



# KANSAS PROM ROYALTY



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**Kansas High School Senior King and Queen candidates this year include (left to right) Micah Pfister, Taylor Stevens, Amanda Walker and Nathan Medsker. Kansas' prom is scheduled for April 22 at the Lifespan Center in Mattoon.**

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## LOCAL FORECAST

NORMAL: High: 60 Low: 39

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TODAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
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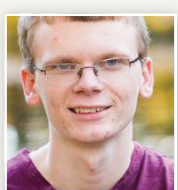
Values are afternoon highs ... overnight lows (next morning) ... chance for precipitation.

**TODAY** — Mostly sunny and breezy with highs in the mid 60s.  
**SUNDAY** — Highs top out in the mid 70s under partly sunny skies, but southerly winds will be gusting near 30 mph.  
**MONDAY** — Mostly cloudy, breezy, and warm with scattered showers and thunderstorms and highs in the lower 70s.

**ALMANAC**  
 Paris through noon Tuesday.  
**Temperature**  
 High/Low ..... 60°/39°  
 Record High ..... 82° in 1900  
 Record Low ..... 19° in 1936  
**Precipitation**  
 Month to date ..... 1.06"  
 Normal month to date ..... 1.01"  
 Year to date ..... 6.39"  
 Normal year to date ..... 8.64"

**SUN AND MOON**

	Sun	Moon
	Rise	Set
<b>TODAY</b>	6:24 a.m.	7:22 p.m.
<b>SUNDAY</b>	6:22 a.m.	7:23 p.m.
<b>MONDAY</b>	6:21 a.m.	7:24 p.m.
<b>TUESDAY</b>	6:19 a.m.	7:25 p.m.
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	6:18 a.m.	7:26 p.m.
<b>THURSDAY</b>	6:16 a.m.	7:27 p.m.
<b>FRIDAY</b>	6:15 a.m.	7:28 p.m.



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## PLAN YOUR WEEK

### TODAY

**PRESCHOOL STORY TIME**  
 Paris Public Library is hosting story time for preschoolers ages three to five 10:30 a.m. The weekly event features books, songs, rhymes and rhythm instruments. There will not be a preschool story time session April 15.

**SPRING CRAFT BAZAAR**  
 The Vigo County 4-H Council is sponsoring a Spring Craft Bazaar 9 a.m.-2 p.m. April 8 at the Wabash Valley Fairgrounds, Terre Haute, Ind. More than 90 vendors offering handmade crafts, primitive crafts, embroidery, pottery, spring and Easter décor and the usual assortment of homes sales businesses. The \$1 admission fee includes a door prize ticket and concessions are available. Proceeds go toward a 4-H scholarship fund.

**VFW MONTHLY STEAK SUPPER**  
 The Paris VFW will host its monthly steak supper from 4-7 p.m. at the post home, 601 W. Court.

**HANDBELL CONCERT**  
 The Community Hand Bell Choir is presenting a concert at 6 p.m., Saturday, April 8, at the Paris Fine Arts Center. A donation will be taken for Shop With A Cop.

**SUNDAY**  
**PARIS FFA PORK CHOP DINNER**  
 The Paris FFA Alumni will host its annual pork chop dinner in the

**ABATE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE**  
 ABATE Heritage Trail Chapter is sponsoring a scholarship for children of members of the Illinois National Guard 1544<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company. The scholarship is open to children of both past and present members of the 1544<sup>th</sup>. Applicants are required to write an essay explaining what they want to pursue in life and education and tell about current involvement with school, extracurricular participation and outside activities. In addition, the material must include each applicant's name, address, phone number, the name of the 1544<sup>th</sup> member and if a son or daughter. Completed applications must be received by April 17 at ABATE Heritage Trail Chapter, P.O. Box 147, Marshall, IL. 62441.  
**SHARE YOUR EVENT**  
 Community events are published for free as space allows. For inclusion in the community calendar, submit the name of the event, a brief description of it, location, cost to attend (if any), a contact name and phone number/email for the public. To submit:  
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**Mail:** Community Calendar, 101 N. Central, Paris, Ill., 61944  
**Questions?** call 217-921-3216.

**CHURCH EASTER EGG HUNT**  
 The Paris Church of God will sponsor its 22nd annual Easter egg hunt at Twin Lakes Park near the Spicer Pavillion. Children up to age 12 are invited to participate. Registration is at 10 a.m., followed by the egg hunt at 11 a.m. A hot dog lunch will be served and prizes awarded. Children will be divided by age groups for the hunt.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 18**  
**FOUR SEASONS GARDENING**  
 The first session of a new season in the University of Illinois Extension's Four Seasons of Gardening program is 1:30 p.m. April 18 at the Edgar County Extension Office, 210 W. Washington, Paris. The webinar presented by extension educator Jennifer Fishburn is "Growing Vegetables for Beginners." There is no charge and a recorded version can be found at a later date at go.illinois.edu/fourseasonsrecordings on Youtube.

**THURSDAY, APRIL 20**  
**BOOK CLUB PROGRAM**  
 Paris Public Library is hosting a book club discussion of "Persuasion" by Jane Austen at 5:30 p.m. April 20.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 23**  
**OES CHICKEN NOODLE DINNER**  
 The Paris Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star's annual Chicken & Noodle Dinner is 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, April 23 at the Masonic Temple, 301 S. Central Avenue. The dinner is in the basement dining room. Entrance is at the front where a member greets and directs diners. The menu is chicken & noodles, mashed potatoes, green beans, applesauce or jello, roll, drink and dessert for \$7. Children under five eat free. More information is available by contacting Carole Yaw 217-269-2470.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26**  
**CAR SHOW BENEFIT**  
 The Lost Cruisers Car Club is hosting a Leukemia Warrior Benefit car show 11 a.m.-1 p.m. April 29 at R.P. Lumber, 520 E. Jasper, open to cars, trucks, rat rods and bikes, with a \$10 entry fee. The event features trophies, door prizes and a 50/50 drawing. All proceeds go to assist the family of five-year-old Rayleigh Ike with treatment and travel expenses. Ike was diagnosed in October 2016 with acute lymphoblastic leukemia B-cell and is being treated at St. Louis Children's Hospital. She and her supporters have adopted the slogan "Fight Like a Girl" to symbolize her determination to get well.

Paris High School cafeteria from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Carryouts will be available. Tickets will be available in advance from FFA alumni as well as the door. Proceeds help support the Paris FFA chapter and its projects.

hypnosis session and one reinforcement CD. Pre-registration is required and more information is available at [www.jerrishealinggarden.com/classes](http://www.jerrishealinggarden.com/classes).

**TUESDAY**  
**HCE ANNUAL MEETING**  
 The Edgar County Home and Community Education annual meeting will include a catered meal. Registration is at 5:30 p.m. with the meeting beginning at 6 p.m. The program is "Behind the Scenes at the Rose Parade," to be presented by Martha Fox. For more information and registration, please call Marge Houghland at 217-463-7610.

**THURSDAY**  
**VFW AUXILIARY DINNER**  
 The weekly VFW Auxiliary dinner is 5-7 p.m. at the post home on West Court Street. The menu is pork chops, fried potatoes stewed apples or carrots or brocolli with cheese and white or wheat roll. The cost is \$4. Drinks are 50 cents and dessert is \$1. Proceeds support the work of the VFW.

**STOP SMOKING HYPNOSIS**  
 Hypnotherapist Jerri L. Wilkerson is conducting two sessions at the Paris Area Chamber of Commerce Office, 105 N. Central for weight loss and to help people stop smoking. The stop smoking program is for people who smoke less than two packs a day and is 6:30-9 p.m. Tuesday and includes one hypnosis session and two reinforcement CDs.

**ADULT COLORING NIGHT**  
 Adult coloring night is 6-7:30 p.m. at Paris Public Library. The event features coloring and friendly conversation. Colored pencils and coloring pages are available, but participants are welcome to bring their own.  
**MONTHLY EUCHRE NIGHT**  
 Euchre night at Red Oak Inn, 219 W. Madison, Paris, is 6:30-9 p.m. Dessert is served during the event. More information is available at 217-463-2560.

**WEDNESDAY**  
**WEIGHT LOSS HYPNOSIS**  
 Hypnotherapist Jerri L. Wilkerson is conducting two sessions at the Paris Area Chamber of Commerce Office, 105 N. Central The weight loss program is 6:30-8:30 p.m. The program includes one

**FRIDAY**  
**PARIS ROTARY FISH FRY**  
 The Paris Rotary Club will host its spring fish fry from 4:30-7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Paris. Desserts by the Paris Altrusa Club are available for purchase.

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**SATURDAY, APRIL 15**  
**VFW AUXILIARY SPRING BAZAAR**  
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# Repeat meth offender pleads not guilty

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A repeat methamphetamine offender is facing new felony drug charges. Margaret O. Davis, 29, Clinton, Ind., and formerly of Paris, appeared in custody of the Edgar County Sheriff's Department for the April 3 criminal and traffic call in Edgar County Circuit Court. She waived the preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class 3 felony

for unlawful possession of methamphetamine, a Class A misdemeanor for possession of a hypodermic syringe and a Class A misdemeanor for retail theft. The matter was continued for a pretrial conference.

Davis faces numerous felony drug charges dating back to 2015. Her unresolved charges include a Class 1 felony for delivery of methamphetamine conspiracy, a Class 2 felony for unlawful use of property for methamphetamine, a Class 3 felony for possession of methamphetamine and two counts of a Class 4 felony for possession of a controlled substance. Davis was remanded to custody pending posting of bond.

Other individuals appearing before the bench during March 30 and April 3 criminal and traffic calls include:

### IN CUSTODY

■ Marvin L. Eacret Jr., 24, Terre Haute, Ind., appeared in custody, waived the preliminary hearing and pleaded guilty to a Class 3 felony for possession of methamphetamine. Eacret was sentenced to 120 days in jail with credit for 24 days previously served with good time conduct to apply and the remaining 72 days subject to stayed jail time, two years first-offender probation, a \$500 fine, court costs and various state and drug fees. He was additionally ordered to obtain drug counseling within 90 days. In exchange for the guilty plea, the state will not prosecute him for a Class A misdemeanor for obstruction of identification charge.

In another case, Eacret pleaded guilty to a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a suspended license. He was sentenced to two years of conditional discharge, a \$300 fine, court costs and various state fees. In exchange for the guilty plea, the state dismissed two petty traffic offenses. Eacret was remanded to custody pending release processing.

■ Anthony S. Fiscus, 44, Dennison, appeared in custody. He was charged with a Class 3 felony for attempted burglary and a Class C misdemeanor for assault. The preliminary hearing was scheduled and Fiscus was remanded to custody pending posting of bond.

■ William L. Reed Jr., 42, Hume, appeared in custody, waived preliminary hearing and pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class 3 felony for possession of methamphetamine and a Class A misdemeanor for possession of drug paraphernalia charges. A bond reduction motion to \$7,500 from the original bond of \$15,000 was granted, and Reed was remanded to custody pending posting of bond. The next day he was released after posting \$750 bond.

■ Kiley Sanders, 33, Paris,

appeared in custody and was charged with a Class 4 felony for possession of a controlled substance and a Class A misdemeanor for possession of a hypodermic syringe. The public defender was appointed. Sanders' motion for a personal recognizance bond was granted and the matter was continued for the preliminary hearing.

### CHARGES

■ Ronald A. Keys, 42, Paris, was charged with a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a suspended license. The public defender was appointed and a pretrial conference was scheduled.

■ Ty A. Martin, 26, Paris, was charged with a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a suspended license. He told the court he will hire an attorney. The matter was continued for a first appearance with counsel.

■ Mikel O. McCarty, 22, Paris, was charged with a Class 3 felony for possession of methamphetamine and a Class A misdemeanor for driving under the influence of drugs. He told the court he will hire an attorney and the matters were continued for the preliminary hearing.

■ Brittney N. Nuckolls, 23, Danville, was charged and pleaded guilty to a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a suspended license. Nuckolls was sentenced to one year of conditional discharge, a \$300 fine, court costs and various state fees.

■ Nickolas M. Patterson, 33, Georgetown, was presented with a petition to revoke his conditional discharge sentence for a Class A misdemeanor violating an order of protection conviction. The public defender was appointed and the matter was continued for a pretrial conference.

■ Megan L. Smith, 25, Paris, was charged with a Class C misdemeanor for improper use of an automobile registration. The public defender was appointed and the matter was continued for a first appearance with counsel.

■ Nathan A. Thomas, 27, Paris, was charged with a Class C misdemeanor for disorderly conduct. He told the court he will hire an attorney, and the matter was continued

for a first appearance with counsel.

■ Christy L. Tingley, 29, Paris, was charged with a Class A misdemeanor for driving under the influence of alcohol. The public defender was appointed and the matter was continued for a first appearance with counsel.

■ Travis W. Travioli, 47, West Terre Haute, Ind., was charged with a Class 3 felony for possession of methamphetamine and a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a suspended license. He waived his right to an attorney and the matter was continued for the preliminary hearing.

### GUILTY PLEAS

■ Ashley Y. Dye, 23, Paris, pleaded guilty to a Class B misdemeanor for a drivers license expired longer than one year. She was sentenced to a \$300 fine, court costs and various state fees.

■ Damian W. Lucas, 26, Paris, pleaded guilty to a Class B misdemeanor for speeding. He was sentenced to a \$250 fine and court costs.

■ Donald R. Mullenix, 45, Paris, pleaded guilty to a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a suspended license and a Class A misdemeanor for failure to notify owner of damage to an unattended vehicle. He was sentenced to two years conditional discharge, a \$300 fine, court costs and various state fees.

■ Marcus E. Smith, 43, Mattoon, pleaded guilty to a Class B misdemeanor for drivers license expired longer than one year. He was sentenced to a \$300 fine, court costs and various state fees.

■ Blake A. Watson, 23, Hume, pleaded guilty to a Class A misdemeanor for unlawful display of an automobile title. He was sentenced to one year of conditional discharge, a \$300 fine, court costs and various state fees.

### NOT GUILTY PLEAS

■ Heather N. Eads, 27, Paris, denied a petition to revoke her conditional discharge for a Class A misdemeanor driving on a suspended license conviction. The matter was continued for a pretrial conference.

■ Kylie E. Gess, 19, Paris, pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class A misdemeanor for driving

under the influence of drugs. A pretrial conference was scheduled.

■ Stanton T. Hanks, 25, Mattoon, pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a revoked license. The matter was continued for a pretrial conference.

■ Levi J. Kelly, 23, Paris, pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a revoked license. A pretrial conference was scheduled.

■ Vernie E. Martin, 41, Paris, pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a suspended license. The matters were continued for a pretrial conference.

■ Jacob D. Pardi, 23, Paris, pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class 4 felony for unlawful possession of a controlled substance. The matter was continued for a pretrial conference.

■ Dianna R. Robison, 33, Chrisman, pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class C misdemeanor for disorderly conduct. She again waived her right to be represented by an attorney and the matter was continued for a pretrial conference.

■ Terry L. Taber, 60, Kansas, pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class A misdemeanor for speeding. The matter was continued for a pretrial conference.

■ Coscha L. Young, 22, Georgetown, pleaded not guilty with a jury trial demand to a Class A misdemeanor for driving on a suspended license. She continued to tell the court she will hire an attorney and the matter was continued for a pretrial conference.

### OTHER MATTERS

■ Brian W. Crozier, 52, Paris, learned the state withdrew a petition to revoke his conditional discharge sentence for a Class A misdemeanor retail theft conviction.

■ Emily E. Delashmit, 41, Paris, learned the state with-

drew a petition to revoke her conditional discharge sentence for a Class A misdemeanor driving on a suspended license conviction.

■ Megan Nicole Eads, 27, Paris, learned the state is withdrawing a petition to revoke her conditional discharge sentence for a Class A misdemeanor driving on a suspended license conviction.

■ Walter L. Feller, 63, Terre Haute, Ind., made a motion to withdraw his guilty plea to a Class B misdemeanor for a deer hunting permit violation and a Class B misdemeanor for unlawful harvesting of a deer. The matters were continued for a motion hearing.

■ Marjorie Evans, no age provided, Paris, learned her failure to appear arrest warrant was quashed. Her Class A misdemeanor conviction for a lead paint violation was continued for completion of sentence.

■ Blane A. Grimes, 26, Paris, was appointed a new public defender to represent him on a Class 2 felony for delivery of methamphetamine and a Class 3 felony for possession of methamphetamine. The matter was continued for the preliminary hearing.

■ David W. Mulkins, 33, Paris, learned that no sentencing agreement has been reached for his Class 2 felony aggravated domestic battery conviction. The matter was continued for a contested sentencing hearing.

■ Travis S. Posey, 34, Paris, learned the state withdrew petitions to revoke his conditional discharge sentence for a Class A misdemeanor driving

under the influence of drugs and Class A misdemeanor reckless conduct convictions. Also withdrawn was a petition to revoke his probation sentence for a Class 3 felony possession of methamphetamine conviction. The matters were continued for a status review.

■ Terry L. Rogers, 53, Paris, learned the state withdrew a petition to revoke his court supervision sentence for a Class A misdemeanor driving on a suspended license conviction. The fine and costs were paid in full and the case was closed.

■ Trevor D. Walton-Feller, 22, Terre Haute, Ind., made a motion to withdraw his guilty plea to a Class B misdemeanor for a deer hunting permit violation charge and a Class B misdemeanor for unlawful harvesting of a deer charge. The matters were continued for motion hearings.

### WARRANTS

Warrants were prepared and issued when the following individuals failed to answer the court call: Robert A. Chapman, 43, Paris; Ashley D. Newman, 24, Paris; Dallas E. Peterson, 36, Paris; Nathan B. Shear, 28, Brocton; Larry J. Stevens, 31, Danville; and Michael J. Vance, 20, Effingham.

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## Strategic plan well received

Paris Union School District 95 administrators and staff unveiled the district's draft of its two-year strategic plan this past week, using the suggestions made during a community meeting in March.

The local district and its school board members regularly welcome comments during the monthly meeting — as do all the Edgar County districts. What made the community meeting special was the emphasis by Superintendent of Schools Jeremy Larson to encourage parents, grandparents and community members to make their voices heard.

Unfortunately, parents or community members who attend school board meetings speak — for the most part — about a problem. The community meeting allowed parents to offer both positive suggestions and concerns without identifying themselves. Those attending simply filled out index cards at any one of the 16 subject tables and dropped them into a bucket. Larson then compiled every comment so that members of the planning committee could study them.

The presentation of Monday's draft included items definitely from the community outreach meeting. When I interviewed some of the 158 persons who attended the meeting, a couple of parents noted their concern about their middle school children who eat hot meals often were left hungry — not because they didn't like what was being served but that portions were too small. In the wellness and safety section of the draft plan — sure enough — included by the district was "will investigate and provide feedback on alternative lunches and increased portions."

One of the areas I suggested at the community meeting — obviously along with some parents — was the need to include the Mayo school chorus in the school day. "Mayo will investigate ways to rearrange the schedule to provide students an opportunity to take choir and band at the same time."

It's no secret I am a supporter of the arts. When I was at Mayo, we were lucky enough to have a general music class and chorus was the last hour of the day. I'm not naïve enough

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## Governor's antics are wearing thin

As the Senate's two leaders tried again to find the votes to pass their "grand bargain" last week to end the state's two-year governmental gridlock, Gov. Rauner began spending more than a million dollars on two new TV ads that portray him as an every-man, duct tape hero in the fight for Illinois' future.

"Illinois is broke and broken," Rauner says to the camera while standing in a well-kept garage and wearing a plaid flannel shirt. "And the politicians that got us into this mess, their solution is this," Rauner says as he holds up a roll of duct tape. "Higher taxes," he says as he yanks out a piece of duct tape, "More spending," he says with another jerk on the roll, "No real reforms," he says as he takes one more strong pull.

"After decades of ignoring problems, it's time someone fixes 'em," the governor says. A list of bullet points appears on the screen in front of a line of tools neatly arranged against the garage wall as Rauner says: "Our balanced budget plan freezes property taxes, caps spending, creates jobs and puts term limits on politicians."

Rauner is then shown sitting on a chair in the garage. "Our plan brings real reforms to Illinois," he says as he grabs the roll of duct tape. "Their duct tape solutions won't work anymore. We will fix Illinois together."

The second, shorter ad begins with Rauner

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### WHO WE ARE

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# Time to get involved

Without public participation, our villages and towns will eventually fade away

Charles Dudley Warner, an American essayist, novelist and a friend of Mark Twain, once said, "Everybody complains about the weather, but nobody does anything about it."

It's much the same way concerning politics. We all have an opinion about President Donald Trump — good or bad — and the gridlock that currently defines the U.S. Congress, but few of us actually do something about it ... except complain.

But not all government positions are riddled with politics — in fact, most have nothing to do with the Democrat or Republican parties. However, we are having a hard time finding people to fill many government positions here in Edgar County.

### OUR VIEW

This editorial reflects the views of The Prairie Press' editorial board. Other opinions on this page may not reflect this view.

Here's what went unfilled in this week's election:

■ Village of Metcalf had two candidates for three village trustees.

■ Village of Redmon had three village trustee spots with one official candidate, one write-in candidate and nobody for the third spot. There was also a two-year unexpired term without a candidate.

■ Village of Vermilion had three village trustee positions open and no candidates.

■ Buck Township had no candidate for clerk.

■ Prairie Township also had no candidate for clerk.

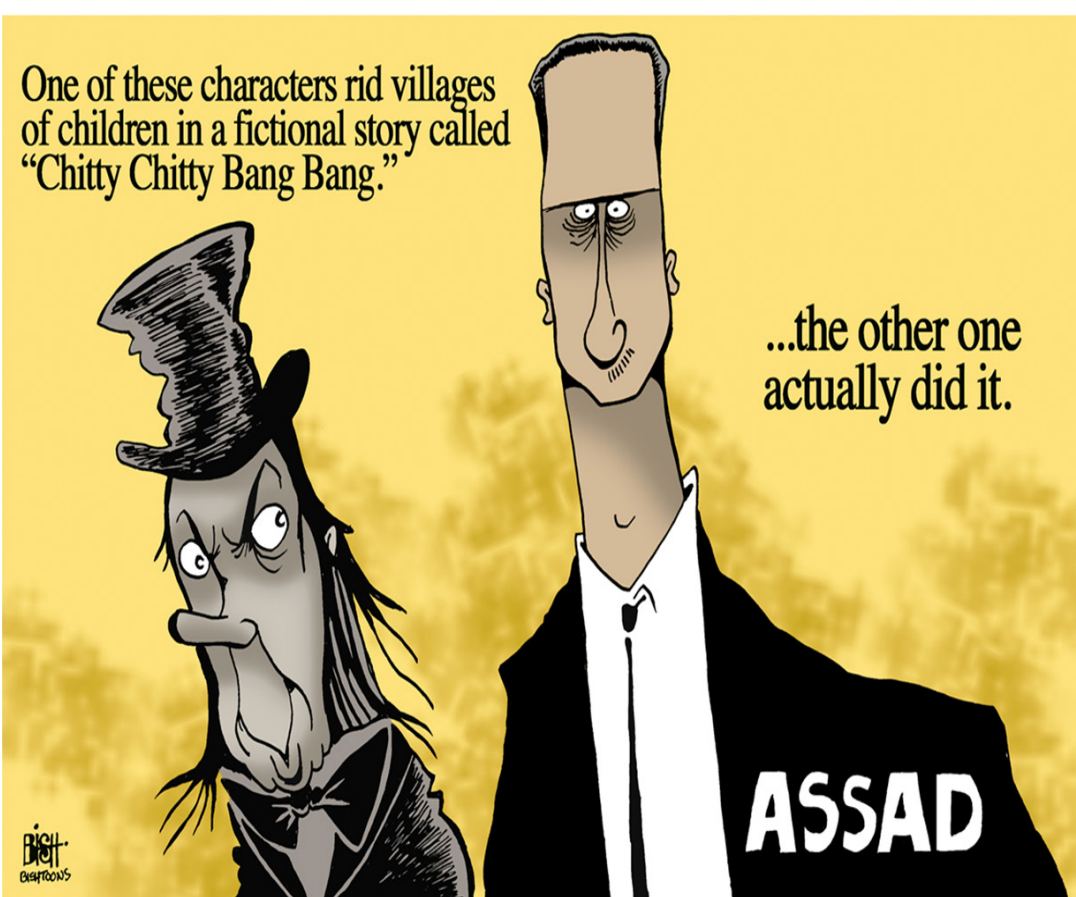
■ Ross Township had no candidate for assessor.

■ Symmes township had no candidate for assessor.

■ Multi-township assessor districts: Brouillets Creek, Edgar and Prairie Townships, no candidate; Buck, Grandview and Kansas Township, no candidate; Elbridge, Hunter and Stratton Townships, no candidate.

■ Kansas Township Library District had four trustee spots open, but no candidates.

Everybody is busy, but it's important we all consider serving to help our communities. Without our support, they will eventually fade away.



## Shifting focus common in D.C. politics

WASHINGTON — If there is one operative rule in this city's left-right paradigm, it is to shift the focus of any conversation that seems at risk of revealing something approximating truth — a game at which the current administration and its media surrogates happen to excel.

Thus, the focus early this week was on the unmasking of Trump campaign and transition team members who turned up in surveilled communications with foreigners. This unmasking (the naming of said team members) loosely corresponds to Donald Trump's claim that President Obama was wiretapping him during the transition.

This back-and-forth history is familiar by now. There was no wiretapping, a James Bond-ish technique by which Trump really meant all forms of surveillance, according to press secretary Sean Spicer. But, as we recently learned, some Trump folks were incidentally picked up during the foreign surveillance. We don't yet know whether these included Russians.

Maybe they were discussing the high price of kohlrabi, maybe not. Unmasking, it should be noted, is generally not done unless there are serious reasons to think it essential for national security. People captured incidentally have their names blacked out in deference to their privacy, such as it remains.

Next we hear allegations that former national security adviser Susan Rice sought to unmask the names of Americans affiliated with Trump's team who appeared in foreign surveillance intelligence reports. This doesn't seem to be

quite the scandal so many on the right wished it to be. The urgent spin from Trump Quarters was that Rice was conducting a spy operation for political purposes. This would have been intriguing but difficult to pull off unless everyone in the intelligence community were in on the scheme.

First, neither Rice nor any other official has the authority to unmask American citizens out of mere curiosity, as she explained Tuesday in an MSNBC interview with Andrea Mitchell. Rice, as well as other officials, could request an intelligence review to determine whether there were legitimate national security reasons to identify them.

Were they talking cabbage? Or, were they discussing a potential U.S. withdrawal from NATO? Wouldn't we like to know?

Some reports said Rice did request a review and receive names, but she adamantly denied leaking any names, saying this would have constituted releasing classified information. One name unmasked in intelligence reports was Michael Flynn, who resigned after it was revealed he mischaracterized to Vice President Mike Pence conversations he had with the Russian ambassador. Only later did we learn of Flynn's \$500,000 public relations job with Turkey.

You see how the focus keeps getting directed away from Russia to the Obama administration or any other handy object. Trump continues to blame poor sportsmanship for all his travails, including any fact-based reporting that contradicts his primary intelligences sources, Fox News and Breitbart News. (And, perhaps, his Magic 8-Ball.) If there's nothing to see here, why the constant shifting of public attention from the grizzly bear to the kid with a slingshot?

Is there anyone left in America

who doesn't think that Russia's hacking and interference with the 2016 election don't deserve a thorough investigation? Yes, there is. On his Fox News show, the formerly bow-tied but still adorable Tucker Carlson is leading a charge that we don't really know that Russia hacked the Democratic National Committee and delivered emails to WikiLeaks that were released at just the right moment to undermine Hillary Clinton's campaign.

We only think we know this, and why? Well, because every American intelligence agency has said so. Moving on.

Next in the series of "Look Over There" is a tweet from the president's son Donald Jr. praising the reporter who pointed to Rice as an unmasker. "Congrats to @cernovich for breaking the #SusanRice story," he tweeted like-father-like-son-ly. "In a long gone time of unbiased journalism he'd win the Pulitzer, but not today!"

Actually, there are several Pulitzers awarded each year, but Mike Cernovich, who has said he became an Alt-Righter when he realized that diversity really meant "white genocide," isn't likely to receive one for pointing out that Rice was doing her job.

En fin, the crucial unmasking — Who is that masked man in the White House? — is yet to come. For now, we know that the most important aspect of the Russia-hacking-wire-tapping-spying-Susan-Rice story is that Trump's transition team was in contact with Russian operatives and others — and it would be nice to know they were only exploring critical questions related to cabbage.

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## Bannon move is closer to normality

White House official Steve Bannon is off the National Security Council, in a reversal of what had been



RICH LOWRY

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an eyebrow-raising decision to put the president's top political adviser on the NSC.

It is a step toward normality in a White House that has struggled with it, especially in the Oval Office.

One would have thought the sweet spot for President Donald Trump would be enough policy heterodoxy to convince marginal working-class voters that he's a different kind of Republican, coupled with enough conventional behavior to take the edge off his radioactive image.

Instead, after about 75 days, it's been the opposite on both counts. With some exceptions (banging on companies on Twitter for outsourcing, the heavy emphasis on immigration enforcement), the substance has been conventionally Republican, while the behavior has been outlandishly Trump.

The two are related. Since Trump is undisciplined, doesn't have well-formulated policy views and will change his mind based on the last person he's talked to, he's not well-suited to driving an agenda.

The result could well be a Republican president with the kind of policy platform that leads people to believe the party is out of touch, presented in the most off-putting and needlessly combative way possible.

Consider: If there is one issue that Trump has been consistent on for decades, it is attacking free trade. His jeremiads on trade clearly played a role in his breach of the Democrats' blue wall in November. Yet, according to news reports, Trump's team is having arguments about the fundamental direction of his trade policy.

How is this for priorities? The administration apparently doesn't know whether it is protectionist

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# Paris 95 two-year strategic plan gets at lot of feedback

BY NANCY ZEMAN  
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Paris Union School District 95 unveiled the draft of the district's two-year strategic plan Monday — and urged the parents, board members, teachers and community members in attendance to give feedback.

Those attending were provided a red pen and a copy

of the draft plan and urged to mark it up, as Paris 95 Superintendent of Schools Jeremy Larson said.

"I'm happy with the participation we received at our community meeting," Larson said. "We're moving forward in a positive way."

The draft plan was divided into five areas — ambitious instruction, support services,

wellness and safety, commitment to community and student activities. Ambitious instruction included the most goals — 10 — while the other areas each included five goals.

"The idea is to work on completing each of these goals over the next two years," Larson said after the meeting.

The district's administrators — principals Gary Doughan and Amy Perry, curriculum director Carol Jones, special services director Connie Sutton and teacher Adam Clawson — presented each

area during Monday's meeting.

Larson noted the plan was based on the comments received at the community outreach meeting from parents, teachers, staff and community members.

Jones expressed excitement in outlining the ambitious instruction area of the plan. She announced not only will the district implement a plan for all science classes to complete two STEM projects twice a year but the district will add a summer camp for students in

STEM education. "We've had summer school in the past but it was to help students catch up," she said. "This is an opportunity for our students."

The district will also integrate soft skills education into the curriculum, she said, including helping students prepare for interviews, life-skills and follow-up. Career education will continue to be emphasized as Mayo, she said.

"Mayo will develop a focus group to collect specific feedback on areas of improvement for music education," Jones explained and will investigate ways to include chorus during the school day.

Among the other goals in the plan are:

Better communication in several areas including what support services are available,

parent workshops and special education process and issues.

Each school will hold a student focus group to provide input into menu selections as well as investigate and provide feedback on alternative lunches and increase portions.

The district will develop an engagement program for grandparents and retired adults.

All schools will provide grades electronically.

The district will hold annual meetings with first responders to develop district preparedness for fire, tornado and active shooter drills.

Physical education teachers will be provided professional development to find ways to add more variety to the curriculum.






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## Village of Kansas sells a 2006 police SUV

BY GARY HENRY  
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KANSAS — The village of Kansas opened a single bid Wednesday for the sale of a 2006 Dodge Durango police vehicle.

The Durango became surplus property after the village acquired a new police vehicle with a Rural Development Grant from the United States Department of Agriculture. Jessica Hobbs' \$6,000 bid was more than the minimum set by the village and was accepted by the trustees.

Police Chief Greg Voudrie anticipated completing the transaction Thursday and transferring the title to Hobbs in exchange for the payment.

Voudrie also reported the successful cleanup of a property where the owner had resisted complying with village ordinances until the court gave her a deadline and authorized the village to enter the property after that deadline to remove whatever was not placed under roof inside a shed.

"The resident tried to get by

with a privacy fence but we told her that's not what the judge said," Voudrie said.

He added it became apparent to the resident the village was serious about cleaning up the property when he arrived after the deadline with a dumpster and a skid steer operator. Within a couple of hours, the skid steer filled the dumpster. A second dumpster was required to complete the work.

The chief estimated the village removed 15 tons of material from property as part of the cleanup. "I'm waiting for the bills to show up so we can put a lien on the property," he said.

Village employee Andrew Henn reported security improvements to the water house are complete. The installation of new deadbolts and a motion activated camera system followed a recent break-in.

Henn also said preparations are under way to complete the required annual inspection of the village's fogging machine prior to beginning spraying as part of the mosquito abatement program.

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**TODAY, APRIL 8**  
 10 a.m. PHS softball at Effingham St. Anthony  
 11 a.m. PHS baseball vs. South Vermillion  
 1 p.m. PHS baseball vs. Richland County

**MONDAY, APRIL 10**  
 4:30 p.m. Tri-County baseball vs. Oblong (Kansas)  
 4:30 p.m. Tri-County softball vs. Oblong (Kansas)

**TUESDAY, APRIL 11**  
 4 p.m. PHS boys track at Red Hill, Tuscola, Georgetown  
 4 p.m. PHS girls track at Red Hill, Tuscola, Georgetown  
 4 p.m. Tri-County track at Arcola  
 4 p.m. PHS tennis at Effingham-St. Anthony  
 4:30 p.m. PHS softball at Georgetown  
 4:30 p.m. Tri-County baseball at Casey-Westfield

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12**  
 4:30 p.m. PHS softball at Riverton-Parke  
 4:30 p.m. Tri-County baseball vs. Martinsville (Hume)  
 4:30 p.m. Tri-County softball vs. Martinsville (Hume)

5:30 p.m. PHS baseball at Riverton-Parke

**THURSDAY, APRIL 13**  
 4 p.m. PHS Tigers Relays (boys and girls)  
 4 p.m. Tri-County track at PHS Tigers Relays  
 4:30 p.m. PHS softball at Richland County  
 4:30 p.m. Tri-County softball at Blue Ridge  
 4:30 p.m. PHS tennis vs. University

**FRIDAY, APRIL 14**  
 10 a.m. PHS girls track at Robinson Sam Bennett Invitational  
 4:30 p.m. Tri-County baseball at VGH (Villa Grove)  
 4:30 p.m. Tri-County softball at VGH (Villa Grove)

**SATURDAY, APRIL 15**  
 9 a.m. PHS tennis at Robinson (with Mt. Caramel)  
 10 a.m. PHS softball tournament  
 10 a.m. PHS baseball at North Central  
 10 a.m. Tri-County baseball vs. Georgetown-Ridge Farm-Christman (Hume)

# Find a group that fits your run style

Being a part of something new can be scary and intimidating. However, it can also be rewarding in ways that



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you never thought possible. If you look closely, there is something for everyone in our community. One thing our community has always been good at is athletics, especially team sports.

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Being a part of a team/club brings people together and running can be a team sport. The feeling of satisfaction and camaraderie running alongside teammates is very gratifying.

Come rain or shine, your running club will be with you, helping you through those dark, cold winter/spring evenings or mornings as well as the balmy summer days. Some races even have team awards. You will make new friends, even if you thought you didn't need anymore. You'll realize the people in your club have more in common with you than you first thought. Before you know it, you'll be hanging out at the pub with fellow club members

after training and signing up to do crazy distance races that you never thought possible.

Whatever your level is, you will find a training group that fits your speed. Running clubs are all about improving oneself. You will soon find that you will start pushing yourself more than if you were running solo. Even though running is a team sport with your group of friends, you will find yourself competing with yourself. Your teammates might be the ones helping you set that new personal best, a PR.

Training with friends keeps you moving, more active and gives you that accountability we all need. Knowing your friends are counting on you to show up means you are more likely to show up and run yourself.

Do you ever feel tired and sluggish throughout the day? Running can change that tired feeling. Have you ever heard of a runner's high? Running releases endorphins, which block pain and make you feel energized.

Rediscover your own community and find new local routes to run. There is no way you will experience boredom when running in a group.

Paris Pacers is a local, nonprofit running club that gives back to the community. Local events are held to raise money for different organizations. Instead of lonely times pounding the pavement, join a club.

*(Betsy Higginbotham is president of the Paris Pacers Running Club. Email her at [betsy@thielaccounting.com](mailto:betsy@thielaccounting.com).)*

**QUICK HITS**

**Shiloh gets new athletic director**  
 The athletic director at Shiloh, Vincent Gallo, has resigned that position for a job with the Illinois State Board of Education, according to Gallo.  
 "It has been a pleasure to work with all of you and I wish you the best in the future," Gallo wrote in an email.  
 Gallo said Richard Knofsky will be his replacement, and any athletic inquiries should be directed to him.  
 Knofsky's email address is [Knofskyr@shiloh1.org](mailto:Knofskyr@shiloh1.org), and his work phone number is 217-887-2364, extension 3414.

**Urbana Middle School beats Tri-County, 11-7**  
 That was the sixth loss in a row for the Titans.  
 Lizzy Shick hit a home run for the Titans while Grace Kile took the loss on the mound.  
 Urbana's Maddie Sanders had two hits and four RBIs for the Tigers and Mercedes Williams chipped in two RBIs in the win.

**Mayo track team does well at Casey-Westfield meet**  
 The Mayo track team opened its track season Tuesday at Casey-Westfield in a meet that also included Cumberland and Pales-tine-Hutsonville.  
 Mayo's 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> with 53 points. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls team came in 3<sup>rd</sup> with 30 points. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys also finished 3<sup>rd</sup> with 12 points and the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys finished 2<sup>nd</sup> with 63 points.

**MAYO 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS**  
 For the 7<sup>th</sup> grade Mayo boys, Will Templeton placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 110-meter hurdles at 22.4 seconds.  
 In the 1600-meter run Chance Westerfield placed 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:31.1.  
 Mytchell Taylor placed in field events with 27'4" in shot put (2<sup>nd</sup>) and 61'2" in discus (3<sup>rd</sup>).  
 Chance Westerfield took 5<sup>th</sup> place in long jump at 12'7.5".

**MAYO 7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS**  
 Two 7<sup>th</sup> grade Mayo girls finished in the top five in the 100-meter hurdles, including Kate Littleton, at 19.10 (2<sup>nd</sup>) and Aubrey Huffman, at 19.59 (5<sup>th</sup>).  
 In the 100-meter dash, Kendall Mathews finished 1<sup>st</sup> at 14.18 and Aubrey Huffman came in third with a time of 14.48.  
 Sophie Givan finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the mile at 6:50.  
 Mayo's 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls 4x100 relay team earned a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in 1:00.5.  
 In the 400-meter run, Sophie Givan placed 4<sup>th</sup> in 1:20.0 and earning a top 5 finish in the 200-meter run was Katelyn Littleton, at 20.22 (2<sup>nd</sup>).  
 Madison Rigdon placed 1<sup>st</sup> in the 800-meter run at 3:00.5 and Sophie Givan finished 4<sup>th</sup> in 3:26.6.  
 Zadee Heath finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in shot put with a throw of 23'2".  
 Kendall Mathews took the win in both high jump (4'3") and long jump (14'9") and Kate Littleton took 4<sup>th</sup> in long jump at 12'4".

**MAYO 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS**  
 Garrett King started off the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys scoring with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish in the 110-meter hurdles at 18.46.  
 Two Mayo athletes finished in the top 5 in the 100-meter run with Mason Stuck, at 12.56 (2<sup>nd</sup>) and Cameron Crunk, at 13.2 (5<sup>th</sup>).  
 In the 1600-meter run, Richard Lin finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in 5:32.3 and Nick Fomera placed fifth in 6:32.9.  
 In the 200-meter run, Shane Daugherty took 3<sup>rd</sup> place at 27.9 and Ethan Noel finished 4<sup>th</sup> at 29.8.  
 Finishing in the top 5 in the 800-meter run was Raymond Lin, at 2:37.6 (2<sup>nd</sup>), and Nate Givan, at 2:58 (5<sup>th</sup>).  
 All 3 relay teams for the 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys finished strong with the 4x100 meter team finishing at 51.46 (2<sup>nd</sup>), the 4x200 team, at 2:03.8 (3<sup>rd</sup>) and the 4x400 team, at 4:12.6 (1<sup>st</sup>).  
 Three Mayo athletes placed in shot put with Preston Moran, at 36'4" (1<sup>st</sup>), Ethan Branch, 35'5" (3<sup>rd</sup>) and Josh Wood, 28'4" (5<sup>th</sup>).  
 In discus, Ethan Branch finished in 1<sup>st</sup> place with a throw of 91'7.5", Preston Moran earned second throwing 89'7".  
 Mayo earned 5<sup>th</sup> place finishes in long jump with Mason Stuck at 16'7" and in high jump with Garrett King at 4'5".

**MAYO 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE GIRLS**  
 For Mayo's 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls team, Whitney Todd placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the 100-meter run at 15.06.  
 Cameron Hawkins finished the 1600-meter run in 6:52.3 for 5<sup>th</sup> place overall.  
 The 4x100 relay team earned second in 1:04.0.  
 In the 200-meter run, Izzy Hollis earned a top 5 finish at 32.52 (3<sup>rd</sup>).  
 Mayo's 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls took 4 of the top 5 spots in shot put with Belle Muchow at 23'9" (2<sup>nd</sup>), Izzy Hollis, at 22'2" (3<sup>rd</sup>), Emma Scott with

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Totals: 34 15 17 15 4 6

PHS SOFTBALL

PHS 17, MARTINSVILLE 4
Lineup: Bailey Bradley, Kylie Arnett, Sydney Fox, Katilyn Mathews, Sami Potter, Carlei Sapp, Katrina Strow, Franceska Twigg, Maggie York, Maggie Herbeck, Emilie Trapp, Violet Wright
Totals: 37 17 21 14 0 2

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CENTRAL: Cleveland Indians, Minnesota Twins, Detroit Tigers, Chicago White Sox, Kansas City Royals
WEST: Houston Astros, Oakland Athletics, Los Angeles Angels, Seattle Mariners, Texas Rangers

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single to center to give the Tigers a 6-1 lead. Danville exploded for six runs in the top of the sixth inning, with the big blow coming off the bat of Spicer in the form of a grand-slam home run.

by Austin O'Neal, the Tigers' pitching came up clutch in the first game. The Tigers scored in their half of the first inning without the benefit of putting the ball in play as Brady Sutton, Bo Minor, Potter and Cam Daugherty all reached on walks. The last walk resulted in Sutton scoring.

PHS 15, MARTINSVILLE 2

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Totals: 32 15 17 15 4 1

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SPORTS ON TV

Saturday, April 8
AUTO RACING
9:30 a.m.
FS1 - NASCAR, Monster Energy Cup Series, O'Reilly Auto Parts 500, practice, at Fort Worth, Texas
FS1 - NASCAR, Xfinity Series, My Bariatric Solutions 300, qualifying, at Fort Worth, Texas
Noon
FS2 - NASCAR, Monster Energy Cup Series, O'Reilly Auto Parts 500, final practice, at Fort Worth, Texas
1:30 p.m.
FOX - NASCAR, Xfinity Series, My Bariatric Solutions 300, at Fort Worth, Texas
4 p.m.
FOX - IMSA WeatherTech SportsCar Championship, Bubba Burger Sports Car Grand Prix, at Long Beach, Calif.
7:30 p.m.
NBCSN - IndyCar, Toyota Grand Prix of Long Beach, qualifying, at Long Beach, Calif. (same-day tape)
10:30 a.m. (Sunday)
NBCSN - Formula One, Chinese Grand Prix, at Shanghai

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EASTERN CONFERENCE
1 Cleveland Cavaliers, 2 Boston Celtics, 3 Toronto Raptors, 4 Washington Wizards, 5 Atlanta Hawks, 6 Milwaukee Bucks, 7 Chicago Bulls, 8 Indiana Pacers, 9 Miami Heat, 10 Charlotte Hornets, 11 Detroit Pistons, 12 New York Knicks, 13 Orlando Magic, 14 Philadelphia 76ers, 15 Brooklyn Nets
WESTERN CONFERENCE
1 Golden State Warriors, 2 San Antonio Spurs, 3 Houston Rockets, 4 Utah Jazz, 5 LA Clippers, 6 Oklahoma City Thunder, 7 Memphis Grizzlies, 8 Portland Trail Blazers, 9 Denver Nuggets, 10 New Orleans Pelicans, 11 Dallas Mavericks, 12 Sacramento Kings, 13 Minnesota Timberwolves, 14 Los Angeles Lakers, 15 Phoenix Suns

DANVILLE 14, PHS 10

DANVILLE 14, PHS 10
Lineup: Brady Sutton, Austin Littleton, Bo Minor, Brody Spencer, TJ Potter, Zach Burger, Zach Wandrey, Reese Sutton, Cam Daugherty, Austin O'Neal, Chris Johnson, Hicks, Burnton, West
Totals: 32 10 11 10 5 7

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Non
ESPN2 - Vanderbilt at South Carolina
COLLEGE FOOTBALL
Non
SEC - Mississippi spring game, at Oxford, Miss.
ESPNJ - Texas A&M spring game, at College Station, Texas
SEC - Auburn spring game, at Auburn, Ala.
ESPN - Florida St. spring game, at Tallahassee, Fla.
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32. T. WHITE CB LSU 87

PARIS 14, ROBINSON 6

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In the nightcap, the bats came alive for both teams as the two ball clubs combined for 20 runs on 25 hits in a back-and-forth affair. Johnson led the hitting barrage for the Tigers with a double, two singles, and three RBIs. Littleton had a pair of doubles and a pair of RBIs, Sutton and Wandrey each had a double and a single and drove in a pair of runs. Potter had a double and an RBI, and Minor and O'Neal each had a single and an RBI.

PARIS 6, ROBINSON 2

PARIS 6, ROBINSON 2
In a day reminiscent of many Apollo Conference battles in the past, the Paris Tigers hosted the Robinson Maroons April 1 and came away with the sweep, winning the first game 6-2 and taking the nightcap 1-6.

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COLLEGE HOCKEY

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ESPN - NCAA Tournament, championship, Minn. Duluth vs. Denver, at Chicago
GOLF
3 p.m.
CBS - The Masters, third round, at Augusta, Ga.
HORSE RACING
3 p.m.
FS2 - Aqueduct Live, Carter Handicap, at Jamaica, N.Y.
5:30 p.m.
NBCSN - The Wood Memorial Stakes, at Jamaica, N.Y.; Toyota Blue Grass Stakes, at Lexington, Ky. and Santa Anita Derby, at Arcadia, Calif.

MLB BASEBALL

1 p.m.
MLB - Boston at Detroit
4 p.m.
FS1 - N.Y. Yankees at Baltimore
7 p.m.
MLB - Regional coverage, Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee OR Miami at N.Y. Mets

TIGERS

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ting give more runs. Junior Bailey Bradley, freshman Maggie York, Sapp, Fox and sophomore Emilie Trapp all singled, and everyone but Bradley scored. Freshmen Katrina Strow and Kaitlyn Matthews reached base on errors, and Strow scored.

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NBA BASKETBALL

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NBA - Chicago at Brooklyn
8:30 p.m.
ABC - L.A. Clippers at San Antonio
NHL HOCKEY
3 p.m.
NBC - Washington at Boston

SOCCER

7:30 a.m.
NBCSN - Premier League, Watford at Tottenham
9:20 a.m.
FS2 - Bundesliga, RB Leipzig vs. Bayer Leverkusen
10 a.m.
CNBC - Premier League, Liverpool at Stoke City
NBCSN - Premier League, Hull City at Manchester City
12:30 p.m.
NBC - Premier League, Chelsea at Bournemouth

DUNDAS

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# Shiloh third quarter honors

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HUME - The Shiloh School District has released the third quarter honor roll.

Third grade: high honors, Adysen Colvin, Nevaeh Helton, Allwyn Nichols, Maggie Milburn and Easton Wilson; honors, Gracie Baugh, Wesley Cox, Clay Kibler, Rylee Lamar, Zackary Reed, Lucas Reynolds, Peyton Riley, Brooklyn Tharp and Hennessey White.

Fourth grade: high honors, Lily Brown, Andrew Houlihan, Jack Houlihan, Chance Muillenix, Lily North and Garrett Pollock; honors, Kaylee Adams, Makayla Adams, Kiersten Budd, Shaylun Christenberry, Jimmy Dillon, Wyatt Huffstutler, Adam Michael, Grant North, Mandi Queen, Carson Rardin, Lydia Richardson, Dylan Skinner, August St. Clair and Candice Wheeler.

Fifth grade: high honors, Josie Armstrong, Levi Ash, Mara Bosch, Kaiden Cooper, Dallas Corbin, Kenzie Hales, Samantha McClaine, Emily Milburn and Benjamin Sherer; honors, Eryn Bartley, Braxton Buckler, Marcello Chavez, Caleb Gordon, John Kibler, Makaylah Pacey, Brayden Powell, Briana Reese, Payton Vezina and Tara Wakefield.

Sixth grade: all A grades, Zoey Burton, Brenden Cash, Levi Eads, Penelope Hardesty, Kelsy Luth, John Morris and Kaylin Williams; honors, Caleb Brown, Tyler Hutchinson, Mollie Pollock, Jacob Smith and Briton Tischer.

Seventh grade: all A grades, Jack Armstrong, Josephine Carroll, Madelyn Cary, Megan Houlihan, Holden Kile, Colby Luth and Baylee Rhode; honors, Will Benner, Elle Luth and Harmony Powell.

Eighth grade: honors, Phoebe Allen, CJ Eackle, Emily Hall and Baileigh Hillyer.

Ninth grade: all A grades, Isabella Carroll, Lillie Cox and Gwen Morris; honors, Madelynn Dudley, Raleigh Hawk, Michelle Michaels, Mitchell Pollock, Samantha Skinner, Kaitlyn Williams and Lola Wood.

Tenth grade: all A grades, Brianna Bange, Kaitlyn Cary and Logan Richardson; honors, Harley Barry, Mason Hutchinson, Rachel Milburn, Kiersten Price-Wilson and Meredith Smith.

Eleventh grade: all A grades, Andrea Benner, Kayla Thurston and Jacob Neill; honors, Camryn Donithan, Devin Farris, Matthew Holmes, Joseph Keske, Jacob Neill, Cody Richardson and Matt Stetler.

Twelfth grade: all A grades, Faith Morris and Shayne Smith; honors, Maryah Campbell, Gwyneth Grafton, Adrian Gutierrez, Austin Hales, Brianna Harr, Corin Harr and Lauren Steele.



Special to The Prairie Press  
 During the meeting members re-elected three members to the board of directors. They include (front row, left to right) Jeff Zimmerman and Robert Staley, (back row) EnerStar CEO Mike Clark and Daniel Gard, Jr.

# EnerStar members re-elect incumbents at annual meeting

**SPECIAL TO THE PRAIRIE PRESS**

PARIS — Charged up for the future was the focus when members of EnerStar Electric Cooperative gathered at Crestwood School on March 18 for the 78th Annual Meeting of Members.

President/CEO Mike Clark updated members on the reasons why it's a great day to be a co-op member. He shared the good news about co-op solar initiatives, rate stability, rate efficiencies and provided a financial update.

Clark pointed out how members can reduce energy costs and receive bill credits through the PowerShift program.

The program allows members to shift electricity usage during peak times to reduce electricity costs. Under this voluntary program, members can receive up to \$117 in bill credits in October. The program lets the co-operative control electric load on electric water heaters, central AC and fixed pool pumps. Members will also be able to sign up for whole house load control and receive a \$150 bill credit.

Energy efficiency rebates are also being offered for both HVAC and LED bulbs through the PowerMoves program.

Financially, 2016 was a good year for EnerStar as residential members enjoyed an average \$2.63 per month credit on their monthly bills.

Clark announced the co-operative has an improved financial position due to rate stability, building equity and through capital credit retirements.

The co-op will retire approximately \$700,000 in capital credits and will issue refund checks to members who received electric service for the years 1982 to 1984.

EnerStar member-owners have the opportunity to democratically-vote on candidates to represent them on the board of directors.

All three incumbents were running for election this year and were re-elected to new three-year terms.

They are: Jeff Zimmerman of Oakland, District 1, Robert Staley of Paris, District 5 and Daniel Gard, Jr. of West Union, District 9.

**ENGLEBRIGHT**  
 FROM PAGE 1B

wound inflicted by a knee-jerk reaction that caused his noggin to impulsively bonk against the drive shaft.

He wasn't in a laughing mood.

Greg wouldn't accept any payment from Elmer for his mechanical assistance, but he did graciously welcome the delicious blackberry pie Cindy Jo voluntarily delivered to his door that evening.

(Allen "Big Al" Englebright is a retired schoolteacher and storyteller. Contact him at The Prairie Press, 101 N. Main, Paris, Ill., 61944.)

# Foot clinic is planned

**SPECIAL TO THE PRAIRIE PRESS**

In recognition of National Foot Health Awareness Month, Philip Holloway, podiatrist, will offer free foot clinics throughout April for new diabetics. The clinics take place at Paris Community Hospital's Wound Care Center.

Blood glucose testing and foot screenings for neuropathy (nerve damage) will be available. The clinics include evaluation, education on foot care and proper footwear, as well as referral assistance for diabetic shoes and inserts.

According to the American Diabetes Association, about 60 percent of non-traumatic, lower-limb amputations among people age 20 and older occur in people with diabetes. National Foot Health Awareness Month stresses the importance of foot health and its impact on overall body health.

Appointments are required. Call Leslie Brown, Wound Care Center manager, at 217-465-2606, Ext. 4570.

**LAWSON**  
 FROM PAGE 1B

be prepared to be adults who are intelligent and can make a contribution to the world.

Spending our youth in the fear of running out of time is not healthy. Yes, we should cherish every minute of life we have, but that applies to every phase of life, not just childhood. True, we'll never get these years back, but there's so much ahead of us to look forward to. These can be some of the best years of our lives, but only if we make them that way.

How much we enjoy life is not determined by our age, but by how much we choose to embrace where we are and live life to the fullest regardless of our circumstances.

I know young people who choose to be miserable and unhappy, and I've met people in nursing homes who are some of the most joyful folks I've ever known.

You can find people of all ages choosing either to love their life, or despise it. It's our choice. And it's a choice we make anew every single day.

(Bethanny Lawson writes for The Prairie Press. Email her at bethannysbooks@gmail.com.)

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The von Trapp family performs at the Kaltzberg Festival in "The Sound of Music," presented by Paris High School drama last weekend at the Paris Center of Fine Arts. Pictured, from left, Josie Ellingsworth, Louisa; Chase Hayes, Friedrich; Megan Houlihan, Brigitta; Sidney Imeroni, Maria; Henry Arp, Captain von Trapp; Emma Kraemer, Marta; Breezy Keppy, Liesl; Sloan Vilck, Gretl and Chance Westerfield, Kurt.

# Stage alive with 'The Sound of Music'

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## REVIEW

This past weekend, Paris High School Drama's production of Rogers and Hammerstein's "The Sound of Music" came to life, leaving the audience with a sense of nostalgia, longing for the days when singing of raindrops and cat whiskers made everything better.

With the storyline just as saccharine as ever, the performance of the cast made up for the crowd's toothaches. From the intensity of Rolf (Bryce Gladding) and his struggle between love and power to the adorable Do-Re-Me's of Gretl von Trapp (Sloan Vilck), the ever-attentive audience was transported to the wholesome times of yesteryear.

With an impeccable facility, greater directing and even better performances, one would be hard-pressed to find somebody disappointed in what the audience saw. The cast, ranging from kindergartners to high school seniors, came together to recreate a timeless, cliché classic.

By sticking closely to the original adaptation, the production was able to capture the attention of everybody in the room. While the occasional microphone glitch or prop malfunction

would spark a giggle from the crowd, it did not take away from the acting; but, most importantly, it did not take away from the actors, who pushed through the glitches and malfunctions, proving to this theatergoer that even the best of storylines can be lost in translation if the casts' hearts and energy are not truly in their performances, and in this case, it was not lost in the slightest.

Sidney Imeroni, a senior at Paris High School graced the stage in "The Sound of Music," playing the lovable, yet defiant, Maria von Trapp (née Rainer).

"In every production I've been in we become a family, but it's a different experience to become a family while portraying a family, the von Trapp family, in this case," Imeroni says after Saturday night's performance about what it is like to have been in 16 Paris High School productions. "And it's a really neat thing we do when we involve the younger kids and I know they enjoy it as much as we do."

Rounding out her onstage family is Henry Arp, playing the diligent, yet caring Captain Georg von Trapp, who trades in his whistle



Paris High School junior Olivia Groves sings "Climb Every Mountain" at the conclusion of the first act of last weekend's "Sound of Music," presented by Paris High School Drama under the direction of Dan Lynch.

and rules for singing and laughter. The von Trapp family, double cast in this performance, is not complete without the children: Liesl who does not need a governess, Friederich a boy, Louisa the trickster, Kurt the kind one, Brigitta who is too honest, Marta who likes pink and the sweet Gretl von Trapp, portrayed by Breezy Keppy (12), Chase Hays (9), Josie Ellingsworth (9), Chance Westerfield, Megan Houlihan, Emma Kraemer and Sloan Vilck, respectively. The troupe displayed clear familial chemistry, bringing

to light yet another aspect of the show; seeing them act so well as a family made the audience feel an even closer connection to the von Trapps.

Hidden behind light-heartedness and the upbeat tunes of "The Sound of Music" is a serious story about the escape of the von Trapps from the leaders of Germany's Third Reich. Thankfully for the audience, Jordan Anderson brought some comic relief through his portrayal of Uncle Max. Anderson took the crowd back in time to that concert hall, invoking cheers for non-existent concert winners, showing us how real a character can be when performed by the right person.

In all, Paris High School Drama's attempt at "The Sound of Music" was an extremely successful one, reminding all who were lucky enough to snag a ticket, why such a sugarcoated and cliché show is still held so close to millions of people hearts: we want to remember a time like the von Trapps' and delightfully, the cast made us remember all over again.

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## PCH to have electronic health records

Paris Community Hospital/Family Medical Center is once again gearing up for implementation of a new electronic health record (EHR) — this time in the hospital. Athenahealth, which is being used in the Family Medical Centers, will be implemented on the hospital side this month.

PCH/FMC has been working toward implementing one, overarching EHR system for the entire organization since spring of 2014.

The Family Medical Centers implemented Athenahealth in January 2016. Adding this technology to the hospital operations is the next major step in streamlining patient care throughout the entire organization.

The EHR system will help improve electronic communication between clinical staff and streamline the patient's care coordination. This will enable healthcare providers to have the most current information when making healthcare decisions.

"We've been working with Athenahealth to help develop their hospital product for the last two years," said Martin Adams, vice president of finance at PCH/FMC.

"We are very excited about its launch and we know it will help optimize patient care."

Patient information that has been entered into Athenahealth from the Family Medical Centers or EZ Care will be available to hospital staff as

soon as the system goes live. Medication lists, insurance information, and photos will all be carried over. Patients should still bring their insurance cards to all appointments.



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As a general surgeon in the US Army Reserves Medical Corps and at Paris Community Hospital, Dr. John Nadeau knows what it takes to serve his community. From gallbladder surgery to endoscopies, Dr. Nadeau provides accomplished surgical care for each of his patients. He enjoys serving the community's medical needs in a smaller town like Paris. "If you come to Paris, you're going to be treated really well," says Dr. Nadeau. "Most patients feel at ease and recognized as a person because of our one-on-one treatment."

Dr. Nadeau appreciates the benefits of a high-quality hospital like Paris, including quick and efficient communication, a tight-knit medical team, and the most current technology that creates expanded possibilities in surgery.

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To schedule an appointment with Dr. Nadeau, call 217-465-2606, Ext. 586, or visit [ParisCommunityHospital.com/BehindTheMask](http://ParisCommunityHospital.com/BehindTheMask).









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# Be MIND-full of your diet

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## The connection between healthy eating and Alzheimer's

Can what you eat affect your brain's function? A recent study says it can, and even reduce the risk of developing Alzheimer's disease.

1 Research shows that the Mediterranean diet and the DASH (Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension) diet, both known to reduce heart disease, also can slow cognitive decline.

A combination of the two diets, called the MIND diet, has been shown to lower the risk of Alzheimer's by as much as 53 percent in individuals who rigorously adhere to the diet. The study, which appeared in *Alzheimer's & Dementia: The Journal of the Alzheimer's Association*, also showed a lower risk of Alzheimer's in 35 percent of participants who followed the diet moderately.

2 The MIND diet was developed by Martha Clare Morris,

PhD, a nutritional epidemiologist at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, and her colleagues. Epidemiologists, like Morris, study diseases within human populations.

According to Morris, the MIND diet is easier to follow than the Mediterranean diet, which calls for daily consumption of fish and three to four daily servings (each) of fruits and vegetables. The MIND diet focuses on 10 "brain-healthy" food groups and five unhealthy food groups for which consumption should be limited.

3 The MIND diet consists of the following:

### Healthy food groups:

- Green leafy vegetables
- Other vegetables
- Nuts
- Berries
- Beans
- Whole grains
- Fish
- Poultry
- Olive oil
- Wine

### Unhealthy food groups:

- Red meats
- Butter and stick margarine
- Cheese
- Pastries and sweets
- Fried or fast food

According to the aforementioned study published by the Alzheimer's Association, individuals must limit eating MIND's unhealthy foods, especially butter (less than one tablespoon a day), cheese, and fried or fast food (less than a serving a week for any of the three), to have a good chance of avoiding the effects of Alzheimer's disease.

The Mayo Clinic notes that the MIND diet recommends higher levels of vegetables, especially leafy greens, because they appear to have a positive association with slowing cognitive decline. Fruits – except for berries – are not associated with slowing cognitive decline. Fruits, however, remain part of a healthy diet, as they are low in calories and full of fiber and nutrients.

## Manish Gorasiya, MD



Manish Gorasiya, MD, is a board certified family practice physician who joined PCH/FMC in July 2015. He sees patients of all ages with all

types of health conditions, from newborn and well-baby visits to geriatric patients. His medical interests include diabetes, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), hypertension, and geriatric medicine.

Dr. Gorasiya earned his medical degree at Surat Municipal Institute of Medical Education and Research in Surat, India. He earned a master's in public health degree in epidemiology from Florida International University in Miami, Fla.

Dr. Gorasiya completed his medical residency through the Montgomery Family Medicine Residency Program in Montgomery, Ala., where he also performed medical rounds at a 90-bed nursing home.

In his spare time, Dr. Gorasiya enjoys cricket, volleyball, tennis, table tennis, dancing, music, movies, and reality shows.



oxidants, man-made or natural substances that may prevent or delay some types of cell damage.

Berries change the way neurons in the brain communicate, which can prevent inflammation in the brain that contribute to neuronal damage and improve both motor control and cognition.

A large-scale study by Harvard University researchers further found that a high intake of berries, such as strawberries and blueberries, over time, can delay memory decline in older women by two and a half years.

According to the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), blueberries rank first among fruits for their antioxidant powers. Strawberries are high in vitamin C, and acai berries contain high levels of omega-6 and omega-9 fatty

acids, thought to play a role in cardiovascular health.

The Mayo Clinic notes that blueberries, which are already labeled a “super fruit” for their power to potentially lower the risk of heart disease and cancer, also could be a weapon in the fight against Alzheimer’s disease.

The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics says diet plays a major role in brain health. In addition to berries, it suggests consuming the following foods to boost memory function:

- **Vegetables** – broccoli, cabbage, and dark leafy greens.
- **Omega-3 fatty acids** – salmon, bluefin tuna, sardines, and herring.
- **Walnuts** – They are good for the brain, heart, and other parts of the body.



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## Remember to eat your berries

Not all fruit is created equal. While all fruits offer some type of health benefit, some are more beneficial to the brain than others and may even help prevent age-related memory loss. These include blueberries, blackberries, strawberries, and other berry fruits, research shows.

A study in the American Chemical Society’s *Journal of Agricultural and Food Chemistry* concludes that berry fruits contain high levels of anti-

## PCH/FMC’s Community Healthcare Programs April & May

### Free Senior Wellness Event

April 1

A free “Spring into Health: Senior Wellness Event” will take place from 9 am to noon in the Paris Family Medical Center. This interactive event will include balance screens by PCH/FMC physical therapists, diabetes education, and Medicare Wellness Visit information. Attendees can speak to a pharmacist, and learn about foot care and advance healthcare directives.

### Monthly Health Screenings

April 4; May 10

Blood sugar, blood pressure, and lipid panel (HDL, LDL, and triglycerides) screenings will be held from 7 to 9 am each day. Fasting for eight hours in advance is required. The cost is \$25. To register, call 217-465-2606 (or toll free 1-866-465-4141), Ext. 4228.

### PCH Volunteers’ Scholarships

April 10

Healthcare scholarships offered by the PCH Volunteers are due. Scholarships are available to Edgar County high school seniors and PCH/FMC employees who want to further their education in the healthcare field. Complete an application at [ParisCommunityHospital.com/Scholarships](http://ParisCommunityHospital.com/Scholarships).

### Medical Weight Loss Seminar

April 18; May 16

A free informational session regarding PCH/FMC’s Medical Weight Loss Clinic will take place at 5:30 pm in the Family Medical Center. The program utilizes a medically supervised, scientifically based approach that promotes fat loss while supporting muscle mass. To register, call 217-465-CARE (2273).

### Art Show

April 30

PCH/FMC and the Paris Art Center will sponsor a free art show titled,

“Art: A Prescription for Wellness,” from 2 to 4 pm in the Family Medical Center. The event will recognize the work of area artists, including well-known local artist Wayne Hall. Paris resident Ixta Menchaca will do a poetry reading at 3 pm.

### National Nurses Week

May 6-12

This year’s theme is “Nursing: The Balance of Mind, Body, and Spirit.” Join us as we celebrate the role nurses play in delivering the highest level of quality care to their patients.

### National Hospital Week

May 7-13

This year’s theme is “The Healing Heart of Healthcare.” Join us in thanking the men and women who provide healthcare services in our community.

### Twilight Walk, Honoring Nurses

May 10

PCH/FMC will sponsor its fourth annual Twilight Walk honoring active, retired, and deceased nurses on the Edgar County Courthouse lawn that evening. The walk is free, but participants may purchase a luminary for \$3 to honor a nurse (LPN or RN) of their choice, which will be displayed the evening of the walk. Call Somer Nagrodski at 217-465-2606, Ext. 4320.

### Free Adult CPR/AED Class

May 17

This free, non-healthcare provider course teaches basic CPR and the use of an automated external defibrillator (AED). The class takes place from 8 am to 1 pm in Conference Room D. To register, email Somer Nagrodski at [SNagrodski@pchfmc.com](mailto:SNagrodski@pchfmc.com) or call 217-465-2606, Ext. 4320. When calling, leave your name and you will be registered.

### Volunteers’ Chocolate Sale

May 24 & 25

The PCH Volunteers will hold their South Bend Chocolate Company sale from 8 am to 4 pm by the rotunda entrance to the FMC.