASHIONED SERVICE... with a modern touch

QUICK RX SCRIPTS

Special offer— \$5 off \$25 (Expires 12/31/18)

Special offer— \$10 off when you transfer your prescription to our new locations in Beecher or St. John! (Expires 12/31/18)

CONVENIENT PHARMACY HOURS—
M–F: 9am–7pm
Sat: 10am–4pm
*Sun: 10am–4pm (*Lansing Only)

3330 Ridge Road Lansing, IL 60438 Ph 708-474-9540

10865 Maple Lane St John IN 46373 Ph 219-365-9701

303 N. Broad St. Griffith, IN 46319 Ph 219-924-9540

715 S. Dixie Hwy Beecher, IL 60401 Ph 708-231-6343

New Star, from page 11

Wesley is one of the consumers on the maintenance crew who take care of repairs at the New Star homes and who move items from one place to another.

"When I'm not working with the maintenance field, I am doing advocacy work; I am actually the President of the advocacy group here—PossABILITY Partners."

PossABILITY Partners is a nationally recognized advocacy group, and as a member at New Star, Wesley helps conduct tours of the facility, interviews potential job candidates, and educates other consumers about their rights. Wesley is also Vice President of the Illinois Self-Alliance Advocacy Group and was one of the guest speakers at the 2018 Annual Convention of The Arc of Illinois.

"Self-Alliance Advocacy Groups advocate for others," he explains, "[and] help others that can't speak up or speak out. [I want to] just give a helping hand back because I felt like lately I have received a lot of help and a lot of blessings through all this. Right now I just do whatever I can to give back and show that I am appreciative."

NEW STAR: BUILDING BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS

Another Lansing resident, Rick Smith, is a consumer at the New Star location in Crete. Rick currently has two jobs. His job at New Star is drying container lids that other consumers have cleaned. On Tuesdays, he works in Lansing. "I work one day at Walgreens," Smith explains. "I do candy—put them on the shelf." New Star provides Rick with bus transportation to and from his New Star job.

New Star currently has five companies with whom they have established long-term relationships. They have a contract with Tootsie Roll—consumers clean the assembly line candy bins. For the manufacturing company CMG, consumers check nuts and bolts for defects—fractures, dust, anything that would cause them not to work properly. For Bosco, consumers label all of their cleaning products. New Star is also one of just a handful of agencies that have a State of Illinois contract to do electronic recycling.

After vocational training, consumers who work on the production floor receive piece-rate salaries.

New Star uses a Department of Labor formula based on how long it takes an average person to complete a job, and pay is based on the number of pieces they do per minute.

NEW STAR: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Recognizing that people with disabilities are living longer and are outliving their caregivers, New Star also provides services for seniors with disabilities.

With their comprehensive and innovative approach to assisting people of all ages and levels of abilities within a wide range of disabilities, New Star is a comforting solution to a parent's concern about "What next?" for a child with special needs.

New Star has two offices in Illinois:

- Chicago Heights office: 1005 West End Avenue, Chicago Heights, IL 60411, 708-755-8030
- Crete office: 25930 S. Cottage Grove Avenue, Crete, IL 60417, 708-755-8030

For more information, visit newstarservices.org.



New Star consumer Cindy Troll takes apart electronics for e-cycling at the Crete facility. (Photo: Jennifer Yos)



At one point in David's life, he was homeless and desperate. Today he is living in a New Star group home and has become co-secretary in the main office of the Crete facility. (Photo: Jennifer Yos)

"Give the gift that keeps on giving."
Furnace Sale

American Standard
 HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

0% APR for 36 Months*

PLUS Additional Utility Rebates up to \$925.00

See how we compare at CHECKBOOK.ORG
 CHECKBOOK Independent • Nonprofit

TOTAL COMFORT Specialists
IL 708-251-4085
IN 219-801-7485

\$20 Off
 Precision Furnace Tune-Up

24 HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE
 SALES • SERVICE • INSTALLATIONS

Visit SOUTHSUBURBANHEATING.COM for Valuable Coupons.

*The Wells Fargo Home Projects credit card is issued by Wells Fargo Bank N.A., an Equal Housing Lender. Special terms apply to qualifying purchases charged with approved credit. The special terms APR will continue to apply until all qualifying purchases are paid in full. The monthly payment for this purchase will be the amount that will pay for the purchase in full in equal payments during the promotional (special terms) period. The APR for Purchases will apply to certain fees such as a state payment fee or if you use the card for other transactions. For new accounts, the APR for Purchases is 28.99%. If you are charged interest in any billing cycle, the minimum interest charge will be \$1.00. This information is accurate as of 9/1/2018 and is subject to change. For current information, call us at 1-800-431-5921. Offer expires 02/15/2019. Excludes any other discounts. Cannot be combined with any other offer. Not valid on parts. Offer Expires 02/15/19

FINE TUNE AUTO SERVICE

FULL SERVICE SYNTHETIC BLEND OIL CHANGE PLUS 27 POINT VEHICLE INSPECTION FOR \$19.95

Includes synthetic blend motor oil replacement up to 5 qts, oil filter, test exhaust system, brakes, lights, battery, inspect belts and hoses and top off fluids. Additional charges may apply. Service Advisor has details.

\$20.00 OFF PURCHASE OF \$100 OR MORE

\$40.00 OFF PURCHASE OF \$250 OR MORE

\$60.00 OFF PURCHASE OF \$500 OR MORE

CALL NOW! 708.418.5000

CHRISTMAS SPECIALS
 From your friends at FINE TUNE AUTO

BOOK ONLINE
www.finetuneauto.com
 17546 CHICAGO AVENUE, LANSING, IL 60438



Lansing Public Library

After-Hours Concerts



Sweet Reminders of Christmas
Friday, December 7 at 6:30 p.m.
on the Library Stage!

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

Free admission. *Concerts sponsored by Friends of Lansing Library.*

Doors open at 6:00 p.m., Concert at 6:30 p.m.



The Bourbon Aristocracy
Kentucky Bluegrass
Friday, January 4



Character Fleadh
Irish
Friday, March 1



Phil & Amy
Best of Broadway
Friday, February 1



Chicago Soul Revue
Classic soul/
Motown
Friday, April 5

BOOK SALE

Don't miss these Friends of Lansing Library Book Sales!

Saturday, December 8 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
End-of-Year Blow-Out Sale. Items only 50¢

Saturday, January 12 from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
(Members only 9-10)

\$5 Fill-A-Bag Sale is back by popular demand!

Get a Friends Membership for early admission.
\$10 at the door.

New! Streaming Video

kanopy

<https://lansingpl.kanopy.com/>

Save the Date for
the Second Annual
How-To Festival!

February 9, 2019
10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Learn what's happening at the Library at www.lansingpl.org
and follow us on Facebook (@LansingPublicLibrary),
Twitter (@LansingPubLib) & Instagram (lansingpubliclibrary)

2750 Indiana Ave., Lansing, IL 60438 — 708-474-2447

Dear Lansing,

My husband Bud and I wish you a safe and happy holiday.

We hope this timeless message from 1897 makes you smile and renews your belief in the magic of season.

Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2019!

Mayor Patty
Mayor Patty Eidam

"DEAR EDITOR: I am 8 years old.

"Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

"Papa says, 'If you see it in THE SUN it's so.'

"Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?

"VIRGINIA O'HANLON, 115 W. 95th STREET"

VIRGINIA, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, VIRGINIA, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no VIRGINIAS. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You may tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, VIRGINIA, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay, ten times ten thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

-Francis P. Church,
Editor, The Sun



The Lansing Journal journeys

Lansing residents take hometown news to unique locations



1

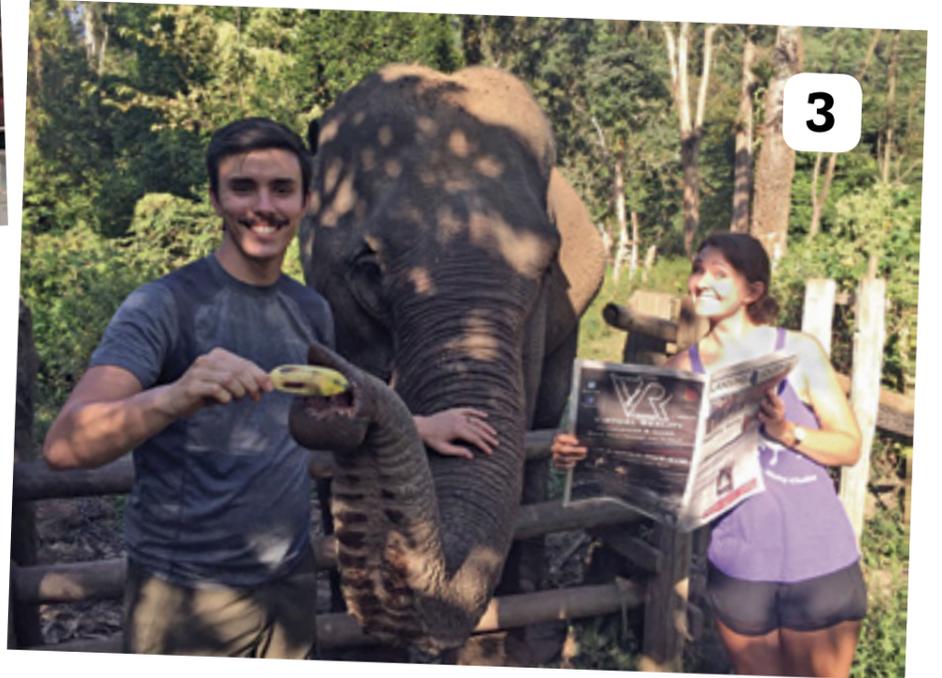
KEEP THOSE JOURNALS JOURNEYING!

We love to see Lansing residents (and other people, too) posing with The Lansing Journal in unique places. Send us your photos of The Lansing Journal—around town or out-of-town—and we'll publish as many as we can fit in our monthly print edition. (We also publish them online—make sure you subscribe via email to receive notifications.)

Anyone can participate. And your photos don't have to be from far away—show off some of your favorite Lansing hangouts!

Email photos to info@thelansingjournal.com. Make sure you include these basic pieces of information:

1. The names of any people in the photo
2. The name of the person who took the photo
3. Information about the location



3



2



ILLIANA
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING, INC.
A Christian owned and operated company since 1987

Quality, Value & Integrity

Your Comfort is Important to Us!

0% APR for 36 Months*
Valid on 2-stage Variable Speed American Standard Furnace with Control Or High Efficiency Furnace & Air Conditioner Combo
Previous sales excluded. Expires 12/31/2018

CHARITY OF THE MONTH



MEALS ON WHEELS
NORTHWEST INDIANA

American Standard
HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING

Financing Available to Qualified Buyers
Subject to credit approval. See dealer for details.



219-627-1344 • illianaheating.net

FREE ESTIMATES ON NEW EQUIPMENT

* The Wells Fargo Home Projects credit card is issued by Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., an Equal Housing Lender. Special terms for (3 years) (36 months) apply to qualifying purchases charged with approved credit. The special terms APR will continue to apply until all qualifying purchases are paid in full. The monthly payment for this purchase will be the amount that will pay for the purchase in full in equal payments during the promotional (special terms) period. The APR for Purchases will apply to certain fees such as a late payment fee or if you use the card for other transactions. For new accounts, the APR for Purchases is 28.99%. If you are charged interest in any billing cycle, the minimum interest charge will be \$1.00. This information is accurate as of 04/01/2018 and is subject to change. For current information, call us at 1-800-431-5921. Offer expires 12/31/2018.



Cornerstone Church

'Tis the Season to come to Cornerstone!

Bible-based | Multi-ethnic

> **Let us entertain your kids while you Christmas shop:**
December 15 @ 12-4:00pm (3 years-5th grade) — FREE!

> **Christmas message series: "All I Want for Christmas is..."**
December 9, 16, 23 @ 10:30am

> **Christmas Eve candlelight service 24:**
December 24 @ 7:00pm

[Facebook.com/CornerstoneLansing](https://www.facebook.com/CornerstoneLansing)
3440 178th Street, Lansing

Find out more →



4

1. LYNNIE QUES

From left: Beverly Schweitzer, Liane Koster, Christine Widstrand, Gloria Cabrera, and Randy Widstrand—known together as Classic—show off their new band t-shirts (available for \$15) and The Lansing Journal before taking the stage at Lynnies Ques Airport Bar & Grill. Lynnies Ques is located at Glenwood-Lansing Road and Burnham Avenue in Lansing.

2. SHIPSHAWANA, INDIANA

Patti Seibel (left) of Lansing and her childhood friend, Becky Gaddis of St. Louis, recently spent the weekend in Shippshewana for an Old Fashioned Vintage Christmas. They took time after shopping to stop and read The Lansing Journal. (Photo: Patti Seibel)

3. THAILAND

Adam and Alli Barker took The Lansing Journal with on their recent adventure to Thailand. (Photo: Matthias Laidig)

4. O'HARE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

Lansing resident Juanita Ceasar reads The Lansing Journal during break on United Flight at O'Hare Airport. (Picture taken by coworker)



5

5. THE ALAMO

"We have attached a picture of our October 2018 travels to Texas in our quest to visit all 13 current Presidential Libraries. We made a side trip to San Antonio to learn more about The Alamo!" (Photo taken by a random employee at The Alamo)

6. MESA, ARIZONA

Lansing resident Mitzi Krucina winters in Arizona, and this year she brought her Lansing Journal. Spotting a picturesque Saguaro cactus along the roadway, Mitzi's daughter took the photo. (Photo: Kathleen Krucina)



6

Christmas Gift Ideas
from
THE LANSING JOURNAL

\$40 Proud Supporter of The Lansing Journal
Zip-Front Fleece
from Besse Shirt Lettering
Any Color!

Get your fleece at
Besse Shirt Lettering
18058 Torrence Ave.
More styles available; cost varies
A percentage of your purchase
supports The Lansing Journal!

\$30 Gift Subscription to
The Lansing Journal for your out-of-town
friend or family
member

Subscribe online at
thelansingjournal.com/news/support/
or mail your check to The Lansing Journal
P.O. Box 742 • Lansing IL 60438

JOHNNY K'S PATIO **FREE**

Slice of PI. Cheesecake, Cup of
Soup, Med. Pop or French Fries
with Single Sandwich or Dinner Only

Not Valid With Any Other Offers. Must Present Coupon. Limit 1 Coupon Per Person, Per Visit. Expires 1/4/19
17816 Torrence Ave. Lansing, IL 60438 (708) 895-1500 • (708) 895-4900 Fax
Hours: Mon-Thurs 10am-2am • Fri-Sat 10am-3am / Sun 11am-12am
Dine-In, Carry Out, Drive-Thru, Delivery

LNN: telling the stories of Lansing – and beyond

Local talent now also available to surrounding communities

BY JOSH BOOTSMA

LANSING, Ill. (December 3, 2018) – In today’s world, video is an effective way to spread ideas and information. But many villages and towns across the country do not have the desire, expertise, and opportunity to create compelling video content.

In Lansing, we do.

The Lansing Neighborhood Network (LNN) is a Village-operated video production group that creates high-quality programming about Lansing events and people for Lansing’s public television channel and the LNN YouTube channel.

With only five staff members, LNN has achieved great success covering an array of Lansing interests, and their work has attracted outside businesses and municipalities. LNN recently opened itself up to doing video production work outside of

Lansing in an effort to bring additional revenue into the Village.

LNN has greatly evolved since it started in 1999, and it has distinguished itself from the programming and content created by many other towns.

“If you were to look at other municipalities that have cable access channels, they’re still looking at it through the lens of the 1970s and 80s,” said LNN executive producer Fabian Newman. “We wanted to show content that was refreshing, and uplifting, and exciting and got people really involved



in their community.”

Instead of showing board meetings and other government-related content, LNN is focused on community-related topics. According to its website, LNN’s mission is to “provide the technical resources and support needed for the residents of Lansing to inform each other and be informed about people and events in their neighborhood.”

The network has created videos for many different events, including Autumn Fest, the

Evening of Thanks, high school functions, sports games, and library events. It also features regular programs such as “This Week in Lansing”—a weekly roundup of noteworthy happenings in Lansing, “Inside Lansing”—a monthly



The LNN crew works with actors and volunteers at the Library as part of their promo video in August. (Photo provided)

HOPE

COMMUNITY CHURCH

A Ministry of the Christian Reformed Church

You’re Invited!

- Blended Worship Style
- Casual Dress
- Praise Team
- Solid Bible Teaching
- Nursery and Children’s Programs

Are you looking for ways to serve God?

Is it time to get to church, or get back to church?

Do you have special gifts which you would like to share?

Would you like to be part of a new ministry starting in Lowell?

Worship gathering at 10:00am every Sunday

Come as you are!
Let’s find out what God has in store for our New Church Family. **HOPE** to see you there!

HopeChurchLowell.com
219-690-8889
Email: hopechurchlowell@gmail.com
Like us on Facebook:
Hope Community Church of Lowell CRC

Visit us at our
New Church Home
10505 W. 181st Ave. (Rt 2)
Lowell IN 46356

WALT'S

View Our Ad & Current Values at www.waltsfoods.com

SALE DATES: WED. DEC. 5th thru TUES. DEC. 11th, 2018

<p>Fancy Green Beans</p> <p>79¢ Lb.</p> <p><small>Young & Tender</small></p>	<p>“On the Vine” Premium Tomatoes</p> <p>\$1.39 Lb.</p>
<p>Walt’s “All Natural” Fresh Chicken</p> <p>• Drumsticks • Thighs</p> <p>3 Lb. Pkgs. or More</p> <p>88¢ Lb.</p> <p><small>No Added Hormones</small></p>	<p>Walt’s Premium “All Natural” Pork Boneless Pork Combo Pack</p> <p>Value Pack</p> <p>\$1.59 Lb.</p> <p><small>Roast & Chops</small></p>
<p>From Our Country Bakery</p> <p>Walt’s Own Cake Donuts</p> <p>• Plain • Powdered Sugared • Granulated Sugared • Cinnamon Sugared</p> <p>6 Pk. Pre-Packaged</p> <p>\$1.99</p> <p><small>Best Donuts in Town</small></p>	<p>From Our Deli Hut</p> <p>Dietz & Watson All Ham Varieties</p> <p>\$6.98 Lb.</p> <p><small>\$3.49 1/2 Lb.</small></p> <p><small>Gluten Free</small></p>
<p>Dutch Farms Cream Cheese</p> <p>• Regular • 1/3 Less Fat • Fat Free</p> <p>8 Oz. Box</p> <p>99¢</p>	<p>Dean’s DairyPure Half & Half</p> <p>Quart</p> <p>\$2.79</p>
<p>Cool Whip Whipped Topping</p> <p>8 Oz.</p> <p>99¢</p>	<p>Prairie Farms Premium Ice Cream</p> <p>56 Oz.</p> <p>2/\$6</p>
<p>Best Choice Vegetables</p> <p>• Cut or French Style Green Beans • Whole Kernel or Cream Style Corn • Sweet Peas</p> <p>14.5 - 15.25 Oz.</p> <p>39¢ Limit 12</p>	<p>Nestle Pure Life Water</p> <p>24 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btls.</p> <p>4/\$10</p>

interview with a noteworthy person related to Lansing, and "Open for Business"—an occasional in-depth look at a local business.

Recently, LNN teamed up with the Lansing Police Department to create an instructional video for TF South students explaining best practices for police interactions. The video will be used during the 2019 spring semester.

Most LNN staff members have strong ties to Lansing. Newman has lived in Lansing since 1998, Station Manager Neil Murphy grew up in Lansing

and attended TF South, Assistant Station Manager David Boomker went to Illiana Christian High School, and Producer Evan Frystak volunteered at LNN while studying at Purdue. Producer Steve Blaski is the fifth member of the LNN team.

"What people have loved about LNN is that they know it's all homegrown," explained Newman. "You can see pictures of Neil holding a camera at 15, and now he's [on staff]...and it's cool to be able to see that."

The cultivation of LNN's talented staff prompted the network to pursue opportunities outside

Lansing, creating content for businesses and other municipalities to provide revenue for the Village. LNN signed its first contract one month ago.

"LNN is here to help people who have a voice but don't know how to tell their story.... We're here to let others know the great things that are going on," Newman said.

LNN's content can be viewed on Comcast channel 4 and ATT channel 99. A weekly programming schedule is available at Innchannel4.com. Videos can also be viewed on the LNN YouTube channel.



From left: Evan Frystak, Neil Murphy, and Fabian Newman zoom in on Officer Dana Tatgenhorst in the squad car during the filming of an educational video for TF South. (Photo: Melanie Jongsma)

\$10 OFF Full Service Oil Change
 • 10 Minute Oil Change!
 • Only Quality Oil Brands!
 The oil you use matters! Unlike others, Grease Monkey only uses oil brands you know & trust.
 720 East 162nd St., South Holland, IL
 M-F 8-6, Sat. 8-5, Sun. 11-4

Offer Expires 1/12/19
Limits Apply

GREASE MONKEY
 Preventive Maintenance Pros
GARMAX
CONSUMER & HOME SERVICE RESTAURANTS

COUPON Find Us At TheDukeOfOil.com

THE DUKE OF OIL
 Your Neighborhood Car Care Centers

SAVE \$10 ON ANY OIL CHANGE

INCLUDES:

- Change Motor Oil
- Replace Oil Filter
- Lubricate Chassis
- Fill Washer Fluid
- Wash Windshield
- Reset Oil Light Indicator
- Provide Reminder by Mail
- Provide Window Sticker for Next Service
- Provide **FREE** Tire or Fluid Checks Anytime

Locations:

- Hobart
- Hammond (2)
- Valparaiso
- Munster
- Highland (2)
- Merrillville (2)
- Griffith
- Calumet City
- South Holland

WE CHECK: Air/Cabin Filters • Transmission Fluid • Power Steering Fluid • Brake Fluid • Antifreeze/Coolant • Tire Pressure • Battery • Exterior Lights • Wiper Blades
 Most Cars Not Valid With Any Other Offer. Exp: 1/12/19. NS10

THE DUKE OF OIL

VISIBLE MUSIC COLLEGE
 presents
TOO MUCH CHRISTMAS
 A VISIBLE CHRISTMAS N°7

AVAILABLE ON:

Listen on **Apple Music** GET IT ON **Google Play**

Spotify Available at **amazon**

VISIBLE MUSIC COLLEGE
 MEMPHIS | CHICAGO | DALLAS | CALIFORNIA
WWW.VISIBLE.EDU

This holiday season, A season of blessing, a season of sharing with all of those we love, a season of caring and warmth and good cheer, a season of hope for the coming new year. This is our wish to all for a joyous holiday season.

-Lansing Heating & Air Conditioning
 17823 Torrence Ave. • Lansing, IL
 708-474-4650
 219-365-3050

TF South Rebel Players present *Legally Blonde the Musical*

Evening performances December 6, 7, 8; matinee December 9

BY JENNIFER YOS

LANSING, Ill. (December 1, 2017) - Omigod, you guys! TF South's Rebel Players' production of *Legally Blonde the Musical* is almost here! *Legally Blonde* fans, are you psyched, or what?! If ever a musical was perfectly cast, this one qualifies! Lead character Elle Woods—perkily played by sophomore Natalie Dominiak—has some dreams to make come true!

Based on Amanda Brown's novel and the 2001 hit movie of the same title, *Legally Blonde the Musical* chronicles the exploits of bubbly blonde and fashion-forward Elle Wood as she sacrifices her UCLA sorority party lifestyle and applies to Harvard Law School in an all-out effort to win back ex-boyfriend Warner Huntington III—played by sophomore Brian Valentine—and prove to him that she is serious marriage material.

TF South Drama Director Ann Holpert and Musical Director Samantha Elliott are thrilled with their cast, crew, and Boosters. According to Holpert, students "came in droves" to auditions, which were "so much fun because—omigod—they're all good!" Over 50% of the cast members are on stage for the first time, which forecasts ongoing success for TF South's popular drama program.

Opening night is Thursday,



Sophomore Natalie Dominiak—in her leading role as Elle Woods—rehearses a number with the *Legally Blonde* dance ensemble. (Photo: Jennifer Yos)

December 6, at 7:00pm at TF South's Dr. Henry L. Hertz Auditorium. Evening performances continue Friday and Saturday, December 7 and 8 at 7:00pm. The show closes with a Sunday matinee on December 9 at 2:00pm.

Tickets are \$8.00 for adults, \$7.00 for students and seniors, and \$5.00 for kids 12 and under. Patrons can bring two canned goods to be donated to the Lansing Food Pantry and receive \$1.00 off their ticket price. Raffle basket tickets, concessions,

flowers, and cast-grams can also be purchased in the lobby.

TF South High School is located at 18500 Burnham Avenue in Lansing.



Above: Senior Jady Newnman, in her role as Elle's friend and mentor Paulette, rehearses the song "Ireland" in a beauty shop scene. (Photo: Jennifer Yos)

Left: Sophomore Jeremiah Kimbrow, in his role as the "very determined" Emmett Forrest, rehearses "Chip on my Shoulder" with sophomore Natalie Dominiak as the lovelorn Elle. (Photo: Jennifer Yos)

L&M JEWELERS

708-474-9235

3338 Ridge Road,
Lansing, IL 60438

Monday - Friday 9:30-8:00
Saturday 9:30 -5:00
Christmas Eve: 9:30 - 3:00

3rd Generation Jeweler - Est 1964

New-Disney collection

CLASSIFIEDS

Services

HOME IMPROVEMENT: A&A Services. Plumbing, carpentry, locks, electrical, toilet repairs, security lights, gutter cleaning, rooftop repairs, sump pumps, downspouts. Insured. Free estimates. 219-865-2345

PLUMBING SERVICES: J.E.M. Plumbing & Sewer, Drain Cleaning Specialist, water lines, pumps, water heater, faucets, toilets, same day service. 219-845-7589 or 708-896-0500

HOME SERVICES: Home Repair & Improvements. Carpentry, painting, drywall repairs, storm doors, Int. doors, lights, fans, locks, concrete repair, tree trimming, power washing. 20 yrs. experience. Free estimates. Mark 708-841-2328

PLUMBING SERVICES: Call The Plumber. Sewers, drains, rodding, water heaters, sump pumps, low water pressure, flood control valves. Drain Experts. 708-259-9721, 219-614-7283

MOVING SERVICES: Custom Pickup/Delivery Service: Small moves; single items; classified ad items; thrift store; auction; appliances. +furniture assembly: IKEA, Office Depot. Anyday to 9pm. 219-433-9457

TREE SERVICE: Maggy's Tree Service. Tree's Topped, Trimmed, Removed, Bush Removal, Stump Removal. Also Insured Bonded. Free estimates. 708-200-8078

ELECTRICAL SERVICES: Residential Electrician, specializing in old homes. Licensed insured, repair and replace electrical. Panel upgrades. Free estimates (restrictions) owner answered calls. 708-822-7758



ELECTRICAL SERVICES: Kustom Electric. We offer a wide variety of electrical services for residential & commercial properties. Licensed, bonded and insured! Credit cards accepted. www.kustomelectric.com or 708-670-2295

PAINTING SERVICES: Economy Painting. Interior/Exterior painting 20% off. Mention this ad. Wallpaper installation. General drywall repair & installation. Best price guaranteed. Ask for Ed. 708-548-6356 or 708-288-5038

Rob's Snow Removal. Snowplowing, Snowblowing, Shoveling. Very reasonable. Call for estimate. 25 years experience. 708-877-6860

Residential Snow Removal services, 24-7. Gutter cleaning, power tek system and Landscaping. CLS Landscaping. Hammond. Visa/MC accepted. 219-951-1652

AC/HEATING SERVICES: Fall Special! Furnaces or A/C's, Clean & check \$59.95. Furnaces, A/C's, Boilers, water heaters, sump pumps, humidifiers, installations, repairs, furnaces installed from \$1495.00 R/D Heating & Cooling. IL. and IN. 219-616-3281

CONCRETE & PATCHING Done On The Side to save you money. Also general contracting, handyman work, FHA work & snowplowing. Very reasonable. Call Mark 708-408-7192

ALL HANDYMAN REPAIRS done on-the-side to save money! Painting, drywall, tile, concrete patching, doors, roofing, hauling. Very reasonable. Mark 708-408-7192

Help Wanted

HELP WANTED: Warehouse/Driver, Delivery Driver or Building Supplies, Lumber & Crane Deliveries. Also: Part or Full Time Office Clerical. Apply in person: Midway Building Supply, 16850 S. State St. South Holland, IL M-F(7-3p), Sat.(7-11a). 708-333-9977

Part-time. Need general laborer or handyman. Cash daily. Hammond/ South Holland area. Transportation provided. Cash daily. Call 5-8 pm. 708-799-2363



Help Wanted: Christian Day Care looking for part-time teachers/aides. Call. 708-333-0796

Real Estate

Apts. Lansing. 2 & 3 bedrooms available. Heat & water incl. New paint & carpet. Close to shopping center. Section 8 welcome. 708-932-7499 or 630-709-1289. Walking distance to SuperWalmart.

Inside Heated Storage. Cars, \$100/mo., Motorcycles, \$80/mo., Campers and boats by the foot. Example - 24ft boat \$990 for Oct. thru May. Call Calumet Marine at 708-862-2407

For Rent: 2 bdrm. Stove & Fridge. \$750 + Deposit. 221 Pulaski Rd. Seniors welcome. 219-629-5357

Home for rent: Lansing 2bdrm. Possibly 3bdrm. Washer/Dryer, stove/Refrig. furnished. Attached garage w/ heating system, also detached garage. finished basement. \$1000/mo. + \$1000 sec. 219-808-0066

For rent: 2 car garage for rent. 162nd & Cottage Grove. Rent \$250/mo. 708-600-4749

Pets

Pet for sale: 18mth. old Female Cane Corso is looking for a loving home. Had all shots, also spayed. Price negotiable. 708-362-4839

Pets for sale: Pure-bred Yorkie puppies. Female 8 weeks old. Get yours for Christmas. Asking \$1700 ea. Contact Debra. 708-954-7530

Wanted

WANTED: Diabetic Test Strips Freestyle Lite One Touch Accu-Chek Contour and Others, Must be sealed, unopened, unexpired, unused boxes. 708-474-3941

WANTED: Don't throw it away! I am buying old stuff. Toys, signs, advertising, oil cans, and much more. Please call or text Doug. 219-616-9342

wanted radio/tv tubes ham/cb radios tube-testers old-radios 70s high power stereos tube-type stereos misc elec no-tvs Bob 708 536 8823

wanted person to get my 1997 Monte Carlo running after sitting for several years in Highland Indiana 219-730-3370

Wanted: gas self propelled lawn mower in great condition, under \$50. 219-730-3370

Wanted: Snow blowers, lawn mowers, roto tillers, old mini bikes, all tools, power & hand, all garage and shed stuff and misc. 219-484-7376

Looking for somebody with a gas dryer for a friend of mine that you can donate please and thank you. 708-527-4529

wanted self propelled gas mower under \$65 219-730-3370

Wanted: Person to install a trailer hitch made for my Toyota Highlander. 219-730-3370

Looking for someone to donate a vehicle for my daughter if you can...God bless you and thank you. 708-527-4529

Autos and Vehicles

For sale: 2011 Chevy Cruze, white, 6spd. Runs great, \$3000; 2005 Chevy Imapla, has 65,000mi. Runs great, \$2500. Call. 708-351-9906

2007 SAAB 9-5 Base black, \$5,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

2013 Chevy Captiva Sport LT gray \$9,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

2012 Chevy Equinox LS black, \$7,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

2012 Ford F-150 XLT 4wd, blue \$17,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

2016 Chevy Trax LS AWD, blue, \$15,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

For sale: 2019 Chevy Corvette Stingray Z51, Black, \$68,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

For sale: 2009 GMC Canyon SLE-2 4WD \$15,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

2015 Jeep Cherokee, white, \$20,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

For sale: 2013 Chevy Cruze Limited LS Auto Black, \$12,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

For sale: 2015 Chevy Equinox LT AWD \$13,987. Call Bob 855-949-6000

Misc Items For Sale

FOR SALE: Liquidation sale. Everything must go! Factory Discount Store, new stock. Mattresses \$88, Twin \$88, Full \$98, Queen, \$138, bunkbeds, futons, daybeds, power lift/recliners, power adjustable beds w/mattress, furniture, for all rooms. EZ credit to \$3000. EZ Layaway. Major credit cards. 708-371-3737

For sale: Briggs Snowblower, 21 inch 5 spd. Forward gears, 2 reverse, electric start, \$550. Barley used, paid \$1100. Cal. City. 708-506-1551

For sale: Mink Coat excellent condition. Medium,stripped sable brown, cuffed sleeves. FromHighland Furs. \$890/obo. 773-551-0931 Eileen. Excellent Christmas Gift.

Prices Slashed! Amana Stove, \$135; 2-3pc. bdrm sets, Dbl. bed, \$115, twin bed, \$100; Kitchen table w/chairs, \$25; Twin brass bed \$25; roll away bed, \$60. All exc. shape. 708-862-0161

Prices Slashed! Coffee table/2 end tables, \$80; 3pc. livingroom set, \$85; china cabinet \$140; Antique dining room set w/6 chairs, \$215; Vintage stove, \$85. All exc. shape. 708-862-0161

Ethan Allen wingback chair \$70; large over the dresser mirror \$15; heavy duty universal bed frame \$15; Ethan Allen old sofa \$100. 708-481-6907

100 lb dumb bells; new beanie babies; Precious Moments figurines; Nao goose, like Lladro figurine; old watches. 708-891-6138

Zoeller Flow-mate Model M98 Cast Iron Submersible pump \$250 219-730-3370

2 dog cages, 1 hard shell, 1 folds up, for large dogs. \$50.00 each 708-339-3633

Christmas angel white ceramic candle holder, \$5. 708-877-6157

E scooter battery operated \$250; table top display case \$75; vintage motion rain oil lamp \$250. 708-271-0387

Mini microwave, 18"x10"; 19"x17" refrig.; baby high chair, perfect cond. Best offer. 708-846-4596

Dining room set; sofa \$25; occasional chairs \$50 ea; tv stand \$75; end tables \$50 ea; coffee table \$50; recliner \$25. 708-717-6133

George Foreman electric grill, like new, used little, with cook book Lean Mean Grilling Machine. Glenwood IL \$30. 708-758-1985

Double ended drive bits; kitchen towels & drying mats, \$2 ea; Gel crayons \$6; precision oscillating multi tool blade sets \$12. 708-582-9588

Schwinn exercise bike in great condition \$50. 708-474-8071

George Forman electric new grill \$19; mens jackets, rust & brown, good cond. \$10; green & red jacket \$10; 1/4 Craftsman trimming \$15. 708-849-6273

Sunbeam 7 speed heavy duty food processor \$25; 2 Columbia 300 bowling balls, exc. cond. \$15. 708-474-9495

North Pole Village Dept 56 houses, all in great cond. with boxes. Prices reduced drastically. Other series also. Leave message 708-757-7455

Nordic Track Pro exerciser, like new. 312-218-0893

Battery powered wheel chair, like new. 708-891-4798

Med. long black leather coat from Burlington Coat Factory, \$25; Christmas decorations. 708-394-3431

Washer and dryer \$250, Whirlpool. 708-715-2348

Snow blower Toro 5 HP, 21" wide, 3 speed forward, 1 speed reversed self propelled, two stage, easy start, runs like new, \$225. 219-801-5986

Snow blower Toro S-200 3 HP 20" wide, all tuned up, runs like new with electric start, \$110; electric snow blower \$75. 219-931-6473

For Christmas: Sports Shadow boxes, fishing, golf, baseball, etc. \$30 each! Golf balls \$6 dozen, SW lob wedges \$34. 708-339-3429

Three piece lighted wall unit fits 29" tv, shelves for decor and cabinets for storage, \$175. 708-877-6157

Three piece lighted wall unit fits 29" tv, shelves for decor and cabinets for storage, \$175. 708-877-6157

Three piece lighted wall unit fits 29" tv, shelves for decor and cabinets for storage, \$175. 708-877-6157

For sale: Christmas tree Shenandoah pine tree, 4.5 ft. 200 light used one time, like new. Cal. City. \$20 obo. 708-891-6226

For sale: 1.5 slow cooker \$20; 3 quart slow cooker or hells kitchen cast iron skillet, \$15; matching men/women watches. 708-210-1542

Bar stool, metal \$15; Ethan Allen maple chair (desk or kitchen) \$20; Stiffel brass table lamps \$20-\$30 ea; asst. lamp shades \$5-\$10 ea. 708-481-6907

Vintage spider banana seat bike; antique tools; electronic piano; mink coats; new deep fryer; toy tank Lionel train; beer cans. 708-891-6138

Antique desk. about 100 yrs old. good condition. \$100.00 219-895-0871

Afghans and throws \$10-\$75; womens new wool coat, paid \$175, asking \$60. 708-877-6157

Nails, new in box roofing, drywall nails & screws, fence poultry, 12D, sinkers, 330 lbs. 708-271-0387

Many sets Xmas lights, clear. 708-474-9495

Jeep wheels four 1 6" alloy rims wheels with Jeep caps, like new! all four, \$88. 708-339-3429

For sale: Sled vintage yankee clipper sled, from 1970. 44in. Birchwood slats and steering bar. Very good cond. Cal. City. \$20 obo. 708-891-6226

Franklin Mint heirloom collectible wall hanging display plates, Labrador Retriever, too many to list, \$15 ea or \$12 for 3 or more. 708-891-6226

Folding walker with wheels \$20; bath chair \$20; colonial braided rugs \$10-\$30; white plastic lawn chairs \$3 ea; folding wooden chairs \$3 ea. .708-481-6907

Christmas Mikasa oval glass canape tray 15 1/2" \$10; Duralex 13" clear glass Christmas platter \$10; Mikasa footed cake plate \$10. 708-877-6157

Two like new boat oars, 6 foot Feather brand with hand pads, \$100 for pair. 708-271-0387

2 Apple cell phones (4S & 5S) for sale \$200/offer. 219-730-3370

oscillating multi-tool sets \$13, scented gel crayons \$6, towels & mats \$3, double-ended drive bits \$3, bible \$1 708-527-4529

2 pc solid maple Heywood Wakefield china cabinet 75"H x 54"W; bed spreads & comforters, blankets, quilts from twin to king sz \$15-\$25 ea 708-481-6907

White ceramic angle candle holder \$5; snowmen candle holder, \$10; 13" round Christmas platter \$10; 15 1/2" oval plater \$10. 708-877-6157

Duvet covers, asst sizes \$3-\$5 ea; Sure Fit sofa covers \$20; loveseat covers \$15; large chair covers \$8. 708-481-6907

Red ladder with Santa and elf figurines climbing to put star on tree, sets on tree branches \$12. 708-877-6157

Bed sheets: twin size \$2 ea, full size \$3 ea, queen size \$4 ea, king size \$5 ea; set of 4 chair cushions \$10. 708-481-6907

Very well made Christmas tree skirt, about 57" diameter, green and red patchwork print fabric with lace trim \$25. 708-877-6157

Western prints in oak frames 2 1/4 x 28 1/2 Broken Rope. Charles M. Russel The Smoking Signal, Fredrick Remington \$50 ea or 2 for \$75. 708-877-6157

Mayfair china, white with green trim, 12 place settings, serving plates, bowls, gravy, coffee, s&p, butter, cream sugar \$25. 708-877-6157

Oil painting 23" x 35" gold toned frame, gazebo with floral trimmed brick walkway \$50. 708-877-6157

Medical scrubs, uniforms \$2 ea pc; vintage Madame Alexander doll "Degas Girl" #1575 in original box, wrist tag & stand \$45; barbie dolls \$5. 708-481-6907

3 pcs Fiesta canister set \$30 obo; asst. colors Fiesta dinner ware \$3-\$5 ea pc; early Pyrex dishes (pastel colors) \$3 ea pc; Pyrex bowls & bake ware \$3-\$5 ea. 708-481-6907

Asst. Corningware \$3-\$5 ea pc; Johnsons Bros white English ironstone set of dishes (64 pcs) \$40 obo. 708-481-6907

Villeroy & Boch hotel plates (white) 4 charger plates \$3 ea, 9 dinner plates \$2 ea plate; champagne and wine glasses, crystl. 708-481-6907

Ionic breeze quadra \$30; vintage side table by John Widdicomb Co, designed by Ralph Widdicomb \$35; asst. garden tools. 708-481-6907

Trellises, shepards hooks, \$3 ea; pots for plants; 2 pc concrete bird bath \$15. 708-481-6907

Advantage STEAM MasterCard VISA American Express No Personal checks

CARPET, UPHOLSTERY, & AIR DUCT CLEANING **708-349-6131**

• No Hidden Changes • Most Furniture Moved • Deep Soil Extraction
• FREE Pre-Spotter • FREE Deodorizer • Truck Mount Unit • Quick Drying Time •
Insured & Bonded • All Work Guaranteed

<p>ANY ROOM DEEP CLEANED</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">\$1700</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Per Room • 2 Room Minimum • L-Shaped and Great Rooms Count as 2</p>	<p>UPHOLSTERY CLEANING</p> <p>CHAIR \$15</p> <p>LOVE SEAT \$25</p> <p>SOFA \$30</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">2 CUSHION 3 CUSHION</p>	<p>Dryer Vents CLEANED</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">\$2500</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">With Our Duct Cleaning</p>	<p>WHOLE HOUSE DUCT CLEANING</p> <p style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">\$8500</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Removes up to 96% of All Dust, Dirt, Pollen, Mold Spores & Animal Dander ROTO BRUSH Unlimited Registers Single Furnace Home</p>
---	--	--	---

SPECIALIZING IN SAFE, HIGH-QUALITY CLEANING FOR YOUR

• CARPET • UPHOLSTERY • AIR DUCTS

TF South alum Brian Grilli reaches #25 on Billboard's Top Country Album sales

Indie artist blends Southern Rock, Americana, Country, and Blues

BY MELANIE JONGSMA

LANSING, Ill. (November 30, 2018) – Indie Americana/Country Artist and TF South alum Brian Grilli has fond memories of Lansing, and he captured many of them in a 2016 music video for his song, "My Hometown." (The video can be viewed in the online version of this article.)



Grilli says, "Growing up in a small town like Lansing I think gives you a sense of always being part of a family and keeps you down to earth and humble. Don't ever forget where you came from, and be proud of it!"

ON THE CHARTS

This summer Grilli released the album "Deep South Symphony" through Spectra Music Group. To date the album has hit #25 on Billboard's Top Country Album Sales and #21 on Billboard's Top Americana/Folk Album Sales. It also hit #18 on Billboard's Heatseekers (National), #1 on Billboard's Heatseekers (South Atlantic), and #3 on

Billboard's Heatseekers (West North Central) Album Charts.

Grilli's new single "California" is currently being played on many radio stations and is #52 on Billboard Indicator. Written by Grilli and Jeanette Poll, "California" is about a girl with big dreams who finds herself in a bad relationship that eventually takes its toll. The

story song is based on real events and is described as "sending a melancholy message while keeping an almost juxtaposed mid-tempo groove."

GRILLI'S MUSIC

Debuting in 2013 with "Damn Good Day," Grilli got attention from the independent music world and the national music scene. The title track and first single climbed fast on the charts, reaching #1 on Indieworld. Brian has written songs for "Sons of Anarchy" and the award-winning independent documentary "Until It Hurts."

His success is attributed to his prolific songwriting, aggressive-yet-melodic guitar playing, and unique voice. Brian blends Southern Rock, Americana, Country, and Blues to form a familiar sound that doesn't fit neatly into any one genre.

"Deep South Symphony" is Grilli's second album. It was co-produced and recorded by Grilli and Andy



Brian Grilli graduated from TF South in 1990. A few years ago he returned to the TF South field and other Lansing locations to film the 2016 music video for his song, "My Hometown." (Photo provided)

Andersson (Fuel) at the legendary Sound Kitchen Studio in Nashville, Tennessee, with prominent musicians—Peter Keys (Lynyrd Skynyrd), Jason Kott (Brent Cobb, Robert Randolph), Eddie "Cowboy" Long (Jamey Johnson, Hank Williams Jr.), Shannon Boone (Fuel), Steve Peffer (Alabama), and others—playing on the tracks. Dan Baird (The Georgia Satellites) is featured on two of the tracks.

Brian has had the opportunity to perform across the USA. He has shared bigger stages with country stars Blackberry Smoke, Brantley Gilbert, Florida Georgia Line, Eli Young Band, Thomas Rhett, Tyler Farr, and Stoney LaRue as well as rockers Cheap Trick, Styx, .38

Special, and Lucero.

Grilli sang the National Anthem for over 10,000 people at the 75th Annual Sturgis Rally for the Buffalo Chip's Freedom Day and is a proud voting member of the Americana Music Association.

FOX POINTE POSSIBILITIES

Grilli has been talking with local connections about the possibility of performing at Autumn Fest 2019, and he'd like to appear at the Fox Pointe venue even before that.

For booking information, contact Grilli's label rep, Bobby Collins, at Spectra Music Group:

- 843-804-1289
- bobbycollins@spectramusic-group.com
- spectramusicgroup.com

Preparing children to meet Santa Claus

Advice from an experienced mall Santa

BY MELANIE JONGSMA, WITH STEWART SCOTT

LANSING, Ill. (November 26, 2018) – Christmas is quickly approaching, and families with young children will be anxious to take their children to see Santa Claus. It's an age-old tradition. But without the right preparation, the magical encounter could be a disaster. Take it from Stewart Scott, a veteran Santa Claus with more than 10 years of experience.

"Before my first Santa assignment with Lincoln Mall in 2007, I asked if I would need special training," Scott said. "I always wanted to play the role of Santa, but I had no idea what to expect. The only advice I received was, 'Don't promise anyone anything you can't deliver, keep both hands visible at all times, and watch out for teenagers.' The first day on the job, the mall was bustling with children and their parents. I loved every minute. I felt like I was born to be Santa Claus."

Scott found his encounters with children, their parents, and some adult visitors so enlightening and often entertaining that he wrote a book about his experiences. *Diary of a Mall Santa* is available through Amazon and Barnes & Noble. That book includes the following tips and more:

- "When a child is inconsolable with fright, often parents will say, 'I don't know what's

wrong; he said he wanted to see Santa,'" says Scott. "One piece of advice is to take a break, do some shopping, and allow the child to process the new experience. Thirty minutes later he or she might be ready to share Christmas wishes with Santa."

- Scott also suggests that moms and dads carry the child to Santa with the child facing away from Santa. When the parent sets the child on Santa's lap, Scott says he begins singing the ABC song, and the mom can say, "You know that song Jimmy; so does Santa." That can serve as both a distraction and an introduction.
- Sometimes Scott gets the parents involved. "I will often ask the mom or dad to sit on the armrest of my chair and hold the child. That way the child will focus on the photographer, and not Santa."

Additional dos and don'ts are included near the back of *Diary of a Mall Santa*, and Scott hopes they are helpful as families prepare children or grandchildren for the magical experience.

"You don't want your child to be screaming



Stewart Scott has been playing Santa Claus since 2007. (Photo provided)

and crying for the once-a-year keepsake picture with Santa," says Scott. "And Santa doesn't want that either."

Miracle on 34th Street warms hearts at Theatre at the Center

The musical version of the holiday classic doesn't disappoint



Left: Neil Friedman and Stella Hoyt (Photo: Guy Rhodes)

Below, from left: Courtney Jones, Dan Klarer, and Michael Kingston (Photo: Brett Beiner)



BY JOSH BOOTSMA

MUNSTER, Ind. (November 25, 2018) – When December rolls around, most of us are more than willing to appreciate a pipe-wielding snowman that talks, a red-nosed reindeer that flies, and a rotund bearded man that sneaks down chimneys. During this time of year, there are some stories that just captivate us, no matter how far-fetched.

Miracle on 34th Street is one of these stories—one that you can't help but enjoy during the holidays. This year, Theatre at the Center is trying its hand at captivating audiences with a musical version of the classic 1947 film.

THE TIMELESS STORY

Set in New York during the holiday season, *Miracle on 34th Street* tells the tale of young Susan Walker (played by Stella Rose Hoyt) who meets Kris Kringle (Neil Friedman), a man playing the role of Santa at Macy's on 34th Street in New York—who also happens to be the real Santa Claus. Susan's mom Doris (Courtney Jones) works at Macy's and is intent on keeping her daughter from believing the "fantasy" of Santa Claus. *Miracle* also follows the story of Fred Gailey (Christopher Kale Jones) as he befriends Susan, defends Kris Kringle, and starts to fall in love with Doris against his better judgment. As Kris Kringle's real identity is tested, so too is the love that he has spread across New York.

TALENTED ACTORS

The four actors who play these roles are the backbone of the musical—all are thoroughly convincing as their characters, and their vocal skills bring new life to a classic story. Hoyt is particularly charming as she portrays Susan's gradual embrace of Santa and the love that the Christmas season brings.

Friedman stands out as Kris Kringle, making Santa Claus a real person in the play rather than a jolly, one-dimensional caricature. His performance has depth, and by the end of the play the audience begins to appreciate Friedman's character not just because he's Santa but because he's a kindly, good, and loving man.

A hilarious surprise is Dan Klarer as Marvin Shellhammer, who brings a comedic flair to the Macy's manager not found in the original film.

A CLASSIC REIMAGINED

The set uses a traditional storefront as the background for the play, which is cleverly used to create a courtroom, apartment, and other locales in the story. Between the stage, costumes, props, and language of the play, the audience is effectively taken back to the 1940's.

The pit orchestra is excellent, accompanying the vocalists in numbers including Susan and Santa's "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Christmas," "Toy Ballet"—a wonderful dance scene in which the toys of Macy's come alive in Susan's mind—and Santa's unifying anthem "Here's Love," one of the best numbers of the show.

Miracle on 34th Street is an unabashed proclamation of love—one that still holds great value over 70 years after it was released. Theatre at the Center's musical version of the timeless classic achieves the appeal and message of the original while using a talented cast, impressive design, and heart-warming music to make the story even more charming. It's well worth a trip to Ridge Road in Munster to be transported to 34th Street in New York. You won't be disappointed.

SPECIAL EVENTS

November 27 and 29: Talkback Event – Audiences are invited to stay after the performance for a post-show discussion featuring members of the cast.

December 6 and 14: Dinner/Theatre Event – Includes pre-show dinner buffet located across from the theatre lobby. For \$60 (plus tax), the evening includes dinner, fun surprises, and a show.

REGULAR PERFORMANCES

Wednesdays and Thursdays: 2pm
 Fridays: 7:30pm
 Saturdays: 3pm and 7:30pm
 Sundays: 2:30pm
 Select Thursday and Sunday night performances also available

Individual ticket prices range from \$42–\$46. To purchase individual tickets, call the Box Office at 219-836-3255 or Tickets.com at 800-511-1532. Group discounts are available for groups of 11 or more. Student tickets are \$20 and gift certificates are also available.

Theatre at the Center is located at 1040 Ridge Road in Munster, Indiana. For more information, visit www.TheatreAtTheCenter.com.

RESTORATION MINISTRIES THRIFT STORES

Christmas Spectacular

Every Day this Month Starting December 1st

50% OFF

ALL CHRISTMAS ITEMS!
 TREES • LIGHTS • WREATHS • ORNAMENTS
 DECORATIONS • FIGURINES

Plus Every Weekend in December

Starting	
Friday	Saturday
7TH	8TH
14TH	15TH
21ST	22ND
28TH	29TH

50-75% OFF

ALL CLOTHING & ACCESSORIES • SHOES
BOOTS • PURSES • JEWELRY
KNICK KNACKS • DISHWARE

25% OFF

ELECTRONICS

15% OFF

FURNITURE

Free Christmas Raffle Drawing
Dec. 20th
 Winners announced Dec. 21st

Wednesdays
50% Off Clothing & Knick Knacks

Thursdays
15% or More Off Furniture

Everyday
25% Clothing Rack

NEW Everyday
75% Off Clothing Tag

RESTORATION MINISTRIES THRIFT STORES

SOUTH HOLLAND

351 W. 162nd (159th) St.
 (1/2 Mile East of Halsted)
 (708) 333-6822
 9-6 Mon-Fri • 9-5 Saturday
 Closed Sunday

HARVEY

14950 S. Dixie Hwy. •
 (3 blks. South of Sibley)
 (708) 333-8530
 10-6 Mon-Fri • 10-5 Saturday
 Closed Sunday

All proceeds from our Thrift Stores support our youth programs, food pantry and our two free Christian-based residential drug recovery programs. For more information on our programs, call 708-333-3370 or email at rmirestorationministries.net.

Sometimes Even Santa Needs a Little Help.

See Us!

\$3⁰⁰ off

Any Purchase
 Minimum Sale \$10
 No Sale Items

Fashionette 708-474-0349

Fashionette

The Store With A Little Bit More
 3334 Ridge Road • Lansing
 708-474-0349
 Tu-F 9:30-4:30, Sat. 9:30-3

ANNOUNCING OUR 2019 SEASON

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIVE THEATRE!

MILLION DOLLAR QUARTET

FEB 14 - MAR 24

DAMES AT SEA

MAY 2 - JUNE 2

OVER THE TAVERN

JULY 11 - AUG 11

THE PAJAMA GAME

SEPT 12 - OCT 13

WHITE CHRISTMAS

The Musical

NOV 14 - DEC 22

EXPERIENCE BROADWAY IN NWI!

219-836-3255

TheatreAtTheCenter.com

1040 Ridge Road | Munster, IN 46321



THEATRE
AT THE CENTER

Theatre at the Center announces 2019 Special Events

Artists Lounge, Pink Floyd, a Munster Mustangs benefit, Creole, Switchback, comedy, and more come to Munster in 2019

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY BIG SPLASH PR

MUNSTER, Ind. (December 2018) – Theatre at the Center has confirmed the Special Events lineup for 2019. Richard Friedman, general manager at Theatre at the Center, says the line-up has been expanded in response to the positive feedback received from 2018 audiences.

ARTISTS LOUNGE LIVE, FOUR-SHOW PACKAGE

These tribute performances from Michael Ingersoll's Artists Lounge Live series are part of TATC's 2019 Special Events line-up:

- In April: *Lean on Me: The Brotherhood of Rock and Roll*, starring former "Jersey Boys" Michael Ingersoll and Christopher Kale Jones
- In June: *Aretha Franklin: Queen of Soul* stars Donica Lynn, who won audience and critical acclaim in TATC's fall run of *Ghost The Musical*.
- In August: *Karen Carpenter: We've Only Just Begun* features leading lady Heidi Kettenring from Broadway's *Wicked*.
- In October: Brandon Bennett, from the multi-year run of *Million Dollar Quartet*, will star in *Elvis: My Way*. This four-show package is available for \$135. Tickets to individual shows can be purchased throughout the year.

RALPH'S WORLD (JANUARY 5, 11:00AM)

The mega-fun musical planet Ralph's World is the creation of Ralph Covert—Indie rocker, songwriter, playwright, and children's book author. His "McCartneyesque" style has won him hundreds of thousands of "3-ft-and-under" fans and their parents.

Tickets: Adults \$20; Students \$10

ECHOES OF POMPEII (JANUARY 12, 7:30PM)

According to fans, *Echoes of Pompeii* is "the best non-touring Floyd Tribute you will ever hear." Based in Gary, Indiana, the 10-piece band covers nearly 50 years of Pink Floyd music.

Tickets: Adults \$30; Subscribers \$28

"Two-show package" available:

When you purchase a ticket to this event and also *Kashmir*, the price for both shows is \$50.

MUNSTER'S GOT TALENT (JANUARY 16, 7:30PM)

This Munster community event benefits the Munster High School Marching Mustangs and their quest for new uniforms and instruments. Munster students take center stage in the spotlight, showcasing a variety of talents competing to be crowned this year's champion.

Tickets: VIP \$30 (Row A Seating); Adults \$20; Students aged 3–18 \$15

KASHMIR (JANUARY 19, 7:30PM)

The group recreates the experience of a Led Zeppelin show with great attention to detail. Kashmir concerts are a sensory experience with a sophisticated laser light show, similar to those of the Led Zeppelin era.

Tickets: Adults \$30; Subscribers \$28

"Two-show package" available:

When you purchase a ticket to this event and also *Echoes of Pompeii*, the price for both shows is \$50.

LOVE LETTERS, STARRING PHIL POTEPA AND CRISTA ZIVANOVIC (FEBRUARY 3, 2:30PM)

Love Letters by A.R. Gurney is touching, funny, and tragic—all in the same stage story. The story is composed of letters exchanged over a lifetime between two intertwined lives with a shared history and trusted confidences as they look to their futures.

Tickets: Adults \$25; Subscribers \$20, with Champagne Sunday Brunch available for \$24 plus tax

CREOLE STOMP: MARDI GRAS! (MARCH 5, 7:00PM)

Led by French-speaking Creole fiddler and accordionist Dennis Stroughmatt, Creole Stomp returns in 2019 for one exclusive performance on Mardi Gras Fat Tuesday.

Tickets: Adults \$30; Subscribers \$25; Students \$15; VIP \$85 (includes show, dinner, drink ticket, and t-shirt)

SWITCHBACK (MARCH 10, 7:00PM)

Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack blend American roots and Celtic soul with the added excitement of talented Irish step dancers for the stage celebration.

Dinner Tickets: Traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner \$21 plus tax; Cash Bar Available

Switchback Tickets: Adults \$30; Subscribers \$25; Students \$15 (Group rates: call 219-836-3258)

THE BERENSTAIN BEARS LIVE! (MARCH 30 AT 10:00AM, 12:00PM, AND 2:00PM)

Stan and Jan Berenstain originally published *The Berenstain Bears* in 1974 and have gone on to produce more than 300 books, three animated television series, an upcoming feature-length movie, and a brand new musical. *The Berenstain Bears Live, the Musical* is an adaptation of three of the Berenstain Bears books.

Tickets: Adults \$20; Students \$10

LEAN ON ME: THE BROTHERHOOD OF ROCK AND ROLL (APRIL 6, 3:00PM AND 7:30PM)

Part of the Artists Lounge Live Series, former "Jersey Boys" Michael Ingersoll and Christopher Kale Jones from the popular group Under the Streetlamp team up for a nostalgic musical stage journey highlighting favorite songs from the 1950s and 1960s.

Tickets: Adults \$45; Subscribers \$40 (Only \$33.75 when purchased as part of the four-show package)

PURDUE VARSITY GLEE CLUB (MAY 7, 2:00PM AND 7:30PM)

An annual favorite of TATC audiences, this dynamic musical troupe performs a versatile repertoire that includes gospel, vocal jazz, swing, contemporary hits, romantic

ballads, classical choral selections, barbershop, folk melodies, patriotic standards, familiar opera choruses, and novelty tunes.

Tickets: \$40; Lunch \$21 plus tax; Dinner \$30 plus tax. For group rates, call 219-836-3258.

SWITCHBACK AMERICANA (JUNE 9, 6:00PM)

Duo Brian FitzGerald and Martin McCormack perform an amalgam of roots music formed by varied traditions. Songs about dryland farming, twisters, and the flooding along the Mississippi are interspersed with tunes about lonely truckers, working families, soldiers, and even a late night romance in the hay barn. FitzGerald and McCormack play mandolin, acoustic guitar, and bass along with their incredibly smooth blending of voices.

Tickets: Adults \$20; Subscribers \$15; Students \$10; Dinner (4:30pm) \$20 plus tax, or \$12 plus tax for 12 and under

ARETHA FRANKLIN: QUEEN OF SOUL (JUNE 15, 3:00PM AND 7:30PM)

Chicago's "Dreamgirl" Donica Lynn stars in an awe-inspiring homage to the legendary Aretha Franklin. Lynn earned critical acclaim, as well as a Chicago Jeff Award, for her heart-wrenching performance in *Dreamgirls*. The Chicago Tribune named her among Chicagoans of the Year.

Tickets: Adults \$45; Subscribers \$40; Students \$20 (Only \$33.75 when purchased as part of the four-show package)

MASTER MAGICIAN DENNIS WATKINS (JUNE 23, 2:30PM)

Watkins, an award-winning and third-generation magician, works around the globe to bring magic to the masses.

Tickets: Adults \$30; Subscribers \$25; Students \$15. Group rates available by calling 219-836-3258.

WE'VE ONLY JUST BEGUN: HEIDI KETTENRING SINGS KAREN CARPENTER (AUGUST 24, 3:00PM AND 7:30PM)

Chicago's favorite leading lady from Broadway's *Wicked* honors the legendary Karen Carpenter, lending her signature warmth to beloved Carpenter classics. Songs include "Close to You," "Superstar," and many more.

Tickets: Adults \$45; Subscribers \$40; Students \$20 (Only \$33.75 when purchased as part of the four-show package)

ELVIS: MY WAY (OCTOBER 26, 3:00PM AND 7:30PM)

Brandon Bennett (who played Elvis in Chicago in *Million Dollar Quartet*) delivers a spine-tingling Elvis tribute that is fresh, powerful, and right on time. Bennett was named the "Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist" by Elvis Presley Enterprises at Graceland.

Tickets: Adults \$45; Subscribers \$40; Students \$20 (Only \$33.75 when

purchased as part of the four-show package)

FROM THE FARM WITH PHIL POTEPA HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR (OCTOBER 27, 2:30PM)

Join columnist and published cookbook author Phil Potempa for a frighteningly fantastic feast of fun and surprises as he recreates on stage the charm and traditions of the family farm kitchen. Phil will prepare seven courses of favorite recipes, with time to spare for prizes and giveaways.

Tickets: Adults \$30; Subscribers \$25; add the Sunday Champagne Brunch for \$24

SEASON'S GREETINGS FEATURING THE FOUR C NOTES (DECEMBER 28, 3:00PM)

For the first time, The Four C Notes step on the TATC stage to perform Holiday Favorites. The Frankie Valli-inspired group celebrated New Year's Eve at TATC in 2017 and is ready to dazzle holiday audiences again.

Tickets: Adults \$40; Subscribers \$35; Students \$20

MOTOWN & MORE (DECEMBER 31, 6:00PM AND 10:00PM)

Ring in 2020 with the sounds of *Motown & More* by Sheryl Youngblood. Youngblood has been seen at TATC in *The Signal* and will be bringing even more Motown to Munster with her band for this special one-night event.

Tickets: Adults \$45; Subscribers \$40; Students \$20 (6:00pm performance only); Dinner Buffet Options Available for \$30.00 plus tax in addition to ticket price. Cash Bar Available. Group rates available by calling 219-836-3258.

COMEDY NIGHTS

The 2019 dates for Comedy Nights are the following Fridays:

- January 18
- February 8
- April 5
- June 14
- September 6
- October 25

Doors open at 6:30pm. Dinner Buffet is from 7:00–8:00pm. Comedy Show starts at 8:00pm.

Tickets are \$45 per person Dinner & Show; \$27 per person Show Only. Purchase the entire Comedy Night Show Series only for \$135, or \$125 for Subscribers.

TICKET INFORMATION

To purchase individual tickets, call the Theatre at the Center Box Office at 219-836-3255 or Tickets.com at 800-511-1552. Group discounts are available for groups of 11 or more by calling 219-836-3258.

Theatre at the Center is a year-round professional theater at its home in The Center for Visual and Performing Arts, 1040 Ridge Road, Munster, Indiana. Theatre at the Center offers downtown-caliber performances in an accessible venue with plenty of free parking.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Birthday

Happy Birthday

*to my beautiful daughter Madison
May God bless you immensely on your birthday
Love Dad*

SUDOKU

	9		7					5
						1	4	3
		4	2		3			8
			1			8	3	6
	2							5
6	8	3				4		
	1		8		7	3		
2	4	6						
7					9		1	

Fill in the blank squares in the grid, making sure that every row, column and 3x3 box includes all digits from 1 through 9.

WORDSEARCH

E	N	S	I	G	N	A	A	S	P	J	H	L	N	A	R
C	L	A	R	I	M	D	A	S	T	B	S	A	I	G	Y
I	A	I	M	O	J	O	F	F	I	C	E	R	C	T	M
L	R	R	A	L	Q	B	R	O	J	A	M	O	U	M	R
O	E	F	R	C	O	R	P	S	M	A	N	P	X	E	A
P	N	O	S	S	L	R	O	B	N	S	E	R	P	N	B
L	E	R	H	E	I	J	T	N	T	D	C	O	P	A	J
H	G	C	A	R	E	D	N	A	M	M	O	C	R	F	Y
B	I	E	L	G	U	Q	B	V	P	R	A	I	E	F	J
Q	F	C	L	E	T	L	W	Y	T	L	S	D	I	I	V
Q	E	V	N	A	E	V	I	T	C	E	T	E	D	R	K
R	B	T	Y	N	N	U	A	N	H	N	G	M	L	R	M
Y	C	A	P	T	A	I	N	E	N	O	U	A	O	E	I
A	M	A	R	I	N	E	S	G	O	L	A	R	S	H	G
I	N	V	E	S	T	I	G	A	T	O	R	A	O	S	C
G	L	I	C	I	J	F	E	I	H	C	D	P	J	Q	E

Serve and Protect

Admiral	Colonel	Ensign	Paramedic
Agent	Commander	General	Patrolman
Air Force	Constable	Investigator	Officer
Airman	Cop	Lieutenant	Police
Army	Corporal	Major	Sergeant
Captain	Corpsman	Marines	Sherriff
Chief	Deputy	Marshall	Soldier
Coast Guard	Detective	Navy	Trooper

CROSSWORD

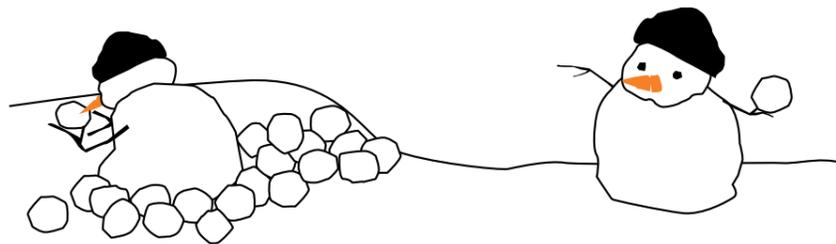
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
14				15				16					
17				18				19					
20				21				22					
23				24				25			26	27	
28			29			30	31			32			
			33		34	35				36			
			37							38			
39	40					41							
42				43					44		45	46	47
48			49					50	51			52	
			53			54	55				56		
57	58					59					60		
61						62					63		
64						65					66		

Across

- Christian Science founder
- Damon of "Good Will Hunting"
- Hiding place
- A married German woman
- Asian nurse
- Bicker
- Give
- Fodder holder
- Clemson athlete
- A resident buying the flat he lives in (hyphenated)
- Abbr. after a name
- "___ moment"
- Drawers
- Assignment
- Boat propellers
- Victorian, for one
- Arcangelo ____, Italian violinist and composer
- Beehive, e.g.
- Repossession of collateral for defaulted loan
- Exec
- Gab
- Balaam's mount
- "Not only that..."
- Amber or umber
- Medicinal shrub
- ___ v. Wade
- Bauxite, e.g.
- Having unequal dimensions
- Divination deck
- "@#%!" e.g.
- "Soap" family name
- Invitation heading
- Shrek, e.g.
- Coagulate
- Kilns
- Christian name
- Half a matched set

Down

- Application
- Sliding compartment in furniture
- Delicate
- Christmas season
- Kind of jar
- White, oblong, ecclesiastical vestment
- After-bath powder
- 10 C-notes
- Smooth, glossy fabrics
- Put to the test
- Wrong
- "So ___ me!" said defiantly
- "___ Town Too" (1981 hit)
- Chopper blade
- Noncompromiser
- "... ___ he drove out of sight"
- ___ Gabriel, CA
- Sean Connery, for one
- Rounded earthenware pots
- "Thanks ___!" (2 wds)
- Broadcast again immediately
- Almond
- Sundae topper, perhaps
- Cracks
- Gastric woe
- Amniotic ___
- ___ Today
- Snow-packed ski trails
- Place
- Henry Clay, for one
- Leases again, e.g. apartments (hyphenated)
- Belt
- Back in
- Additional
- Atmosphere
- O. Henry's "The Gift of the ___"
- Allergic reaction
- Pair
- Exclamation of triumph



SOLUTIONS

7	3	1	2	6	9	4	8	3	2	4	6	5	8	1	7	9	8
9	6	1	5	8	2	7	3	2	7	3	2	7	1	4	1	4	4
6	8	3	8	6	5	4	2	7	1	1	2	7	3	8	6	4	5
9	1	2	7	3	8	6	4	4	5	9	1	2	7	3	8	6	4
4	5	9	1	1	7	2	8	3	6	1	1	7	2	8	3	6	1
5	6	4	2	1	3	1	3	1	4	3	1	4	3	1	4	3	1
8	7	2	6	9	5	1	4	3	6	1	7	4	8	6	2	5	1
3	9	1	7	4	8	6	2	5	1	7	4	8	6	2	5	1	7

Announcements are free and run in The Shopper each week. They are accepted by e-mail at general@myshopper.biz, or at the front counter. Deadline is Friday at 4:00 p.m. for the following Thursday's edition. The Shopper reserves the right to edit all content.



TF SOUTH ATHLETE SPOTLIGHTS

INFORMATION SUBMITTED BY MATT TIFFY, ASSISTANT ATHLETIC DIRECTOR



Five things to know about De’Kwan Turner



LANSING, Ill. (December 1, 2018) – Senior De’Kwan Turner plays basketball for the TF South varsity team.

WHY BASKETBALL:

My dad played, and he is a big influence on me.

FAVORITE BASKETBALL MOMENT:

Playing against my old high school (TF North) and beating them.

GOALS FOR BASKETBALL THIS YEAR:

My goals for the team are to win regionals and state.

FAVORITE SUBJECT AND TEACHER:

My favorite subject is math, taught by Mrs. Tovey. Her teaching style really helps me understand how to use the math.

QUOTE FROM THE COACH:

“De’Kwan Turner is an example of what a student-athlete should be, both in the classroom and on the court. He displays leadership qualities that will serve him well after high school and beyond. I’m glad he is on our team!”

–Coach Townsend Orr

Five things to know about Ketura Wilson



LANSING, Ill. (December 1, 2018) – Senior Ketura Wilson plays varsity basketball for the TF South Rebels. She has been on varsity for two years.

WHY BASKETBALL:

I enjoy playing basketball because it is a very active sport and you can go all out.

FAVORITE BASKETBALL MOMENT:

It was my junior year. I scored 18 points right after I had a death in the family, and I dedicated it to my cousin who passed.

PLANS FOR THE FUTURE:

I want to continue playing basketball in college while I also major in education.

FAVORITE SUBJECT AND TEACHER:

U.S. History—and Mr. Tiffy is my favorite teacher because during my sophomore year in high school he was really on me about me doing my work and staying focused.

QUOTE FROM THE COACH:

“Ketura has shown great leadership early in the season and has used her own experiences to help guide our younger players.”

–Coach Tim Russell

All five Chicago pro sports team championship trophies scheduled to appear together for first time

INFORMATION FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

CHICAGO, Ill. (December 3, 2018) – As part of the state’s Bicentennial Birthday Party on December 3 at Navy Pier, all five championship trophies won by Chicago pro sports teams were scheduled to

appear together. The trophies would mark the culmination of an Illinois champions parade of team owners, players, legends, and celebrity fans.

The Bears, Blackhawks, Bulls, Cubs, and White Sox were to be joined by representatives of the original Rockford Peaches. The Peaches were recognized on the 75th anniversary of their first All-American Girls Professional

Baseball League championship. Track and field star Jackie Joyner-Kersey was enlisted as host of “a cavalcade of Illinois Olympic champions.”

“In a conversation with several of the teams it was determined the last time the trophies had been together the Cubs did not have one,” said Stuart Layne, Executive Director of the Governor’s Office of the Bicentennial.

The Bicentennial Birthday was promoted as a “star-studded, once-in-a-lifetime affair” highlighting Illinois people, places, events and innovations.

CHRISTMAS Eve
welcome to our service

FIRST United Methodist Church
18420 Burnham Avenue
Lansing, Illinois 60438

CHRISTMAS Eve 11 pm
Sunday Worship 9:45 am

Google our reviews!

★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Customer Satisfaction Rating

Update your system and qualify for Nicor and ComEd rebates

UTILITY BILLS DOWN. COMFORT, WAY UP!

Another Way We Make You Feel Better.

Customer ratings gathered by an independent survey firm. Rating subject to change.

LENNOX PREMIER DEALER

Van Drunen Heating
50 years of service
Preferred Dealer
(708) 339-6444
Perpetually new since 1968

GET UP TO **\$1,600** IN REBATES* OR UP TO 60 MONTHS INTEREST FREE FINANCING**
with purchase of a Lennox® home comfort system.

Offer expires 11/23/2018. *Rebate requires purchase of qualifying items by 11/23/18 and submission of a completed rebate form (with proof of purchase) to www.lennoxconsumerrebates.com no later than 12/14/18. Rebate is paid in the form of a Lennox Visa® prepaid debit card. Card is subject to terms and conditions found or referenced on card and expires 12 months after issuance. Conditions apply. See www.lennox.com for complete rebate terms and conditions. **Offer available 9/3/18 – 11/23/18. Requires purchase of qualifying system. Financing available to well-qualified buyers on approved credit. No down payment required. 0% APR for 60 months, with equal monthly payments. Normal late charges apply. Cannot be combined with any other promotional offer. Minimum loan amount \$1,000. Maximum loan amount \$45,000. You may prepay your account at any time without penalty. Financing is subject to credit requirements and satisfactory completion of finance documents. Any finance terms advertised are estimates only. See Truth in Lending disclosures available from lender for more information. © 2018 Lennox Industries Inc. Lennox Dealers are independently owned and operated businesses.

Lansing pitcher attends signing day at Guaranteed Rate Field

Nic Vitiritti's story is one of accomplishment—on and off the field

BY JOSH BOOTSMAN

LANSING, Ill. (November 22, 2018) – Last week Wednesday, a starting pitcher walked into Guaranteed Rate Field, the home of the White Sox, and committed to playing baseball for the next four years. But the pitcher wasn't a major league baseball player—he was 19-year-old Lansing resident Nic Vitiritti.

Along with nearly 20 other young men, Vitiritti participated in the "ACE Signing Day Ceremony," an annual event held at Guaranteed Rate Field where participants in the Amateur City Elite (ACE) baseball program commit to playing baseball for colleges across the country.

SIGNING DAY

Vitiritti, who is in his senior year at Mount Carmel High School, signed to play for Carthage College, an NCAA Division Three school in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

"It was pretty unreal," said Vitiritti, reflecting on the event, "It makes you feel almost like a pro."

The event featured an appearance by White Sox shortstop Tim Anderson. "He talked with us...and he made us feel like we're not just little baseball players. It was a special feeling," Vitiritti said.

The ACE program is run by the White Sox and grants players 12–18 years old opportunities to travel around the country with their team.

BASEBALL BACKGROUND

Vitiritti has been playing with ACE since 2017, and he has been playing baseball all his life. He began playing with his dad and older brothers at a young age, and started in Lansing Little League.

"My parents and two older brothers have been supportive of me and baseball all my life," explained Vitiritti, "and this year especially, trying to find a college."

On the ball diamond, Vitiritti's accomplishments are impressive. The

lean right-hander is capable of pitching a fastball up to 87 miles per hour, and he threw a no-hitter in August during an ACE game in Ohio. He's also likely to be an important part of Mount Carmel's 2019 season, according to head coach Brian Hurry.

"The key for us is knowing which pitchers are going to step up and give us a chance to win...and we think Nic is going to be one of those guys," Hurry said. "He has all the [leadership] characteristics that can lead us to a championship season."

OVERCOMING OBSTACLES

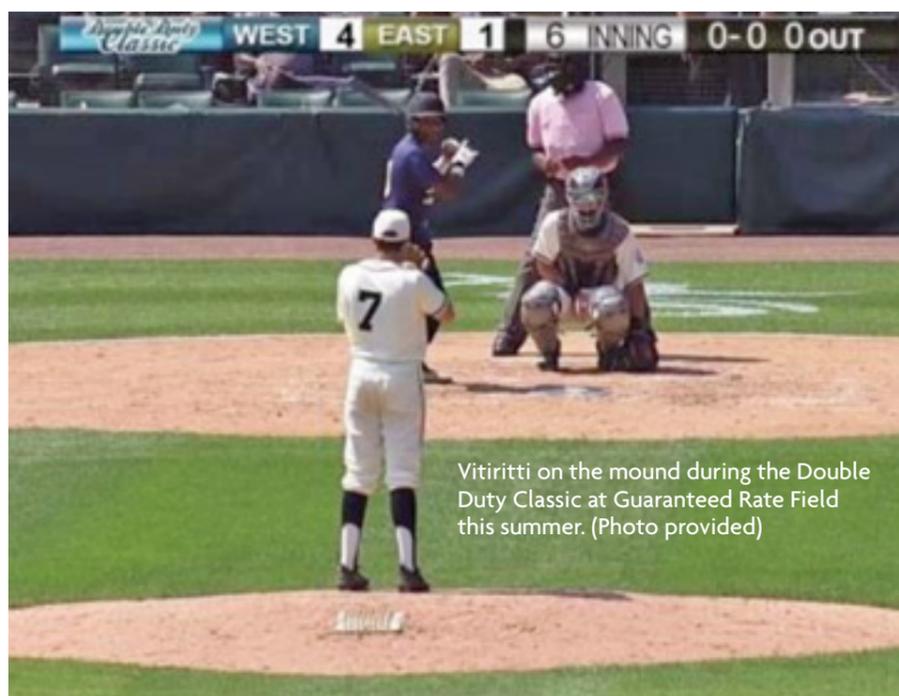
Vitiritti is just as proud of what he's overcome to make it to the ball diamond. At 4 years old, Vitiritti was diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes, a disease which could easily have kept him from playing baseball as actively as he has. Instead, he says, living with the disease has opened opportunities to push himself. "Having a disability or a disease doesn't have to stop you," he says. "You can still be just as successful."

Vitiritti mentors other diabetics at his school and annually attends "Slam Dunk for Diabetes," a three-day basketball camp where he interacts with diabetic youth. "[Diabetes] really hasn't affected me negatively. I use it to push myself and mentor others...and keep them positive," Vitiritti said.

FUTURE VISION

Moving forward, Vitiritti is excited to play baseball at Carthage college, and is both optimistic and realistic about his future as a ballplayer. "I want to play baseball until I can't do it anymore," he said. Eventually, Vitiritti wants to become an architect and open his own firm.

At 17 years of age, the lifelong Lansing resident is already remarkable, and there's no telling what he might be able to do in the years to come, on and off the pitcher's mound.



Vitiritti on the mound during the Double Duty Classic at Guaranteed Rate Field this summer. (Photo provided)



Lansing's Nic Vitiritti, a senior at Mount Carmel High School, participated in the "ACE (Amateur City Elite) Signing Day Ceremony" at Guaranteed Rate Field. He signed to play for Carthage College, an NCAA Division Three school in Kenosha, Wisconsin. (Photo: Mary Compton)



Experience the Difference!

PreK Preview Night

3-year-old and 4-year-old programs
Thursday, January 17 6:30 - 8:00



Kindergarten Preview Night

English Track and Spanish Immersion Track
Thursday, January 24 6:30 - 8:00

Please call 708.474.1700 so we can plan for your visit!

Safe, loving environment with Christian teachers exploring God's world from a Biblical perspective

Convenient scheduling options with bus service and extended care

Small class sizes allow your child's gifts to be recognized and developed

Excellent academic performance



3660 Randolph Street
708.474.1700
lansingchristian.org

Lansing's Sami Krusza competes at World Skating Championships in France



(Photo: Sue Krusza)

Krusza and pairs partner Darius Sanders finish fourth in final round

BY CARRIE STEINWEG

LANSING, Ill. (December 4, 2018) – You’ve got to really love something to practice it six or seven days a week for 2–3 hours a day. That’s what 14-year-old Sami Krusza does. Her passion is roller skating. Krusza’s coach, Julie Jessup, says, “She loves skating probably more than anyone I’ve ever taught.”

Krusza was just three years old when she began skating. “She started in classes and saw the big girls and wanted to compete,” said Jessup. “The first lesson I gave her was 7 minutes—and she competed the next day.” She was four.

HER BEST YEAR YET

Krusza has continued to compete

each year since. She has competed in individual, pairs, and quartet categories. This year was her best yet.

It was her fifth year of competing in pairs with her partner, Darius Sanders, 16, of Chicago. The duo advanced from the Great Lakes Regionals in June in Appleton, Wisconsin, to the Nationals in Lincoln, Nebraska, in July. Krusza competed in eight categories at Nationals and earned six medals—four gold and two bronze. She and Sanders earned two of those gold medals as a pair. The pair are four-time U.S. National Skating Champions.

Their success at Nationals secured them a spot at the Artistic World Skating Championships in La Vendee, France, in October. They

skated before a sold-out crowd with more than 1,000 skaters from 32 countries competing. It was Krusza’s first trip out of the county. “It was just

such an amazing experience, just out of this world,” she said. The pair made it to the final round where they finished fourth.

EVERYTHING BUT THE ICE

Although a lot of the training and the moves are the same, roller skating doesn’t get quite the recognition that ice skating does. According to Jessup, the skaters are really doing the same thing, but the sport doesn’t have the Olympic backing, so it doesn’t generate the same interest from the public.

As similar as the sports are, it’s quite a different feel. As confident as Krusza is in the roller rink, she admitted that she found it difficult to ice skate when she tried it. Jessup said roller skaters are working with heavier skates than ice skaters.

LEARNING AT LYNWOOD

Krusza’s interest in roller skating came from all the time she spent at Lynwood Roller Rink as a youngster,

where her mother, Sue Krusza, taught lessons. She looks forward to many more years of competing. Junior competitions go up to age 18, and at that time she can then transition to the senior competitions where she would skate against other adults.

She and Sanders will have two more years to compete together as a juniors pair before Sanders turns 18 and they will have to move to the senior division. They already have their sights on another world competition and hope to advance to the 2019 Artistic World Skating Championships next July in Barcelona.

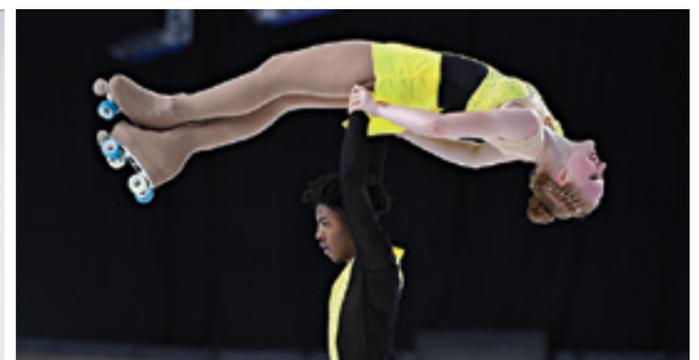
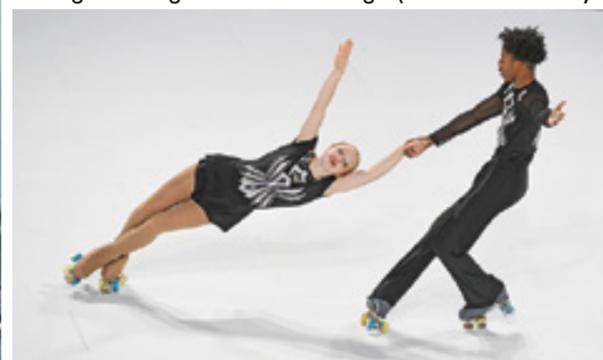
Jessup, who also coaches 12 other skaters, said, “We hope we can find some sponsors who love what they are doing and who can help pay for travel, lessons, and outfits.” Donations to the non-profit skate club would be tax-deductible.

For more information, or to support the Lynwood Skate Club, contact Jessup at rollercoachjulie@aol.com.



Left: Lansing’s Sami Krusza (left), Coach Julie Jessup, and partner Darius Sanders made it to the Artistic Skating World Championships in France this year. (Photo: Sue Krusza)

Below and right: There’s a lot of similarity between competitive roller skating and competitive ice skating, though roller skating doesn’t get as much coverage. (Photo: Sue Krusza)



Thornton Township Wishes You



Happy Holidays & a Prosperous New Year

JOYCE M. WASHINGTON
Trustee

NORBERT CIPOWSKI
Trustee

STAFFORD C. OWENS
Trustee

GERALD "JERRY" JONES
Trustee



FRANK M. ZUCCARELLI
Supervisor

333 E. 162nd Street, South Holland, IL 60473
708-596-6040 - www.thorntontownship.com - Fax 708-596-3207

JACQUELINE E.
DAVIS-RIVERA
Clerk

CASSANDRA HOLBERT
Assessor C.I.A.O.

GEARY DEPUE
Highway Commissioner