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# Santa Claus is Coming to Town



*Hey Moms, Dads, Children of all ages!!*

Santa Claus will arrive in Granville at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 4th!

He will be at the Village Hall from 10 a.m. to Noon so the kids can have their pictures taken with Santa. Your pictures with Santa are free with a donation to the food pantry!

According to the Jolly Fellow there will be a Unique Twist this year.

In addition, weather permitting, there will be a Petting Zoo, Pony and Carriage rides and White Tailed Deer.

So, you better be good so you can come see Santa when he gets to town!

## Something More for Me to Give Thanks For



by Ken Schroeder

Misfortune never takes a holiday, and I found that out much too well the day before Thanksgiving this year.

On the first truly icy day of the season, my wife Dixie was driving towards her mother's house in McNabb to help with the Holiday preparations. As she drove south on Rt. 26 from Hennepin, she came to the bridge at the bottom of the hill which was, unbeknownst to her, slippery due to ice.

Her car lost control and hit the guardrail at a fair clip. As you can see in the photo, the car took some extreme damage, yet she came out relatively unscathed.

Whether by luck of the draw or divine providence, a Putnam County EMS team was at the County Sheriff's office at the time of the crash, so police and ambulance were there just minutes after the crash.

Although Dixie was not injured, the EMS team took every precaution to make sure that no internal injuries were present and extricated her from the car as carefully as possible. The Sheriff's Deputy was kind and attentive and was going to escort the ambulance to the hospital until several other calls took him from that errand.

Throughout all of this, Mark Bogner, a witness to the accident, called Dixie's mother and myself, and then stayed with her while the emergency crews worked to free her.

I'd like to thank the Putnam County Sheriff's Department and the Putnam County EMS for their quick response and professionalism, the gentleman from East End Towing who not only towed the car, but also took time out of his Thanksgiving morning to help us unload the contents of the wreckage into our other car. Finally, a big thank you to Mark Bogner, who went out of his way to help care for a stranger in a time of difficulty.

I've often heard people from the "big cities" say that rural services are not of the same level of quality as those found in our major metropolises, and I have to agree.

They're better. No question.

Putnam County can not only be proud of the men and women who respond to times of crisis, but also of the friendly people who live in the area and will come to the aid of a person in trouble.

Thank you all so very much.

## Holiday Lighting Contest

Get your lights and decorations ready – the Village of Magnolia will be hosting a Holiday Lighting Contest for residents this year.

Judging will be done by street address, so make sure your home address is visible. Judging will be held on December 11th with winners to be announced at the children's Holiday Party to be held on December 12th at the Magnolia Fire Station.

Cash prizes, donated by the Village of Magnolia, will be as follows:

- 1st Place – \$50
- 2nd Place – \$25
- 3rd Place – \$25

## Seniors to Receive Poinsettias December 11

Rotarians will once again be loading the sleighs on Saturday morning, December 11, to deliver nearly 700 Christmas Poinsettia plants to senior citizens throughout Granville, Standard, Mark, Hennepin, McNabb, Magnolia, and the surrounding areas of Putnam County served by the Granville Rotary Club. Members of the Putnam County High School Interact Club will help with deliveries.

The Christmas Poinsettia Project is made possible by the kindness of the VanWingerden Family and Mid-American Growers, who generously donate the plants for this annual tradition, offering holiday greetings to our senior neighbors in the true spirit of the Christmas season.

Area residents over age 65 anticipating the arrival of plants are asked to be home, or to leave delivery instructions on December 11, as the plants cannot be left unprotected from the weather. Recipients who are not home at the time of delivery will be left a note to pick up their plant at a designated site by the following Tuesday.

Seniors new to the area, or having recently moved, or having earned their "senior distinction" within the past year and wishing to confirm their inclusion on the Rotary Poinsettia gift list, may contact Rotary President Adriane Shore at 339-2398, or shores1975@mchsi.com.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Granville Rotary and Mid-American Growers!



**Notice of Hennepin Twp. Tax Increase. See Pg. 6.**

## History From the Files of the PC Record

### 10 YEARS AGO

**NOVEMBER 22, 2000**

American Legion Post #180 held a flag burning ceremony on Nov. 14th.

Two Putnam County PCHS seniors and their parents traveled to the James R. Thompson Center in Chicago in October to receive Youth Excellence Awards from Lt. Governor Corrine Wood. Jason Carr and Ian Tevis attended the presentation, along with hundreds of seniors from around the State.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward (Suzann Chamberlin) Schorn of rural Lostant celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a family dinner at Mona's in Toluca.

Pastor Susan Eckhoff retired from the Emmaus and First Lutheran churches after 17½ years.

Jennifer Nordstrom competed for the Miss Illinois Teen USA title on Nov. 24-26 in the Grand Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Hotel in Schaumburg.

PCHS Panteras, Taylor Redshaw and Courtney Zemanek, performed in Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade in New York.

Ian Tevis was named Student of the Month by IPC.

Putnam County libraries celebrated National Children's Book Week during November. This is a time-honored tradition since 1919, dedicated to spreading the word about children's literature and the joys of reading.

The 4th Annual Christmas Cookie Walk sponsored by the Women on a Mission of the Hennepin UMC was held December 9th.

Jillian Loebach, a sophomore at NIU was named a Victory School for the year. This meant she carried a 3.5 to 4.0 GPA.

The Hennepin School celebrated PRIDE Day in November with an emphasis on respect for each other and pride in the school.

**BIRTHS:** Mr. and Mrs. Tony (Jodi) DeSkeers of Hackensack MN, a son Gavin James, on November 8. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James (Carol) Koval of Magnolia and maternal great-grandmother, Louise Koval of Streator; Ray and Terri (Murnane) Marchiori, a son, Joseph Edward, on Oct. 17 at Northwest Community Hospital, Arlington Heights. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Pauline Marchiori of Hennepin and the late Raymond Marchiori.

**DEATHS:** Helen Lucille (Martin) Puyear, 63 of DePue died November 13, 2000 in St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria; Elizabeth S. "Betty" Pickard, 81 of Wenona died November 13, 2000 in ASTA Health Care Center, Toluca after a one month residence; Eleanor Hopkins, 65 of Utica died November 16, 2000 in her home; Paul Miskowicz, Sr., 73 of DePue died Nov. 5 in SMH, Spring Valley; Victor F. Wealer, 80 of Princeton, formerly of Putnam, died Nov. 7th in his home; Leonard Wolf, 89 of rural Hennepin died Nov. 7 in LaSalle HealthCare Center.

### 20 YEARS AGO

**NOVEMBER 21, 1990**

The PC Athletic Booster club are parents who are involved with their children in any aspect of athletics grades 5-12 in

providing service and financial aid for equipment beyond the Board of Education responsibilities. They had hosted a Baseball Card Show and realized over \$4,000 in profits that were given to the school.

Darren Tonarelli, son of Russell and Gloria Tonarelli or rural McNabb, was the PCHS DAR recipient for the school year.

The M-P Fair was asking for help in locating about eight 10' tables missing from the buildings at the fairgrounds.

A library appreciation dinner was hosted for Scott Shore to honor him for 13 years of service to the county library.

A community Thanksgiving service was held at the Magnolia UMC on Nov. 21. A love offering was taken for the PC Food Pantry.

PC Clerk, Sonny Jessen reported that 71% of the registered voters turned out at the polls for the Nov. 6th election and along with absentee ballots the county total amounted to 2,961.

The Granville Fireman's Auxiliary, the "Fireplugs" held their annual Christmas Toy Drive. Canisters were placed in several businesses for new toys.

The Hennepin UMC Women held their Annual Pre-Christmas Supper and Bazaar on Nov. 28th.

Rev. Suzann Barr of the McNabb-Magnolia UMC announced the events for the month of November.

Partners in Mine, Inc. of Chicago performed "Movement Acappella" on Nov. 27th at PCHS for an all-school assembly and sponsored by PC PTA.

Michelle Monier gave the program on Finland at the M-P Counties Homemakers Extension Assn meeting on Nov. 15th.

The Altar & Rosary Society of Immaculate Conception Church of Mt. Palatine held their Nov. meeting on the 1st. Plans were made for the Parish Family Christmas Dinner on Dec. 6th. The Altar & Rosary Society's cookbooks were still for sale.

Darcia Ferrari, representing the PCCD spoke to the Granville Rotary on Nov. 15 at the regular meeting at the Panther Pantry and shared upcoming programs and environmental concerns.

### 30 YEARS AGO

**NOVEMBER 19, 1980**

Stephen Scott Shafer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Schafer of rural Granville, was selected to represent PCHS in Washington DC from Feb. 28 thru March 7 at the 1981 Presidential Classroom for Young

Americans.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church hosted the annual community Thanksgiving Eve service. Leading the services were Rev. Wm. Carey, Rev. Mark Wickstrom, and Rev. Oliver K. Zivney.

Lori Bean, Class of '80 at PCHS, was the guest speaker at Granville American Legion Auxiliary Unit November meeting. She related the highlights of her trip to Washington DC as a candidate for the Presidential Classroom for Young Americans.

Christopher Kuhn of McNabb, Kerry Baracani of Magnolia and Vicki Lyons of Granville, all IVCC students, performed in the 4th Annual Madrigal Dinner Concert at the college. The evening included carols and madrigals sung by the Chamber Signers as well as instrumental music from a brass ensemble.

Danielle Gimbal of Granville celebrate her 6th birthday twice at special events. On Friday, her mother Doris, entertained eight of Danielle's classmates at a noon luncheon and games were played with prizes won by Angie Ossola, Michael Garcia and Mandi Mecagni. On Saturday, the Gimbal family honored her again with an "adult" party.

### 40 YEARS AGO

**NOVEMBER 19, 1970**

A news release for the U of I disclosed that Bill R. Kemp of Hennepin was to receive a MA degree in Education, being one of 533 October graduates. Mr. Kemp is the instructor of Boy's Physical Education and 7th grade math at the Hennepin Jr. HS.

Installation services were held at the Granville-McNabb Lutheran Parish Nov. 22 for the Rev. Mark W. Wickstrom.

### 50 YEARS AGO

**NOVEMBER 17, 1960**

The Hopkins High gym and school workshop were scenes of much gaiety and excitement when the FHA and FFA were hosts to approximately 300 people at a Harvest Carnival. Highlights of the evening was the crowning of the Harvest Queen, Norma Freeburn, choice of the freshman class, by Virginia Naumann, FHA president. Attendants were Rita Passini, Yvonne Gonet and Juanita Castagnoli.

Mr. and Mrs. James Smoot announced their daughter's engagement to James Henning of Princeton.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Troglio of Mark announced the marriage of their eldest daughter, Marilyn to Louis Miroux of Spring Valley in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Granville.

Putnam County High School  
Cheerleaders

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## Illinois Farmers Give Bounty Back to Their Communities

The first Thanksgiving, celebrated in Plymouth, MS, marks an important milestone for American agriculture. It was a time when people gathered together to share the bounty of the land and to celebrate their new-found sense of community and life in America. While much has changed since that first Thanksgiving, the sense of community and appreciation for agricultural production are still integral components of the holiday. And because of farmers, both of those ideals are still upheld.

The America's Farmers Grow CommunitiesSM program – an initiative made possible by the Monsanto Fund – celebrates Illinois farmers that feed, clothe and grow their communities every day. This program allows farmers to give back to those organizations that they value most with the opportunity to direct \$2,500 to their favorite local nonprofit organization, like the local FFA chapter, library, fire department or elementary school. Now, with the expansion of Grow Communities, Illinois farmers in 96 counties have until December 31 to enroll and potentially impact their hometowns in a monumental way.

Nearly \$1.2 million have already been donated in 10 states through two pilot programs, impacting a variety of rural community programs like a small town little league association in Iowa.

Youth agricultural programs like 4-H and FFA also were common recipients and received more than \$432,000 in donations. And another roughly \$430,000 was contributed to much needed improvements in community emergency services, community groups and health care initiatives.

Aside from the local organization selected to win the \$2,500 benefitting, the local United Way chapters will receive a \$1 donation from the Monsanto Fund with each farmer sign up, providing yet another opportunity for farmers to make a difference in their communities, just by signing up.

Farmers can apply online at [www.growcommunities.com](http://www.growcommunities.com) or by

calling 1.877.267.3332. Farmers, age 21 and over, who are actively engaged in farming a minimum of 250 acres of corn, soybeans and/or cotton, or 40 acres of open field vegetables, or at least 10 acres of tomatoes, peppers and/or cucumbers grown in protected culture, are eligible.

The program is open to qualifying farmers, and no purchase is necessary in order to enter or win. In Illinois, one winner will be drawn from each of the state's 96 participating counties. Monsanto Fund will announce winning farmers and recipient organizations in February 2011.

Eligible counties in Illinois include Adams, Alexander, Bond, Boone, Brown, Bureau, Calhoun, Carroll, Cass, Champaign, Christian, Clark, Clay, Clinton, Coles, Crawford, Cumberland, De Kalb, De Witt, Douglas, Edgar, Edwards, Effingham, Fayette, Ford, Franklin, Fulton, Gallatin, Greene, Grundy, Hamilton, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Iroquois, Jackson, Jasper, Jefferson, Jersey, Jo Daviess, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Knox, LaSalle, Lawrence, Lee, Livingston, Logan, Macon, Macoupin, Madison, Marion, Marshall, Mason, Massac, McDonough, McHenry, McLean, Menard, Mercer, Monroe, Montgomery, Morgan, Moultrie, Ogle, Peoria, Perry, Piatt, Pike, Pulaski, Putnam, Randolph, Richland, Rock Island, Saline, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott, Shelby, St. Clair, Stark, Stephenson, Tazewell, Union, Vermillion, Wabash, Warren, Washington, Wayne, White, Whiteside, Will, Williamson, Winnebago and Woodford.

Visit [www.growcommunities.com](http://www.growcommunities.com) to sign up and to learn more about the America's Farmers Grow Communities program. The project is part of a broad commitment by Monsanto Fund to invest in farm communities, in order to highlight the important contributions farmers make every day to our society. To view the official rules for this program, visit [www.growcommunities.com](http://www.growcommunities.com) or send a written request to Eileen Jensen, 914 Spruce St., St. Louis, MO 63102.



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## ANNUAL COOKIE WALK

The 13th Annual Christmas Cookie Walk, sponsored by the Women On a Mission Group of the Hennepin Methodist Church will be held

**Sat., Dec. 4th**  
beginning at 8:00 a.m. in the church social room. The church is located at the corner of Fifth and Court Streets in Hennepin.

A large variety of Christmas cookies will be sold for \$5.00 per pound, and advance orders may be placed by calling any member of the group, or by calling

**925-7253 or 925-7252**



# Food Pantry Benefits from Food Drive

# Letter to the Editor



Pictured above volunteers are shown with the donations they collected for the Putnam county Food Pantry on November 13th. The Food Drive was sponsored by the Hennepin Business & Betterment Association.

Dear Editor Elin,  
I'm not certain whether this is a "Letter to the Editor" or just an informative piece. It is something that the general public should know and hopefully they will be moved to take action regarding it. Because of criminal activity at Burr Oak Cemetery at Alsip, Illinois - near Chicago - where bodies, coffins, and markers were dug up and dumped over the hill in a ditch, the Illinois State Legislature passed into law last January, House Bill 1188, the "Cemetery Oversight Act."

Our local cemeteries have been "run" by dedicated, caring individuals to ensure they are attractive, well cared for, pleasant places for the final resting place of loved ones.

Previously the basis of operation has been the regulations in the "Cemetery Care Act" under the Funeral and Burial Division of the State Comptroller's office. Now the "Oversight Act" is the controlling law. It is an abomination. It involves so many things that ten months after passage the implementation of it is just getting underway.

It was first stated that some cemeteries such as municipal cemeteries and religious-related cemeteries are exempt. Association cemeteries would be hardest hit. Now it is stated that NO cemeteries are exempt except those which are abandoned or those where no burials will be made.

The trustees and anyone who has anything to do with a cemetery - such as caretakers or sextons - will be required to be licensed, finger printed and subjected to a background check. Just for starters! Failure to comply results in a \$10,000.00 fine and criminal charges of a misdemeanor for a first offense, and a Class X felony for a second offense.

There has been nothing informative sent to the cemetery associations regarding this Act. The copy of it printed off the internet is 98 pages long. Every item has a price tag on it. It appears the State is trying to fill its coffers through this legislation.

The first item to be complied with was to submit payment of a "transition fee" plus one dollar for each burial between March first and June 30, 2010. There was no explanation of what the "transition" was. Now the second contact has been a notice that a "Database" is being established and as of December 1, 2010, for every burial, the following must be entered in a computer program - first name, initial, last name of the deceased, date of death, date of burial and location. Each entry requires a \$2.00 fee. There is talk that once underway, the Database may be expanded and ALL former burials will have to be entered. Granted there are not a lot of burials in some of the local cemeteries, but if all former burials are included, a cemetery like Granville's which was established in 1863 has several thousand and at two bucks a pop the funds would go quickly.

Hopefully citizens of the community will be alarmed and contact their legislators and help the cemetery boards get this Act repealed.

Helen Marie Engelbrecht, Secretary/Treasurer, Granville Cemetery Association.

## A Few Bloopers...

These all appeared in various church bulletins or were announced in church services. Enjoy!  
• Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10

a.m. All ladies are invited to lunch in the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.  
• The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the congregation would lend him their

electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday.  
• The 8th graders will be presenting Shakespeare's "Hamlet" in the church basement Friday at 7 p.m. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.

### THIS WEEK'S SPECIALS!

Prego Pasta Sauce, 23-24 oz.....	\$1.75
IGA Dry Pastas, 16 oz.....	85¢
IGA Macaroni and Cheese Dinner, 5.5-7.25 oz. 2/\$1	
LaChoy Bi-Pack Dinners.....	\$2.50
LaChoy Bean Sprouts or 5 oz Chow Mein Noodles.....	\$1.25
LaChoy Soy or Sweet & Sour Sauce, 10 oz.....	\$1.25
Chicken of the Sea Chunk Light Tuna, 5 oz.....	80¢
IGA Oyster Crackers.....	99¢
IGA Dark or Light Kidney Beans, 15 oz.....	66¢
IGA Canned Tomatoes, 15 oz.....	75¢
IGA Mushrooms, 4 oz.....	60¢
Pringles Super Stackers.....	\$1.50
Nabisco Oreos, 16.6 oz.....	\$3.00
Aunt Jemima Pancake Mix, 32 oz.....	\$2.00
Aunt Jemima Syrup, 24 oz.....	\$2.50
GM Cinnamon Toast Crunch, 17 oz.....	\$2.99
GM Cheerios 18 oz or 17 oz Honey Nut Cheerios.....	\$2.99
Quaker Instant Oatmeal.....	\$2.50
Hefty One Zip Quart or Gallon Storage Bags.....	\$2.00
Northern Bath Tissue, 12 double rolls.....	\$6.49
Pedigree Wet Dog Food, 13.2 oz.....	80¢
Pedigree Dry Dog Food, 20 lb.....	\$12.99
Purex Laundry Detergent, 50 oz.....	\$2.50

### DAIRY

Dole Pineapple, Orange, Banana Juice, 64 oz.....	\$2.75
Tropicana Orange Juice, 59 oz.....	\$2.99
Azteca Super Size Tortillas.....	\$1.50

### FROZEN

IGA Garlic Bread.....	\$1.75
Healthy Choice Entrées.....	\$2.00
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Dole Classic, 12 oz Iceberg Salad Mix.....	<b>\$1.29</b>
Farmstead, lb bag Baby Carrots.....	<b>99¢</b>
White, 8 oz pkg Sliced Mushrooms.....	<b>\$1.79</b>
Dole, 14 oz pkg Classic Cole Slaw.....	<b>\$1.29</b>
Farmstand, 5 lb bag Russet Potatoes.....	<b>\$1.99</b>

PC Foods and the Putnam County Food Pantry wish to express our appreciation for the generous support of the Thanksgiving Turkey Bags. A big Thank You to all who donated.

# Bean/Mertes Nuptials Announced



Keri (Bean) and Eric Mertes

Keri Bean of Granville and Eric Mertes of Utica were united in marriage on July 17th at 2:00 p.m. in Waltham Presbyterian Church in Utica. Officiants were Pastor Heath Beard and Pastor Howard Smith.

Parents of the couple are Marilyn and the late David Bean of Granville and Anthony and Phyllis Mertes of Utica.

The Matron of Honor was Andrea McConville and bridesmaids were Amy Ploch, Maria Kays, Angie Russell and Stacy Quartucci. Best Man was Phil McConville and groomsmen were Timothy Merters, Ryan Kays, Scott Mertes, Joel Mertes and Jeremy Rodda. Ushers were Chris Ploch and Jeff Bean. Flower girl was Makenzie Bean and ring bearer was Will Mertes.

A reception was held immediately following the ceremony in the Mendota Civic Center.

The newlyweds left for an eight day trip to St. Lucia on July 19th.

The bride is a language teacher at Oglesby Public Schools with a BA degree in Elementary Education.

The groom is employed by Young's Custom Ag Service and holds a BS degree in Plant and Soil Science.

## ICBA Congratulates NCB

The ICBA congratulated North Central Bank in Hennepin for reaching an important milestone as an ICBA member. This marks the community bank's 55 years as a member of ICBA, the only national organization dedicated exclusively to serving the needs of the nation's nearly 8,000 community banks.

"ICBA is fortunate to have had North Central Bank as a member of the association for 55 years," said Camden R. Fine, ICBA president and CEO. "Community banks such as North Central Bank are passionately committed to serving their local customers and communities. Community banks truly are the lifeblood that drives America's communities nationwide."

Community banks work hard every day to improve the quality of life in their communities because they are an integral part of their communities and the economic, financial and civic fabric of thousands of towns and cities across America.

"As an ICBA member, North Central Bank is proud to be part of a nationwide network of community banks that advocate on behalf of community banks and their customers," said Mr. David R. Ward, President of NCB. "North Central Bank looks forward to continuing its role with ICBA to help strengthen and preserve the franchise value of community banks across the country."

ICBA-member community banks employ nearly 300,000 people in more than 20,000 locations in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and two U.S. territories.

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## Putnam County Elementary Honored Veterans

This year Putnam County Elementary celebrated Veterans Day by building a school display of pictures honoring our Veterans. Students, faculty, and staff brought pictures and copies of pictures of the Veterans from their own families. Pictures of service men and women included moms, dads, brothers, sisters, cousins, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and great grandparents. Pictures of service men and women currently serving in our armed forces are also included. The display eventually spanned several generations and war eras, from World War I through and including our current War Theaters. The family military pictures included any official information available and their relationship to the student. The school-wide display began to take shape the week leading up to Veterans Day.

On Thursday, November 11, a school assembly was held to culminate the patriotic activity. Eight red, white, and blue display panels, each two feet by four feet in diameter, were filled with photographs of our Veterans, both past and present. The display of family history and honor lined the gym wall for all to see. Patriotic music blared as each class entered the gym and passed by the "Wall of Veterans." The procession took nearly twenty minutes while everyone studied the picture displays. The pride that filled students and staff was clearly evident on their faces. Mr. McCann presented a brief history of Veterans Day. Afterwards, everyone stood as the Colors (U.S. and Illinois) were paraded and posted by a color guard of two fifth grade students. The assembly concluded with the Pledge of Allegiance. The week long activity was exciting and heartfelt for everyone. The pictures will be displayed for one additional week in the school media center.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:  
The Putnam County Record will print letters to the editor at the discretion of the editor and providing the letter has been signed by the writer along with the inclusion of their address and phone number in case there are questions.

ADS:  
Emailed ad deadlines are by 10:00 a.m. Monday mornings so that the ads can be worked up and a proof sent, if requested, in order for the corrections to be made by Noon on Mondays. The Putnam County Record reserves the right to reject any ad on grounds of taste. The newspaper does not deem itself responsible for emailed ads where fonts do not hold, no matter what format they are sent into the paper in. All ads emailed must be in a pdf format and photos must be in a jpg format. We will guarantee our work in creating your ads, however.

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**"Cash 4 College" Scratch-Off Ticket Top Winners Receive Tuition**

The Illinois Lottery is proud to present "Cash 4 College," a new \$2 scratch-off ticket that offers full-tuition and mandatory fee college payment contracts for five top prize winners. The ticket is available for purchase at Illinois Lottery retailers across the state and includes additional cash prizes.

The tuition contracts are purchased from the College Illinois! 529 Prepaid Tuition Program, a state-sponsored plan that allows purchasers to lock in the cost of tuition at a pre-determined rate. Beneficiaries will have many school options to choose from since the benefits can be used at most public and private colleges and universities nationwide with the biggest benefit coming from use at Illinois public institutions. Top prize winners of the "Cash 4 College" scratch-off ticket will have the Illinois Lottery purchase the payment contract on their behalf.

"This ticket is not only for parents," added Owens. "This ticket is also great for grandparents, aunts, uncles, godparents, or anyone who wants to provide a gift to a loved one to relieve some of the pressures of getting through college."

Winners from the ticket also have the option to receive a \$20,000 cash option if he or she does not know of a beneficiary for the tuition payment contract. The maximum value of full-tuition contracts mature after three years.

**Winter workshops set for Certified Livestock Manager Training program**

The 2010-2011 Certified Livestock Manager Training (CLMT) Workshops begin this year in Bloomington on Dec. 14. Seven subsequent workshops will be held around the state in the New Year, with three workshops in January, two in February and one in March.

Fonner said they will also discuss the topic of phosphorus management. "If you surface apply manure, phosphorus tends to bind to the soil particles. If you have any erosion, the phosphorus gets washed into the creeks and rivers, and then you end up with water

quality issues." Fonner said if the manure is injected below the surface, that type of erosion is minimized and the soil keeps more of the phosphorus and nitrogen.

Another way to manage phosphorus includes manipulating the feed so that there is less phosphorus in the manure that is applied to fields. Livestock producers should also consider working with their neighbors to apply manure on fields that have had little if any manure applied in the past.

Fonner said a good soil test will show producers what nutrients they need to apply.

Brad Beaver, manager of the Illinois Department of Agriculture's Livestock Facilities Program, will be on hand at each workshop to discuss the rules of the Livestock Management Facilities Act, passed in Illinois in May 1996. The act requires certification in livestock manure management for producers with more than 300 animal units and must be renewed every three years. The IDOA exam for certification is offered after each CLMT workshop.

Other topics that will be addressed include manure application in no-till, solutions to feed storage runoff problems and an update on the foaming that's been seen in manure storages under buildings the last two years.

To register for a workshop or purchase a manual or CD, call (800) 345-6087. Prices are listed below, and you may pay by credit card. If you have a 2003 manual or newer, you

will not need to purchase a new manual.

CLM Workshop Registration: \$30 per person; same farm registrations will be charged \$30 for the first registration and \$20 for each additional if registered at the same time; CLM Manual only: \$55.00 + \$7.50 s&h = \$62.50; CLM CD only: \$25.00 + \$7.50 s&h = \$32.50; CLM Manual & CD: \$80.00 + \$7.50 s&h = \$87.50. Workshop walk-ins: \$92.00 per person (includes CLM manual).

A workshop brochure is available at [www.livestock-training.com](http://www.livestock-training.com). If you have questions, contact Fonner at (217) 333-2611 or e-mail him at [clmt@illinois.edu](mailto:clmt@illinois.edu).

**December 14 - Bloomington:** Location: McLean County Farm Bureau Bldg., 402 N. Hershey Rd., Bloomington. For directions, call the McLean Co. Extension Office at (309) 663-8306. Registration: 8:15 a.m. Workshop starts: 8:50 a.m. Participants arriving after 9:20 a.m. cannot be certified for attending the workshop. IDOA written exam: 1:30 p.m.

**January 11, 2011 - Effingham:** Location: Effingham County Extension Office, 1209 Wenthe Dr., Effingham. Effingham County Extension Office, 1209 Wenthe Dr., Effingham. For directions call the Effingham Co. Extension Office at (217) 347-5126. Registration: 8:15 a.m. Workshop starts: 8:50 a.m. Participants arriving after 9:20 a.m. cannot be certified for attending the workshop. IDOA written exam: 1:30 p.m.

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*The North Central Bank will be hosting its Annual Christmas Open House at our Hennepin location on Fri., Dec. 10th and Sat., Dec. 11th during regular business hours*

*We will also be honoring Pat Morine for her 29 years of outstanding service with North Central Bank and sending her many well wishes as she retires at the end of the year. Please join us for this very happy occasion.*

*We hope you have the opportunity to stop by for refreshments and sign up for door prizes.*

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**•• PC FFA Pullers Coming Back**

The Annual Tri-County garden Tractor Pulling event was held at Blackhawk College. A few years ago the chapter built a stock garden tractor for pulling and went to a few pulls and events. The tractor then got torn down for a complete re-invasion. This winter the chapter and Mr. Wragge's Ag mechanics rebuilt the 12HP Cub Cadet puller in the Ag Shop. Team Brian Sabotta and Derek Wiede got to see 80 tractors pull at the Tri-County event. Tractors from the stock class to alcohol modified pulled all day. This was interesting and educational and could help instruct young mechanics within the Ag Dept. involving over 20-30 members.

**•• PC FFA Highway clean-up**

The Fall Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup crew completed their mission. Over 30 members clean up two miles of the highway twice a year, fall and spring, for IDOT. The two miles are one mile north and one mile west of the IL 71 & IL89 intersection SE of Granville. The members get to see first hand the importance of not littering and the amount of trash unfortunately thrown into the ditches. This is the 14th year the chapter has cleaned these two miles. Thanks to the community's drivers for slowing down while the members are in the ditches. A total of 10 large orange bags of garbage was collected.

**•• Standard Tractor Pull a Success**

The Standard FD held its annual tractor pull and tractors from all over Illinois and surrounding state attended. The PC FFA was honored to be asked to sell pork chop sandwiches. Hundreds of people came to watch and luckily most were hungry. Thanks from the chapter for having the food stand. The monies assist the chapter in community oriented functions. Over 20 members assisted at the stand.

**•• Safety Program at Primary Building**

The PC FFA held its annual safety program at the primary school this fall. They took a tractor with a handful of members to the school and talked to the students about the dangers of tractors and farm equipment. Areas of danger concerning visibility, heat, moving parts, and riding as a passenger were stressed to our young people in grades from Pre-K to third grade. Fall is a busy time for the ag community and the prevention of any accidents is a prime goal of the FFA. Thanks to Mr. Peterson, Mrs. LaRette and the primary staff for allowing the team to present the program.

**•• 82nd Annual IL State FFA Convention**

Between June 8-10 blue and gold jackets swarmed the Prairie Capital Convention Center in Springfield for the 82nd Annual IL State FFA Convention. Rebecca Crank received the Proficiency Award for her nurs-

ing operations. Chase Rose, National FFA Central Region VP inspired everyone with his speech entitled, "Find Your Summit." Jeff Yalden from MTV's 'MADE' gave a keynote address. Finally on day three the new section presidents and state officer team was installed and State FFA degrees were given out. Fifteen members from PC section received their State degrees and five members were candidates to receive the American FFA degree. In all the group attended sessions, seminars, an activity park, and an Italian dinner at Sapoto's courtesy of Mr. Wragge.

**NIGHTLY SPECIALS**

**TUESDAY,**  
SPAGHETTI + MEATBALLS

**WEDNESDAY,**  
ENCHILADAS

**THURSDAY**  
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**SS Homepage's New Look Makes Finding Popular Services Even Easier**

Michael J. Astrue, Commissioner of Social Security, has unveiled the agency's newly redesigned home page at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov) that will help visitors more quickly and easily find the information and services they need. One of the key features of the redesigned home page is a service channeling guide, which appears in the left hand column of the page. The guide links users directly to the most popular pages on Social Security's web site -- the services visitors are most likely to want to use.

"We set out to make Social Security's new home page even easier for visitors to find the services and information they need," Commissioner Astrue said, "and our new look reflects the useful feedback we received from the public during testing. Almost everyone either needs the information on our site or can use it to help a relative or neighbor. See for yourself at [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov)." According to the American Customer Satisfaction Index, Social Security has the three highest rated online services in all of government -- the Retirement Estimator, online benefit application, and the Help with Medicare Prescription Drug Plan Costs application.

**The Hennepin Park District will be offering December Discounts!**

During the month of December, receive \$2.50 off any 15 Swim Pass or 15 Water Aerobic Pass.

Receive \$6 off an individual 6 month membership or \$12 off a family 6 month membership. 15 Swim Pass and 6 month memberships make great gifts for your favorite swimmer. We have gift certificates available.

For more information, please contact the Hennepin Pool at 815-925-7319 or e-mail at [hennepinparkdistrict@mchsi.com](mailto:hennepinparkdistrict@mchsi.com).



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**Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase for the Hennepin Township Road District**

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for the Hennepin Township Road District for 2010 will be held on December 8, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. at the Hennepin Village Hall, 627 E. High St., Hennepin, Illinois.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Dan DeMattia, District Clerk, 9044 Henning Lane, Hennepin, IL 61327, 815-339-6139.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2009 were \$73,790.00.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2010 are \$109,700.00. This represents a 48.67 percentage increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2009 were 0.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2010 are \$140,375. This represents a 100 percentage increase from the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended or abated for 2009 were \$73,790.00.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2010 are \$250,075. This represents a 238.90 percentage increase over the previous year.

The hearing is open to the public. The corporate authority of the taxing district shall explain the reasons for the proposed increase and shall permit persons desiring to be heard an opportunity to present testimony within reasonable time limits as it determines.

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**Christmas Open House**

**Friday, December 10th**  
**8 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

Stop by First State Bank in McNabb and join us for refreshments and sign up for door prizes. We hope to see you there!

## Good News from Ameren Illinois Utilities: Steady Natural Gas Prices for 2010-11

### •• Utilities Offer Advice on Spending Less by Using Less

After seeing last winter's natural gas prices decline significantly from the levels of the previous winter, Ameren Illinois customers can expect a continuation of moderate natural gas prices during the upcoming 2010-11 heating season.

"We anticipate customer natural gas prices for this winter will be similar to prices paid last winter," said Ameren Illinois Vice President of Gas and Electric Technical Services Scott A. Glaeser. "This moderate trend is the result of the sluggish domestic and global economies coupled with soft worldwide demand for all forms of energy."

During the 2009-10 heating season, Ameren Illinois customers paid an average of \$0.63 per therm. Ameren Illinois anticipates the 2010-11 heating season price to average \$0.64 cents per therm.

Glaeser also stressed that Ameren Illinois has secured adequate natural gas supplies to meet customer needs during the upcoming 2010-11 heating season. He noted that Ameren Illinois has the majority its natural gas supplies hedged or "price protected" for the upcoming winter to insulate customers from market volatility.

Ameren Illinois does not profit from the cost of natural gas paid by customers. Natural gas is an unregulated commodity which Ameren Illinois purchases from producers for delivery to customers.

"While the expectation of stable natural gas prices are

welcomed, we recognize and continue to be concerned about the impact the cost of heating may have on our customers," Glaeser said. "We will continue to help our customers understand this issue and provide the information they need to better manage their energy usage."

Customers are encouraged to adopt proven energy conservation and efficiency practices that will help reduce bills without sacrificing personal comfort. Glaeser said the place to begin is by visiting ActOnEnergy.com to review Act On Energy® savings tips.

At ActOnEnergy.com, Ameren Illinois customers can learn about important cash incentives. For example, an Ameren Illinois customer can receive an incentive of up to \$200 when installing a qualified high-efficiency natural gas forced air furnace.

An energy-efficient home provides a higher level of comfort and cost savings. Before making energy-saving upgrades to your home, find out if you qualify for special discounts through the Act on Energy Home Energy Performance (HEP) program. The HEP program offers incentives to registered Act on Energy Program Allies, which they pass on in cost savings to homeowners. Qualified measures include attic and wall insulation and air and duct sealing.

In addition to the ActOnEnergy.com website, residential customers may obtain complete Act on Energy information by calling 1-866-838-6918 or by sending an e-mail to: ActOnEnergyResidential@ameren.com.

Customers may enroll in the Budget Billing plan as a way to better manage their energy bills. This plan allows residential customers to pay the same amount each month. By enrolling now, customers can begin leveling out their monthly payments. The plan allows customers to pay an average monthly bill amount based on the last 12 months of usage. The payment level is periodically reviewed and adjusted as necessary. On the 12th month, the account is reviewed to calculate the difference between the amount of energy used during the year and the amount paid under Budget Billing. If the amount paid exceeds the actual cost of providing the energy, the customer receives a credit. If the amount billed is less than the actual cost of providing the energy, the customer is billed for the difference.

Customers may enroll in Budget Billing by visiting AmerenIllinois.com or by calling 1-800-755-5000. Customers may enroll in the program or drop out at any time. There is no cost to enroll in Budget Billing.

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## PC Historical Notes

The PC Historical Society will be closed mid-December and reopen mid-May. Please note, there will be no Christmas Open House this year.

The annual meeting program will be "An Evening with Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln" portrayed by Max and Donna Daniels on April 2nd.

As always, we thank the community for their continued support during this past year.

## Lighted Santa Parade

On Saturday, December 11th at 6:30 p.m. in downtown Spring Valley the lighted Santa parade will take place.

Everyone (young and old) interested in dressing to represent a "Song of the Season" are invited to participate in the parade. Only costumed entrants are allowed. Participants meet in the St. Margaret's billing office parking lot on W. St. Paul between 5:45 & 6:15. All participants will receive a commemorative pin and will march in the parade (on foot) to the Mini-Park. After the parade:

- Santa will light the Christmas tree
- Winners of the home lighting contest and floats will be announced
- Santa will be available for visits at Video Vision

## Country Returning \$3 Million In Crop Hail Dividends

Country Financial will return about \$3 million in March to more than 11,000 crop hail policyholders in Illinois.

Policyholders will receive a 22 percent return of the premium they paid in 2010. The amount of each dividend check will vary depending on the amount of crop hail coverage each policyholder had on crops during the 2010 season.

"Although some farmers suffered yield losses this year due to dry soil conditions, we had very few crop hail claims," says Jeff Gendron, senior vice president of Property and Casualty Operations for Country. "We are pleased to return a portion of our clients' crop hail premium. Our continued financial strength makes the dividend return possible."

Country is the largest crop hail insurer in Illinois. The company provides crop hail protection to about 4.9 million acres of Illinois crops valued at about \$1.8 billion.

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## Putnam County Achievement Services, Inc.

Phone 339-2711

### Merry Christmas:

We are winding down the year. It has been a very interesting year at the center. We want to thank everyone that came and supported the center at the annual Bazaar. We had a great turn out. Thanks to all the ladies that cooked or baked their delicious items. We want to thank all our sponsors that gave monetary donations or items for the pies and noodles.

The site council's bingo was great. It was well attended and a good money maker of the center. We want to thank those that gave money towards the gifts.

Remember now that if the weather is bad listen to the local radio station to see if the center is closed.

Come out to the center for the Christmas activities during December. The seniors do a great job decorating and making the center real cozy.

All the staff, Sherry, Autumn, Shauna, Kathy, Nadine and myself all wish each and every one a blessed Christmas and a healthy New Year.

God Bless, Pat

### December Newspaper

Fraud Alert: The Illinois SMP Program has received a number of phone calls in recent months from Medicare beneficiaries who have received "cold" calls from

durable medical equipment companies, particularly companies marketing diabetic supplies. Often, the caller tells the Medicare beneficiary that the diabetic supplies are "free," and all the person needs to do is give the caller his/her Medicare or Social Security number. Please remember that Medicare regulations for Durable Medical Equipment companies state that DME companies may NOT solicit business over the phone. Therefore, even making calls like this is already in violation of Medicare rules. Additionally, these telemarketers may end up billing Medicare for supplies that were never delivered, more that what was delivered, or supplies that were unnecessary in the first place. Please be aware of calls like this. Never give out your Medicare or Social Security numbers to anyone who calls on the phone or comes to the door, and if you think you may need a particular health care service or supply, please contact your doctor.

Putnam County Achievement Service, Inc.

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### Happy November Birthday/Anniversary Greetings!

Please call (815) 339-2711 (or) (800) 757-4579 before noon on Monday,

December 27th to make lunch reservations for our birthday/anniversary day on Tuesday, December 28th. Come and celebrate your December birthday at PCAS.

### Thank you all for Your Generous Donations-

\* Correction on November's Newspaper: \* Beverley Lapuh - *In Honor of Joan & Frank Lapuh and Enis & John Barnato*

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Edward Giuliani - *In Memory*

### of Hazel's Death, November 9th/8 years

Doris Happold - *In Memory of Esther Kinney, Sharon Kline and Elsie Swain*

Virginia Hagberg - *In Memory of Roy Hall and Ruth Liles*

Darlene Scheri and Jennie Young - *In Memory of Emma Pomatto*

### December Activities

- 01) 9:30 A.M. - Site Council Meeting
- 02) 12:30 P.M. - Christmas Trivia
- 06) 9-11 A.M. - "Open Enrollment Event" - Medicare D-Low Income Subsidy, MSP and IL Rx- Please Call (815) 339-2711 for an appointment
- 07) 10:30- 11:30 A.M. - Exercise Class  
12:30 P.M. - 1st Card Party
- 08) 1:00 P.M. - PCAS Board Meeting
- 09) 12:30 P.M. - Christmas Bingo with Luann
- 14) 12:30 P.M. - 2nd Card Party
- 15) 10:00 A.M. Christmas Music by the Putnam County High School Chorus  
11:30 A.M. - Golden 100 Meal - \$5.00 Suggested Donation  
12:30 P.M. - Golden 100 Dedication
- 16) 12:30 P.M. - Music Therapy with Michele-

### Christmas Sing along

20) 9 - 11 A.M. - " Open Enrollment Event" - Medicare D- Low Income Subsidy, MSP & IL Rx- Please Call (815) 339-2711 for an appointment

21) 12:30 P.M. - Christmas Party - \$5.00 Gift Exchange (unisex) - Entertainment with Katie Roy & Students

23) 12:30 P.M. - Christmas Movie with Hot Chocolate & Cookies

24) PCAS Closed - Christmas Holiday

28) 11:30 A.M. - Birthday & Anniversary Day

29) 1:00 P.M. - Hennepin Cards

30) 12:30 P.M. - Bingo

31) PCAS Closed - Happy New Year - See you in 2011

**May Peace be your gift at Christmas and your blessing all year through. Happy Holidays!**



**For God So Loved The World...**

**Putnam County Obituaries**

**Pamela Jane (Martens) Boughton**

1946-2010

Pamela Jane (Martens) Boughton, 64, of Granville, passed away on November 27, 2010 at Illinois Valley Community Hospital, Peru.

Memorial service will be at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4, 2010 at United Church of Christ, Granville. The Rev. Ron McNeill will officiate. Cremation rites have been accorded. Dysart - Cofoid Funeral Chapel, Granville will be assisting the family with the arrangements.

Visitation will be 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 4, 2010 at the Church.

Pam was born on June 17, 1946 in Spring Valley to John and Marjorie (Hartman) Martens. She married Leo Boughton on June 2, 1967 in Elmhurst, IL.

She graduated from Hopkins High School the class of 1964. She graduated from Elmhurst College in 1968 with a Bachelors Degree and Christ Hospital School of Nursing in 1983 as an RN.

She was a registered nurse for 10 years in oncology at Christ Community Hospital in Oak Lawn, IL. For the past 20 years she has worked as a teacher-nurse, for the Chicago Board of Education in Chicago. She was a member of the United Church of Christ, Granville.

She is survived by her husband, Leo; one daughter Lisa Boughton of Chicago; one son, Jonathan Boughton of Chicago; and two sisters, Marianne (Martens) Morfoot of Locust Grove, GA and Kimberlee Martens of Avondale Estates, GA.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Marjorie Martens.

In Lieu of flowers donations can be directed to Hirshberg Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research at 2990 S. Sepulveda Blvd Suite 300c Los Angeles, CA 90064.

**Gale Gleason**

1948-2010

Gale Gleason, 62 of Hennepin, formerly of Dimmick Twp. died at 2:07 p.m. on November 26 in her residence.

Visitation was held on November 30 from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. in Burgess Funeral Home, LaSalle. Burial will be at a later date.

She was born August 17, 1948 to Peter and Gertrude (Meyer) McDonnell.

She was a nurse at the Veterans Home, LaSalle; a volunteer at PADS with trauma care certification, Basic Life Saving instructor, nephrology nursing certification/educator and a member of IL Nurses Association.

Survivors include her fiance Richard Miller of Dalzell; one son, John (Angela) Walker of LaSalle; five daughters, Michele Walker of Hennepin, Linda Noy of Hennepin, Amy (Adam) Sondgeroth of Troy Grove, Melanie Gleason of Davenport IA, Abby (Jason) Arellano of Spring Valley; one brother, Roy (Debbie) McDonnell of East Moline and 11 grandchildren.

*On the Wings of a Dove*



**"The Cradle, The Cross, The Crown"**

by Pastor Bob Lewis

Blackstone Valley Baptist Church, Cumberland, RI

Text: Matthew 1:18-2:21  
Introduction: It goes without saying that the date for Christ's birth remains a mystery and that December 25th was in ancient times a Roman holiday to celebrate the passing of the winter solstice. (December 21st is the shortest day of the year.) and the lengthening of days which would lead to spring and summer.

But in 325 A.D. in Rome, professing Christians settled on this date for commemorating the coming of Christ Jesus into the world. The popularity of this date stems from the 12th century.

It is well that the world be reminded annually of the great gift God made in the person of His Son who came to be the Saviour; to come and live a sinless life and die a vicarious death for our sins.

I. THE CRADLE: The beginning of Christmas

A. The angels

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B. The shepherds

1. Luke 2:9 they were sore afraid

2. They believed the angels!

Luke 2:16 And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

C. The Wise men; Matthew 2:1-6

Matthew 2:2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the

Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

Matthew 2:9 When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

The wise men had come from the east. Possibly they had read and studied in Babylon the ancient Book of Daniel with its Messianic prophecies. There was a huge colony of Jews living in Babylon with synagogues and vast areas of houses. These wise men were educated in all the wisdom of the Babylonians and Persians of earlier times. But somehow they understood that God was leading them in a special way.

1. They had seen a star  
Matthew 2:2 Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

2. They came to worship  
John 4:24 God [is] a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship [him] in spirit and in truth.

3. They presented gifts  
In God's providence, these gifts financed the needs of this poor family. They would flee to Egypt and spend some time there before returning to Nazareth. God supplies.

4. They departed "another way"

a. While the text means "a different route" in order to escape Herod's forces, we learn that people do go "another way" after they find Jesus as the way....

b. Prophecy was fulfilled in their journey to Egypt

Micah 5:2 But thou, Bethlehem Ephrathah, [though] thou be little among the thousands of Judah, [yet] out of thee shall he come forth unto me [that is] to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth [have been] from

of old, from everlasting.  
II. THE CROSS: The ultimate goal of Christmas

Luke 9:22 Saying. The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.

I Timothy 1:15 This [is] a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners; of whom I am chief.

III. THE CROWN: The glorious climax of Christmas  
No wicked hand touched Him after His crucifixion!

No evil eye saw him after His resurrection!

Acts 1:3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

I Corinthians 15:3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; 4 And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: 5 And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve: 6 After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.

Hebrews 2:7 Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands:

Hebrews 2:9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.

Peter was a fisher boy helping with the haul

Pilate was a soldier leading

troops in Gaul  
Judas was as innocent as a little child can be

The wood that made the cross was still a growing tree

Unminted was the silver that made the traitor's pay  
And none had yet commercialized the day

But what changes would be wrought by this tiny king?

It began with a grand and glorious message angels sing

Soon the shepherds became filled with wonder, faith and awe

It was a tiny mangled baby, that's what they saw

Later wise men came to see the King of the Jews

Wise men always know that He is the one to choose.

WISE MEN: Matthew 2:10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

Conclusion: JOY should not depend upon circumstances. The late Dr. Millard A. Jenkins, who served at First Baptist Church, Abilene, Texas tells a story about the singing evangelist, Homer Rodeheaver's encounter with an invalid. The young man asked Dr. Rodeheaver to sing a special song. "What song do you wish me to sing?" Rodeheaver asked. The young man replied, "I want you to sing that one about the sunshine. I have a lot of songs to play on my victrola, but I have so much sunshine in my life, I want to hear the song about the sunshine." When Dr. Rodeheaver asked how he could talk about having so much sunshine in his life when he was an invalid, the young man replied, "I'm sorry for well folks, sometimes because they have so much to do they haven't time to get acquainted with Jesus!"

*Frank Boggio*

11/29/29 - 7/14/10

*God looked around his garden  
And found an empty space.  
then he looked down here on Earth  
And saw your loving face.  
He put His arms around you  
And lifted you to rest.  
His garden must be beautiful  
Because He only picks the best.  
A million times we'll miss you,  
A million times we'll cry.  
If love could have saved you,  
You never would have died.  
In life we loved you dearly  
In death we love you still.  
In our hearts you hold a special place  
No one could ever fill.  
It broke our hearts to lose you  
But you did not go alone,  
For part of us went with you  
The day God took you home.*



*Happy Birthday,  
We Love and Miss You, Papa  
Your Family*



*In Loving Memory  
Frank Boggio  
on Our 60th Anniversary  
12/2/50 - 12/2/10*

*I'm thinking of you with love today,  
But that is nothing new.  
I thought of you yesterday  
And days before that too.  
I think of you in silence  
I often speak your name,  
Now all I have are memories,  
And a picture in a frame.  
Your memory will always be my keepsake,  
With which I'll never part,  
God has you in His keeping  
I have you in my heart.*

*Sadly Missed By and Will Always Be Loved By  
Rosie*

# IVCC Inductees to Rho Omega Chapter

Illinois Valley Community College inducted 66 students at its Fall 2010 Rho Omega Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa induction ceremonies, held recently in IVCC's Cultural Centre. Students must achieve a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale to be eligible for membership.

Induction of new members was held in both an informal afternoon ceremony and a formal evening ceremony that included WLPO radio personality Lanny Slevin as guest speaker. Slevin's address, "How Communication Affects our Lives," was followed by a fellowship reception.

Established by Missouri two-year college presidents in 1918, Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society has grown into the largest honor society in American higher education with more than 1.3 million members and 1,200 chapters located in 50 United States, U.S. territories, Canada and Germany.

PTK recognizes and encourages the academic achievement of two-year college students and provides opportunities for individual growth and development through honors, leadership and service programming. In 1929, the American Association of Community Colleges recognized Phi Theta Kappa as the official recognized honor organization for two year colleges.

PTK president is Kris Sienza and Vice-presidents are Cortney Mikesell, Charlotte Piland, Alexandra Jones, Ben Carlson, Caitlin Rinker, Kristin Smith and Marissa Vicich. PTK faculty advisors are LeeAnn Johnson and Eric Schroeder, IVCC biology professors.

- Inductees include:
- Granville: Holly Siegel, Raene Stash;
  - Hennepin: Denise Mallery;
  - Lostant: Ahmed Seyam, Jessica Stoens;
  - Putnam: Benjamin Read



## Jesse White SECRETARY OF STATE

### ••Jesse White Targets Holiday Shoppers Abusing Accessible Parking Laws

Secretary of State Jesse White has directed the Secretary of State Police to conduct a statewide enforcement effort to crack down on people who illegally park in accessible parking spaces at local malls. The Secretary of State Police kicked off their enforcement operation on Friday, November 26th, the unofficial start of the holiday shopping season and the busiest shopping day of the year.

The fine for illegally using a placard or disability license plates without the authorized holder of the placard or disability license plates present is a maximum of \$500. In addition, violators can be subject to a 30-day administrative driver's license suspension from the Secretary of State for the first offense.

The fine for parking in an accessible parking space without a parking placard or disability license plates can be as much \$350.

Secretary White urged people to report abuse of accessible parking spaces by calling 217-785-0309. Callers should be prepared to report placard and license plate numbers as well as locations of vehicles. People can also report abuse via the Secretary of State's website at [www.cyberdriveillinois.com](http://www.cyberdriveillinois.com) and complete the Parking Program for Persons with Disabilities Abuse Complaint Form.

In addition, Public Act 096-1125, takes effect January 1, 2011. This new law strengthens penalties to property owners who fail to keep their accessible parking spaces and access aisles clear after being notified by local police or code officials about an obstruction in their accessible parking spaces. This legislation was an initiative of the Greater Illinois Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, and was supported by the Secretary of State.

There are over 443,000 placards and approximately 84,000 disability license plates in Illinois.

### Bond Information for Producers Who Sold Livestock to Eastern Livestock Company, LLC

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Grain, Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA) is informing cattle producers who have done business with Eastern Livestock Company, LLC, (Eastern) of their rights under the bond provisions of the Packers and Stockyards (P&S) Act.

Eastern began issuing unfunded checks to producers for livestock purchased by Eastern in different markets on or around November 3. Eastern is headquartered in New Albany, Indiana, with operations in 11 states across the Mid-South, Midwest, and West. Eastern is registered with GIPSA as a market agency that buys and sells on a dealer basis, and as a clearing service.

Producers who have not received payment due from Eastern are encouraged to contact the GIPSA Midwestern Regional Office, Des Moines, Iowa, at telephone 515-323-2579 for complete information on available financial protections, and for forms necessary for filing a bond claim on payments due from Eastern.

Bond claims must be filed within 60 days from the date of the transaction on which the claim is based.

The Packers and Stockyards Act is a fair trade practice and payment protection law that promotes fair and competitive marketing environments for the livestock, meat, and poultry industries.

### PUTNAM COUNTY PROPERTY TRANSFERS NOVEMBER 2010

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11/7) Donut w/ powdered sugar OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Orange juice, Milk

11/8) French toast sticks OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ peanut butter, Orange juice, Milk

11/9) Funnel cake OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Orange juice, Milk

11/10) Bagel w/ sausage & cheese OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ peanut butter, Applesauce, Milk

#### LUNCH:

11/6) Corn dog, Scalloped potatoes, Green beans, Ice cream cup, Milk

11/7) Chicken nuggets, Cooked carrots, Bread & butter, Peaches, Milk

11/8) Cheese pizza, Salad w/ FF dressing OR Vegetable, Pears, Vanilla wafers, Milk

#### 11/9) COOK'S CHOICE

11/10) Nachos supreme w/ chili, cheese, sour cream & salsa, Salad, Fruit cobbler, Milk



**CREW** - Justin and Andrea (Baley) Crew of Granville, daughter on November 11, 2010 in SMH, Spring Valley.

**HARTMAN** - Ryan S. and Connie J. (Fiedler) Hartman of Granville, a daughter on November 11, 2010 at SMH, Spring Valley.

**MIX** - Terry W. and Lacina C. (Gass) Mix of Ottawa, a son on November 17, 2010 in SMH, Spring Valley.

## ATTENTION READERS

Now that the Christmas Holiday is approaching, we'd like to remind our readers that ads and articles should be into our news office by 10:00 a.m. on Mondays, unless there is a proof required and then the ad information must be received before noon on Fridays.

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## County Leaders Attend IVAC Breakfast

by Darrell Alleman  
IL Valley Area Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development hosted a breakfast at the Maples restaurant in Peru



PC Board Chairman Duane Calbow speaking at the IVAC breakfast in Peru.

with County Board Chairmen Duane Calbow (PC), Dale Anderson (BC) and Jerry Hicks (LC) as guest speakers. Anna Lijewski, IVAC Membership Coordinator, introduced these speakers.

The Chairmen gave updates on key issues in each county. LaSalle County's Jerry Hicks spoke first saying that the county had a budget proposal ready for the full board vote later in the month that has a \$4 million deficit, the same as last year.

Hicks told about the \$20 million broadband project that will enhance the 911 service that could be up and running by 2011. Reed Wilson is pushing it forward and getting it running. It is a two year project for which they have received a \$17 million grant. Schools and farmers will have access to it. 911 is not up and running, but it is at the mercy of the telephone company.

The road project on the bill in Ottawa is done. It is a very nice road with \$500,000 cost to the county. There are 230 wind turbine running and there will be 500 when the project is done. The year's budget was \$7 million. An average house with a value of \$125,000 would be taxed for about \$340.

One issue coming up the LC board is redistricting. Any move to decrease the number of board members would have to be decided by the board before next July 1st, or else the state would step in.

Hicks was asked if the county should keep the nursing home and he said, "We have made some

## The Economy is So Bad that...

- I got a pre-declined credit card in the mail.
- I ordered a burger at McDonalds and the kid behind the counter asked, "Can you afford fries with that?"
- CEO's are now playing miniature golf.
- If the bank returns your check marked "Insufficient Funds," you call them and ask if they meant you or them.
- Hot Wheels and Matchbox stocks are trading higher than GM.
- McDonalds is selling 1/4 ounce.
- Parents in Beverly Hills fired their nannies and learned their children's names.
- A truckload of Americans were caught sneaking into Mexico.
- Dick Cheney took his stock-broker hunting.

changes in the administration and it is working out well. We will see."

PC Chairman Calbow said, "The former Arcelor Mittal Steel plant in Putnam County has no potential buyer now, we're trying to find a buyer. The owner has not been cooperative. He does not want to sell the plant to a competitor. I believe there are opportunities out there. We hope to get somebody in there that will hire the local work force. The current owners are selling off the equipment. Hopefully, when they are done with the large structure that has about one million square feet and very tall ceilings and when the economy starts to grow there will be some business that will want it. Unemployment is high in Putnam County. I worry about state-funded mandates that are not funded. We face rising costs, and we must maintain our high level of service. We have a good school, and educate our students on a high level but then we lose them. The kids are our future. We must retain our skilled labor so businesses will come. We foster a partnership with Bureau County for public transportation and also partnership with Marshall County for our engineer. All our PC villages have the 24 hour life support program. The new road at Hennepin is finished and has a new turning lane on Rt. 71. The road links the industrial sites; the ethanol plant, Washington Mills, and Advance Asphalt at a cost of over \$2million, were secured with efforts from the County and funded by the State, Hennepin Township and local funds from businesses in the area.

Chairman Anderson of Bureau County reiterated mostly the same concerns as these two counties.

**REMEMBER**  
**Santa Claus**  
is  
Coming  
to  
**Granville**  
**Dec. 4th!!**



## Classes fr. Pg. 5

**January 12, 2011 - Breese**  
- Focus on BEEF/DAIRY: Location: Clinton County Extension Office, 1163 North 4th St., Breese. For directions call the Clinton Co. Extension Office at (618) 526-4551. Registration: 9:30 a.m. Workshop starts: 10:00 a.m. Participants arriving after 10:20 a.m. cannot be certified for attending the workshop. IDOA written exam: 2:00 p.m. This workshop will primarily be aimed at BEEF/DAIRY producers, but is open to all producers.

**January 19, 2011 - Galesburg:** Location: Knox County Extension Office, 180 S. Soangetaha Rd., Suite 108, Galesburg. For directions call the Knox County Extension at (309) 342-5108. Registration: 8:15 a.m. Workshop starts: 8:50 a.m. Participants arriving after 9:20 a.m. cannot be certified for attending the workshop. IDOA written exam: 1:30 p.m.

**January 20, 2011 - Quincy:** Location: Adams/Brown County Extension Office, 330 S. 36th St., Quincy. For directions call the Adams/Brown Co. Extension Office at (217) 222-8380. Registration: 8:15 a.m. Workshop starts: 8:50 a.m. Participants arriving after 9:20 a.m. cannot be certified for attending the workshop. IDOA written exam: 1:30 p.m.

**February 9, 2011 - Freeport**  
- Focus on BEEF/DAIRY: Location: Stephenson County Farm Bureau Building, 210 W. Spring St., Freeport. For directions call the Stephenson Co. Extension Office at (815) 235-4125. Registration: 9:30 a.m. Workshop starts: 10:00 a.m. Participants arriving after 10:20 a.m. cannot be certified for attending the workshop. IDOA written exam: 2:00 p.m. This workshop will primarily be aimed at BEEF/DAIRY producers, but is open to all producers.

**February 10, 2011 - Sycamore:** Location: DeKalb County Farm Bureau Building, 1350 W. Prairie Dr., Sycamore. For directions call the DeKalb Co. Extension Office at (815) 758-8194. Registration: 8:15 a.m. Workshop starts: 8:50 a.m. Participants arriving after 9:20 a.m. cannot be certified for attending the workshop. IDOA written exam: 1:30 p.m.

**March 10, 2011 - Springfield:** Location: Sangamon/Menard County Extension Office, Illinois State Fairgrounds, South Gate, Bldg. 30, Springfield. For directions call the Sangamon/Menard Co. Extension Office at (217) 782-4617. Registration: 8:15 a.m. Workshop starts: 8:50 a.m. Participants arriving after 9:20 a.m. cannot be certified for attending the workshop. IDOA written exam: 1:30 p.m.

## IVSO to Perform Handel's Messiah

The Illinois Valley Symphony Orchestra's Holiday concert will feature Handel's Messiah and other popular holiday musical selections. The public is invited to join IVSO on Saturday, December 4 at 3:00 p. m. at Illinois Valley Community College Cultural Centre.

Under the direction of conductor, Lucia Matos, the orchestra will accompany the Illinois Valley Community College Collegiate Chorale and the LaSalle-Peru High School Concert Choir in performing Part 1 and the Hallelujah Chorus from Part 2 of Handel's Messiah. The combined choirs are prepared by Norm Engstrom and Aimee Taylor. Soprano Kathy Jagiella, alto Rebecca Evans, tenor Norman Engstrom, and bass Richard Hanson will perform the solo parts.

The Messiah was composed by Handel in 1741 in just twenty-four days. It was first performed on April 13, 1742, in Dublin, Ireland, with Handel himself conducting. The subject of the oratorio is Christ's coming, life, death, and resurrection, and the music gloriously illustrates the text. The oratorio begins with the prophecy and Nativity, followed by the ethereal pastoral symphony and the rejoicing of angels. At the oratorio's first London performance in 1743, King George II was so moved that he stood for the Hallelujah Chorus. This tradition endures today.

Well known holiday music, such as Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring by Johann Sebastian Bach, Sleigh Ride and A Christmas Festival by Leroy Anderson, and an arrangement Holiday Favorites by Paul Lavender will also be performed.

Admission to the concert is by season membership or individual ticket, available at the door. Tickets will be \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students with ID. Tickets are also available at Spring Valley City Bank. There is no reserved seating. Illinois Valley Community Cultural Centre is handicapped accessible. For more information about the Illinois Valley Symphony Orchestra go to [www.ivso.org](http://www.ivso.org). The concert is sponsored by Spring Valley City Bank and in part by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency.

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*Legals*

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10 CH 00021  
Nationwide Advantage Mortgage Company  
**PLAINTIFF**  
Vs.

Jessica A. Winner a/k/a Jessica Ann Winner; Daniel E. Winner a/k/a Daniel Eugene Winner; Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

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Daniel E. Winner a/k/a Daniel Eugene Winner  
Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION LEGAL NOTICE VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE PETITION FILING**

Petitions for the Village of Granville Trustee's positions will be accepted at the Granville Village Hall from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Wednesday December 15th. Petitions will also be accepted at the Granville Village Hall from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm on Monday December 20th. December 20th is the FINAL day to file. Please feel free to call the Village Hall from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm Tuesday through Saturday at 339-6333 with any questions.

A lottery will be held at the Granville Village Hall for the April 2011 election on Monday December 20th at 7:30pm. The lottery will determine the order of filing of the candidates who filed simultaneously for the same office.

13-2x-ncpd

**LEGAL PUBLICATION NOTICE**

Due to safety issues during Illinois firearm seasons. The Putnam County Conservation District will be closed on Dec. 2, 3, 4 and 5th for shot gun season and again on Dec. 10, 11 and 12th. For muzzleloader season.

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION NOMINATING PETITION FORMS AVAILABLE FOR PUTNAM COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**

Nominating petition forms for the April 5, 2011 School Board election in Putnam County are now available. Forms may be picked up in the office of the Board Secretary at 400 E Silverspoon, Granville on any business day between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

A school board candidate's petition must be filed in the same office no earlier than 7:30 a.m., on Monday, December 13 and no later than 5:00 p.m., Monday, December 20.

Candidates' names will appear on the election ballot in the order in which their nominating papers are received in the secretary's office.

Three seats on the seven-member Board of Education will be filled at the April 5 election. Candidates elected will serve four-year terms expiring in April, 2015.

To be eligible to serve, a school board member must be, on the date of election, a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years old, a registered voter, and a resident of the State of Illinois and the school district for at least one year immediately preceding the election.

Elections are nonpartisan and board candidates do not indicate a political party affiliation. Candidates should be aware of financial conflict-of-interest limitations set forth in state law.

Further information on becoming a candidate in the April 5, 2011 board election may be obtained by contacting Pam Ellena, Board Secretary, 815-882-2800 Ext. 5, 400 E Silverspoon, Granville.

For more information about the nature and duties of serving on a school board, contact the Illinois Association of School Boards for a free booklet, "Your School Board and You." Write: IASB, 2921 Baker Drive, Springfield, IL 62703. The booklet also is available at the school district office and the Association's web site: www.iasb.com/free\_pub.htm.

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION LEGAL NOTICE VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE PETITION FILING**

Petitions for the Village of Granville Trustee's positions will be accepted at the Granville Village Hall from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Wednesday December 15th. Petitions will also be accepted at the Granville Village Hall from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm on Monday December 20th. December 20th is the FINAL day to file. Please feel free to call the Village Hall from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm Tuesday through Saturday at 339-6333 with any questions.

A lottery will be held at the Granville Village Hall for the April 2011 election on Monday December 20th at 7:30pm. The lottery will determine the order of filing of the

candidates who filed simultaneously for the same office.

14-2x-ncpd

**LEGAL PUBLICATION**

The Greater Rockford Airport Authority, Grantee of FTZ 176, has filed with the FTZ Board an Application to reorganize the general-purpose foreign-trade zone in Rockford, IL to expand the service area under the Alternative Site Framework. The Application was submitted pursuant to the FTZ Act, as amended, and Board Regs. Public comment on the Application is invited from interested parties. Submit to the address below. Closing period for receipt of comments is 1/31/11. Office of Ex. Sec., FTZ Board, Room 2111, 1401 Constitution Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20230.

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION NOTICE OF MEETING**

On November 17th the Upper Illinois River Valley Development Authority will meet at 12:00 p.m. (noon) at Grizzly Jack's Grand Bear Lodge, 2643 North Illinois Rte. 178, Utica IL (tel: 866/399-3866). If there are questions, call Andrew Hamilton, Executive Director, URIVDA, at 866/325-7525 or Fax: 866/325-7569.

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION ORDINANCE NO. 10-1 ORDINANCE AMENDING WATER AND SEWER RATES**

WHEREAS, the Hennepin Public Water District has, heretofore, fixed water and sewer rates pursuant to Article III of Ordinance No. 06-1 passed and adopted in July, 2006, and

WHEREAS, the Hennepin Public Water District commissioned a study of water and sewer rates, operating expenses and relevant historical data performed by McClure Engineering which study was completed in October, 2010 and which is incorporated herein by reference, and

WHEREAS, the Hennepin Public Water District believes it to be necessary and in the best interest of the District and consumers located therein to amend the water and sewer rates as contemplated by the aforesaid study.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it ORDAINED by the Chairman and Board of Trustees of the Hennepin Public Water District that effective 1/1/2011 Ordinance No. 06-1 adopted July, 2006 shall be and is hereby amended and Article III thereof shall provide the following rates to be billed quarterly and paid as set forth in Article I:

Section I-30 Residential Rates Per Month:  
Base Rate for water: \$18.84  
Base Rate for sewer: \$23.84  
Use Rate of \$3.37/1000 gallons for consumption in excess of 5,000 gallons per month  
Section I-31 Commercial Rates Per Month:  
Base Rate for water: \$55.00  
Base Rate for sewer: \$71.50  
Use Rate of \$7.12/1000 gallons for consumption in excess of 1000 gallons per month

Section 1-32 Steel Plant Rule per month:  
Base Rate for water: \$2,130  
Base Rate for sewer: \$3,195  
Use Rate for Water \$2.12/1000 gallons and \$5.38/1000 gallons for sewer for consumption in excess of 500,000 gallons per month, provided however that a Minimum charge of \$6,390 shall be imposed per month.

On January 1 of each year, the charges set forth in Section 1-32 hereof may be increased by 3%. In order to implement that increase, the Chairman shall adopt a motion providing for the same which shall be published as provided by law.

Passed and adopted this 1st day of November, 2010 and shall be effective upon publication as provided by law.  
ATTEST: Debra Doyle  
Kevin Coleman

14-1x-ncpd

**LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

FIRST STATE BANK, an Illinois Banking Association, Plaintiffs  
vs.  
TRACY FARLEY And TINA K. FARLEY, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant.

NO. 2010-CH-22

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION**

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, ALL NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants in the above entitled cause, that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action was filed on November 22nd, 2010 and is now pending.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and the case number are identified above.

2. The court in which said action was brought is identified above.

3. The names of the titleholders of record are TRACY FARLEY and TINA K. FARLEY.

4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

Lots 115, 116, and 177 in Patterson's Addition to the Village of Magnolia, Putnam County, Illinois.

Permanent Index No. 04-99-037-050

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 200 North Bloomington Street, Magnolia IL 61336

6. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

a. Names of Mortgagors: Tracy Farley and Tina K. Farley

b. Name of Mortgagee: First State Bank

c. Date of Mortgage: August 3, 2007

d. Date of Recording: August 21, 2007

e. County where Recorded: Putnam County, Illinois

f. Recording Document Identification: Document No. 2007-985

NOW, THEREFORE, unless you ALL NONRECORD CLAIMANTS AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants, file your answer to the complaint for foreclosure in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Putnam County, Illinois, held in the Putnam County Courthouse, in the City of Hennepin, 120 North Fourth Street, Hennepin, Illinois 61327 on or before the 30th day of January, 2011, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a judgment for foreclosure entered in accordance with the prayer of the complaint for foreclosure.

Cathy J. Oliveri  
Circuit Clerk of Putnam County

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION**

The following is the 2009-2010 financial statement of the Standard Fire Protection District, State of Illinois, Counties of Putnam and LaSalle. I, Philip Edgerley, state that the following is a complete and correct statement of all receipts and expenditures made by me, acting as treasurer, from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

RECEIPTS	
Tax Revenue.....	\$77,586.37
Replacement tax.....	2,308.46
Grant income.....	105,381.53
Bank interest.....	161.31
Cash Transfers.....	15,000.00
Rebates/Insurance.....	1,765.91
Miscellaneous.....	60.00
<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b> .....	<b>\$203,263.58</b>
EXPENDITURES	
Utilities.....	4,479.16
Telephone.....	2,584.85
Insurance.....	10,268.00
Truck/Building Repair..	7,654.16
Equipment purchased	142,975.58
Legal.....	277.96
Maint/Services.....	4,003.20
Fuel.....	2,074.33
Miscellaneous.....	16.50
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b> .....	<b>\$174,333.74</b>
7/1/2009 Bank Bal.....	\$7,368.42
Receipts.....	203,263.58
Expenditures.....	(174,333.74)
6/30/2010 Bank Bal...	\$36,298.26

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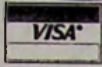
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- Our Family Oyster Crackers, 12 oz.....\$1.19
- Hunt's or Rotel Canned Tomatoes, 14.5.....3/\$4
- Our Family Inverted Catsup, 20 oz.....99¢
- Langer's Cranberry Cocktails, 64 oz.....2/\$5
- Kellogg's Special K, Bite-Size Mini-Wheats, 12-24 oz.....2/\$6
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- Clorox Cleanup or Bathroom Disinfectant Spray, 32 oz.....2/\$4
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- Meow Mix, 3.15 lb.....2/\$9
- Comet Powder, 14 oz.....69¢
- Clorox Disinfectant Wipes, 35 ct.....2/\$5
- Hunt's Pasta Sauce, 26 oz.....5/\$5

Charmin Basic **BATH TISSUE** **2/\$4**  
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## Remembering December 7, 1941



Pictured above L-R (front) are Honor Flights Veterans Jenò Bonucchi, Edward Giuliani, Flight Attendants Heather Liebhart and Jodi Slingsby, Elvin Russ, Richard Weddell; (back) Guardian John Casazza, Veteran Bill Tonarelli, Guardian Phil Euhler, Veteran Marion Kuhne and Harry Faletti. Honor Flight Veterans Bob Fitzgerald, Russell Glover, Joe Panier, Jim Whitaker, Ernest Bassi and Guardian Gary Dahl were not available for the photo.

by Darrell Alleman

Local veterans of World War II remembered where they were when they received the news of the Japanese sneak attack on our U.S. ships at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. All of these Honor Flight World War II Veterans took at least two years out of their lives to put on the United States of America uniform and fought for our freedom.

U.S. Merchant Marine Veteran, Harry Faletti, remembered on that day he was listening to the radio at home when the news cut into the program to announce the bombing.

American Legion Post 180 Commander and U.S. Army Vet Ed Giuliani was attending the University of Pittsburg and

was in the ROTC there. He was listening to the radio with his Dad when the news came on. Ed's Dad said "What do you think?" to Ed and Ed said, "I think I am going to war."

U.S. Navy Veteran William Tonarelli said he and Joe Gusik were rambling around town and went into the Rainbow Cafe run by Hilda Wicktin and heard the news on the radio there.

U.S. Army Veteran Elvin Russ said he was at Deno Orlandi's Service Station hanging out when the news came over the radio.

U.S. Army Airforce pilot Ernest Bassi said he was at a friend's house playing cards with six friends when the news came over the radio and he is today the only one of those

left.

Army Veteran Marion Kuhne was at his family's home in Henry when he heard the news.

U.S. Veteran Richard Weddell was at home with his family in Clever MO south of Springfield MO when they heard the news. They had moved there from South Dakota and only stayed for two years there before moving to Putnam County.

U.S. Army Airforce Vet Jenò Bonucchi heard the news at home at noon that day.

All of these Veterans put aside their daily lives to go into the fray to insure their loved ones would live in a free world away from the tyranny of opposing forces.

Let us not forget the sacrifices these men made for us.

## Putnam County Republican Gary Dahl Resigns From IL Senate

The *Putnam County Record* has learned that Senator Gary Dahl (R-Granville) has resigned his seat in the Illinois Senate effective immediately. Senator Dahl, who turned 70 this past Sunday, leaves a two-year unexpired term to be filled by appointment.

Senator Dahl stated, "I'm at a stage in my life where I'm thinking it's time to spend more time with family and my business. After six years of serving in the State Senate I was hoping things would change in Springfield but nothing has. I just feel it is time to move on." He said the decision was made easier for him with the recent news that several lawmakers had died. He wants to spend more time with his family and his wife, Deb, because he says they deserve that. Senator Dahl said that he had thought about a resignation for some time but had only spoken of it with his family and general staff people.

Many have already expressed their surprise and sorrow at the announcement.

Senator Dahl was elected to the Senate in 2004 as a newcomer in politics. He had beat longtime incumbent Patrick Welch with over 51% of the vote in his favor. The new senator had never held an elected post but he campaigned actively and enjoyed a good name recognition due to his local business, Double D Express just off I-80 in Peru. He also own and operated Double D Warehouse just north of I-80 as well.

He admits that his first few months on the floor of the Senate were quite frustrating because he said that he didn't think the right hand knew what the left hand was doing. He was also frustrated with the fact that he had been unable to push through any meaningful legislation. He had voted against several bills; one to ban violent and sexually explicit video games because he believed it would lead to costly federal lawsuits against the state. His peers, however, voted for the ban because they had feared repercussions at campaign time. Senator Dahl was quoted as saying, "Shame on them. If one can't stand up in front of your constituents and explain why you did something like this and take the easy way out, I think that's a sad day on the Senate floor." One item of legislation the Senator is very proud of is the establishment of educational funding for Reflex Sympathetic Dystrophy Syndrome, as well as the funding and staffing of the Illinois Veteran's Home in LaSalle. He has supported the National Easter Seals where he was awarded the Outstanding Advocate Award for an Elected State Official, along with the Easter Seals of LaSalle and Bureau Counties. IVCIL is another favorite cause along with the building he donated to IL Valley Animal Rescue.

During the course of Senator Dahl's tenure he has repeatedly given up any pay checks from the State, donating them instead to civic and charitable organizations in greater need of the monies than he is.

Those who know Senator Dahl know the humble man behind the title and can honestly say he will be greatly missed on the floor of the Illinois Senate.

The post will be filled by appointment with the Republican Party Chairmen from eight counties in the 38th district voting on a successor.

## PCHS Selects DAR Winner

Putnam County High School's recipient of the DAR Good Citizen Award for this year is Christine Mattern. She is the daughter of George and Margy Mattern of rural Magnolia. The Princeton - Illinois Chapter of the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution sponsors the program.



Christine was selected for the this award by faculty and fellow seniors on the basis of "dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism".

While in high school, Christine has been active in National Honor Society, band, volleyball, panteras, Intereact, 4H, theatre, student council, and many church activities. She has represented her school and community at several leadership conferences.

Upon completion of high school, Christine plans to further her education at a four year university.

## Poinsettia Deliveries this Saturday

Senior citizens over age 65 in Granville, Standard, Mark, Hennepin, McNabb, Magnolia, and the surrounding areas of Putnam County, are reminded that Rotarians will be delivering gift poinsettias this Saturday, December 11. Seniors who will not be at home are asked to leave delivery instructions, as the plants cannot be left unprotected from the weather. Seniors new to the list may confirm their inclusion by contacting Rotary President Adriane Shore at 339-2398 or shores1975@mchsi.com. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Granville Rotary and Mid-American Growers!

## PCEF Plans Sixth Trivia Contest

The Putnam County Educational Foundation's (PCEF) Special Events Committee recently announced that a sixth trivia event has been scheduled for Saturday, January 29, 2011.

The Bill Klein Memorial Trivia Contest has become a staple in the PCEF's fundraising agenda and with wonderful results. Typically 10-15 teams converge on the Putnam County High School Media Center to match wits for several hours of enjoyable competition while raising money for educational extras for Putnam County students.

In order to encourage more couples to participate, the PCEF will continue its format of six members per team. The event will begin at 7 p.m. and the entry fee is only \$100 per team. Mike Anders of Cincinnati, OH - and most recently of the US Virgin Islands where he taught Linguistics at the University - is expected to return to act as Master of Ceremonies. Proceeds from the trivia event will continue to sponsor a writing scholarship in memory of Mike's mother and local poet Peg Anders.

For more information or to reserve a position for your team, please contact either Bob Dawe at 815-339-2864 or John Redshaw at 815-925-7546.

**JV Lady Panthers Win Tournament. See Pg. 5.**

## History From the Files of the PC Record

10 YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 29, 2000

The PC Historical Society held their Second Quarterly Meeting with about 50 area residents in attendance. The program on Lithuanian heritage was organized by Victor Lenkaitis, Jr. of Granville and his sister, Lynda Marcut of Woodstock. The program covered histories of Lithuanian families settling in Putnam County with extensive displays of artifacts and a video or present-day Lithuania.

Sheriff Kevin Doyle announced that the Sheriff's Department received a highway grant from IDOT in the amount of \$18,179.

Area school Winter Concerts were taking place the first two weeks of December presented by the music students in all of the buildings in the county.

Santa flew into Hennepin on December 2nd for a lunch with the children at the HPD complex.

The 7th grade Lady Pumas brought home two trophies from the Little Tri-County Tournament in Washburn.

Putnam County schools held a family reading night at the Hennepin School on November 16 and the children got to dress as their favorite characters.

The UCC in Granville held their Mistletoe Magic Bazaar on Dec. 2nd with crafts, a bake sale, raffle, holiday cookies, coffee and rolls, soup and sandwich lunch with desserts.

The Women on a Mission held their 4th Annual Christmas Cookie Walk on Dec. 9th.

PC 4-Hers participated in Project Day.

The Granville National Bank was giving away a complete computer system to celebrate their electronic banking success.

The total deer harvest for the year of 2000 was 436 deer which was a decline from the previous year of 423 deer.

The PC Progressors held their November meeting and the program was about dog training.

PCAS held their Golden "100" Club dedication on December 7th.

**DEATHS:** Timothy "Kris" Christensen, 56 of Hennepin died Nov. 20 in St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria; Edward Joerger, 68 of Mendota died Nov. 23 in Rush Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago; Marjorie Hopkins, 89 of rural McNabb died Nov. 24 in SMH, Spring Valley; Herman E. Nissen Jr., 73 of Bureau died Nov. 24 in Amboy Nursing Home; Carl John Romani, 76 of Mark died Nov. 24 in Trinity West Medical Center, Rock Island; Lena DeHasque, 86 of Tonica died Nov. 25 in IVCH, Peru.

20 YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 28, 1990

Lads "N" Lassies preschool received recognition during an awards banquet held at the Holiday Inn Brandywine in Peoria. The banquet was held in honor of all the people and organizations who generously gave large amounts of money to benefit the MD Assn. The Lads "N" Lassies children raised more than \$1,000 through a hop-a-thon during the past spring. They received the bronze award for their endeavor.

Marie Taylor, PCES and Lyn Smith of PCJHS were two of some 1800 educators who attended the 60th Annual Convention for the IL Assn for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance at the Pheasant Run Resort in St. Charles on Nov. 15-17. The ladies were P.E. teachers.

Hennepin Lions Club was honored at the PC Board of Education meeting in Nov. with a certificate of appreciation for their financial support in the nationally acclaimed QUEST program that was introduced at the junior high level during the fall.

Marshall County Circuit Judge Mike McCuskey was sworn in Dec. 3rd as a Third District Appellate Court Justice.

30 YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 12, 1980

Winning candidates in the PC election were: Norman Raffety, State's Attorney; Susan Draper, Circuit Clerk; John Petersen, Jim Henning, Leonard Wolf and Joe Ellena, County Board. Judge Jim Bumgarner was elected unopposed in his bid for 10th Judicial Circuit Court Judge.

PCHS Sophomore class officers were elected as follows: President, Cindy Glenn; VP, Vicki Moriarty; Secretary, Dalene Lutes; Treasurer, Ann McGhiey; Reporter, Christy Schorn.

Missy Rombout and kari Serrine of Granville represented Jodi's School of Dance in a U.S. Tumbling Meet at Hall HS on Nov. 2nd.

World Community Day was celebrated with a service presented by the PC Church Women in the McNabb UMC. Mrs. Durley Boyle opened the services. Richard Forney performed a trumpet solo with Don Reed singing and Will York playing guitar.

NOVEMBER 26, 1980

Lynette Mudge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald M. Mudge of rural Granville was selected by the Rotary District committee to become an outgoing foreign exchange student for the 1981-82 school year.

Members of the PC Band, Panterellas and Panteras marched in Peoria's "Santa Claus Parade" Nov. 28th.

Sandy Schafer of Granville and Dana Ehrhardt of McNabb, along with two other students were awarded the national "I Dare You" award by the M-P Counties Cooperative Extension Service. These 4-Hers were selected for the award in recognition of excellence in character and well-balanced personal development as leadership potential.

Craig Jessen of Hennepin bagged a six point buck on

Nov. 22nd.

New officers for the PC Church Women were: President, Mrs. Walter D. Boyle; VP, Mrs. Helen Kunkel; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Esther Ploch. Mrs. Wanetta Harrington was elected a new member of the nominating committee. Mrs. Mildred McQuilkin and Mrs. Eleanor Bruch would serve on the nominating committee as well.

Mrs. Dorothy Serrine, who had served three terms as the PC Circuit Clerk, left her duties after choosing not to run for an additional term.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kidd and sons, Todd and Joseph, took a trip to Hawaii on Nov. 11 on a 747 for an 8 hour trip to the island.

40 YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 19, 1970

The U of I released the news that Bill R. Kemp of Hennepin received an MA degree in Education. He taught boys PE and 7th grade math at the Hennepin Jr. High School.

Installation services were held in the Granville-McNabb Lutheran Parish on Nov. 22 for the Rev. Mark W. Wickstrom.

50 YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 10, 1960

Three candidates received their usual complimentary votes for re-election: Olive Studyvin, Circuit Clerk; H.L. Dysart, coroner; Walter D. Boyle, State's Attorney (having first been elected in 1936).

Dr. Stork: a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ragogna of Mark of Nov. 4.

The student council of Hopkins HS sponsored a political rally with an election held on Tuesday of that week.

The first snowfall of the season fell between 1 and 2 p.m. with just enough to sprinkle and turn the landscape white.

80 YEARS AGO

NOVEMBER 6, 1930

The Village of Granville completed the road building program begun a few years prior and could boast over 75 blocks of good gravel streets.

Celebrating the 8th anniversary of the organization of the local Masonic Lodge, more than 125 persons attended a gathering in the lodge hall. A short program was presented and refreshments were served. The Granville Lodge had a charter membership of 45 and the current membership was 87.

Milledge Thomas won his race against Bird Kays for sheriff of Putnam County carrying every voting precinct except McNabb, the home of his Democratic opponent. Attorney James E. Taylor was re-elected county judge.

## Emmaus Lutheran Children Fill Stockings



The Sunday School and Confirmation children of Emmaus Lutheran Church, McNabb, filled shoeboxes to donate to needy children through Operation Christmas Child. Members of the congregation donated toys, school supplies, hygiene items, and candy to fill the boxes. The shoeboxes are mailed to children in need from various countries for Christmas. Operation Christmas Child is sponsored by Samaritan's Purse, a nonprofit Christian organization, which sends millions of shoeboxes to children each Christmas. The Emmaus Lutheran children were excited that they were able to fill and donate 36 shoeboxes this year. Pictured above L-R are Jimmy Baele, Ryan LeQuia, Allie Pletsch, Megan Rehn, Noaln Whitney and MacKenzie Edens.

*Merry Christmas* To all of our Readers

*Magnolia Christmas Party*

*Sunday December 12*

*4:30-7:00 p.m.*

*Magnolia Fire Station*

*Santa Arrives at 6:00 p.m.*

*Refreshments • Goodie Bags*

*Chance to win a Christmas Stocking Festival of Lights at Lafayette & Chicago*



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It's finally here!  
Don't be sad,  
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*Happy 30th Birthday to You!!!*

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The National Organization of Agriculture Students

**•• PC FFA Attends College Day in Henry**

Fifteen Putnam County FFA members attended the Marshall/Putnam Farm Bureau College Day event last week at the Farm Bureau in Henry.

Area community and state university representatives were on hand to give presentations and answer member's

questions on furthering their education in an agricultural field of study.

The representatives had booths where members could view college facilities and pick up information on course offerings and opportunities. The need for young people in agriculture is great and growing as the world expands into

the under-developed nations in areas of horticulture, production ag, ag management, marketing, ag research, livestock and food science. These are but a few of the class offerings available. A large thank you to the M-P Farm Bureau and their manager Mrs. Tiffany Moodie for their support.

**Letter to the Editor**

To the Families in Magnolia:

The Village of Magnolia is having a town wide Christmas lighting contest. The judges will come around on Saturday, December 11th to judge the houses that are lit up the best for the Christmas season. On December 12th at 6:00 p.m. the Village Mayor, Laurie Smith, and Santa will announce the winners of the contest.

A Magnolia resident has a chance to win \$50 (fifty dollars) for first prize or \$25 (twenty-five dollars) for second and third prizes in the Christmas Lighting Contest.

A Festival of Lights will be held on the corner of Lafayette & Chicago St. in Magnolia. On Sunday, December 12th, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. you and your family will see Christmas lights, live carolers and some favorite holiday characters dancing to music. There will be a Nativity scene with the theme of "Reason for the Season."

During this time at the Magnolia Fire Station, children can enjoy a light supper, create a craft, one boy and one girl will have a chance to win a stocking filled with goodies. Of course, we cannot forget that jolly old elf, "SANTA," who will stop in around 6:00 p.m. to see all the good little boys and girls to ask what they want for Christmas.

Parents, don't forget your camera to capture these precious moments in time. They do grow up fast.

We are asking family and friends to donate any new or old holiday decorations to make this a wonderful holiday experience for all. With the donations received, we will plan to have a "Winter Wonderland" in the woods next year. Please contact Peggy Smith @ 815/869-7014 if you have any questions or concerns.

Merry Christmas and the Best of the Holiday Season,  
Peggy Smith

**The Putnam County Republican Central Committee**

**Cordially Invites You to Their Christmas Party**

**Where: Ray's Place - Hennepin**

**When: Tue., Dec. 14th**

**Time: 6 - 9 p.m., Dinner at 6:30**

**Ham & Beef Dinner with All the Trimmings**

**Cost: \$20/person**



Our speakers this year will be State Senator Gary Dahl, Putnam County State's Attorney Jim Mack, and 10<sup>th</sup> Judicial Judge John Vespa

As in past years, we ask everyone attending to bring an unwrapped gift for children. These gifts can be toys or games. The donated items will be distributed to the less fortunate children of the county through the Putnam County Food Pantry.

Please RSVP to one of the following committee members by Tues., Dec. 8th.

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- Creamette Pastas, 32 oz.....\$1.99
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- IGA Tomato or Chicken Noodle Soup, 10.75 oz.....60¢
- Bugles or Chex Mix.....\$2.00
- Kellogg's Crispix, Corn Flakes, Fruit Loops, or Apple Jacks.....\$2.99
- IGA Cranberry Blends, 64 oz.....\$2.00
- Cottonelle, 4 double rolls.....\$3.00
- Viva Towels, 6 pk.....\$6.99
- Alpo Canned Dog Food, 13.2 oz.....75¢

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# Nauman/Grosenbach Wedding Announced



Katrina (Nauman) and Justin Grosenbach

On September 5th at 3:30 p.m. in the Pitstick Pavilion in Ottawa, Justin Grosenbach and Katrina Nauman were married by Karen Karczewski. A reception immediately followed the service at the Pavilion.

Maid of Honor was Tomi Nauman and Matron of Honor was Mindy Courtway. Bridesmaids were Ashleigh Hopps, Michelle Slutz and Angie Serafini.

Best man was Zach Radtke and groomsmen were Barney Lavens, Eric Grubar, Matt Bumber, Kevin Dutkiewicz, Andy Erlenborn and Ty Rathbun. Ringbearers were Evan

Grubar and Kaden Nauman. Ushers were Brandon Courtway and Blake Courtway.

Parents of the couple are Tom and Vicky Nauman of Magnolia and Scott and Suzanne Grosenbach of Oglesby.

After a seven day honeymoon to Kauai, Hawaii the couple are at home in Oglesby.

The bride is a 2007 graduate of Putnam County High School and a 2010 graduate of Regency Beauty Institute and works as a licensed cosmetologist.

The groom is a 2004 graduate of LaSalle-Peru Township High School and is employed by Tri-Con Materials, Inc.

# 4-H Awards Night Held

The Recognition of Excellence awards are the largest group of awards handed out. 4-Hers earn that honor through the work they do in the 4-H club and additional service and leadership work at the county level. The award areas are Project, Service and Leadership. For a complete listing of those award winners, visit the Marshall-Putnam 4-H web site at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/marshallputnam/downloads/25610.pdf>.

In addition to the Recognition of Excellence awards there are also many special awards and recognitions presented.

• Noah DeBates, PC Progressors, Outstanding Secretary

The awards program ended with a favorite new tradition among the clubs. Clubs compete for the 4-H Spirit Stick. Creativity and group involvement is the key to winning the Spirit Stick. This year the Steuben Rangers were the winners.

Photos of the night's events can be found on the Marshall-Putnam 4-H web site at [www.extension.uiuc.edu/marshallputnam](http://www.extension.uiuc.edu/marshallputnam).

# Boyle/Spencer Wedding Announced



Terri (Boyle) and Aaron Spencer

On September 4th at 5:30 p.m. Terri Boyle of St. Louis became the bride of Aaron Spencer of Auckland New Zealand (currently in St. Louis) at the Boyle Christmas Tree Farm in McNabb by Pastor Gavin Finefield. A reception followed the ceremony. The couple is planning a trip to New Zealand in the spring. The residence will be St. Louis.

Parents of the couple are Ida and the late Walter Boyle of McNabb and Cheryl and Melvin Wheeler of Auckland, New Zealand and Donald and Sandra Spencer of Sydney, Australia.

Maid of Honor was Kay (Boyle) Foote and best man was Aaron Cooper.

The bride is self-employed as a freelance marketing consultant and graphic designer. She is a graduate of Bradley University. The groom is currently studying to be a commercial pilot.



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# Leepertown Students See "Gift of the Magi" Through IVFAT Grant

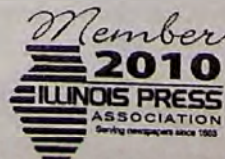


Leepertown 3rd through 8th graders attended a performance of Gift of the Magi through the generosity of an Illinois Valley Fine Arts Trust

grant. Pictured are Leepertown students standing behind the cast of the Gift of the Magi now at Festival 56. The cast are sitting on the chairs. From left to right are Loren Jones, Brynne Wiedmann, Madalyn Robbins, and Taylor Tutt. This program is partially funded by the Illinois Arts Council, a state agency and the Illinois Valley Fine Arts Trust."

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## Putnam County JV Lady Panthers Win Thanksgiving Invitational

The Putnam County Thanksgiving Invitational Tournament was held at R.M. Germano Gymnasium from November 18th to November 20th. The invitational was a round robin tournament with 4 teams which included PC, Erie, LaMoille, and Depue.

Putnam County defeated LaMoille 55-13; top scorers were Daniela Pavlovich with 14, Carly Gonet-12, and Shelby Yepsen -8. Depue 43-2, top scorers were Gonet with 15, Yepsen and Pavlovich with 8 each. Erie 39-34, top scorers were Gonet with 12, Pavlovich-10, Stephanie Wilson and Venessa Voss with 6 each.



Pictured above L-R (front) Daniela Pavlovich, Stephanie Wilson, Shelby Yepsen, Emily Whitney, Carley Gonet; (back) Taylor Erjavsek, Venessa Voss, Taylor Pettit, JV Coach Jared Sale.

## Congratulations to the Lady Panthers on their Tournament WIN!

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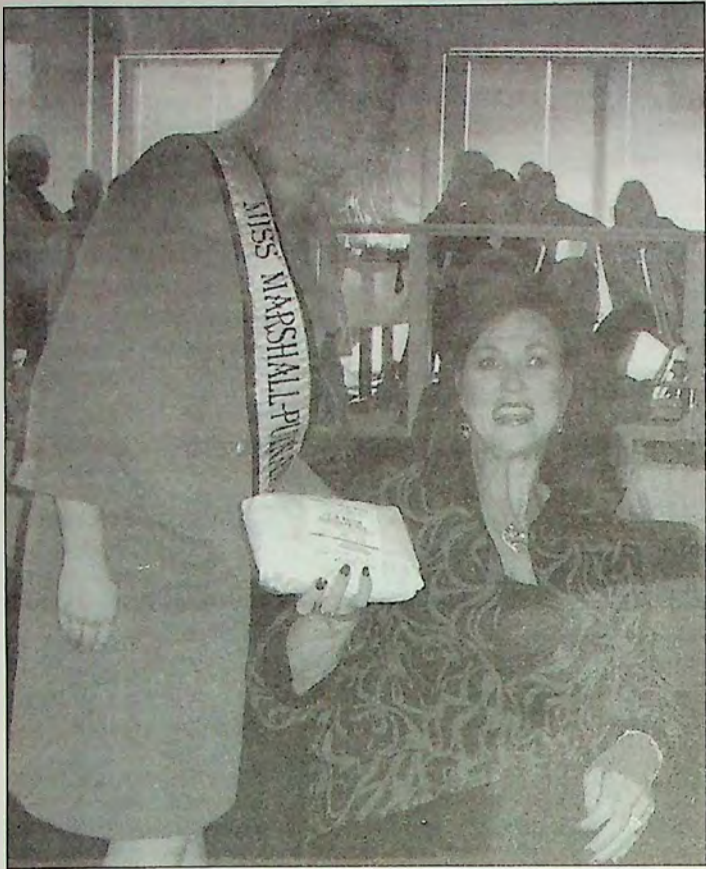
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## Slingsby Attends Annual IL Assn of Ag Fairs



Pictured above is 2010 Miss M-P Fair Queen Krista Shirley delivering a door prize to M-P Fair Queen Coordinator Jodi Slingsby during the annual IL Assn of Ag Fairs Northern Zone meeting. M-P Fair Directors attending the annual meeting were Jovanna Kocher, Michele Monier, Bill and Pat Williams, Greg Shirley, Al and Carol Monier and Darrell and Jeanne Alleman.

## Alleman Runs in Turkey Trot



About 1,000 runners finished the three mile annual Turkey Trot held in Oglesby on Thanksgiving day morning. It is sponsored each year by the Starved Rock Runners Club. Ryan Giuliano won 1st overall from Schaumburg. He had also won the 2009 Turkey Trot. This year's time was 15:34. Pictured above is Greg Alleman, Cross Country runner from Granville and a senior at the University of Wisconsin, Platteville who finished 2nd overall with a time of 15:47. Jacqui Aubert was the top female finishers with a time of 18:57 and a sister of 3rd place winner Nic Aubert.

## Pletsch Performed at Augustana

Augustana presented its third annual "Christmas at Augustana" holiday concert-which has sold out in previous years-on Friday, Dec. 3, at 8 p.m. and Saturday, Dec. 4, at 4 p.m. in Centennial Hall (3703 7th Ave.). More than 300 students in the college's choirs, brass ensemble and orchestra will share their musical talents in what promises to be a memorable concert, especially for the Augustana seniors on stage. Performing that evening was Amanda Pletsch, a sophomore from McNabb, majoring in communication sciences & disorders.

For this year's performance, the Augustana Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Daniel Culver, commissioned music faculty member Dr. David Davies to compose an original work. The title of Davies' composition, "Entsprungen," comes from the title of the German Christmas tune "Es ist ein Ros entsprungen" (Lo, How a Rose E're Blooming). The piece draws its inspiration from the doctrine of the incarnation, which Davies considers one of the most fascinating aspects of the Christmas story.

The North Central Bank will be hosting its Annual Christmas Open House at our Hennepin location on Fri., Dec. 10th and Sat., Dec. 11th during regular business hours.

We will also be honoring Pat Morine for her 29 years of outstanding service with North Central Bank and sending her many well wishes as she retires at the end of the year. Please join us for this very happy occasion.

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The National Organization of Agriculture Students

### •• Successful Christmas Fruit Season

The Annual PC FFA Fruit Sales Program for Christmas was wrapped up. The chapter's goal of \$4,000 in sales was surpassed by over \$6,000 sold. The fruit will be distributed on 12/10 from the Ag. Shop. Each member who sold will receive a % of the profit with the winning sales person receiving a \$200 prize. All those who sold will receive a pizza party from Mr. Wragge. The fruit from Blue Freedom Fruit in Sterling is top quality and sold at a reasonable price. Over 25 members sold fruit. The chapter thanks the community for the great support!!

### •• PC Livestock Team Takes 1st

The PC FFA Livestock Judging Team participated in the Annual Illinois Sheep Show at the U of I livestock pavilion on Nov. 27th along with FFA and 4-H teams from the entire state. There were four ring classes and two question classes with about 80 team members judging. Classes of Dorset, Oxford, Hampshire and Suffolk were shown by top breeders and bloodlines in the Midwest. Body confirmation, muscling

and breed character were traits stressed by the officials. The PC team took 1st with Matt Whew Wink, Levy Harms, Tony Passini and Brandon Rehn. This event is unique in that it is entirely made up of various breeds of sheep.

## Hospital Update

### •• St. Margaret's Donates to United Way's Angel Tree Program

St. Margaret's Hospital, on behalf of the United Way, again sponsored the Angel Tree to help give 90 deserving children new toys this Christmas. In St. Margaret's Lobby, star ornaments were hung on the Angel Tree each having the gender and age of a child newborn through eighth grade. Thanks to the generosity of the employees at St. Margaret's Hospital, 90 children will receive toys this holiday season.

Parents of the children selected as toy recipients will be able to select gifts from the United Way "Toy Store."

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## Gil Patterson to Visit PCHS

Gil Patterson, Oakland A's pitching coordinator and former pitching coach of the A's and Toronto Blue Jays, is coming to PCHS Dec. 11 & 12. On the 11th @ 6 p.m. to 7:30 Gil Patterson will host a Coaches/Parents Clinic to discuss proper throwing techniques and mechanics for players of all ages in the gym.

Cost is \$25 made payable to the PC Baseball Program.

On the 12th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Gil will host three different pitching clinics for players, ages 10-12, 13-15 and 16-18. Cost is \$50 and there are a few spots left. To register for the camp, call David Garcia at 630/370-2022 or stop by the high school during working hours to register.

Gil Patterson is a former 1st Round Draft Pick of the New York Yankees and won a World Series with New York in 1977. He has been a pitching coach/coordinator for the past 12 years.

Don't miss out on this rare opportunity to work with and ask questions to a major league pitching coach.



## PCES Gets Dairy-Fully-Fueled!

The Putnam County Elementary School gymnasium was transformed into a nutrition and fitness playground. The St. Louis Dairy Council, along with support from local dairy farmers, traveled to thirty-two schools in IL and MO with a unique, mobile health tour. Bringing with them a climbing wall, a bungee-cord run, football toss, interactive computer games, vertical jump, milk refueling station, yogurt swirl 'money machine', and professional football player equipment, the students celebrated healthy eating and physical fitness that was a hit with the students and staff, alike. The tour was free of charge and granted through the application process. Thank you goes to Christine Sabotta for writing the grant and bringing the program here. To learn more about the event, please visit [www.dairyfullyfueled.com](http://www.dairyfullyfueled.com).

## Putnam County Earns 1st Wrestling High School Championship

On Saturday, November 27 Kyle Kinczewski won three straight matches to win the first High School championship at the Sterling/Newman tournament. The P.C. Wrestling team arrived Saturday morning and competed in a 12 team tournament that lasted all day.

P.C. took ten wrestlers and six placed in the top six.

Kyle Kinczewski - Champion  
1st match - Defeated Jake Head (Oregon) by pin 1:08

2nd match - Defeated Tanner Schudt (Naverith) by pin 1:38

Final Match - Defeated Jacob Tiemeier (UT) by default. Kyle was leading the match 4-2 in the 3rd period and his opponent did an illegal move giving him a victory by default. Well fought match and deserved the win!

Josh Kriewald - 3rd Place  
1st match - Defeated Matt Pulaski (Sauk Valley) by pin: 40 seconds

2nd match - Lost to Jacob Deihl (Oregon) by pin 3:48 seconds

3rd match - Defeated John Heines (Marquette) by pin :26 seconds

Josh wrestled aggressive and went right to work as you can see by his pinning times.

D.J. Martin - 4th Place  
1st match - Defeated Jacob Monier (NW) by pin 5 minutes 30 seconds

2nd match - Lost to Jacob Tiemeier (UT) by pin 1:41

3rd Match - Lost to Tanner Schudt (Naverith) by pin: 59 seconds

D.J. wrestled very tough and did extremely well for his first tournament and wrestling for only 3 weeks. His first match was a fight to the end match and he came out victorious.

Dakota Irelan - 4th place  
1st match - Defeated Robbie Brunley (Naverith) by pin in the third period 4minutes 55 seconds

2nd match - lost to Andy Abitua (Sauk Valley) by pin in the second period

3rd match - Lost to Elliot Jenson (Newman) by Tech Fall in the third period.

He never have up in his finals match. No matter how many times he was put on his back he

didn't get pinned. That is what we call pride!

Tyrell Fooockle - 5th place  
1st match - lost to Eric Sarniento (Sauk Valley) by fall 2 minutes 36 seconds

2nd match - Defeated Travis Burke (Oregon) by pin: 56 seconds

3rd match - Defeated Mike Stec (St, Bede) by pin: 26 seconds

4th Match - Defeated Ryan Kelsey (Newman) by fall: 29 seconds

5th match - defeated Eric Sarniento (Sauk Valley) by Fall 2 minutes 11 seconds

You can see Tyrell did a lot of wrestling and in the end defeated the wrestler he first lost to. That says a lot about an athlete that it isn't over till it's over!

Blake Doyle - 6th place  
1st match - Defeated Jake White (Dixon) by fall 3 minutes and 5 seconds

2nd match - Lost to Andy Abitua (Sauk Valley) by fall in the second period

3rd match - Defeated Lucas Kocovee (Sauk Valley) by fall in: 26 seconds

4th match - Defeated Robbie Brinley (St. Bede) by fall in the second period

5th match - lost to Steven Schailhorn (Prophetstown) by fall: 45 seconds

Blake went 3-2 for the day and wrestled a tough tournament. Being his 1st tournament ever, he showed he is tough enough to be on the mat with anyone.

Jon Witzman - went 2-2 for the day and defeating Andrew Jarbill (PO) and Lucas Stinach (Nazerith). For his 1st tournament and only wrestling 3 weeks he made a great accomplishment.

Jacob Levy - went 1-2 for the day by defeating Adam Gillardo (Prophetstown)

I was proud to be in the corner with every Putnam County wrestler. They all wrestled with determination and didn't roll over for anybody. If you see them walking down the halls or in the store give them a pat on the back, because they deserve it!

Coach Jerry Kriewald



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I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for Illinois Valley Community College Dist. No. 51, Counties of LaSalle, Bureau, Marshall, Lee, Putnam, DeKalb, Grundy, Livingston, State of Illinois, for 2010 will be held on December 20, 2010, at 6:30 p.m. in room C-307 at Illinois Valley Community College, 815 North Orlando Smith Road, Oglesby, Illinois.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Cheryl Roelfsema, Vice President for business Services & Finance, Illinois Valley Community College, 815 North Orlando Smith Road, Oglesby, Illinois, phone number 815-224-0419.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended for 2009 were \$9,687,330.

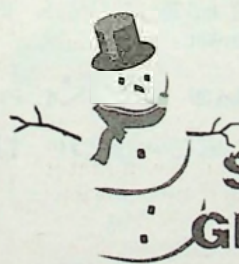
The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2010 are \$10,353,500. This represents a 6.9 percent increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service for 2009 were \$1,265,147.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service for 2010 are \$1,265,000. This represents a decrease over the previous year.

IV. The total property taxes extended for 2009 were \$10,952,477.

The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2010 are \$11,618,500. This represents a 6.1 percent increase over the previous year.



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# Putnam County Obituaries

## Vivian Kierski

1923-2010

Vivian Kierski, 87, of Seatonville died at 12:55 a.m. Dec. 1, 2010, in Manor Court, Princeton.

Services were at noon Saturday, December 4 in Barto Funeral Home, Spring Valley. The Rev. Laura Root officiated. Cremation followed services. Burial will be at Valley Memorial Park at a later date.

She was born Nov. 10, 1923, in Ladd to Glen and Catherine (Carruthers) Sparling. She married Ralph Kierski.

Survivors are four sons, Richard (Dorothy) Kierski of Hennepin, Randy (Carol) Kierski, Lance (Cinda) Kierski and Layne (Lorri) Kierski, all of rural Princeton; two daughters, Kathy Manning and Terri Kierski, both of Spring Valley; six grandchildren, Scott, Brad, Jessi and Matt Kierski, Colleen Mueller and Stacey Goodrum; 10 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband on April 5, 1997; one grandson, Shawn Kierski; and two brothers.

## Jean Milaicki

1916-2010

Jean "Gina" (Belei) Milaicki, 94, of Peru died December 1, 2010, in Manor Court of Peru.

Mass of Christian burial was at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, December 4 in St. Valentine Catholic Church, Peru. The Rev. William Gardner, pastor, officiated. Burial was in St. Hyacinth Cemetery, La Salle. Arrangements were through Mueller Funeral Home, Peru.

She was born April 20, 1916, in Mark to Vincent and Mary (Silvestrini) Belei. She married Anton J. Milaicki on Dec. 26, 1945, at Sacred Heart Church, Granville.

Mrs. Milaicki and her husband owned and operated Tony's Tap in Peru and La Salle for more than 40 years. She was a member of St. Valentine Church, La Salle Elks and the Altar and Rosary Society. She was a senior league bowler for several years.

She is survived by her daughter, Joyce (Ron) Karun of Peru; grandson, Commander Ronald (Rebecca) Karun, Jr. of Port Matilda, PA; great-grandson, John Anthony Karun; a brother, Anton "Tony" Belei of Portage, IN; and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband on April 30, 1989; and one sister, Angeline Martis.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the donor's choice.

The online guestbook may be viewed and remembrances shared at [www.MuellerFH.com](http://www.MuellerFH.com).



## Rhonda Marshall

Rhonda Jean Marshall, 45, of Spring Valley passed away on Thursday, Dec. 2, 2010 at her residence after a brief illness.



Marshall

Services were at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2010 at the Dysart - Cofoid Funeral Chapel, Granville. The Rev. Lisa Nelson officiated.

Burial was in Granville Cemetery.

Visitation was from 5 - 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 6, 2010 at the Dysart - Cofoid Funeral Chapel, Granville.

Rhonda will be lovingly remembered for her faith in Christ, her love for her family and her love for a warm sunny sandy beach.

She was born on May 14, 1965 in Spring Valley to Ron and Rita (Passini) Boyd. She married John A. Marshall on Dec. 1, 1989 in Spring Valley.

She was a homemaker and a member of Eagle Rock Christian Center. She was also a member of the Peru Eagle Ladies Auxiliary.

She is survived by her husband John of Spring Valley; her step father, Andrew Hochlan of Spring Valley; three sons, Robert Fitzpatrick, Eric Fitzpatrick and John S. Marshall at home; two daughters, Tonya Fitzpatrick and Lynette Marshall at home; one granddaughter, Leah Kelley also at home; and one brother, James R. Boyd of Spring Valley.

She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, Lynette Aeschliman.

Pallbearers were Lisa Nelson, Robin Rose, Marietta Mazak, Joanne Buczkowski, Pat Adante, Lisa Grisham and Melissa Rose.

Memorial contributions may be directed to Eagle Rock Christian Center.

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by Lonii Jones

Social Security District Manager in Peru

Social Security's homepage, [www.socialsecurity.gov](http://www.socialsecurity.gov), has a new look!

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- Extra Help with Medicare prescription drug costs;
- services for people who already receive benefits; and
- getting or replacing a Social Security card.

You can find great information categorized by general topic at the top of the home page, including Retirement, Disability, Survivors, Supplemental Security Income, Medicare, and Business Services. At the center of the page you'll find information targeted for specific groups, such as Congress, the press, wounded warriors, government employees, as well as useful links ranging from emergency office closings to getting help with your situation. You'll also find information about our agency, such as careers with Social Security, and the history of Social Security.

A news section keeps readers up to date on important Social Security news, and a large question mark to the right of the page takes you to our frequently asked questions.

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## Hear His Word

EFFECTIVE PRAYER: James 5:16b; John 9:31

Even the Pharisees knew this fact; "We know God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is God-fearing and does His will, He hears him." Sounds very much like, "the effective fervent prayers of a righteous man avails much" God knows the heart!

Ephesians 3:14-21:

POWER IN PRAYER: Praying for the Church!

Eph. 3:14-15: For "this cause" The church

Paul's prayer is simple and specific: Eternal plan of God, Life of the Christian believer

Matthew 6:15-16 - "If you do not forgive, you will not be forgiven"

• Pray to the Father of our Lord—Jesus Christ

• Pray for the whole family of God—Past and Present.

• Pray for this Church and for all Christian believers.

• Pray for those who are yet to come to Christ

• II Chronicles 15:2: "The Lord is with you when you are with Him. If you forsake the Lord, He will forsake you

• II Chronicles 16:9: "God supports those whose hearts are completely His

REQUEST 1: - STRENGTH AND POWER

QUESTION: How do we know God will hear and answer prayer?

ANSWER: Eph 2:4-10 According to His riches; Acts 1:8 Power of the Holy Spirit, II Cor.2:9-10 God's grace is sufficient... Isaiah 41:10 Fear not, I am with you!

REQUEST 2: - HAVE CHRIST RULE AND REIGN

1. For Christ to dwell—live permanently within your inner man

2. Permanent means—to settle down, have Him put down roots within you

BIBLICAL FAITH: Belief and Commitment IS Truth and Reality

REQUEST 3: - LOVE

1. Love for others—as Christ loves you.

2. Love is gratitude—love the sinner—hate the sin!

REQUEST 4: - UNDERSTANDING

1. Understand/grasp God's eternal love---God's eternal home---God's eternal plan---Salvation

2. Eph 1:3-14: The great blessings of God

3. Eph 1:15-23 Knowledge and Power of God

4. Eph 2:1-10 Mercy and Grace of God

5. Eph 2:11-18 Reconciliation and Peace through Christ Jesus

6. Eph 2:19-22 The Church—who and what it is

7. Eph 3:1-13 The body of people—the great mystery of Christ

REQUEST 5: - TO KNOW THE LOVE OF CHRIST

Love—perfect in all respects...Christ died for us..."while we were yet sinner..."

REQUEST 6: - FULLNESS OF GOD

1. John 14:16, 23 Each person of the Godhead-Trinity

2. Strength and Power by the Holy Spirit

4. Fullness of God and His presence—fill or flood our soul

5. Love of Christ Jesus—lover of our soul

REQUEST 7: - ENCOURAGEMENT IN PRAYER

GOD IS ABLE:

• To raise up children from stones - Luke 3:8

• To fulfill His promises—even if humanly impossible - Romans

4:21

• To make grace abound - II Corinthians 9:8

• To do exceedingly and abundantly - Eph 3:20

• To keep from falling - Jude 24

SO---WHAT IS

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## Cargill to Award 350 Scholarships for Class of 2011

Cargill will award \$350,000 in scholarships to high-school seniors who live in communities where Cargill has operations and plan to enroll in post-secondary education next fall.

The national program will award 350 scholarships of \$1,000. In addition, each recipient's high school will receive a \$200 grant. National FFA will process the applications and select the scholarship recipients, although students do not need to be FFA members to be eligible for Cargill's program. Students are chosen based on academic achievement and leadership in extracurricular and community activities.

"We are pleased to join FFA in recognizing outstanding students and supporting their educational goals," said Steve Heiden, Northern Illinois FSG Leader for Cargill. "We recognize that our continued success depends on the growth and health of our communities and partners, including our local schools and young people."

"FFA prepares young people to lead, grow and achieve future success in more than 300 diverse careers through agricultural education," said Dr. Larry D. Case, chief executive officer of the National FFA Organization. "FFA scholarships are paving the way for future industry leaders to get the education they deserve."

Scholarship guidelines and the application are available at [www.cargill.com](http://www.cargill.com), keyword scholarship, and [www.ffa.org](http://www.ffa.org). The application requires the signature of a local Cargill employee. Applications are due at 5 p.m. EST on Feb. 15, 2011. Scholarships will be awarded in May 2011.

## RVP Announces Auditions

Auditions for "The Wizard of Oz" will be held January 15 and 16 2011 at St Mary's Community Center Henry.

River Valley Players announces auditions for "The Wizard of Oz" to be presented April 1, 2, 3, and 8, 9, 10, 2011. Auditions for children 12 and under will be Saturday January 15 at 2:00 p.m. (Note: Youth ages 13 and over will audition with adults on Sunday). A brief workshop on the audition process will be provided prior to auditions. Children auditioning should be prepared to sing (all participants will learn a portion of "We are Off to See the Wizard,") and wear comfortable clothing for stage movement. Parents or legal guardian must accompany any child that plans on auditioning to discuss the level of expectations and the parent's role in supporting those selected to be in the cast.

Auditions for Youth 13 and over and adults will be held Sunday January 16 at 2:00. Auditioners should bring a prepared song to sing. A pianist will be provided (it is preferred to bring sheet music). Wear comfortable clothing for stage movement and dance that will taught during the audition process.

## PC TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS & CRIMINAL ACTIVITY NOVEMBER 2010

Edward L. Blackburn, Dixon, driving 13-20 mph over limit, \$120

John R. Boehm, Standard, seat belt required/driver, \$60

Richard J. Britz, Morris, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision

Emily B. Burnham, Pennington NJ, poss amt con sur except (A)/(D), \$5,000 + 24 mo probation/spec cond

Woo S. Chow, Wheeling, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120

Andrew N. Cioni, Hennepin, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision

Dustin J. Davis, Spring Valley, disregard stop sign, \$85

Keith A. Delacruzham, Sheffield, disregard stop sign, \$120; drivign on suspended license, \$750 + 12 mo supervision

Melissa A. Esquivel, Spring Valley, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision

Ignacio Gonzalez, Wheeling, possess cannabis <2.5 grams, \$1,220 + 3 mo supervision

Victor A. Gonzalez, Chilli-cothe, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120

Cody J. Guynn, Lostant, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision

Joseph M. Hoskins, Lacon, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision

Zachary S. Mekely, Granville, operated uninsured mtr vehicle, \$175 + 12 mo supervision

Alicia D. Mills, Spring Valley, driving 11-14 mph over limit, \$125

Sunh Reddy Musilreddy, Peoria, driving 21-25 mph over limit, \$140

Rovert J. Nauman, Oglesby, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120

Michael P. Prince, Wyanet, seat belt required/driver, \$60

Angela D. Quibodeajx, Henry drvg under influ/bac 0.08, \$2,000 + 24 mo conditional discharge

Maria R. Rocha, DePue, driving/never issued license, \$500

Theresa L. Shank, Henry, fail to reduce speed, \$120

Matthew L. Smith, LaMoille, driving on suspended license, \$820 - 12 mo supervision

Jessica L. Stanley, Oglesby, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$80

Jerry K. Stocking, Mineral, over on Gross CL I-III/1st-3rd, \$700

Norissa L. Toovey, Granville, driving 1-502 mph over limit, \$230 + 6 mo supervision

Luis A. Villagomes Orosco, Spring Valley, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120

Isiah N. Weime, Hennepin, Aid/abet permTTL/Plate, \$810 + 12 mo supervision

Donald L. Whitler, Toluca, driving 21-25 mph over limit, \$280

## PUTNAM COUNTY PROPERTY TRANSFERS NOVEMBER 2010

19-Dale Greenwood to Mark Judd and Mary Judd. E-lot 3, blk 20, Village of Hennepin w/ exceptions

22-Scott S. Smith to Harvey L. Lester. D-Pt. N1/2, N21/4, Sec 35, Twp 31, R2W (\$89,000)

22-James Thomas Barnes and James Edward Barnes as Trustees to Allen O. Albers and Coral L. Albers. D-lot 1 & 2, Blk 11, Village of Granville w/ exceptions (\$18,000)

24-Galyn Clark to Robert E. Whitney and Jacqueline Lee Whitney. D-Pt. E/12, SE1/4, Sec 26, Twp 31N, R1W and Pt. W1/2, SW1/4, Sec 25, Twp 31N, R1W (\$177,845)

## DECEMBER 2010

1-Nicholas E. Novak to William Reaska, Jr. and April Casey-Reaska. D-Pt lots 5 & 6, Blk 9, Village of Granville w/ exceptions (\$63,000)



**BLOMQUIST** - Daniel Blomquist of Oglesby and Jade Magnafici of Granville became the parents of a son, Bradley Louis, on November 28, 2010 in SMH, Spring Valley.

**DOLDER** - Ed and Tina (Bergen) Dolder of Granville became parents of a son on December 1, 2010 in IVCH, Peru.

**MCDONALD** - Jason and Courtney (Christensen) McDonald of Hennepin became parents of a son on December 1, 2010 in IVCH, Peru.



*He's Making a List & Checking it Twice - Naughty? Nice?*

## School Menus

### BREAKFAST:

11/6) Bagel w/ cream cheese, Gogurt, Apple, Milk

11/7) Donut w/ powdered sugar OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Orange juice, Milk

11/8) French toast sticks OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ peanut butter, Orange juice, Milk

11/9) Funnel cake OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Orange juice, Milk

11/10) Bagel w/ sausage & cheese OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ peanut butter, Applesauce, Milk

### LUNCH:

11/6) Corn dog, Scalloped potatoes, Green beans, Ice cream cup, Milk

11/7) Chicken nuggets, Cooked carrots, Bread & butter, Peaches, Milk

11/8) Cheese pizza, Salad w/ FF dressing OR Vegetable, Pears, Vanilla wafers, Milk

### 11/9) COOK'S CHOICE

11/10) Nachos supreme w/ chili, cheese, sour cream & salsa, Salad, Fruit cobbler, Milk

## Putnam County Achievement Services, Inc.

### Luncheon Menu

Those wishing to enjoy lunch at the Senior Center in Standard should be advised they need to call in reservations at least 24 hours in advance of the date they wish to go. Call 815/339-2711 or 800/757-4579. \*Denotes diabetic serving

12/8) Beef stew w/potatoes, green beans, spinach salad w/ dressing, blushing pears, wheat bread

12/9) Chef's Special 12/10) Chicken rice casserole, broccoli florets, three-bean salad, plum halves, wheat bread

12/13) Turkey Ala king, mashed potatoes, steam peas, fresh orange, buttermilk biscuit

12/14) Veal Parmesan, spaghetti noodles, steamed cauliflower, Romaine salad w/ dressing, fruit cocktail, wheat bread

12/15) Golden 100: Suggested donation - \$5: Quarter baked chicken, baked potato/gravy, carrots/tossed salad, dinner roll, apple pie

12/16) Fish square, au gratin potatoes, steamed spinach, sliced peaches, tarter sauce, bun

12/17) BBQ chicken breast, baked beans, steamed carrots, pineapple juice, wheat bread

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# World Record Attempt to Kick Off Nation's Observance of the Civil War Sesquicentennial in February, 2011

People of all ages are invited to help set a new Guinness World Records™ as part of the national kickoff of the Civil War Sesquicentennial.

The 150th anniversary observance of the Civil War will begin on February 11 2011, exactly 150 years after Abraham Lincoln left Springfield, on his Inaugural journey as President-elect to Washington, D.C. Lincoln made an impromptu speech that day from the Great Western Depot before departing Springfield for the last time. The speech will be re-enacted at that same depot at 11 a.m. Central Standard Time on February 11, 2011 and organizers are inviting people from around the world to join in and simultaneously read Lincoln's Farewell Address through a variety of live media links that will be set up for that purpose.

The Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, GateHouse Media, the National Park Service, the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum, Abraham Lincoln National Heritage Area, and the Looking for Lincoln Heritage Coalition encourage everyone to join in this simultaneous reading. Many sites associated with these sponsors will allow the public to participate on-site in the live Guinness World Records™ attempt.

The Great Western Depot, the site of the original Farewell Speech as well as the February 11, 2011 re-enactment, is owned and operated by The State Journal-Register, the GateHouse Media newspaper for Springfield.

"This is a rare opportunity to relive our nation's history and honor Springfield's finest citizen as he boarded the train bound for Washington, DC to be inaugurated the 16th President of the United States," said Walt Lafferty, publisher of The State Journal-Register.

According to Guinness World Records™, the record for the most people reading aloud from the same document simultaneously is 223,363 participants at 909 venues across the United States for an event organized by Walden Media on December 13, 2006. Organizers of the February 11 event are confident they can break the existing world record while officially opening the nation's Civil War Sesquicentennial observance.

Guinness World Records™ requires specific documentation for this attempt. Those documents and world record attempt instructions may be downloaded at: <http://extras.sj-r.com/r/depot>.

A similar world record attempt by the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library and Museum to simultaneously read the Gettysburg Address on Lincoln's 200th birthday, February 12, 2009, garnered 180,000 documented participants. Although short of the world record, the lessons learned from that attempt have been put to use in planning the February 11, 2011 reading.

The text of the speech to be used by readers on February 11 follows:

Abraham Lincoln's February 11, 1861 Farewell Address, Great Western Depot, Springfield

"My friends - No one, not in my situation, can appreciate my feeling of sadness at this parting. To this place, and the

kindness of these people, I owe every thing. Here I have lived a quarter of a century, and have passed from a young to an old man. Here my children have been born, and one is buried. I now leave, not knowing when, or whether ever, I may return, with a task before me greater than that which rested upon Washington. Without the assistance of that Divine Being, who ever attended him, I cannot succeed. With that assistance I cannot fail. Trusting in Him, who can go with me, and remain with you and be every where for good, let us confidently hope that all will yet be well. To His care commending you, as I hope in your prayers you will commend me, I bid you an affectionate farewell."

Since Guinness World Records™ requires the record-breaking reading to last at least five minutes, participants will read the Farewell Address several times until the five-minute threshold is met.

The following have been confirmed as Illinois locations where the public may participate in the simultaneous reading. For the most up-to-date listing, visit <http://extras.sj-r.com/r/depot>. In addition, any group of people with access to live media coverage of the event may participate wherever they may be.

- Beardstown: Beardstown Courthouse
- Bement: Bryant Cottage State Historic Site (reading to take place at local school gym)
- Bishop Hill: Bishop Hill State Historic Site
- Bloomington: David Davis Mansion State Historic Site
- Danville: Vermilion County Museum
- Decatur: Macon County Museum
- Elizabeth: Apple River Fort State Historic Site
- Galena: Ulysses S. Grant Home State Historic Site
- Hartford: Lewis and Clark State Historic Site
- Lincoln: Lincoln College Museum
- Mahomet: Early American Museum
- Metamora: Metamora Courthouse State Historic Site
- Mt. Pulaski: Mt. Pulaski Courthouse State Historic Site
- Rock Island: Black Hawk State Historic Site
- Springfield: Lincoln Home National Historic Site, Old State Capitol State Historic Site
- Taylorville: Christian

County Historical Society  
In addition, the communities of Alton, Clinton, Jacksonville, Pittsfield, and Quincy have indicated they will participate, with a specific location to be determined. As additional reading venues are made available to those who would like to take part in the world record attempt, those venues will be listed at <http://extras.sj-r.com/r/depot>.

History - The morning of departure, February 11, 1861

February 11, 1861, the day before Abraham Lincoln's fifty-second birthday, dawned cloudy and drizzly, but was an improvement over the cold, snowy weather that had preceded it. "Hard King Frost and soft Queen Thaw" had come "to a tussle," as Harper's Weekly put it.

Abraham Lincoln had breakfast at the Chenery House hotel where the family had been staying. At about 7:30 a.m. he asked the proprietor about his wife's health, then walked into the hotel office to get his luggage ready for the impending train trip. Lincoln used a rope to tie shut his family's packed suitcases, and then used a handful of Chenery House note cards to label each bag with the simple, "A. Lincoln, White House, Washington D.C." An African American porter and family friend, Jameson Jenkins, placed the bags in a cart and took them to the train station.

Lincoln climbed aboard a carriage and traveled the muddy streets to the newly remodeled Great Western depot on the east end of town, just a few blocks from the family's former home. A group of well-wishers followed the carriage, but Lincoln said little. His secretary John Nicolay said the "stormy morning" made the mood one of "subdued anxiety, almost of solemnity."

The first thing Lincoln saw at the depot, besides the "vast concourse" of about one thousand friends and neighbors who had gathered to see him off, was the train. It consisted of a modern Rogers locomotive with a towering funnel stack, a baggage car, and a bright yellow passenger car adorned with patriotic bunting.

The crowd cheered and shouted words of encouragement as Lincoln proceeded into the depot and shook dozens of hands. Although the crowd was large, Lincoln would later

recount it was full of people "almost all of whom I could recognize."

Abraham Lincoln bid farewell to his wife about 8 a.m. - she was going to shop in St. Louis and then join her husband's train in Indianapolis. Then the crowd parted as Lincoln and his entourage moved to board the train.

The train bells clanged at 8 a.m. Lincoln climbed the steps of the rear passenger car and turned to face the crowd. He removed his signature stove pipe hat; the men in the crowd followed suit by removing their hats in the cold drizzle. Then, even though he had prepared no written remarks, Lincoln began a brief, poignant and emotional speech.

"My friends - No one, not in my situation, can appreciate my feeling of sadness at this parting. To this place, and the kindness of these people, I owe everything. Here I have lived a quarter of a century, and have passed from a young to an old man. Here my children have been born, and one is buried. I now leave, not knowing when, or whether ever, I may return, with a task before me greater than that which rested upon Washington. Without the assistance of that Divine Being, who ever attended him, I cannot succeed. With that assistance I cannot fail. Trusting in Him, who can go with me, and remain with you and be everywhere for good, let us confidently hope that all will yet be well. To His care commending you, as I hope in your prayers you will commend me, I bid you an affectionate farewell."

Abraham Lincoln was inaugurated as the 16th President of the United States on March 4, 1861. He had been President for just over a month when the April 12, 1861 bombardment of Fort Sumter heralded the beginning of the worst crisis to ever face the nation or its chief executive.



## In a Child's World

**GOOD SAMARITAN**  
A Sunday school teacher was telling her class the story of the Good Samaritan. She asked the class, "If you saw a person lying on the roadside, all wounded and bleeding, what would you do?" A thoughtful little girl broke the hushed silence, "I think I'd throw up."

**DID NOAH FISH?**  
A Sunday school teacher asked, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark?"

"No," replied Johnny. "How could he, with just two worms."

**THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD**  
A Sunday School teacher decided to have her young class memorize one of the most quoted passages in the Bible - Psalm 23.

She gave the youngsters a month to learn the chapter. Little Rick was excited about the task - but he just couldn't remember the Psalm. After much practice, he could barely get past the first line. On the day that the kids were scheduled to recite Psalm 23 in front of the congregation, Ricky was so nervous. When it was his turn, he stepped up to the microphone and said proudly, "The Lord is my Shepherd, and that's all I need to know."

**UNANSWERED PRAYER**  
The preacher's 5 year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day, she asked him why.

"Well, Honey," he began, proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. "I'm asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon."

"How come He doesn't answer it?" she asked.

**BEING THANKFUL**  
A Rabbi said to a precocious six-year-old boy, "So your mother says your prayers for you each night? That's very commendable. What does she say?"

The little boy replied, "Thank God he's in bed!"

**ALL MEN / ALL GIRLS**  
When my daughter, Kelli, said her bedtime prayers, she would bless every family member, every friend, and every animal (current and past). For several weeks, after we had finished the nightly prayer, Kelli would say, "And all girls." This soon became part of her nightly routine, to include this closing. My curiosity got the best of me and I asked her, "Kelli, why do you always add! The part about all girls?" Her response,

"Because everybody always finish their prayers by saying 'All Men!'"

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15-1x-nc

# Legals

## LEGAL PUBLICATION LEGAL NOTICE VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE

## PETITION FILING

Petitions for the Village of Granville Trustee's positions will be accepted at the Granville Village Hall from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm Wednesday December 15th. Petitions will also be accepted at the Granville Village Hall from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm on Monday December 20th. December 20th is the FINAL day to file. Please feel free to call the Village Hall from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm Tuesday through Saturday at 339-6333 with any questions.

A lottery will be held at the Granville Village Hall for the April 2011 election on Monday December 20th at 7:30pm. The lottery will determine the order of filing of the candidates who filed simultaneously for the same office.

14-2x-npd

## LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS

FIRST STATE BANK, an Illinois Banking Association, Plaintiffs

vs.

TRACY FARLEY And TINA K. FARLEY, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant.

NO. 2010-CH-22

## NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, ALL NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants in the above entitled cause, that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action was filed on November 22nd, 2010 and is now pending.

1. The names of all Plaintiffs and the case number are identified above.

2. The court in which said action was brought is identified above.

3. The names of the titleholders of record are TRACY FARLEY and TINA K. FARLEY.

4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

Lots 115, 116, and 177 in Paterson's Addition to the Village of Magnolia, Putnam County, Illinois.

Permanent Index No. 04-99-037-050

5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 200 North Bloomington Street, Magnolia IL 61336

6. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

a. Names of Mortgagors: Tracy Farley and Tina K. Farley

b. Name of Mortgagee: First State Bank

c. Date of Mortgage: August 3, 2007

d. Date of Recording: August 21, 2007

e. County where Recorded: Putnam County, Illinois

f. Recording Document Identification: Document No. 2007-985

NOW, THEREFORE, unless you ALL NONRECORD CLAIMANTS AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants, file your answer to the complaint for foreclosure in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Putnam County, Illinois, held in the Putnam County Courthouse, in the City of Hennepin, 120 North Fourth Street, Hennepin, Illinois 61327 on or before the 30th day of January, 2011, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a judgment for foreclosure entered in accordance with the prayer of the complaint for foreclosure.

Cathy J. Oliveri Circuit Clerk of Putnam County

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## LEGAL PUBLICATION NOTICE

The filing period for Village of Standard petitions for the April 5, 2011 Consolidated Election is December 13, 2010 through De-

ember 20, 2010. Petitions are to be filed with the Standard Village Clerk. You may reach the village clerk, Deb Holmes at 915/252-9386.

15-1x-npd

## LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS RE: HENNEPIN DRAINAGE AND LEEVE DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM AND STATE OF ILLINOIS No. 64-MR-72

### DRAINAGE NOTICE

To: Owners of Record of Hennepin Drainage and Levee District Notice is hereby given as follows:

1. That a Petition to Levy an Annual Maintenance Assessment, the Financial Report of the Commissioners of the Hennepin Drainage and Levee District covering the period of October 1, 2009 to and including September 30, 2010, and Annual Maintenance Assessment Roll have been filed with the Circuit Clerk of Putnam County, Illinois. The authority sought from the Court is to levy the annual maintenance assessment in the total amount of \$75,469.27 for 2011.

2. Hearing on the above referenced Petition and Financial Report will be held by the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Putnam County, Illinois, at the Circuit Courtroom in the Courthouse in Hennepin, Illinois on December 30, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. at which time and place objections thereto, if any, will be heard.

Dated: December 3, 2010 Eric S. Swartz, Attorney for District Commissioners

Cathy J. Oliveri, Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Putnam County, Illinois

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15-2x-npd

## LEGAL PUBLICATION

The Village of McNabb will be holding a public hearing on Wednesday, December 8 at 6:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.

This hearing is to review and pass the new Village Zoning Ordinance.

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## LEGAL PUBLICATION

Petitions (and other required election documents) for Trustee positions and Clerk position for the Village of Hennepin, will be accepted beginning Monday, December 13th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and also Tuesday through Friday, the 14th - 17th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The final day petitions will be accepted is on Monday, December 20th from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Please call the clerk's office at 815/925-7138 if you have any questions.

The Village of Hennepin

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## LEGAL PUBLICATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

RE: State of Illinois Para transit Vehicle Grant for the Putnam County Achievement Service.

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by: Putnam County Achievement Center.

On: December 29th, 2010 at 9:00am

Where: Putnam County Senior Center, 128 First St, Standard, IL

In: Main Conference Room

I. For the purpose of considering a project for which financial assistance is being sought from the Illinois Department of Transportation, pursuant to the Illinois Department of Transportation's general authority to Grants, and which is generally described as follows:

a. Purpose Putnam County Achievement Service is seeking funding for two vehicles for the purpose of public and medical transportation. One (1) Para transit MiniVan with the seating capacity of six, and one (1) Medium Duty Para transit Vehicle with the seating capacity of 14. Total capital request for this grant application is \$94,000.

This project will be included in a Consolidated Vehicle Procure-

ment undertaken by the State of Illinois on behalf of Putnam County Achievement Service, with State and Federal funds.

b. Relocation Relocation Assistance will not be required.

c. Environment This project is being implemented to minimize environmental impact.

d. Comprehensive Planning This project is conformance with comprehensive transportation planning in the area.

e. Elderly and Disabled All new equipment included in this project will meet ADA accessibility rules for the elderly and persons with disabilities.

II. At the hearing, the Putnam County Achievement Service will afford an opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, economic, and environmental aspects of the project. Interested persons may submit orally or in writing, evidence and recommendations with respect to said project.

III. A copy of the application for a state grant for the proposed project for the intended service area will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the Putnam County Achievement Service.

Pat Croissant, Executive Director

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- Lay's Potato Chips, 11 oz.....2/\$6
- Our Family Canned Vegetables, corn, peas, green beans - 15 oz.....2/\$1
- Our Family Kidney, Navy, Pinto, Garbonzo Beans, 15 oz.....89¢
- Era 2X Laundry Liquid, 50 oz.....\$3.29
- Assorted Kleenex Tissue, all.....2/\$3
- Assorted Glad Bags, 28-80 ct.....\$5.99
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*Thank you Granville Township for Your Generosity!*

## Putnam County's David Garcia



Pictured above is PCHS's Varsity Baseball Coach, and River City Rascals Assistant Coach, David Garcia with his daughter, McKenna, giving Dad a big kiss after the River City Rascals won their championship.

by **Darrell Alleman**  
 PCHS World History teacher, varsity baseball coach, freshman class sponsor, and PCJHS and PCHS Athletic Director, David Garcia started his baseball career on the Granville Rotary's Minor League team under Coach Andy Romagnoli. Andy said he knew Dave's father, Bill. He liked Dave's toughness and how he played the game, so he picked him first in the draft. When he drafted Dave, Andy said, "I pick that little spark plug player." Andy asked David what position he wanted to play and David said that he would play anywhere Andy wanted him to play. Andy

said, "I have a spot for you, you're the team catcher," He said DAVID was the team's best clutch hitter.

Dan Cioni was David's second Little League coach and David's father, Bill, was Dan's assistant. Dan said he has coached Little League baseball for 18 years and David was on his first team in 1992. That team won the Bi-County League. Dave caught and pitched on the team and Dave was very competitive and very emotional when they lost or won. He was a leader who spoke up, and always wanted to win, as all the players on the team did.

When this group teamed up

with the McNabb and Hennepin Little Leaguers at PCHS, they went to the State Tournament. Dan also said that Dave came from a good family with good upbringing. Dan remembered when Dave was dating his future wife. She came to a game and parked her car by the UCC church. Dave hit a long foul ball over the fence that hit the sun roof on her car and broke it. Dan and his wife, Darla, still laugh about that.

Dave's grandfather, Gilbert Serafini taught a lot of baseball to Dave. During the summer he took Dave over to LaSalle twice a week to the batting cage at the waterslide on Rt. 6. At the Mark diamond his grandfather had Dave practice hours and hours fielding and hitting. He never missed any of Dave's high school games except Dave's last game when he had to attend a funeral.

Dave played Jr. High baseball for Coach George Bachio, high school baseball for JV Coach Ed Swingel and PC Varsity Coach Ken Jenkins. Ken said the biggest two things about Dave was his leadership and his work effort. He was a really good leader, and played extremely well. Before a game they had a huddle. Ken said he would step away and let Dave say what he wanted. When this team was seniors, they were 24-4 beating several good teams. The players played tough and stuck together.

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## Christmas Basket Reminder

The Putnam County Food Pantry reminds those families who have requested Christmas baskets that the baskets will be ready for pick-up between 8:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 18th. The baskets will be distributed from Bonucchi Hall located on the main door of the new addition to the Granville United Church of Christ. The hall is in the upstairs of the same building as the Food Pantry. For those who specifically requested that their basket be delivered, the basket will arrive at your home sometime that same morning. Please try to be home that morning. Anyone who has questions about the baskets, please call Judy Hopkins (339-2815) or Gayle Reno (339-6480).



## Putnam County Food Pantry Prepares for Christmas

Again this holiday season, the Food Pantry, in collaboration with organizations, businesses, churches and schools from across the county, will be distributing Christmas baskets to local families in need. This is the 23rd year the Pantry has sponsored the basket project. The baskets contain food and gifts for the children and senior citizens. This year so far there have been requests from 125 families.

To support the basket project, cash and food donations continue to be needed. Products such as coffee, hot chocolate, drinks, jello, canned fruit, easy to prepare meals, and personal care items will be especially appreciated. A cash donation of \$75 will support the cost of food for one average-size family. Donations may be sent to the Putnam County Food Pantry, Box 96, Granville or deposited directly at the Granville National Bank. Food may be left at any of the county banks or at the Food Pantry.

Anyone who would like to give a gift to the Pantry in another's name should call Ginny Turner (925-9605). Special gift cards have been designed for this purpose.

Over the years, the Putnam County community has been tremendously supportive of the basket project and the on-going work of the Food Pantry. The Pantry board sends its thanks and wishes for a Happy Holiday and a New Year of peace to the people of Putnam County.



## Christmas Holiday & Shutdown Schedule

The last issue of 2010 will be Wednesday, December 22nd. The Putnam County Record Office will be closed for their annual shutdown and Christmas holiday from Noon Wednesday, December 22nd to Wednesday, December 29th at 8 a.m.



You may email or fax your articles and ads during this shutdown period, if you wish to do so.



We wish everyone a very MERRY CHRISTMAS and a HAPPY NEW YEAR and we will join you all again in 2011 with our January 5th edition.

**Marquis Energy Opens New Facility. See Pg. 8.**

## History From the Files of the PC Record

### 10 YEARS AGO DECEMBER 6, 2000

Norman K. Raffety, PC State's Attorney, left office after 20 years of service in Putnam County. He turned the reins over to James "Jimmy" Mack who had defeated Mindy Sammons in the November election.

The Lady Puma-Truman Combes Basketball Tourney was held at PCJHS in McNabb with competing team from PC, Oglesby Holy Family, Midland and Fieldcrest West. A sportsmanship award was issued to one member of each team after each game. PC players receiving the award were Jessica Clark, Jordan Dixon and Nichole Zywica. Fieldcrest West won 1st place and PC won 2nd.

Josh Kays of rural Hennepin and a senior at PCHS was selected as the DAR Good Citizen Award winner.

The Granville Rotary Club delivered Christmas poinsettias, donated by Mid-American Growers to PC senior citizens on December 9th.

The Hopkins and Hennepin schools participated in "Jump Rope for Heart" for grades K-6.

The Granville American Legion and Auxiliary held a joint potluck supper Christmas party on Dec. 12th at the Legion Hall.

Liz Stickel and Philip Edgerley, both students in Mrs. Wilson's 5th grade class, won the "Cast a Vote Against Tobacco" essay contest and were presented with \$10 gift certificates from WalMart.

Gov. George Ryan announced that the state had received a donation of 356 acres of land along the IL River in Marshall and Putnam counties from the Richard King Mellon foundation through the Conservation Fund. Ryan said that the property had tremendous potential for resource protection and recreational use.

The PC Board of Education recognized Nancy Shaw, a PC school bus driver, as "First Student Regional Bus Driver of the Year."

Representing PCHS's Panteras in New York City were Taylor Redshaw and Courtney Zemanek who marched in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade.

The PC Ag Museum accepted a donation from Francis Read. It was an old IH tractor.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth (Louise) Zellmer of rural McNabb celebrated 55 years of wedded bliss on December 1st.

The Christmas Cookie Walk of the Hennepin UMC was held Dec. 9th.

The PC Republican Central Committee held their annual Christmas Party on Dec. 12 at Ray's Place in Hennepin. Each attendee brought an unwrapped gift for children aged birth to 18 to be distributed to those less fortunate in the county through the Food Pantry.

Marvin and Nancy (Gualandi) Miller celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary on Nov. 29th.

Pearl Bloom's grandson, Cadet David P. Chonowski of Peoria received the Superintendent's Award at the U.S. Military Academy.

The PCAS group announced their Halloween Party costume winners.

**BIRTHS:** Dave & Chris (Rehn) Sabotta of rural Hennepin, twins Daniel Scott and Annalise Christine on Oct. 27 at IVCH, Peru; Bart and Christina (Tonioni) Whitney of rural Magnolia, a son, Nolan Jack, on Nov. 19 at SMH, Spring Valley; David and Kathy (Forney) Kemp of Dixon, a son, Clayton Scott, Nov. 24 in Community General Hospital, Sterling. Grandmother; Joyce Kemp of Hennepin; Darren and Gina (Ahlstrom) Casey of Granville, a daughter, Christina Marie, Nov. 26 in SMH, Spring Valley; Tony and Jessica (Tibbits) Angran of Peru, a daughter, Christina Lynn, Nov. 26 in SMH, Spring Valley.

**DEATHS:** Wayne Leland Winship, 82 of rural Putnam died Nov. 25 in his home; Lori A. Rodda, 38 of Lake Thunderbird, Putnam, died Nov. 26th from an auto accident; Clarence Robert "Robin" Epley, Jr., 52 of Ottawa died Dec. 2 at CHO in Ottawa.

### 20 YEARS AGO DECEMBER 5, 1990

PC officials were sworn in at ceremonies Dec. 3 at the PC Courthouse. That included Bill Urnikis, PC Board; Marilyn Kassabaum, Deputy Treas.; Charles Kassabaum, Treas.; Billie Jessen, Deputy County Clerk; Sonny Jessen, County Clerk; Dong Maggi, PC Sheriff; and Scott Shore, 10th Judicial Circuit Judge.

The PC Historical Society was recognized by the Congress for IL Historical Society and Museums for two accomplishments; a Certificate of Excellence for its publication "Mt. Palatine Memories, 1839-1889" and an Honorable Mention for the special project commemorating the 150th birthday of the PC Courthouse.

The Granville American Legion Auxiliary met for their December meeting in the Legion Hall. A potluck was held with Leota Sanders as hostess.

PC Jr. High presented its Christmas concert on Dec. 10th with the Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Mixed Chorus and Kindergarten class.

The PC Food Pantry, in cooperation with area clubs, businesses, churches, schools and individuals, prepared holiday gift and food baskets for over 100 families in need.

The McNabb Business and Betterment Assn sponsored the 2nd Annual House Lighting Contest with winners announced on Dec. 8th.

PCHS announced their Christmas concert for Dec. 11th to feature performances by the chorus and concert band, including a special joint number.

Granville Area Jaycees took advantage of some super weather and placed the decorations for the village. The colored lights and all of the houses that were decorated added to great displays that were enjoyed by everyone.

PC Progressors held their Christmas party on Dec. 8th at Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hall.

The PC Democrats held a victory dinner at the Brewmaster with 36 members enjoying a delicious meal and a lively evening.

Granville Rotary heard from Scott Shore about his taking

office and on his 15 year career in private law practice. He discussed his personal transition from an "advocate to an impartial status" when viewing the application of the law.

The McNabb UMC was in the process of restoration, both spiritual and physical. The first major restoration and re-decorating project in almost 30 years was well underway and on schedule in the sanctuary.

### 30 YEARS AGO DECEMBER 3, 1980

Ninety-one deer hunters utilized the PCCD Natural Lands area but not for hunting but the facility did serve as a deer check station for the IL Dept. of Conservation.

**BIRTHS:** Mr. and Mrs. James Vance, Granville, a son, Jason James, on Nov. 17 at IVCH, Peru; Mr. and Mrs. James Koval Sr. of Magnolia, a son, Justin Jay, on Nov. 23 at SMH, Spring Valley; Mr. and Mrs. John Davis of Magnolia, a son, John Wesley, on Nov. 24 at SMH, Spring Valley; Mr. and Mrs. Larry Smith of Magnolia, a son, Scott Stewart, on Dec. 1 at IVCH, Peru.

### 40 YEARS AGO DECEMBER 3, 1970

A winter concert was presented at PCHS by the band and mixed chorus on Dec. 10th. Milan Brousek, chorus and band instructor directed the program.

Mrs. Arthur Zielinski of Mark was appointed PC Supervisor of Assessments by the board of supervisors in a special session at the courthouse.

PCHS Chapter of FFA won the Section 5 Parliamentary Procedure contest in Nov. at the high school in Wyoming. Gregg Carr was the first place chairman and John Holmbeck was the third place secretary. The other members of the team were Bill Calbow, Bob Rebholz and Ken Knapp. The team was accompanied to Wyoming by its advisor, Mr. Hall.

### 50 YEARS AGO DECEMBER 1, 1960

A crew was working in removing dead elm tress from the Hennepin Village park.

An open house reception for relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pletsch in honor of their golden wedding anniversary was held at the Emmanuel Lutheran Church on the County Line.

### 60 YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 15, 1950

The first men from Putnam County were inducted into the armed forces Nov. 27. They were Peter J. Kostellic, Verne E. Williams, Richard A. Kunkel all of Granville; Daniel E. Morgan of Putnam, Ralph Galihier, Chester L. Logan, Henry D. Kessling and John Bima all of Hennepin.

There was a permanent vacancy on the *Record* force, and only death could withhold the copy for ETAOIN SHRDLU, column of "Mary Marie" the past 17 years. Miss Marie Hawthorne, 55, passed away at 10:41 p.m. at St. Margaret's Hospital where she had been confined the past 13 weeks as a cancer patient.

### 60 YEARS AGO NOVEMBER 30, 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fassino Jr. purchased the new house on West Main Street erected by the Putnam County Housing Authority.

## Garcia Cont'd . . .

Dave's work ethic was so great that after practice when the other kids had gone, he would still be working out and Ken would have to say, "We have to go home now."

David's 8th grade PCJHS baseball team went to the Regional Championship. In 1998 his PCHS baseball finished 4th in the IL State Tournament. In 2008 as Assistant PCHS baseball coach under Coach Ken Jenkins, the PCHS team finished 3rd in the State baseball tourney. Most of his career Dave was a pitcher or a catcher.

At Parkland Jr. College in Champaign he was starting catcher and was Region 24 All Conference Player. He signed to play baseball at NIU in DeKalb. This was a great time for this writer, because my grandson, Kyle Kimme, was the captain, and played 3rd base for the Huskies. I had the privilege of standing by Dave's father, Bill, while we both took pictures of the boys and their team. Dave's grandfather was Gilbert Serafini from Mark who I coached Little League games against for several years. We could sit beside each other and show our pride for our baseball playing grandsons.

After college David signed to play baseball with the Rockford River Hawks. Their coach had played 12 years in the big leagues and had coached for Oakland and was an All-Star big league player.

Dave's first baseball coaching was at Homewood-Flossmore HS where he coached for two years. He also taught baseball at Diamond Sport Academy. He coached baseball for three weeks in Europe in 2007 and his team played baseball games in Belgium, Holland, and Germany. Dave was the assistant coach this year for the River City Rascals, a professional baseball team in TR Hughs ballpark in O'Fallen MO near St. Louis. The job involved being the bench coach, 1st base coach, and defense alignment coach. He has a nine-month contract for teaching and coaching at PCHS as do all PC teachers, so this was a great opportunity with good pay to support his family and give him an opportunity to improve his baseball coaching experience.

PC School district superintendent, Jay McCracken and principal, Bob Peterson, were very supportive of Dave. He was down there less than three months. The River City Rascals won their league and were 2010 champions. On July 4th they had 28,000 fans in the ballpark and a great fireworks show after the game.

Luke Hahn came this summer and was baseball catcher for one day. Tosh Tonizzi pitched batting practice one day and it was a great experience for these two PC baseball players. Dave hopes one day he can have one of his PC graduates go on to play college ball, and eventually professional ball.

Dave met a lot of ex-major league players during the summer. The team had 14 hour bus rides leaving at midnight after a game, riding all night on an Ohio charter bus and playing games in Washington DC and Pennsylvania. They had catered meals at the ball park.

A chaplain traveled with the team so Dave said he could go to church. He keeps contact with his summer players. This winter he plans to travel to Georgia State University to see one of his players. Other River City Rascals had played for the Royals, Indians, Mariners, Yankees, Giants, Astros, and Minor League Triple A. Some had been hurt and came to play in the independent league. The River City Rascals lost five players who got called up and signed with minor league teams during the summer. They won this summer league in spite of the five lost players.

Dave is a family man, married to Jen, with a daughter named McKenna. Dave secured the Regional tournament at Jenkins Field this year and the Sectional at Massino Field in Hennepin on May 1st.

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This year on behalf of the United Way toys are needed for the needy children. You are asked to bring a packaged toy of some kind that can be given to the United Way. Use your judgment as far as the cost of the toy will be.

### M-P Farm Bureau Co-Op Funds Scholarship

Ronda J. Cross, Regional Superintendent of Schools, announced that applications for the M-P Farm Bureau Scholarship are due in her office by February 15th. This scholarship is for high school seniors whose parent(s) are members of the M-P Farm Bureau, are residents of Marshall or Putnam counties, and meet all other requirements in the guidelines.

Guidelines and application forms may be obtained from the local high school guidance counselors, the regional superintendent's office in Washburn, or the M-P Farm Bureau.

Also available is the M-P Farm Bureau Young Leaders scholarship only for students that are pursuing a career in an ag field. Application can be found at [www.mpfarmbureau.org](http://www.mpfarmbureau.org). It is listed under Crops for College. Guidelines may be obtained from the M-P Farm Bureau.

Students in PC may be eligible for the Adam and Ida Deck College Scholarship, the Hennepin Vocational Trade Grant, the Walter Durley Boyle and Hazel Marie Boyle IVCC Scholarship, and/or the Harold and Julia Kenney Grant. Please contact the guidance counselor at PCHS or the M-P-W Regional Office of Education for more information on these scholarships.

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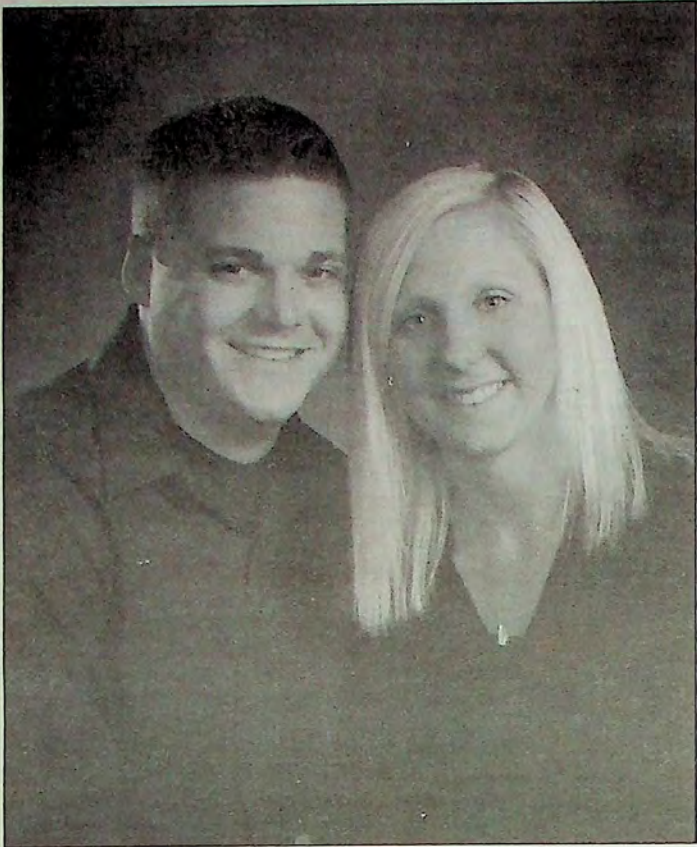
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# Borri/Krill Engagement Announced



William Krill and Janessa Borri

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Borri would like to announce the engagement of their daughter, Janessa Borri, to William Krill.

William is a 2007 graduate from Northwood University in Midland MI with a bachelor's degree in marketing and management and a 2003 graduate from Vicksburg High School. The prospective groom is employed by Ford Motor Company as sales zone manager in the Chicago area.

Janessa is a 2007 graduate from the University of IL, Urbana-Champaign with a bachelor's degree in business administration and marketing and a 2003 graduate from Putnam County High School. She is employed by Ford Motor Company as a parts and service manager in Houston TX.

The couple will be married in the Dominican Republic on February 4th.

# IVCIL Update

The Illinois Valley Center for Independent Living (IVCIL) is a nonprofit, non-residential service and advocacy organization that assists persons with disabilities in opening doors to their independence. IVCIL provides services for persons with disabilities, their families, and the community in Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall, Putnam, and Stark counties.

IVCIL would like you to know that they have received Federal funds through the Bureau of the Blind program which has allowed them to purchase quite a variety of assistive devices for people with vision impairments. They have a large variety of different magnifiers, writing guides, talking watches, measuring devices for kitchen usage, items for entertainment and many other items as well. They have all items out for testing for demonstrating on-site only. Of these items they do have a variety of items they can give directly to your referrals and other select items we can order directly from the provider and then referrals can come and pick them up when the items are received IVCIL.

To be eligible for the assistive equipment their referrals must be 55 years or older and must have a vision impairment. As a provider of services to people with vision impairments feel free to refer your clients to IVCIL and they will do our best to meet their needs. For referrals they also have on-site demonstrations so they can test the latest version of a CCTV and two different electronic hand-held magnifiers and software for computers that allow people with vision loss to use computers without limits. If they feel these items would benefit them and improve their quality of life they can connect them to the provider and they can order them directly.

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# Gimbals Celebrate 65th Wedding Anniversary



Mary and Vern Gimbal

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Gimbal of 404 E. Hopkins, Granville, will observe their 65th wedding anniversary on December 22nd.

Vern Gimbal and Mary Sullivan were married in the Lutheran parsonage by Rev. A. Eugene Larson. Attendants were Max and Kathleen Gimbal.

They are the parents of two daughters; Susan Lyons of Joliet and Sharon (Mike) Taylor of McKenzie TN. They have four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Vern retired as manager of the McNabb Grain Co. Mary retired from the research department of Moews Seed Co.

# Covered Bridge Quilter's Guild

Thursday, January 6, the Covered Bridge Quilters Guild will meet at 7:00 p.m. at the Christ Community Church, 1719 South Euclid St., Princeton. Guests are welcome to attend for a fee of \$5.00. The feature program will be presented by Janet Morland, Malden. Janet will answer the most asked question, "Where did that come from?" She will reveal some of the sources of her creativity. Quilt Appraisals will be done by Mary Serafini, AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser, Saturday, January 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Building, Princeton. Please contact Mary at (815)339-2171 for a time so you will not have to wait or stand in line. Mary will let you know the fee for your quilt appraisal. Make sure you have a label on your quilt. If you do not know what is required for a quilt label, contact Sandra Gladhill at (815) 228-1071 or Mary Serafini at (815) 339-2171.

For Membership information contact: Carolyn A. Schmitt at (815) 875-3161.

# PC Area Events Update

## Agricultural Summary

Statewide temperatures and precipitation were near normal last week with the northern half of the state experiencing slightly cooler temperatures and greater rainfall totals. Most soils across the state continue to be in need of additional moisture due to the high winds last week rapidly drying up any rain that was received. The acres of corn that remain to be harvested experienced some lodging after the high winds. Dry conditions continue to take their toll on pastures and livestock producers have been forced to feed hay in many areas as pastures run short. Numerous areas in the south where wheat was sown, poor emergence is reported in the dry soils. Farmers have moved onto spreading lime and fertilizer and completing fall tillage. Many farmers are taking the time to do some deep tillage in an attempt to break up compaction that occurred during the 2009 wet field conditions. Farmers have also begun applying anhydrous ammonia as soil temperatures cool. As farmers wrap up a great fall they are making repairs to machinery and preparing it for storage.



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The Putnam County Record will print letters to the editor at the discretion of the editor and providing the letter has been signed by the writer along with the inclusion of their address and phone number in case there are questions.

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Emailed ads deadlines are by 10:00 a.m. Monday mornings so that the ads can be worked up and a proof sent, if requested, in order for the corrections to be made by Noon on Mondays. The Putnam County Record reserves the right to reject any ad on grounds of taste. The newspaper does not deem itself responsible for emailed ads where fonts do not hold, no matter what format they are sent into the paper in. All ads emailed must be in a pdf format and photos must be in a jpg format. We will guarantee our work in creating your ads, however.

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# Roadshow Starts Today in Princeton!

By Jason DeLong  
Treasure Hunters Roadshow  
STAFF WRITER

Roll up your sleeves and get ready to start your spring cleaning early this year. The Roadshow starts today in Princeton and is looking for anything old. Remember those matchbox cars you played with as a kid? You know the ones that have been stored away



Above: Roadshow expert uses special equipment to examine treasures for Holiday Cash.

"Treasure Hunters Roadshow has been in over 600 cities since 2001."

in the attic for the past 30 years. Well it's time to dig 'em out along with any other forgotten treasures. You might be sitting on a small fortune and not even know it.

Roadshow representative Archie Davis explains what the event is all about. "It's a chance to sell just about anything that's old and get a fair price. We host over 1,000 shows every year throughout the U.S. and Canada. Toys, dolls, trains, pocket watches, old advertising signs, gold jewelry, coins just about anything can be sold at the Roadshow. This event is popular because it puts money in people's pockets. At a typical show we will see hundreds of people during the five day event. We will see a few unusual items but mostly we will see a lot of old coins, gold jewelry, and a

wide variety of antiques and collectibles. Last week at a show in Missouri a retired dentist walked in with over 5 lbs. of dental gold fillings. "I would say that is pretty unusual, wouldn't you?" says Davis. The gentlemen received over \$31,243 for his gold fillings. The dentist told Davis that over the years he would keep the extracted teeth when the owners didn't want them. He would throw them in a jar and over the years it added up to over 5lbs of gold. Now not everybody has a jar

of gold teeth lying around but according to Davis more than you might think have some sort of gold they can cash in. Davis says, "The Roadshow receives a fair amount of gold each day of the 5 day event."

Broken jewelry, gold coins, dental gold are all valuable items with today's high gold prices. Archie Davis commented, "Other top categories at the Roadshow would have to be silver dollars and other coins, pocket watches, and his personal favorite, old toys." Davis told me a story about a visitor at a recent

Roadshow in Iowa. "This elderly gentlemen walked into the show and asked if we were interested in old toys. The fellow must have been in his late seventies or early eighties. He said he kept all of the toys from his childhood and they were outside in his pickup. I walked outside and to my surprise his pickup was full of the coolest old toys I had ever seen. Big old metal trucks, pedal cars, train sets, cast iron toys he had it all. We spent the next 3 hours going through his childhood.

It was fun to listen to the stories he told about growing up and playing with the toys. He said one time he decided to play farmer in the garden and ended up digging up and ruining a fair number of vegetable plants. His folks were really mad and he said it was the longest summer he ever remembered working off the damage he had done. Back then the garden was a staple to every country family. His mom would can, jar and pickle the harvest to eat all winter. The vegetable plants were replaced and all ended well. I even think I saw

"If you go to the Roadshow, you can cash-in your items for top dollar. Roadshow representatives will be available to assess and purchase your items at the AmericInn this week, today through Friday in Princeton."

him wipe a tear toward the end of that story. All ended well that day as he ended up getting over \$7000.00 for his old toys. His last comment to me was "Well I guess its time to let em go"

Whether you have 5 lbs. of gold or a single gold tooth, a pick up full of old toys or a single Barbie doll you should visit the Roadshow this week. It's free. It's fun and it could put some money in your pocket. Maybe a lot of money!

[www.treasurehuntersroadshow.com](http://www.treasurehuntersroadshow.com)

The Roadshow is featured this week:

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- **ADVERTISING ITEMS** - Metal and Porcelain signs, gas companies, beer and liquor makers, automobile, implements, etc.



## Silver and Gold Coin Prices Up During Poor Economy.

Collectors and Enthusiasts in Princeton with \$200,000 to Purchase Yours Before the Holidays!

Got Coin? It might be just the time to cash in. This week starting today and continuing through Friday, the International Collectors Association in conjunction with Treasure Hunters Roadshow will be purchasing silver and gold coins direct from the public. All are welcome and the event is free.



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**Gold Prices High, Cash In Now**  
"It's a modern day gold rush," said Jeff Parsons. Gold is now trading at 40 year highs, and you can cash in by bringing your items to the Treasure Hunters Roadshow."

All types of gold are wanted, including gold coins, Krugerrands, Maple Leafs, and other gold bars, etc. All gold jewelry, including broken jewelry is accepted. Anything gold is wanted.

All silver items, including silver coins, bars and American Eagles are accepted. Sterling silver items like flatware, tea sets, etc. are welcome.



All sports memorabilia is in high demand including: Pre 1970's baseball cards; autographed baseballs, footballs & basketballs; jerseys; signed photos; etc...

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The entire process only takes a few minutes  
The Treasure Hunter's Roadshow event runs today through Friday in Princeton.

## Putnam County Obituaries

### Birgit Hanson Lindquist

1919-2010

Birgit Hanson Lindquist, 91, of Granville died at 5:37 p.m. Monday, Dec. 6, in Spring Valley Nursing Home, after suffering a stroke in her home last weekend.

Services were 12 noon.



Lundquist

Thursday, December 9, at Dysart - Cofoid Funeral Chapel, Granville. Visitation was from 11 to 12 noon at the funeral home.

Birgit was born on October

20, 1919, at her home in rural Granville to Oscar and Alice (Edner) Hanson. In 1952, Birgit married Knute Otto Lindquist, who passed away in 1979.

After graduation from Strawn School, she went to Chicago and completed beautician school. She worked in her Aunt Clara's Salon.

She and her husband made their home in Chicago for many years. She worked for Chicago Latrobe, and enjoyed bowling and gym club. In 1986, Birgit moved to Granville to be closer to family. Here, she participated in the Crazy 8 Bunco Club, the Pinochle Club, and volunteered at the clothing store in Granville.

She is survived by her sister, Gilda Capitani Dysart, formerly of Granville, now of St. Charles; three nieces, Cheryl Koch Mennie of Mark, Mary Etta Capitani (Albert) Lenkaitis of St. Charles, and Victoria Hanson (Jim) Van Ostrand of Westchester and one nephew, Randy (Victoria) Capitani of Dover VT.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to charity of donor's choice.

### Velma Crank

1920-2010

Velma L. Crank, 90, of Oldsmar FL, formerly of McNabb, died Dec. 4, 2010, in Florida.

Services were at 11 a.m. Thursday in Helmer-Shields Funeral Home, Granville. The Rev. Carol Stufflebeam officiated. Burial was in Friends Cemetery, rural McNabb. Visitation was 10-11 a.m. Thursday in the funeral home.

She was born April 1, 1920, in Chillicothe to Clinton and Emma (Braun) Minch. She married Ray Crank on Nov. 18, 1938, in The Little Brown Church, Nashua IA.

Mrs. Crank was a homemaker and a member of United Methodist Church, McNabb.

Survivors are two sons, Gary (Susan) Crank of Antioch and Keith (Renee) Crank of Tampa FL; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one sister, Vera Gene Townsend of Bettendorf IA.

She was preceded in death by her husband, two brothers and one sister.



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## Marquis Makes Second Ethanol Investment

Mark Marquis, President of Marquis Holdings and Marquis Energy has announced that the family business, which founded and developed the Marquis Energy ethanol plant at Hennepin,



has made a second investment in the ethanol industry. In July of this year Marquis took over operation of Castle Rock Renewable Fuels, a 50 million gallon per year ethanol plant at Necedah, WI. The equity, management, and marketing deal closed recently. On January 1, 2011 the plant's Castle Rock name will change to Marquis Energy - Wisconsin, LLC. Marquis Grain, Inc., the family's 35-year-old grain company, will procure corn for the plant and market the DG (distiller's grain) hi-protein feed product.

Marquis Management Services, President, Jason Marquis announced that the management group took over July 1 and has made several operational changes that have resulted in a 12% increase in ethanol output and significant profit gains. Many of the production efficiencies, which contributed to the 125 million gallon per year Marquis Energy Hennepin facility's success over the past couple of years, will be implemented at the Wisconsin facility. The Marquis Management division will also provide ethanol marketing for both facilities. Mark Marquis, who also serves as a Director of an industry leading trade group, Growth Energy, said "our family's additional commitments to the ethanol sector indicate our belief that this high-performing, clean, and renewable fuel will be here to benefit American agriculture, American jobs and American motorists far into the future."

## Midland and St. Bede get Beat by P.C. Wrestling

On December 8 Putnam County competed in a tri-dual against Mendota, Midland, & St. Bede and went 2-1 for the night.

Putnam County 60 Midland 30

Putnam County 48 St. Bede 24

Putnam County 35 Mendota 41

Its nice to walk in a gym and have all the wrestlers show up ready to wrestle. They all showed intensity and determination to win that night.

There were three wrestlers who went 3-0 that night; Bailey Brown, Kyle Kinczewski, and Tyrell Fookle.

Also five wrestlers went 2-1; Josh Kriewald, Dakota Irelan, Lucas Fookle, Jimmy Torres, and Jon Witzman.

It's always nice to beat those two rivals. The Mendota dual could have gone either way and was extremely competitive against an established program. PC wrestles Midland again and Marquette this Thursday, December 16 @ 6 p.m. @ Midland. Please don't forget our 1st home dual meet January 11 @ 6 p.m. against St. Bede & Dee Mack. Come see what everyone is talking about!

## ICBA Congratulates NCB

The Independent Community Bankers of America congratulated NCB in Hennepin for reaching an important milestone as an ICBA member. This marks the community bank's 55th year as a member of ICBA, the only national organization dedicated exclusively to serving the needs of the nation's nearly 8,000 community banks.

Community banks work hard everyday to improve the quality of life in their communities because they are an integral part of the communities and the economic, financial and civic fabric of thousands of towns and cities across America.

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## Hear His Word

### The Perfect Gift

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16 (NIV)

It's that time of year we search for that allusive "perfect gift" for our loved one. We save and hunt and spend until our wallets have less and our living rooms have more. With great anticipation the day finally arrives, and for a few moments we delight in the happiness shown in the faces of our loved ones as they rip through wrapping paper and cardboard boxes. Then there are those special moments planned for with great care and detail, like a small but expensive surprise with a proposal. What will she say? Was all this planning worth it or will it end in rejection and disappointment? Will the love shown be returned or tossed aside?

Even with all our work and coordination combined, it still doesn't come close to God's orchestration. Consider what He had to do to show us His love. After mankind fell into sin and lost that blessed relationship with God we have wandered through the wilderness of human experience and found difficulty, confusion and pain, intermingled with brief moments of joy and pleasure. In this season we are reminded of the gift God offers each of us; eternal life through His Son Jesus, the Christ. Personally, I get aggravated trying to find my wife the "perfect gift." He organized the greatest of all gifts and fulfilled many prophecies at the same time. Simply amazing!

Have you ever planned and planned for someone you love, only to be snubbed in the end because they didn't care about the gift you got them? It hurts to watch a loved one cast aside a gift of great value. Our Father knows our every need; that's why He sent us the greatest gift of all—eternal life through His Son! Jesus said, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." This perfect Gift has been offered all over the world and yet many have not accepted the gracious invitation.

Romans 6:23 says "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." In other words, life is a choice. We can go our own way and enjoy some of God's creation for a time, only to suffer without Him in the end. Or, we can accept His invitation and experience the peace, love, and joy He has to offer us right now and forever! All one has to do is make up their own mind to accept or ignore this greatest of all gifts. Go ahead, and accept it for yourself and make this Christmas the best one ever. After all, He is the reason for this blessed season to begin with. He is The Perfect Gift!

Have a very Merry Christmas, and a blessed New Year!  
Pastor Jack

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Stephanie M. Ellis, Peoria, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120  
Gregor L. Ferry, Hennepin, drive/op non-highway veh/ATV, \$120  
Skyeler A. Haas, Granville, theft control intent <\$350, \$1,011.45 + 12 mo supervision  
Joseph G. Lyons, Elmhurst, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision  
Tyson K. McCann, Bureau, forgery/possess with intent, \$7,982 + 6 days jail + 30 mo probation/spec cond  
Henry D. Merker, Bridgeview, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision  
Antonio Messina, Spring Valley, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$130 + 3 mo supervision  
Carl J. Miller, Morton, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120  
Gary Monier, Walnut, over on axle class I-III/1st-3, \$390  
Jesus Ramirez Cortes, Crystal Lake, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision  
Martha E. Smith, Varna, drvg under influ of alcohol, \$2,287.95 + 12 mo supervision  
Cory J. Somers, Peru, driving 21-25 mph over limit, \$120  
Kristin J. Swanson, Putnam, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$280  
Michael G. Verardo, Glasford, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120

26, Twp 31N, R1W (\$170,010)  
6-John S. Gill, Trustee to Kimrey D. Alleman. D-Pt. W1/2, SE1/4, Sec 26, Twp 31N, R1W and Pt. E1/2, SW1/4, Sec 26, Twp 31N, R1W (\$133,575)  
7-Grzegorz Majka and Krystyna T. Wojcik to Peoples National Bank of Kewanee. E-Parcel 1: Lot 56, Lake Thunderbird Hills; Parcel 2: Lot #166, Lake Thunderbird Hills; Parcel 3: Lot #235, Lake thunderbird Woods  
7-John S. Gill, Trustee to Richard D. Fay. D-NW1/4, NE1/4, Sec 45, Twp 31N, R1W and SW1/4, NE1/4, Sec 34, Twp 31N, R1W (\$242,272)  
7-John S. Gill, Trustee to Kevin F. Knapp. D-Pt. W1/2, SE1/4, Sec 26, Twp 31N, R1W (\$206,237)  
7-John S. Gill, Trustee to Kenneth R. Knapp (undivided 33T interest), Susan C. Knapp (undivided 33T interest), and Katherine E. Knapp (undivided 34% interest), (\$400,656)  
7-John S. Gill, Trustee to Henry J. Bates and Linda L. Bates. D-Lots 20 & 21, Village of Magnolia (\$5,000)  
7-John S. Gill, Trustee to Jerry W. Billups. D-Pt. W1/2, SE1/4, Sec 26, Twp 31N, R1W and Pt. E1/2, SW1/4, Sec 26, Twp 31N, R1W (\$162,149)  
7-John S. Gill, Trustee to Kirk H. Kimble and Tiona Kimble. D-W1/2, NE1/4, Sec 26, Twp 31N, R1W and Pt. E1/2, SE1/4, Sec 26, Twp 31N, R1W (\$536,782)  
9-Dale Greenwood to Toni Sabotta. E-Lot 6, Blk 20, Village of Hennepin  
9-Cheryl Mennie to Cheryl Mennie, as Trustee. E-Pt. NE1/4, NW1/4, Sec 8, Twp 32N, R1W

**USDA Announces Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Funds for Illinois Recipients**

**•• Farmers and Rural Small Businesses in 56 Counties Receive Funding**

Illinois Rural Development State Director Colleen Callahan announced that 141 agriculture producers and small businesses in Illinois have been selected to receive a total of \$6.7 million to reduce energy consumption and utilize renewable energy. Funding is provided through USDA's Rural Energy for America Program (REAP) which was authorized by the 2008 Farm Bill.

"These guaranteed loans and grants will help farmers and rural small businesses use energy more efficiently, resulting in less energy consumption," Callahan said. "When we reduce costs for farmers and rural small businesses, we are ultimately providing a boost to the local rural economy."

Nearly a third of the successful applicants are utilizing guaranteed loan funds in conjunction with grants to finance their energy efficiency improvement projects. The majority of the recipients will use the funding to upgrade their grain drier systems. On average, these recipients will realize a 35 to 40 percent reduction in energy usage.

"Recipients will use the funding to replace outdated and inefficient equipment with renewable energy technologies," she said. "This program is reinforcing a new renewable energy paradigm that focuses on a more efficient way to use our natural resources," Callahan said.

REAP funding can be used for renewable energy systems, energy efficiency improvements, feasibility studies, energy audits and renewable energy development assistance. Funds can be used for eligible renewable energy projects that produce energy from wind, solar, geothermal, hydro power, hydrogen-based sources, and biomass, including anaerobic digesters. Funding can also be used to replace motors, refrigeration, ventilation and HVAC systems, add insulation, improve electrical systems and install automatic lights, and more efficient grain-drying systems.

More information on the REAP program is at: [www.rurdev.usda.gov/BCP\\_ReapResEei.html](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/BCP_ReapResEei.html).

Rural Development's programs help to foster growth and economic stability in rural areas by providing affordable financing and technical assistance for homeownership, business development, community needs and technology infrastructure. More information on USDA Rural Development is available on the web at [www.rurdev.usda.gov/il](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/il).

Following is a list of the number and total funding awarded to Illinois REAP recipients by county (Putnam County only).

County	Number of Projects	Grant Total	Loan Total
Putnam	3	\$ 75,975	\$ 49,296

**School Menus**

**BREAKFAST:**  
12/20) 2 slices cinnamon toast OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Orange juice, Milk  
12/21) Cinnamon roll OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Applesauce, Milk; 2 p.m. dismissal  
12/22) WINTER BREAK BEGINS  
**LUNCH:**  
12/20) Chicken patty on bun w/ lettuce & tomato, Au gratin potatoes, Sherbet cup, Milk  
12/21) French toast sticks, Hash browns, Sausage patty, Applesauce, Milk; 2 p.m. dismissal  
12/22) WINTER BREAK BEGINS

**Putnam County Achievement Services, Inc. Luncheon Menu**

Those wishing to enjoy lunch at the Senior Center in Standard should be advised they need to call in reservations at least 24 hours in advance of the date they wish to go. Call 815/339-2711 or 800/757-4579. \*Denotes diabetic serving

12/20) Beef patty w/ketchup & mustard, tri-taters, kidney bean salad, diced pears, hamburger bun  
12/21) Baked cod loin, mashed potatoes, broccoli florets, pineapple chunks, wheat bread  
12/22) Baked chicken quarters, baked potato w/sour cream, baby carrots, tropical fruit, frosted cake, wheat bread  
12/23) Soup & Sandwich  
12/24) PCAS CLOSED - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY!



**Sheriff's News Release**

On December 8th at approximately 2:20 p.m., the Putnam County Sheriff's Office and PCEMS responded to a report of an unresponsive male subject located in a building along Railroad St. in McNabb.

The male subject, later identified as Bradley C. Abraham, 34, of Spring Valley was pronounced dead at the scene by the Putnam County Death Investigator.

No foul play is suspected and this matter remains under investigation by the Putnam County Sheriff's Office and the Putnam County Death Investigator's office.



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**Baptism**

**KAYS** - Trandon Carter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Justin Kays of Magnolia, was baptized Nov. 21 at Magnolia UMC by Rev. Carol Stuffbeam. Godparents are Ryan Kays & Lisa Billups.

**COCKING** - Ryan Cocking and Erica (Wedekind) Todd of Peru, a son December 6 at SMH, Spring Valley.

**DODD** - Peter Dodd and Samantha Smith of Magnolia, a son December 10, 2010 at IVCH, Peru.

**Classifieds Sell!!**

**Notice to Village of Hennepin Residents**

As in the past, Village of Hennepin residents are asked to remember to move their vehicles off the streets when more than 2" of snow has fallen to allow for snow removal.

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**NOTICE TO VILLAGE OF HENNEPIN RESIDENTS**

This is a reminder to the Village of Hennepin Residents that your dog and cat licenses will be expiring on Dec. 31st, 2010. The fee for renewal is \$3.00. You are encouraged to send in your renewal fees by Jan. 31st, 2011. Your pet's record will be updated at that time. If you have never licensed your pet, please stop by the Village Clerk's office to view Ord. #500, requirements for dog and cat licensing and receive your pet's tag. Our address is 627 E. High. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call 815-925-7138.  
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**THEME: HOLIDAY TRADITIONS**

**ACROSS**

1. Narrow fissures
6. Cul de \_\_\_\_
9. Nike's swoosh, e.g.
13. Chinese fruit in a shell
14. A.K.A ukulele
15. IRS' threat
16. In front of
17. Architect's software
18. Wander, as in a boat
19. \*Symbol for Maccabean Revolt
21. \*Waiting time?
23. \*"But I heard him exclaim, \_\_\_\_ he drove out of sight, Merry Christmas to all..."
24. Slope or hillside
25. "Survivor" network
28. Seawards
30. Inhale/exhale
35. Bark or yelp
37. Female gamete
39. Louisiana swamp
40. \*Tree topper
41. Fairytale "dust-sprinkler"
43. One way to prepare Ahi
44. Passed
46. Make a portrait of
47. At one time, formerly
48. Always, Italian
50. Under pull of the moon
52. Abbreviated honorifics for Peter and Paul, e.g.
53. "Or \_\_\_\_?"
55. Metal-bearing mineral
57. Attack of machine-gun fire from plane
60. \*December 26-January 1
64. Sound a sheep makes
65. \*Had no room for Mary and Joseph
67. Litigating
68. House pest
69. Menagerie
70. Wear away
71. "Willing and \_\_\_\_"
72. Often used with "flow"
73. Hearing or smell, e.g.

**DOWN**

1. Grand \_\_\_\_
2. \*"It's a Wonderful \_\_\_\_"
3. \*Sacred image of worship
4. Spasm of pain
5. \_\_\_\_ Madre
6. Of a particular kind
7. Theodor Geisel, \_\_\_\_ Dr. Seuss
8. Mothball substitute
9. Fishing decoy
10. War god in Norse mythology
11. \*Frankincense or myrrh, e.g.
12. "Over the top" in a text message
15. Modifier of a verb
20. "The Tortoise and the Hare" author
22. A light touch
24. Aluminum ore
25. A sac in the body, pl.
26. Cleanse
27. Move like bees
29. Like fairytale stepmothers?
31. "Ill at \_\_\_\_"
32. Ex-radical Bill of Obama-\_\_\_\_ 2008 controversy
33. \*It precedes the clinking of glasses
34. Aches or anguishes
36. \_\_\_\_ school
38. Actress Rogers
42. Give qualities to
45. \*Pine circle
49. \*Santa's helper
51. Wipes out or deletes
54. Carpe in "Carpe diem"
56. Have effect
57. Slovenly person
58. Bluish green
59. "Amazing \_\_\_\_" on TV
60. Door opener
61. State of Israel
62. No ifs or buts either
63. "A Death in the Family" author
64. Lingerie item
66. An elegantly dressed man in England

**Holiday Safety Tips**

**For Your Pet**

(StatePoint) Home for the holidays can mean colorful decorations, sumptuous food and spirited cheer between friends and family. Unfortunately, it can also mean danger for the family pet.



Sweets, decorations and a multitude of guests can adversely affect your pet's health and behavior.

"There are lots of pet hazards during the holidays, but the right training can keep your dog safe," says Dawn Sylvia-Stasiewicz, trainer of Senator Ted Kennedy's dog Splash and Bo Obama, the First Family's dog, and author of the new book "The Love That Dog Training Program."

Common holiday decorations and treats that are toxic to dogs and other pets include mistletoe berries, poinsettia leaves, tinsel and water from a tree stand. In addition, your dog's appetite for unattended holiday chocolates, poultry bones or holiday decorations can result in emergency visits to the vet.

To keep pets safe, try keeping things out of reach or make them inaccessible, such as using a tree skirt to keep dogs from drinking water in a tree stand. But solid training based on positive reinforcement, especially for that new puppy you got for the holidays, is often the best prevention technique.

"Canine communication is usually visual, not verbal," says Sylvia-Stasiewicz. "Starting off with hand signals for 'sit,' 'down,' and 'stay,' encourages your dog to watch you closely, thereby making them more obedient once you add a verbal cue."

You should also positively reinforce good behavior in your dog instead of punishing bad behavior. That means your dog should come to understand that when he sits, he gets a reward -- either a toy or a treat.

"Dogs love making trades for something of equal or lesser value," Sylvia-Stasiewicz says. "If you teach your dog that bringing you a particular object will result in him receiving a more desirable alternative, such as a favorite toy or treat, then he'll be less likely to hold onto dangerous holiday decorations."

For anxious dogs, incessant doorbell ringing and an abundance of guests may be unnerving, leading them to act out. In order to give dogs a sanctuary, Sylvia-Stasiewicz recommends rewarding dogs for spending time in their crate. That way, they begin to associate their crate as a safe haven from the party, not a jail from which to escape.

For more tips on training dogs to be safe during the holidays, check out Sylvia-Stasiewicz's new book with Larry Kay, "The Love That Dog Training Program."

"The lessons learned from good parenting are also applicable in the dog world," says Sylvia-Stasiewicz. "Fortunately, it's never too late to teach an old dog new tricks."

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**The 12 Days of Christmas**

--Author Unknown

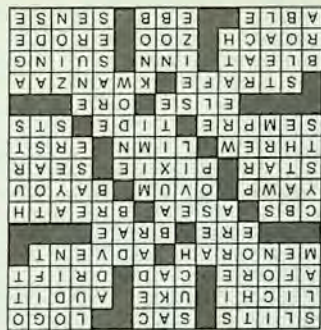
There is one Christmas Carol that has always baffled me. What in the world do leaping lords, French hens, swimming swans, and a partridge in pear tree have to do with Christmas? This week, I found out.

From 1558 until 1829, Roman Catholics in England were not permitted to practice their faith openly. Someone during that era wrote this carol as a catechism song for young Catholics. It has two levels of meaning: the surface meaning, plus a hidden meaning known only to members of their church. Each element in the carol has a code word for a religious reality, which the children could remember.

- The partridge in a pear tree was Jesus Christ.
- Two turtle doves were the Old and New Testaments.
- Three French hens stood for faith, hope and love.
- The four calling birds were the four gospels of Matthew, Mark, Luke & John.
- The five golden rings recalled the Torah or Law, the first five books of the Old Testament.
- The six geese a-laying stood for the six days of creation.
- Seven swans a-swimming represented the sevenfold gifts of the Holy Spirit--Prophesy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership, and Mercy.
- The eight maids a-milking were the eight beatitudes.
- Nine ladies dancing were the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self Control.
- The ten lords a-leaping were the ten commandments.
- The eleven pipers piping stood for the eleven faithful disciples.
- The twelve drummers drumming symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostles' Creed.

So there is your history for today and now you know how that strange song became a Christmas Carol.

**Merry (Twelve Days of) Christmas Everyone**



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Need two strong men to move one very heavy piece of furniture. Will pay \$30.00. Call Mike at 312/972-6302.

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*Legals*

**LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

FIRST STATE BANK, an Illinois Banking Association, Plaintiffs vs. TRACY FARLEY And TINA K. FARLEY, UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendant. NO. 2010-CH-22

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION**

The requisite Affidavit for Publication having been filed, notice is hereby given to you, ALL NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants in the above entitled cause, that the above entitled mortgage foreclosure action was filed on November 22nd, 2010 and is now pending.

- 1. The names of all Plaintiffs and the case number are identified above.
- 2. The court in which said action was brought is identified above.
- 3. The names of the titleholders of record are TRACY FARLEY and TINA K. FARLEY.
- 4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

Lots 115, 116, and 177 in Patterson's Addition to the Village of Magnolia, Putnam County, Illinois.

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5. A common address or description of the location of the real estate is as follows: 200 North Bloomington Street, Magnolia IL 61336

6. An identification of the mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows:

- a. Names of Mortgagors: Tracy Farley and Tina K. Farley
- b. Name of Mortgagee: First State Bank
- c. Date of Mortgage: August 3, 2007
- d. Date of Recording: August 21, 2007
- e. County where Recorded: Putnam County, Illinois
- f. Recording Document Identification: Document No. 2007-985

NOW, THEREFORE, unless you ALL NONRECORD CLAIM-

ANTS AND ALL UNKNOWN OWNERS, Defendants, file your answer to the complaint for foreclosure in this cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit, Putnam County, Illinois, held in the Putnam County Courthouse, in the City of Hennepin, 120 North Fourth Street, Hennepin, Illinois 61327 on or before the 30th day of January, 2011, default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a judgment for foreclosure entered in accordance with the prayer of the complaint for foreclosure.

Cathy J. Oliveri  
Circuit Clerk of Putnam County

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS RE: HENNEPIN DRAINAGE AND LEVEE DISTRICT IN THE COUNTY OF PUTNAM AND STATE OF ILLINOIS NO. 64-MR-72**

**DRAINAGE NOTICE**

To: Owners of Record of Hennepin Drainage and Levee District. Notice is hereby given as follows:

1. That a Petition to Levy an Annual Maintenance Assessment, the Financial Report of the Commissioners of the Hennepin Drainage and Levee District covering the period of October 1, 2009 to and including September 30, 2010, and Annual Maintenance Assessment Roll have been filed with the Circuit Clerk of Putnam County, Illinois. The authority sought from the Court is to levy the annual maintenance assessment in the total amount of \$75,469.27 for 2011.

2. Hearing on the above referenced Petition and Financial Report will be held by the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Putnam County, Illinois, at the Circuit Courtroom in the Courthouse in Hennepin, Illinois on December 30, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. at which time and place objections thereto, if any, will be heard.

Dated: December 3, 2010  
Eric S. Swartz, Attorney for District Commissioners

Cathy J. Oliveri, Clerk of the Circuit Court of the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Putnam County, Illinois

Eric S. Swartz  
Attorney for Commissioners  
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**LEGAL PUBLICATION CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF MARY BELLINO, DECEASED. NO. 2010-P-13 CLAIM NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given of the death of **Mary Bellino**. Letters of Office were issued on December 3, 2010 to Rose Verdona, 7 South 566 Creek Drive, Naperville IL 60540, and John Bellino, Box 35; Standard IL 61363, as Representatives, whose attorney is Wim-biscus Law Firm, P.C., 102 East St. Paul Street, Spring valley IL 61362.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, Putnam County Courthouse, Hennepin IL 61327, or with the Representatives or both, on or before June 17, 2011, which date is not less than 6 months from date of first publication, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Representatives is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered to the claimant to the Representatives and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed. Dated this 7th day of Decem-

ber, A.D. 2010.  
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**LEGAL PUBLICATION VILLAGE OF MARK ORDINANCE NO. 2010-12-01**

An ordinance amending ordinance #2010-12-01 regarding establishing meeting dates for the Village of Mark 12/2010-2011

Adopted by the Village Board of Mark this 1st day of December, 2010

Published in Pamphlet form by authority of the Village Board of the Village of Mark, Putnam County, Illinois, this 1st day of December, 2010.

STATE OF ILLINOIS ) COUNTY OF PUTNAM) SS.

I, Stacy Veronda, certify that I am duly elected and acting municipal clerk of the Village of Mark, Putnam County, Illinois

I further certify that on the 1st day of December, 2010, the corporate authorities of the above municipality passed and approved ordinance No. 2010-12-01 entitled an Ordinance Establishing Meeting Dates, which provided by its terms that is should be published in pamphlet form.

The pamphlet form of Ordinance No. 2010-12-01, including the ordinance and cover sheet thereof, was prepared and a copy of such ordinance was posted in the municipal building, commencing on the 2st day of December, 2010 and continued for at least ten days thereafter. Copies of such ordinance were also available for public inspection upon request in the office of the municipal clerk.

Dated at Mark, Illinois, this 1st day of December, 2010.

Stacy M. Veronda,  
Municipal Clerk

**ORDINANCE NO. 2010-12-01**

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MEETING DATES FOR THE VILLAGE OF MARK BEGINNING DECEMBER 2010 AND FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011**

WHEREAS, the Open meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2.03 et seq. provides that notice of meeting dates of the Village of Mark shall be given and shall state the regular dates, times and places of such meeting.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE VILLAGE OF MARK, ILLINOIS, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION, AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1:** The regular meetings of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Mark, a municipal corporation, shall be on the first and third Wednesday of the month beginning in November 2010 and continuing until March of 2011, at which time the meetings shall be held on first and third Tuesday of the month starting in April of 2011 through December of 2011, at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Hall, Mark, Illinois, on the dates as set forth in Exhibit A attached hereto and incorporated herein and continuing in such a pattern of a calendar year until further notice.

**SECTION 2:** The Village Clerk shall post a copy of this Ordinance in the Village Hall and at another public location within the Village and shall also send a copy to the Putnam County Record for publication.

**SECTION 4:** This Ordinance shall be effective from and after its passage and approval.

**PRESENTED, PASSED, AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the Village Board of Trustees of the Village of Mark, Mark Illinois, by an aye and nay roll call vote, with 6 voting aye, 0 voting nay, 0 absent, and Village President Frank Niewinski voting not, which meeting was held on the 1st day of December, A.D., 2010.

APPROVED: December 1st, 2010

Frank Niewinski Village President

ATTEST: Village Clerk, Stacy Veronda

Trustees  
Urnika Aye  
Johnson Aye  
Veronda Aye  
Faletti Aye  
Bertuli Aye

**VILLAGE OF MARK MEETING DATES BEGINNING DECEMBER OF 2010**

- Wednesday, Dec. 1, 2010
- Wednesday, Dec. 15, 2010
- Wednesday, Jan. 5, 2011
- Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2011
- Wednesday, Feb. 2, 2011
- Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011
- Wednesday, March 2, 2011
- Wednesday, March 16, 2011
- Tuesday, April 5, 2011
- Tuesday, April 19, 2011
- Tuesday, May 3, 2011
- Tuesday, May 17, 2011
- Tuesday, June 7, 2011
- Tuesday, June 21, 2011
- Tuesday, July 5, 2011
- Tuesday, July 19, 2011
- Tuesday, Aug. 2, 2011
- Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2011
- Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2011
- Tuesday, Sept. 20, 2011
- Tuesday, Oct. 4, 2011
- Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2011
- Wednesday, Nov. 2, 2011
- Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2011
- Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011
- Wednesday, Dec. 21, 2011

**CERTIFICATE**

To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

I, Stacy Veronda, Village of Mark Clerk do hereby certify that the attached (above) is a true and correct copy of Ordinance/Resolution number 2010-12-01 adopted by Village of Mark on 12-01-2010.

Stacy M. Veronda, Village Clerk

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS FOR THE VILLAGE OF MAGNOLIA**

Meetings will be held on the third Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Village Library/Village Hall:

- January 20, 2011
- February 17, 2011
- March 17, 2011
- April 21, 2011
- May 19, 2011
- June 16, 2011
- July 21, 2011
- August 18, 2011
- September 15, 2011
- October 20, 2011
- November 17, 2011
- December 15, 2011

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION**

Petitions for the Hennepin Park Districts Commissioners positions are available at the Office of the Park District during normal office hours. Petitions may be filed beginning Monday, December 13th - Monday, December 20th during business hours.

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**LEGAL PUBLICATION ACCEPTING BIDS**

Sealed bids are being accepted for a 2005 4WD Ford F350 Super-cab XLT pickup truck. Bids can be mailed to the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, P.O. Box 177, Hennepin, IL 61327. A minimum bid of \$10,000 will be required. Vehicle can be viewed at the Putnam County Sheriff's Office. Bids will be opened on January 6, 2011 at noon. The Putnam County Sheriff's Office reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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Rotarians and volunteers still on hand for a picture before launching out to begin deliveries, included (left to right): Darlene and Bob Cofoid (kneeling), Reed Wilson, Chauntelle Biagi-Bruer, Justina Boggio, Adriane Shore, Andy Jackson, Dee Biagi, Scott Shore (kneeling), Rick Serafini, Debbie Thompson, and Project Chair Tom Simmons.

Members of Granville Rotary, along with members of PCHS Interact Club, made the rounds on Saturday, December 11, delivering nearly 700 Christmas Poinsettias to senior citizens in and around Granville, Standard, Mark, Hennepin, McNabb, Magnolia, in Putnam County.

The Christmas Poinsettia Project is made possible by the kindness and generosity of the Van Wingerden family and Mid-American Growers, who donate the beautiful poinsettia plants to be delivered to seniors throughout the area. A holiday tradition that has spanned more than three decades, the project provides an opportunity for MidAmerican Growers, Rotary, and Interact, to express our community's appreciation and holiday wishes to senior neighbors and friends, sharing in the spirit of the Christmas season.

Rotary extends very special thanks to Mid-American Growers for their continuing participation and generosity, and joins the VanWingerden family and PCHS Interact Club in wishing everyone a joyous holiday season.

**American Legion Honors Darrell Alleman**



Pictured above, Darrell Alleman receives a plaque from Rich Haywood for his many years of dedicated community service.

The annual Christmas dinner was held at American Legion Post 180 on Tuesday evening, December 14th.

The dinner served two purposes. Instead of the usual pot luck dinner, it was a catered dinner. The dinner was to honor the Post 180 Ladies Auxiliary. The second purpose was to honor Darrell Alleman. Darrell has done many things for the community at his own expense. Darrell was given a plaque for his dedicated service. Rich Haywood presented Darrell with a plaque. Darrell has also presented a nice photo board he put together of the Veterans' Day Ceremony held at the Putnam County High School to the American Legion.

The Post 180 members thank the Ladies Auxiliary for their service over the past years and to Darrell for the things he has done for them and the surrounding communities.

**Merry Christmas**

O Come  
 Let **US**  
 Adore **HIM**

AND THAT EVERY  
 TONGUE SHOULD CONFESS  
 THAT JESUS CHRIST IS LORD, TO  
 THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER.  
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**Christmas  
 Holiday &  
 Shutdown  
 Schedule**

The last issue of 2010 will be Wednesday, December 22nd. The Putnam County Record Office will be closed for their annual shutdown and Christmas holiday from Noon Wednesday, December 22nd to Wednesday, December 29th at 8 a.m.



You may email or fax your articles and ads during this shutdown period, if you wish to do so.

We wish everyone a very **MERRY CHRISTMAS** and a **HAPPY NEW YEAR** and we will join you all again in 2011 with our January 5th edition.



**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

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**10 YEARS AGO  
DECEMBER 13, 2000**

The Putnam County Elementary Christmas program entitled "We Need a Little Christmas" turned out to be a huge success. The 5th grade band played with the assistance of Mr. David Ivy, "Rolling Along," "Hot Cross Buns," "Go Tell Aunt Rhodie," "Lightly Row," "A Mozart Melody" and "Jingle Bells." All the students joined in on the song "We Need a Little Christmas." The Kindergarten sang "The Holly and the Ivy" and "Santa's Coming" while holding their Santa masks. The 3rd graders sang "Ev'rett the Evergreen" and "Deck the Halls." The 5th graders sang, "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" and "A Holly Jolly Christmas," with the help of Mrs. Minday Baracani playing the electric guitar and Don Long on the drums. The 2nd graders sang "The Lonesome Christmas Tree" and "The Christmas Candy Calendar." The 1st graders sang "O Christmas Tree" while holding their Christmas trees and "Silver and Gold." The 4th grade sang "Christopher the Christmas Tree" and "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Mr." The grand finale was sung by all the students; the old favorite of "Silent Night."

Ice - Who Needs It? was the title above an article pertaining to the Mark Sports Arena which was nearing completion for the Mark Hockey kids. Members of the group were Kyle Kinczewski, Zack Mennie, Tim Gaugn, Aaron Ladzinski, Gerad Pyszka, Dane Kaldalh, Josh Tonozzi, Johnathan Sonnenberg, Steven Nestler, Aaron Taber, Travis Reasons, Eric Kaldalh, Rick Kinczewski, Kyle Prokup, Jeremiah Nordstrom, Robert Kreiser, Ryan Nett, Jacob Taylor, Jacob Sonnenberg and Tyler Ketter.

Judge Robert Barnes ruled in favor of Putnam County landowner, John Morine of Hennepin, in the case involving the dissolution of the Hennepin Drainage District and its subsequent sale to the Wetlands Initiative. Judge Barnes stated, "The Court feels that the petitioners have failed to sustain by a preponderance of the evidence any valid reason for dissolving the district."

The Drama and Music departments of PCHS announced the spring musical as "The Wizard of Oz." It would boast the largest cast ever for a PCHS production and included 20-25 Munchkins.

Yepsen Chiropractic held its annual "Giving Days." All monies collected were donated to the PC Food Pantry with over \$200 collected at press time.

The Village Board of Granville meeting for December brought forth some new offerings for the Village. It was anticipated that a new grocery store was in the future costs for changing electric service on new building from singled phase to three phase were presented, discussions on sewer extensions were submitted, and Jason Edgcomb was hired as a full-time police officer.

Taylor Redshaw was chosen to perform in Paris in the UDA All-Star Squad (a dance group). Thousands of girls auditioned for the chance to be invited to the parade but only six percent of those were chosen for the UDA All-Stars.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Rosemary) Boggio of Hennepin celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on December 2nd

with a family dinner at Kenyon's in Lacon.

The Magnolia UMC was working hard on the presentation of their annual Christmas program with the theme, "Christmas at Hope Central." Director was Marge Kays.

PCEF was preparing to hold their 1st Annual Bowling Tournament with a limit of 10 five-person teams on the 25th of March at the LaSalle Family Bowl.

PCAS's Nadine Reasons did a program on her Prime Time Awards trip to Washington DC on December 14th at the Center in Standard. She shared photos and other mementos of her trip, along with showing the Prime Time Award she received.

The Putnam County Historical Society received a strange, but unique, donation in the form of a two-headed calf mounted on a stand. It was given to the Society by Philip and Julia Edgerley. The calf had been born in 1947 at Maple Lawn Shorthorn Farm on Silverspoon Avenue from a shorthorn named Maplawn Rosemary III. A taxidermist (a fraternity brother of Philip, Sr.) preserved the unusual animal for generations to come. Julia fondly named the baby years ago, "Rosemary's Baby." 4-Hers used it at a carnival for fundraising.

**BIRTHS:** Brian and Theresa (Van Fleet) Sartain of LaSalle, a son, Evan Michael, December 1 in SMH, Spring Valley. Maternal grandparents: Timothy and Mary Van Fleet of Standard.

**DEATHS:** Sophie Dowling, 89 of Eugene OR died November 29 of age related causes; James E. Tower, 58 of Lacon died December 4 in St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria; George VanLaningham, 47 of Granville died December 5th shortly after arrival at SMH, Spring Valley; Mary Jean Vacca, 59 of Rocheport MO, formerly of Granville, died December 5th in her residence.

**20 YEARS AGO  
DECEMBER 19, 1990**

It was learned that Granville Police Officers were rewarding seatbelt wearers during the month of December. Chief Lou Verda announced that the department would award Holiday Buckle Up Lottery Tickets to citizens observed wearing the safety belts.

The citizens then could enter the lottery by mailing the tickets to the IL Coalition for Safety Belt Use, the lottery's sponsor. The winning tickets would be drawn in January with two prizes of \$500 and four prized of \$250 each awarded to the lucky winners.

PCAS held their annual Golden 100 Club dedication ceremony on December 12. A plaque engraved with the names of 39 charter members of the club was shown. The people had donated \$100 or more for the operation of the center and its services.

PC Republican Chairman Darrell Alleman presented a plaque of appreciation to John Petersen for his 22 years of service on the Putnam County Board.

The Granville UCC Christian Education Dept. presented their Christmas Program, "Wonderful Words" on December 23rd. The Pre-school class was the Angel Chorus. Kindergarten class portrayed the Nativity, Primary class were speakers and Banner Bearers and the Lower Jr. class told the story.

## Granville FD Update

Granville Fire Dept is pleased to announce that effective immediately they will be responding to all Motor Vehicle Accidents within their district. Over the last several months members of the department have been training with the new extrication tools. This step in performing emergency rescues is building on top of the First Responder program that Granville Fire Department started June 1, 2010.

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# PCAS Holds Annual Golden 100 Plaque Dedication



The Putnam County Senior Center was rocking with Christmas music Wednesday, December 15 for their annual Golden 100 plaque dedication. The Putnam County high school chorus under the leadership of Natalie Hulstrom entertained the seniors with a medley of Christmas songs followed by the dinner and dedication of the plaque. The seniors sang along with Jack Ness a one man band that entertained after the dedication. Everyone left the center in the Christmas spirit and joy towards their fellow man. Pictured here with the Golden 100 Plaque is left, Pat Croissant, Executive Director, Ed Giuliani, site council president, and Linda Bean, governing board president. There were 65 in attendance with 152 names on the plaque. The names listed have given the center \$100 or more in donations the past year. Every year the center sends out a public appeal and memorial information. The funds go toward the cash match that is needed to be met every year from the funding agency. Big and small donations are appreciated equally. No donation is too small.

## Holy Day Liturgy Schedule - Catholic Churches

**Christmas Eve Vigil: Friday, December 24th**  
 4:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Church, Hennepin  
 6:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Granville  
 10:00 p.m. at St. Patrick Church, Hennepin  
**Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25th**  
 9:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Granville  
**Sunday, December 26th - Regular Schedule of Masses**  
 7:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Granville  
 9:00 a.m. at St. Patrick Church, Hennepin  
 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Granville

## Condit/McNabb Library Hours

In an effort to better serve patrons, hours at the Condit (Putnam) and McNabb Branch Libraries will change, starting January 3rd. Thursday hours at Condit will change from 4-7 to 3-6. Wednesday hours at McNabb will change from 4-7 to 3-6.

## RVP Announces Children's Audition Workshop January 8th

River Valley Players will be hosting an Audition Workshop, for Children ages twelve and under at St Mary's Community Center 1301 Second Street Henry Illinois 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. Saturday January 8. The Workshop, sponsored in part by a grant through the Sun Foundation and Illinois Arts Council, is designed to assist children to be more relaxed during the audition process, as well as learn tips for a successful audition in preparation for children's auditions for the "Wizard of Oz" to be held 2:00 Saturday January 15. Participants will learn creative movement, creative expression, and singing (everyone will learn the song "We Are Off To See The Wizard" which all children under 12 will be singing for auditions. The workshop is open to all youth (beginners as well as returning RVP children under the age 12. note: all children participating must be able to sit quietly and independently follow directions ) Students are required to wear comfortable clothing for easy movement ( i.e. sneakers and closed toe shoes -no Crocks or Boots please). No materials will be needed for the workshop; however, it is recommended that children bring a bottle of water to drink. Registration is \$5.00 per child (donation for RVP scholarship fund). Advance registration please before January 6: Contact Charlotte Balensiefen 309 364- 3563 or Sharon Wiegand 309 364-2587.

**CHRISTMAS BASKET THANK YOU**  
 Thank you to the Putnam County community. On Saturday, December 18th, we distributed Christmas baskets to 132 Putnam County families. 431 people were grateful recipients. This number included 184 children and 57 seniors. Without the help of all of you who bought, made and wrapped gifts, donated food and money, and put together, filled, carried and helped deliver baskets this project would not have been possible. Many groups and individuals contributed to this county- wide annual event in one way or another. Special thanks go to the Granville United Church of Christ for opening Bonucchi Hall to us for our preparation activities, John Shimkus, our manager, who is an organizational genius, and to the PC Record for publishing the press releases related to the project. This is the twenty-third year the Pantry has sponsored this project! Our best wishes to all of our wonderful volunteers and contributors for a peaceful and joyous 2011.  
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# Saving Pieces of History – One Grave at a Time

by Darrell Alleman

One summery day about a month ago, I sat down at one of the tables of knowledge in Moreno's Restaurant in McNabb. John Heider, former McNabb boy and Dick Ashdown were sitting at the table, with the Glenn twins, Rick and Don. John asked me if I would like to visit the Boyle Cemetery south of McNabb on Rich Glenn's land that he was going to restore.

About a week later John called me and said he and his 92 year old father-in-law, Hamman Adams, and his brother-in-law, Jon Adams, Hamman's son, were at the Boyle Cemetery working. He said, "Just drive through Richard's barn yard and follow the tracks back into the timber," and I would see them.

I had heard of the Boyle Cemetery, but had never seen it before. After driving through the yard, I was impressed with the beautiful view; the timber's grass was mowed like a golf course. Under a beautiful tree sat a pickup with a trailer. Then I saw the Cemetery. It had an old woven wire fence around it.

As I walked up to it, I could see some stones, and heard the sound of a chain hoist and John's voice saying, "Keep going, you're doing great, stop – we will get the two ton hoist."

Hammon had been running the chain hoist. It was hooked to a tripod with straps around what looked like a large tree stump sitting next to a large

tree.

John told me, "This is a stone from Bedford, Indiana. It's over 1/2 ton and it came here during the Civil War time, 1864-65. That tree there that is pushing over against the stone, and probably got there about 75 years ago when a bird came along and dropped a tree seed right there by the tombstone. That seed grew into this large tree. Over there is a tablet that looks like a book. You can't turn the pages though and it weighs 100 lbs. and sits on this stone."

After putting the larger chain hoist up on the tripod, and John using two boards for pressure between the tree and the stone, Hammon ran the chain hoist and the stone broke loose from the ground. John then filled the hole with dirt from Richard Ashdown and put crushed rock on top of the dirt so the stone would set level and high. Richie Glenn and his son, Greg, were removing a large old stump from outside the gate to the Cemetery.

Rich said he owned all the land around the Cemetery but not the Cemetery and the Cemetery is close to his house, which was built by Francis Boyle's great-grandfather's brother who owned all the land back in 1860.

The reason the Cemetery is close to the house is so they could watch that the Indians did not dig up the graves. Richie said that Francis Boyle

said everyone buried in this cemetery were neighbors at one time, and if you look at an old platbook you will see they all lived here at one time. Hiltabrandts, Boyles, Mathis, Gurnea, Fyffe and Ash are some of the people buried here.

When John came here, there were only about five or six stones standing. The record book shows there are 37 graves here and John has found 29 of them so far. Most of the stones were broken or buried. Rich said, "Russell Mathis, whose ancestors are buried here, would travel through McNabb looking for the cemetery where his ancestors were buried. He knew the cemetery was in the McNabb area."

One time Rich was stopped at the stop sign on his road by Rt. 89 ready to pull on, when a car turned off and the driver, Russell Mathis, asked Rich where a cemetery might be with Mathis buried in it. Rich said, "Follow me."

Rich took him to the Boyle Cemetery. Russell was so happy to see it, and wrote everything down he could.

Hammon Adams started cleaning the table with a small brush and a squirt can of water. As he brushed one could start to read what was written on the table. One one left page it clearly read, "Samuel Gurnea, Born Sept. 4, 1913 - died April 18, 1882."

On the same page below was Ann Maria Gurnea, born July 21, 1818 - died April 20,

1899. On the right hand page at the top was Luxima, below it Jane Gurnea, born February 15, 1843 - died August 13, 1860 and below that was Geo. W. Gurnea, born August 12, 1844, died January 30, 1888.

John said the tree stone and the tablet were hauled from Indiana on a wagon with horses pulling it when there were no cities or roads. The white marble came from Italy on a boat as ballast and when the boat went back they put rocks in it for ballast. John said, "Francis came out here the other day. It was nice to see him."

John said that last week he and Hammon and Jon were working in a cemetery at Car-

rollton (below Jacksonville and Springfield) on a grave of a husband and wife. The man was born in 1775, one year before our country, and his wife was born in 1776, the same year of our country's birth.

I talked to Francis Boyle and he said that about 20 years ago he and Walter set up stones in the graveyard. He asked John Heider to restore the cemetery. Francis said that both his great-grandfather, David Boyle, and his great-grandmother, Rachel Boyle, were buried there, but his side of the family moved over toward the Hennepin area. John Heider is saving pieces of history. What a fine person he is.



Pictured above is Francis Boyle's great-grandparents grave stone at the Boyle Cemetery in rural McNabb.



L-R are Hammon Adams, Jon Adams and John Heider lifting and placing the concrete book back on the concrete stump where it had been set in the 1800's.



Pictured here is Richard Glenn of rural McNabb holding the last floor board that was placed in his house when it was built in 1860 for the Boyle family. The carpenter from Henry, A. Bomham, signed his name, along with the year and wrote, "Last board." Richie found it when he replaced the floor.

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO INCREASE TAX LEVY

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of Illinois Valley Community College District No. 513, LaSalle, Bureau, Marshall, Lee, Putnam, DeKalb, Grundy, and Livingston counties, State of Illinois, adopted on December 20, 2010, its annual tax levy including an additional tax levy of \$2,737,000 for educational purposes, as provided in Section 805/3-14.3 of Chapter 110 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, as amended.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 805/3-14.3 of Chapter 110 of the Illinois Compiled Statutes, as amended, the following information is provided:

A petition may be filed with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of Illinois Valley Community College in Building C, Room C-301, at 815 North Orlando Smith Road, Oglesby, Illinois 61348-9692, on or before 4:30 p.m., CDT, January 18, 2011, signed by not less than 9,712 registered voters of the Illinois Valley Community College District No. 513, requesting that an election be held on the 5th day of April, 2011, to determine whether the increased levy should be authorized. If no such petition is filed with the Secretary of the Board of Trustees on or before January 18, 2011, then the District shall be authorized to levy the additional tax. Petition forms are available in the President's Office, Building C, Room C-301 and at the main entrance.

# Putnam County has New Republicans Hold Christmas Party

## IVAR Donation Home

Since the closest place to drop off donations for the lonely dogs and cats that do not have permanent homes is either Princeton or Peru, Helmer-Shields Funeral Home in Granville has opened their "doors" as the Putnam County donation drop-off place. A large bin will be placed on the front porch of the funeral home for your donations. Remember, our furry friends are as much in need of good care and healthy food as are our citizens. If you can find it in your heart to share your good fortune with these little guys, please take your donations to Helmer-Shields Funeral Home. The collections will be accepted from now throughout the upcoming year and beyond.

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Putnam County Republicans held their Christmas Party at Ray's Place in Hennepin. Pictured above L-R are Jim Gibson, candidate for PC School District Board, Kim Alleman PC Republican Chairman, John Vespa 10th District Judge, Alma Toedter PC Republican Party Treasurer, Gary Dahl (retiring 38th District State Senator), Debby Dahl, Susan Thorton LaSalle County Republican Chairman, Jim Mack PC State's Attorney and Trudy Sandburg PC Republican Party Secretary.

The animals will be forever grateful. 'Tis the Season to help those in need who can't help themselves. Please open your hearts and help give these animals a bit of good cheer.

## PC Library Holiday Hours

All PC Libraries will be closed for the holidays on the following dates:

- Christmas Eve, December 24th
- Christmas Day, December 25th
- New Year's Eve, December 31st
- New Year's Day, January 1st

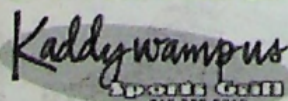
Early closings will be on Thursdays, December 23rd and December 30th for the following branches:

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- Standard 1-4

Remember to stock up on good books and DVD's for all family members to enjoy over the holidays. Great selections, new and old, are available at all six library sites. The library trustees, director, and staff wish to extend best wishes for a joyous, happy, and healthy holiday season. Happy Reading!

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the songs their voices best.

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all bound on tables of white  
made the center feel so cheery  
and light.

Everyone's belly full and  
round from the dinner they all  
ate with out a frown.

The high school chorus too  
great in number to count, sang  
Christmas favorites abound.  
They sang and sang the songs  
with a fever, knowing that they  
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**PC Supt's Newsletter**

December 13, 2010

As the holidays quickly approach, our Putnam County Schools have tremendously busy schedules. Our students are involved in a variety of enjoyable, yet meaningful activities. Of course, we enjoy the winter programs, concerts, and holiday tournaments. I congratulate our students and staff for all of the preparation that leads to these memorable events. I also wish to thank all of you for attending and taking the time to support our youth in these endeavors. While we are all rushing to finish our holiday preparations, I hope we can take a moment to truly reflect on the wonder of this season, especially through the eyes of our children. In my role as superintendent, I am often hurrying to another meeting or trying to solve the latest educational dilemma. Sometimes I just need to slow down and remember why I am engaged in all of this work. The obvious reason is just down the hall from me—the students! That is when I take the time to visit a classroom or stop in the hall of one of our schools to visit with the students or teachers. If I am having a really stressful day, taking the time to read to students can turn the whole day around. Then I remember how fortunate I am to still be an educator.

As parents and members of our Putnam County community, we all have something in common—the desire to see our young people grow up to become the best that they can be. As we anticipate the New Year 2011, let us continue to work together to make that goal a reality. In Putnam County, the number of people dedicated to this cause still amazes me, and I remain grateful that we are here.

On behalf of our entire Putnam County CUSD 535, I wish the best of holidays to all of you!

Happy Holidays!  
Jay K. McCracken

# ★ Putnam County Obituaries ★

## Olive B. Crossley

1922-2010

Olive B. Crossley, 88 of Granville died December 14, 2010 in Princeton.

Following cremation, a graveside memorial will take place at Coloma Township Cemetery in Rock Falls, Illinois. Arrangements for the memorial service will be announced at a later date.

She was born Oct. 22, 1922 in Stonefort IL to Eva Cavitt Rose and Joseph Rose Sr. She married Cyril E. "Sid" Crossley on September 20, 1941.

Olive worked at General Electric in Morrison for 29 years. She was a long time member of the First Christian Church in Rock Falls and more recently a member of the United Church of Christ in Granville. Since her retirement, Olive was very active in volunteer work.

She is survived by two daughters: Sandie (Larry) Rombout of Florid and Sherri (Gary) Casper of Spring Valley; six grandchildren, Melissa (Jim) Mennie, Doug Rombout, Dennis (Paula) Rombout, Candy (Dennis) Barton, Debby Casper and Troy Casper, 19 great grandchildren and seven great-great grandchildren; sisters, Mae Zemke and Carole Mayberry; brothers Robert J. Rose, Dale Rose, Randy G. Rose and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, mother, father, step father, Leonard Gern and one brother, Joseph Rose Jr.

Donations in memory of Olive can be sent to The Putnam County Senior Center, 128 First St., Standard, IL, 61363.

## Rhonda Sack

1946-2010

Rhonda R. Sack, 64, of Peru died December 13, 2010 in St. Francis Medical Center, Peoria.

Cremation rites were accorded with memorial services at a later date. Arrangements are through Shields Funeral Chapel, Oglesby.

She was born July 24, 1946 in LaSalle to Robert and Ruth (Jones) Beard.

She worked at Motor Wheel in Mendota for 10 years as well as at Tiki Motel as a desk clerk.

Survivors include two sons, Michael (Dorothy) Stazzone of Spring Valley and Jerome (Bobbie) sack of Peru; three grandchildren; two sisters, Billie Jean (Richard) Bibula of LaSalle and Lori (Bob) Hafley of McNabb; one brother, Robert (Sandy) Beard of Oglesby; several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and one son, Christopher.

## Donald Chiavario

1927-2010

Donald C. Chiavario, 83, of rural Hennepin passed away Sunday, Dec. 19, 2010 in Heartland Health Care Center in Henry.

Funeral services were at 11 a.m. Wednesday, December 22, 2010, in the Dysart - Cofoid Funeral Chapel, in Granville with the Rev. Karen Karczewski and Rev. Ron McNeil officiating. Burial was in the Granville Cemetery. Visitation was 6 - 8 p.m. Dec. 21 in Dysart - Cofoid Funeral Chapel, Granville. Additional

visitation was in the chapel on Wednesday one hour before service.

Don was born Feb. 14, 1927 in Mt. Palatine to George and Mary (Celio) Chiavario. He married Helen Neubaum on Jan. 20, 1951 in Spring Valley.

Don farmed his whole life and was a member of the Marshall - Putnam Farm Bureau.

Surviving is his son, Donny of Hennepin; daughters, Mrs. Denise (David) Duffell of Peru, Mrs. Diane (Tony) Cimei of McNabb, and Mrs. Debbie (Frank) Holsinger of Granville; two sisters, Betty Fay (Norman) Delicath of McNabb, and Violet (John) Serafini of Oglesby; six grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Don was preceded in death by his parents, wife in 1998, three brothers, George, Joe and Pete. three Sisters, Dorothy Atkins, JoAnn Whitley, and Rose Boggio, and a son-in-law, Bob Zemanek.

Memorials may be directed to the donors choice.

Pallbearers were Tony Cimei Jr., David Cimei, Kristen Buffington, Courtney Christiansen, Tyler Duffell, Austin Duffell, Lloyd Lund, and Sonny Chiavario, and Honorary pallbearer was Tony Cimei Sr.



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With  
You

## Elks Free Clinic

The Princeton Elks Lodge, in cooperation with the Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation, will sponsor a free diagnostic clinic for children with orthopedic problems on Thursday, January 13. Appointments will begin at 8:30.

Mr. Roy Pierson, Chairman of the local Elks Lodge Committee, stated that the clinic will be held at Perry Memorial Hospital, 530 Park Ave. East, north front door. The general public is invited to participate in this clinic.

Children with orthopedic problems, including those who have been examined at previous clinics and those physically handicapped in any way, are invited to attend for evaluation. Persons up to 21 years of age are welcome to attend. They should be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Family physicians are invited to send patients they feel might benefit from this service, as well as patients needing physical therapy. School nurses are urged to refer any child within their area.

Further information on the clinic or to make an appointment may be obtained by contacting Mr. Roy Pierson at 1-815-872-8731.

There are no charges for diagnostic services provided at this clinic.

## FS Seed Division Renews Commitment to Illinois Ag in the Classroom Programs

The FS Seed Division of Growmark recently renewed its commitment to Illinois Ag in the Classroom programs with a check for more than \$56,000. The check was presented to IAA Foundation chairman Philip Nelson at a ceremony held November 18, 2010 in Bloomington.

"Years ago, most children, even those living in the city, still had someone in their family who lived on a farm. Now many children have lost that connection," said Bill Davisson, Growmark chief executive officer. "The Illinois Ag in the Classroom program is dedicated to keeping that connection alive, and we are pleased to once again offer financial support for their efforts."

The FS Seed Division has provided annual contributions to the Illinois Ag in the Classroom program since 2003. One-half of the donation is used for direct grants administered by FS member cooperatives at the local level. This year's contribution brings the seven-year total to more than \$405,000.

The IAA Foundation was established in 1987 to support educational, research and charitable activities which benefit agriculture, Illinois farm families, and county Farm Bureaus. Illinois Ag in the Classroom provides agriculture-based curricula for K-8 students and teacher training. The IAA Foundation supports Illinois Ag in the Classroom programs through a variety of annual fundraising and donations such as the one from FS Seed.

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Kathleen B. Cumsee, Aurora, disregard stop sign, \$120

Jeffery S. Debolt, Creve Coeur, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$230 + 3 mo supervision

Abraham George, Dunlap, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120

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Scott B. Lazzaratto, Cherry, seat belt required/driver, \$60

Jenna R. Litherland, Chicago, pss cannabis/10-30 gram-1st, \$2,280 + 6 mo supervision

Jamison Owens, Lake Ann MI, poss amt con sub except (A)/(D) 0720 ILCS, \$6,105 + 24 mo probation/spec cond + 30 hours public service

Michael T. Pratt, Neposet, overweight on Axle/1st-34d, \$390

Melissa K. Schlosser, Putnam, driving on suspended license, \$545

Eric D. Shearer, Henry, seat belt required/driver, \$60

Brian T. Sherman, LaSalle, over on gross CL I-III 1st-34d, \$1,240 + 6 mo supervision

Robert D. Skoronski, Park Ridge, seat belt required/driver, \$50

William F. Turnbull, Sparland, overweight on axle/1st-34d, \$700

Jeffrey A. Pussey, Tomah WI, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120

Michael D. Vickery, Chicago, driving 15-20 mph over limit, \$120

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## School Menus

### BREAKFAST:

1/3) 2 slices cinnamon toast OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Orange juice, Milk

1/4) Cinnamon roll OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Applesauce, Milk

1/5) Bagel w/ cream cheese, Gogurt, Apple, Milk

1/6) Donut w/ powdered sugar OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ butter, Orange juice, Milk

1/7) French toast sticks OR ¾ cup cereal, 1 slice toast w/ peanut butter, Orange juice, Milk

### LUNCH:

1/3) Cheese stuffed breadsticks w/ pizza sauce, Green beans, Fruit roll up, Orange sherbet, Milk

1/4) Hot dog on bun, Buttered noodles, Corn, Mandarin oranges, Milk

1/5) COOK'S CHOICE

1/6) Chicken strips, Mashed potatoes w/ gravy, Peas, Peaches, Milk

1/7) Taco salad w/ meat, cheese, salsa & sour cream, Carrots, Cake, Milk

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# 4-H Achievement Night Celebrates Local 4-H Members

On Sunday, November 14th, the Henry Presbyterian church took on a whole new look for the Marshall-Putnam 4-H Achievement Night. It was decked out with tons of balloons.

In celebration of the outstanding 4-H achievements, the M-P Federation planned a very festive awards program. The 4-H Federation members planned some fun balloon games to keep the crowd entertained. Relays, team challenges and goofy games filled in spots between all of the awards.

In addition to planning the fun activities, the Federation members also announced the awards. The award presenters were: Thomas Downey, Katie Fecht, Jillian Allen, Brooke Watkins, Wes Harrison, Alli Eckberg, Jessi Meils, Nicole Woodall, James Downey, Joe Fecht, Austin Kocher, Mark Girone, Ashley Strauch, Kaitlyn Doyle, Alys Hofstatter, Taylor Streitmatter.

This year a new tradition began with a new award called Extreme Exhibits. This year Brittney Coons was honored with this award. She had traditionally exhibited a very large number of 4-H projects during the 4-H Show. This past summer she showed 58 projects. As she graduates from 4-H, Brittney's family would like to challenge other 4-Hers to try more and new projects. They will continue sponsoring this award each year.

Morgan Phillips of the Lostant Leaders gave a special presentation about Locks of Love. Morgan is working on a special community service project in which she is raising money and awareness for Locks of Love. She is also planning to donate her hair.

The Recognition of Excellence awards are the largest group of awards handed out. 4-Hers earn that honor through the work they do in the 4-H club and additional service and leadership work at the county level. The award areas are Project, Service and Leadership. For a complete listing of those award winners, visit the Marshall-Putnam 4-H web site at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/marshallputnam/downloads/25610.pdf>.

In addition to the Recognition of Excellence awards there are also many special awards and recognitions presented.

Shirley Quinn, Illinois 4-H Hall of Fame  
Noah DeBates, Outstanding Secretary  
James Leigh, Sr. Best Kept Records  
Logan Woodward, Jr. Best Kept Records  
Mark Girone, Alli Eckberg, Rebecca Plummer and James Leigh, "I Dare You" Awards

Austin Kocher, M-P Steer Premiere Award  
Don Gensler, John Harrison, John Latham, Phil Sheppard, Mike Phillips, Brandon & Theresa Greiner, David McMullen, Brian Kocher and Nicole Larson, 1st Year Leaders

Debbie Leigh, Margy Mattern, Dorothy Plummer and Diane Wier, 5th Year Leader Anniversary

DiAnn Kuehn, 10th Year Leader Anniversary

Pam Hahn, 20th Year Leader Anniversary  
The awards program ended with a favorite new tradition among the clubs. Clubs compete for the 4-H Spirit Stick. Creativity and group involvement is the key to winning the Spirit Stick. This year the Steuben Rangers were the winners.

Photos of the night's events can be found on the Marshall-Putnam 4-H web site at [www.extension.uiuc.edu/marshallputnam](http://www.extension.uiuc.edu/marshallputnam).

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## Hear His Word

### "A Simple Story Renews Hope"

"The Little Drummer Boy" was written by Romeo Muller, loosely based on the familiar 1958 Christmas carol of the same name. It recounts the bitter but soon-to-be transformed life of a young orphan named Aaron, who had seen bandits murder his father and mother.

Escaping with three animal friends and a drum that had been a birthday gift from his parents, the boy indiscriminately holds all humans responsible for the bloody violence that befell his family.

His heart full of hatred, Aaron has vowed to cut himself off forever from all other people. Through a series of unhappy accidents, he finds himself in Bethlehem, at the stable that had become a temporary shelter for Mary, Joseph and their newborn son.

To save the life of his badly injured lamb, Baba, Aaron must win the favor of the baby king in the manger. Unlike the three wealthy potentates who are there, the boy has no valuable treasure to offer in trade for his beloved lamb's life.

All Aaron has to give is a simple song he can play on his drum.

It is, of course, a wholly acceptable offering, for love is a far more precious gift than gold, frankincense and myrrh.

As Aaron plays his gift, the baby king smiles. In that moment, Baba is healed, and so, too, is the little drummer boy. In the glow of that smile, all of Aaron's rage and hatred disappears.

The story of the Bethlehem miracle has been told and retold countless times, but few recount it like "The Little Drummer Boy."

This simple and largely fictional children's tale tells the good news of reconciliation, of making whole that which has been broken, and of healing both the physical and spiritual.

Most important, it tells of pure love, to which the only appropriate response is equally selfless love.

Yet, we who today claim to bear the name of the baby king in the manger all too often close our minds and hearts to this message. We slam doors tightly shut, making reconciliation impossible. We inflict injury, rather than healing the physical and spiritual pain that surround us. We acquiesce to injustice, and we perpetrate hatred and prejudice.

Sadly, we sometimes do this in the misappropriated name of the baby king, shamelessly hurling Bible verses in anger to justify our lovelessness.

The story of "The Little Drummer Boy" reminds us of the hope that we, too, can be healed, just as love transformed Aaron's life.

The baby king smiles at us, too. And the angels still proclaim the promise of "peace on earth to people of good will," not only at Christmas time but for all time, if we open our ears and hearts to those healing words of reconciliation.

## Putnam County Christmas Basketball Breakdown

### Boys Varsity @ Marseilles Basketball Tournament

Monday December 27	4:00	vs	Dixon
Tuesday December 28	2:00	vs	St. Bede
Wednesday December 29	TBA (Bracket)		
Thursday December 30	TBA (Bracket)		

### Girls Varsity Basketball Tournament @ Amboy

Monday December 27	6:00	vs.	Plano
Tuesday December 28	4:30	vs.	Indian Creek
Wednesday December 29	6:00	vs.	Marquette
Thursday December 30	TBA (Bracket)		

### Boys JV Basketball Tournament

Saturday, December 18th	10:30 vs Hall and 4:30 vs Bureau Valley		
Monday, December 20	None		
Tuesday December 21	6:30	vs.	Leland/Earlville
Wednesday December 22	TBA		
Thursday December 23	TBA		

### Girls JV Basketball @ Earlville High School

Monday December 27- December 30-TBA

## Panthers to Participate in Marseilles Holiday Tournament

The Putnam County Panthers Boys Basketball team will be participating in the 2nd Annual Marseilles Holiday Tournament, Dec. 27th thru Dec. 30th. The games will be played at the Marseilles Elementary School. One might ask how does an elementary school host a high school Christmas tournament. It was the idea of Marseilles Elementary School Principal/AD Jeff Owens. (His wife is the former Michelle Passini of Standard.)

Marseilles has one of the biggest gyms in LaSalle County. It was the home of the Marseilles High Panthers from 1956-1990, the year the high school closed and the students went to Ottawa High. The gym, since 2000, has had its floor refinished, new scoreboards added, and new bleachers installed. The tournament is the annual fundraiser for the Marseilles Sports booster club. They pay for all cost of extracurricular activities at Marseilles Elementary. When he got the idea of having this tournament, Owens called the IHSA to see if they were allowed to host it. After talking to the IHSA's Kirk Gibson, Owens was told that only a high school could host such a tournament and sign the contracts for the teams and officials. Then stepped in PC graduate and Marquette High School AD Todd Hopkins.

Marquette High School is the official host of the tournament. Todd signs all the contracts and gives them to Owens who is the tournament director. The tournament was a huge success last year when we had 8 teams. This year's field has 12 teams in it. Owens knew that he wanted to add teams such as PC because of their huge fan base and great following. The goal is to someday have a 16-team tournament.

## Quilters to Meet

Thursday, January 6, the Covered Bridge Quilters Guild will meet at 7:00 p.m. at the Christ Community Church, 1719 South Euclid St., Princeton. Guests are welcome to attend for a fee of \$5.00. The feature program will be presented by Janet Morland, Malden. Janet will answer the most asked question, "Where did that come from?" She will reveal some of the sources of her creativity.

Quilt Appraisals will be done by Mary Serafini, AQS Certified Quilt Appraiser, Saturday, January 8, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Farm Bureau Building, Princeton. Please contact Mary at (815)339-2171 for a time so you will not have to wait or stand in line. Mary will let you know the fee for your quilt appraisal. Make sure you have a label on your quilt. If you do not know what is required for a quilt label, contact Sandra Gladhill at (815) 228-1071 or Mary Serafini at (815) 339-2171.

For Membership information contact: Carolyn A. Schmitt at (815) 875-3161.

For Workshop information contact: Sandra Gladhill at (815) 228-1071.

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### Putnam County Achievement Services, Inc. Luncheon Menu

Those wishing to enjoy lunch at the Senior Center in Standard should be advised they need to call in reservations at least 24 hours in advance of the date they wish to go. Call 815/339-2711 or 800/757-4579. \*Denotes diabetic serving

12/27) Meatloaf w/ketchup, mashed potatoes, yellow squash, fruit cocktail, graham crackers, wheat bread

12/28) Veal patty w/gravy, au gratin potatoes, stewed tomatoes, apricot halves, wheat bread

12/29) Deli turkey on wheat bread, American fries, split pea soup, fresh apple, mayo packet

12/30) Pork chop w/mushroom gravy & wheat roll, cheddar mashed potatoes, Riviera blend veggies, Mandarin oranges, chocolate cream pie

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19-tfn-nc

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### SEEKING DONATION

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## Legals

### LEGAL PUBLICATION CIRCUIT COURT OF THE

### TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS ESTATE OF MARY BELLINO, DECEASED. NO. 2010- P-13

**CLAIM NOTICE**  
Notice is hereby given of the death of **Mary Bellino**. Letters of Office were issued on December 3, 2010 to Rose Verdone, 7 South 566 Creek Drive, Naperville IL 60540, and John Bellino, Box 35, Standard IL 61363, as Representatives, whose attorney is Wimbiscus Law Firm, P.C., 102 East St. Paul Street, Spring valley IL 61362.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court, Putnam County Courthouse, Hennepin IL 61327, or with the Representatives or both, on or before June 17, 2011, which date is not less than 6 months from date of first publication, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the Representatives is required by Sec. 18-3 of the Probate Act of 1975, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before said date is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the clerk must be mailed or delivered by the claimant to the Representatives and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been filed.

Dated this 7th day of December, A.D. 2010.  
Wimbiscus Law Firm, P.C.  
Attorney for Estate  
102 East St. Paul Street  
Spring Valley IL 61362  
Telephone: (815) 664-4151  
16-3x-npd

### LEGAL PUBLICATION PUTNAM COUNTY BOARD

#### Regular Meeting Dates 2011

Mon. January 10 - 4 p.m.  
Mon. February 14 - 7 p.m.  
Mon. March 14 - 10 a.m.  
Mon. April 11 - 4 p.m.  
Mon. May 9 - 7 p.m.  
Mon. June 13 - 10 a.m.  
Mon. July 11 - 7 p.m.  
Mon. August 8 - 10 a.m.  
Mon. September 12 - 4 p.m.  
Tues. October 11 - 7 p.m.  
Mon. November 14 - 4 p.m.  
Mon. December 12 - 10 a.m.  
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### LEGAL PUBLICATION IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In the Matter of the Estate of **PORFIRIO ORTIZ**, Case No. 10-P-8, Deceased.

#### NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION

Notice is given of the death of **PORFIRIO ORTIZ**, deceased, of 421 South Laughlin Avenue, Granville, Putnam County, Illinois 61326. Letters of Administration were issued on July 22, 2010 to NORTH CENTRAL BANK, 126 E. High Street, PO Box 317, Hennepin, IL 61327. On December 9, 2010, NORTH CENTRAL BANK filed a Petition to Change Administration from Supervised to Independent Administration and Letters of Independent Administration were issued on December 9, 2010, to NORTH CENTRAL BANK, 126 E. High Street, PO Box 317, Hennepin, IL 61327, whose attorney is Eric S. Swartz, 611 Second Street, P.O. Box 174, Henry, IL 61537.

Dated: December 13, 2010.  
David R. Ward, President  
North Central Bank, Independent Administrator of the Estate of Porfirio Ortiz, deceased  
ERIC S. SWARTZ, Attorney for the Independent Administrator  
P.O. Box 174, 611 Second St.  
Henry, IL 61537  
(309) 364-2354

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### LEGAL PUBLICATION ASSUMED NAME PUBLICATION NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on December 14, 2010, a certificate was filed in the Office of the County Clerk of Putnam County, Illinois, setting forth the names and post-office addresses of all the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as **Mary Frances Passini - The Cabinet Shoppe**, located at 108 Second Street, Standard, IL.

Dated this 14th day of December 2010

Daniel S. Kuhn  
Putnam County Clerk

### LEGAL PUBLICATION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ZONING COMMITTEE VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE, PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS

17-3x-pd  
TAKE NOTICE that the Village Board of Trustee Zoning Committee of the Village of Granville, Putnam County, Illinois will conduct a public hearing at 9:00 o'clock A.M. on 8th day of January, 2011 at Village Council Chambers at 316 South McCoy Street, Granville, Illinois, to consider an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 172 of the Village of Granville, Putnam County, Illinois, as proposed by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Granville, Putnam County, Illinois, pertaining to and regulating swimming pools, the definition of swimming pool, the location in side and rear yards, the requirement of a four (4) foot enclosure and other related provisions. The proposed Ordinance also requires re-issuance of a building permit after one (1) year under certain circumstances. The proposed Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance No. 172 is available for public inspection, and copying, at the office of the Village Clerk at 316 South McCoy Street, Granville, Illinois, 61326.

Given at Granville, Illinois this 17th day December, 2010.  
VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
ZONING COMMITTEE OF THE  
VILLAGE OF GRANVILLE,  
PUTNAM COUNTY, ILLINOIS  
DOUGLAS GIMBAL,  
PRESIDENT AND COM-  
MITTEE CHAIRMAN  
17-1x-npd

### LEGAL PUBLICATION PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing will be held on Thursday, January 13, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. at the Hennepin

Village Hall, to afford interested persons an opportunity to be heard concerning the request by Frank Boggio, Jr. for a Special Use Permit to construct a pond

on his property at 405 S. Milan St. in the Village of Hennepin.  
Diane Brandstatter,  
Village Clerk

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Please be sure to check with the Hennepin Park District Pool for Holiday Activities starting on December 27th @ 815/925-7319.

Happy Holidays!

### LEGAL PUBLICATION

Senachwine Township Board of Trustees passed the appropriate Tax Levy Ordinances for the Town Funds and the Road District Funds for the tax year 2010, collectable in 2011. These levies are in compliance with the provisions of Section 18-60 through 18-85 of the "Truth in Taxation Law" and do not exceed 105 of the previous year's extension. The levies apply to the Town Fund, General Assistance Fund, Road and Bridge, Joint Bridge Matching, Permanent Road and Bridge, and the Machine and Equipment Funds. The ordinances are available for inspection by contacting Clerk Downey at 815-437-2685.

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## HEARING NOTICE NOTICE OF PROPOSED TAX INCREASE FOR HENNEPIN/ SENACHWINDNE MULTI- TOWNSHIP ASSESSING DISTRICT

- I. A Public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for the Hennepin/Senachwine Multi-Township Assessing District for tax year 2010 (payable in 2011) will be held on December 28, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Senachwine Township town Hall, 404 High Street in Putnam.

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact David Workman, Supervisor Hennepin/Senachwine MTAD, at 815/-866-8115.

- II. The property taxes extended for 2009 were \$5,135.84. The proposed property taxes to be levied for 2010 are \$10,150.00. This represents a 98% increase over the previous year.

- III. The total property taxes extended for 2009 (payable in 2010) were \$5,135.84. The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2010 (payable in 2011) are \$10,150.00. This represents a 98% increase over the previous year.

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# The Children Tell Their Stories . . .

### What Game Would You Play with Rudolph?

**Mrs. Alleman's Class KA**

**Mikenna Boyd**

I would play tag because it is fun. I think I would win because I am fast!

**Aleisha Bunnell**

I would play Megamind because I don't have that one at home. Rudolph would like to play that game because he is a good player.

**Emma Nicoli**

I would play ball with Rudolph. Rudolph would be good at it because he is a good thrower.

**Gianna Sartin**

I would play Ring Around the Rosie because it is fun. He would be able to fall down by laying down.

**Chase Ziano**

I would play Tic Tac Toe. He would hold the pencil straight. He would use his claw to hold the pencil.

**Kara Staley**

I would play Ring Around the Rosie because I play it a home with my friend Cameron. I would let Cameron play with us too.

**Joe Pasternak**

I would play cars. Rudolph would play with the bus. I would play with a red car.

**Sihana Zulbeari**

I would play Hide and Seek. Daphney and Jayden would play too.

**Warren Mrowicki**

I would play Toss the Rudolph because he would be happy with it. He would be happy that I would throw him in air ten times!

**Zaven Somes-Cashmere**

I would play wrestling because I have a stuffed animal of Rudolph. I would watch the movie of Rudolph with him.

**Daphney Coble**

I would play dress up. He would like that because there is a reindeer dress up game.

**Mavrick Holocker**

I would play Santa and Rudolph would light his nose.

**Jayden Jones**

I would play a dress up game. I would dress Rudolph up with a top and pants. I think he would like to wear pants and a top.

**Belle Ladson**

I would to draw with Rudolph. He would draw nicely. He would draw some Christmas things.

**Katelyn Liles**

I would play running games with Rudolph because he would run fast. I would race him. Rudolph would win because he is so fast.

**Carter Holmes**

I would play flying in the sky. I would be flying too because I would be holding his paw.

**Reise Zellmer**

I would play Candyland with Rudolph. I think I would win because one time I played it with Olivia and I won.

**Andrew Pyszka**

I would play tag with Rudolph because he can fly. I would tag him by trying to jump and get him. He would win.

**Piper Smith**

I would play Scoobie Doo pink game. You run in the grass when you play Scoobie Doo. He would run fast.

**Austin Mattingly**

I would play Pacman with Rudolph because there are a lot of games on it. He would use the controller with his paws.

**Daina Stangland**

I would want Rudolph to play on my DS with me. We would play the snowman game with the reindeer. Rudolph would like that because he likes snowmen and reindeer.

**Rihley Faletti**

I would play the Red Nose Reindeer Game because it is my favorite game to play.

**Mrs. Gilbert's Class KB**

**Tori Balma** "I would play checkers. I would be red and Rudolph can be black."

**Olivia Bertrand** "I would play with Candyland because it is a lot of fun."

**Nicholas Currie** "I would play left and right. You have a dice and if you roll a "L" you move a penny to the left."

**Gracie Ciucci** "I would play tag. Rudolph would be good at tag."

**Annastasia Comer** "I would play whack-a-mole with Rudolph. You have a hammer and whack them."

**Alex Garrido** "I would play Sorry with Rudolph. I am good at it."

**Tyler Hall** "I would play darts. Rudolph would be good at darts."

**Ryan Hundley** "I would play Old Maid. It's a fun card game."

**Josh Jessen** "I would play chase the dog. We would chase him around my house. Rudolph would be very fast."

**Mayra Macias** "We would play with my penguin. She has a glittery bow."

**Arianna Rivera-Storey** "I would play cards. They would be ABC cards."

**Shelley Romero** "I will play hide and seek. I will find him."

**Jesse Scott** "I would play with my Wii. We would play the left right game."

**Ray Terando** "I would play tag with him because the other reindeer wouldn't play with him."

**Madelyn Torrance** "I would play Connect 4. I would let Rudolph go first."

**Cate Trovero** "I would let him play with my toys. We would play with my Musketeers."

**Haile Turner** "I would play the Wii with my dad and Rudolph in my bedroom. We would play bowling. Rudolph could roll the ball."

**Azael Vargas** "I will play cards. Rudolph can win."

**Tyler Waslesyn** "I would play Go Fish. I would let Rudolph win."

**Mrs. Berger's Class KC**

I would play Legos with him to build something really cool.

**Jackson McDonald**  
I would play football with Rudolph because it is fun.

**Spencer Voss**

I would play baseball with Rudolph because my mom taught me how to play.

**Samantha Cirillo**

I would play Tic-Tac-Toe with Rudolph because it is my favorite game.

**Layne Sanchez**

I would play Duck-Duck-Goose with Rudolph because it's fun.

**Quinn Postula**

I would play soccer with Rudolph because I like to play soccer.

**Joel Rangel**

I would play tag with Rudolph because it's fun.

**Kaitlyn Brannon**

I would play the video game Scooby Doo because it is on a DS and it is cool.

**Blake Billups**

I would play the DS game Zhu-Zhu-Pet because I like it.

**Molly Miller**

I would play Hide and Go Seek with Rudolph because that's my favorite game.

**Tommy Twardowski**

I would play soccer with Rudolph because soccer is fun.

**Jadin Kierski**

I would play Froggy with him because the frog jumps in the box.

**Melody Clayton**

I would play Hide and Seek because I like to play Hide and Seek.

**Elias Errisuris**

I would play basketball with him because I like to throw the ball

really high.

**Brandon Hess**

I would play basketball with him because it's good exercise and makes you healthy.

**Ryan Migliorini**

I would play Hide and seek with Rudolph because I like that game.

**Olivia Gonzalez**

I would play Hide and Seek with Rudolph because I like when people find me.

**Ashlee Fuchs**

I would play cars with him because I like them.

**Dominick Borio**

I will play Drive video game with him because I would like to drive him into the walls.

**Dominik Brown**

I would like to sing the song Bingo with him so we can clap.

**Rachael Ely**

I would play a wii game with him because Rudolph is nice.

**Lauren Faletti**

I would play checkers with him because I win a lot when I play checkers.

**Moses Levine**

**Mrs. Sobkowiak's Class 1A**

**What is Santa's favorite cookie and why?**

Santa's favorite cookie is a sugar cookie because it is sweet and good.

- **Reiley Wortz 1A**  
Santa's favorite cookie is a chocolate chip cookie because it is yummy and soft.

- **Alyssa Kelm 1A**  
Santa's favorite cookie is chocolate chip cookies because they

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are yummy and delicious.  
 - Ferdese Zulfeari 1A Santa's favorite cookie is gingerbread cookie because they are yummy and shaped like a man.  
 - Will Griffith 1A Santa's favorite cookie is an oreo cookie because it has frosting.  
 - Drake Smith 1A Santa's favorite cookie is a chocolate chip cookie because the chocolate is yummy.  
 - Faith Pack 1A Santa's favorite cookie is chocolate chip raisin cookie because it is yummy and gushy.  
 - Molly Roach 1A Santa's favorite cookie is a chocolate chip because Santa likes them because they are good.  
 - LJ Faletti 1A Santa's favorite cookie is an apple cookie because it is gushy and gooey.  
 - Cody Milby 1A Santa's favorite cookie is an oatmeal raisin cookie because it is very very yummy and his favorite one of ALL.  
 - Preston Taylor 1A Santa's favorite cookie is a chocolate chip and my favorite is chocolate chip.

- Peyton Williams 1A Santa's favorite cookie is an Oreos cookie because they are my favorite cookie.  
 - Erin Brooker 1A Santa's favorite cookie is gingerbread because it is yummy and delicious.  
 - Jimmy Baele 1A Santa's favorite cookie is chocolate chip because it is chocolaty!  
 - Clayton Wellenreitter 1A Santa's favorite cookie is a M and M because it is yummy and gooshy and yummy, yummy, yummy. It is yummy in my tummy.  
 - McKinley Cwikla 1A Santa's favorite cookie is chocolate chip because he likes chocolate chips.  
 - Connor Brooker 1A

**Mrs. Vacca's Class 1B**

**What is Santa's favorite cookie and why?**  
 Santa's favorite cookie is cut-out cookies with sprinkles on them because they are shaped like deer and he likes deer.  
 - Hayden Joop 1B Santa's favorite cookie is elf cookies because he has elves and I like Christmas.  
 - Gage Mikesell 1B Santa's favorite cookie is elf cookies because it has all of his favorite insides like sprinkles and marshmallows and chocolate and m and m's and peanut butter and milk. And you have to write Santa's name in whip cream and leave lots of orange juice.  
 - Ryan Judd 1B Santa's favorite cookie is chocolate chip because they are homemade.  
 - Eli Postula 1B Santa's favorite cookie is Kiss cookies because it has lots of sugar and a big kiss from me.  
 - Laei Calkins 1B Santa's favorite cookie is Christmas cut-outs because they are good and sweet.  
 - Zofia Uzella 1B Santa's favorite cookie is chocolate chip because he likes chocolate chip.  
 - Cale O'Donnell 1B Santa's favorite cookie is chocolate chip because it has lots and lots of sugar and chocolate chips.  
 - Jacob Burress 1B Santa's favorite cookie is elf cookie because it has an elf on it.  
 - Tyler Wroblewski 1B Santa's favorite cookie is elf cookies because he eats them all up and loves them very much.  
 - Paige Terando 1B Santa's favorite cookie is gingerbread because it has ginger in it

and he likes ginger.  
 - Cale Wallace 1B Santa's favorite cookie is chocolate because it has sugar in it. He likes it because it is a good cookie.  
 - Katlyn Coan 1B Santa's favorite cookie is Santa Claus cookies because he likes the frosting they we put on the cookies.  
 - Renae Ramey 1B Santa's favorite cookie is alphabet cookies because they have sugar on them.  
 - Christopher Uzella 1B Santa's favorite cookie is M and M because it has lots of sugar in them.  
 - Kalyn Grant 1B Santa's favorite cookie is Kiss cookies because it has lots of sugar.  
 - Sidney Mennie 1B

**Mrs. Holmbeck's Class 1C**

**What is Santa's favorite cookie and why?**  
 Jaxon- Santa's favorite cookie is a frosted cookie. It is colorful because you can make a Santa face or something using many colors.  
 Jaidin- Santa's favorite cookie is a peanut butter cookie. They taste very, very good and maybe he likes peanut butter.  
 Lucas- Santa's favorite cookie is a sugar cookie. My dad and Santa both like them.  
 Joey- Santa's favorite cookies are picture cookies. He eats a lot of one and a little bit of one and he doesn't eat the other one because he doesn't have enough time. He has to go to the other houses.  
 Eddie- Santa's favorite cookie is mint chip because he loves mints.  
 Ethan- Santa's favorite cookie is gingerbread. He never leaves a crumb.  
 Joshua- Santa's favorite cookie is mint chip. Mints are green and it is a Christmas color.  
 Chad- Santa's favorite cookie is gingerbread because he never leaves a crumb.  
 Linzee- Santa's favorite cookie is a cut-out cookie. Santa eats it all up.  
 Aireanna- Santa's favorite cookie is a cookie shaped like a Christmas tree because they are my favorite cookies.  
 Isaac- Santa's favorite cookies are chocolate cookies. Last year he didn't leave a crumb. He left me a note and he wrote very nicely.  
 Lilly- Santa's favorite cookies are M&M cookies because they are colorful.  
 Abigail- Santa's favorite cookies are chocolate chip. Santa likes chocolate chips.  
 Dominick- Santa's favorite

cookie is gingerbread. He makes them in his oven.  
 Lena- Santa's favorite cookies are chocolate chip because he eats them on Christmas Day.

**Mrs. Ringenberg's Class 2A**

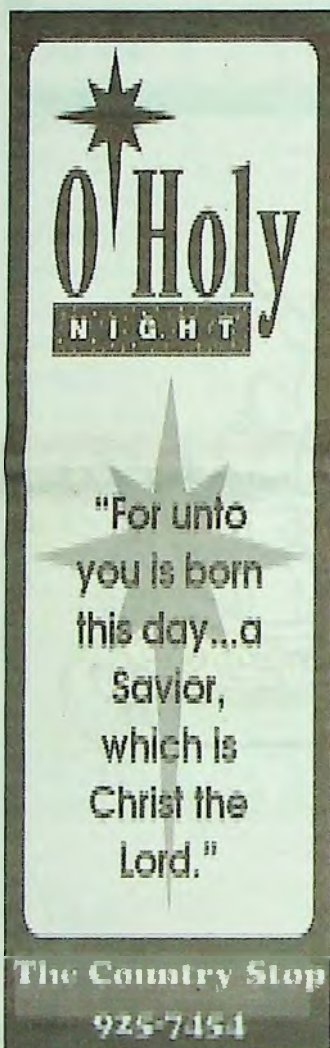
**What does Santa do the day after Christmas?**

**Matt Haage**  
 I think Santa watches good boys and girls for next year and feeds his reindeer.  
**Gabbie Smith**  
 I think Santa plays with his elves and goes to bed and plays with his elves again.  
**Gabe Kerchner**  
 I think Santa makes toys to get ready for next Christmas and sleeps every night.  
**Leena Dean**  
 I think Santa spends time with his family and makes more toys to get ready for next year.  
**Luke Pederson**  
 I think Santa is going to take a nap. I think Santa will tell the elves to make more toys.  
**Kyle Gorisek**  
 I think Santa makes more toys at his workshop for next Christmas or he might rest.  
**Samuel Currie**  
 I think Santa makes presents for next year's Christmas. I think Santa takes down his Christmas lights.  
**Drake Ziano**  
 I think Santa makes toys to get ready for next year and he wraps presents for girls and boys.  
**Kendra Crew**  
 I think Santa is making more toys for Christmas for all the children. Santa is looking for good children.  
**Caleb Christiansen**  
 I think what Santa does after Christmas is takes a nap and makes presents to get ready for next year.  
**Ian Woitynek**  
 I think Santa finds out who's naughty and nice to get ready for next year and then goes to sleep in his bed.  
**Alysia Gonzalez**  
 I think Santa gets more toys to get ready for next year and enjoys the winter because he can sleep at his home.  
**Dylan Schrowang**  
 I think Santa will sleep the day after Christmas and makes toys to get ready for next year.  
**Keenin Brandner**  
 I think Santa rests because he might be tired. I think Santa will make toys.  
**Matthew Burr**  
 I think that the day after Christmas Santa goes back to his castle or whatever it is and gets in the

hall and sees his reindeer and pets them and then he brushes his teeth and then he goes to bed.  
**Nick Mattern**  
 I think Santa will lay down in his bed and drink hot cocoa. Well, probably just for about two hours. Next he would get ready for next Christmas. First he would check on the elves. You never know if they are doing something wrong.  
**Summer Chism**  
 I think Santa makes toys after Christmas and he gets tired and goes to sleep.  
**Jocelyn Frank**  
 I think Santa will make all the toys to get ready for next Christmas Eve and go to sleep.  
**Zaid Romero**  
 I think Santa make a lot of toys. I think Santa will make a lot of presents.  
**Diego Rivera**  
 I think Santa will make more toys for Christmas for all the children. Santa will look for good children.

**Anita Ladage's Class 2B**

Dear Santa,  
 Have a great Christmas! Say "Hi!" to the elves for me. Please, I would like a dsixl, ds, and a phone. Thank you. I hope you have a great year.  
 Love,  
**Carson Mrowicki**  
 Dear Santa,  
 How are you and the reindeer? I hope you are doing good. Can you say "Hello!" to Mrs. Claus and the elves for me? I hope I get an iPod, I Phone, and a laptop, please. Thank you.  
 Your friend,  
**Cristal Correa**  
 Dear Santa,  
 How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? I'm going to have a surprise for you. Please, can I have more little dinosaurs and clothes and a mask? Thank you. Have a holly, jolly Christmas!  
 Your friend,  
**Wesley Grimshaw**  
 Dear Santa,  
 Have a holly, jolly Christmas! How are you and Mrs. Claus doing? Please, I would like: a DSI, a Pokemon Heart Gold, and Pokemon Soul Silver. Thank you. Hope you have a good year!  
 Your friend,  
**Dylan Strait**  
 P.S. Check the list.  
 Dear Santa,  
 I hope you have a good Christmas. Say "Hi!" to Mrs. Claus for me. I hope you feel well. I want a mini-razor motorcycle, please. Thank you.  
 Your friend,  
**Kelvin Davenport**



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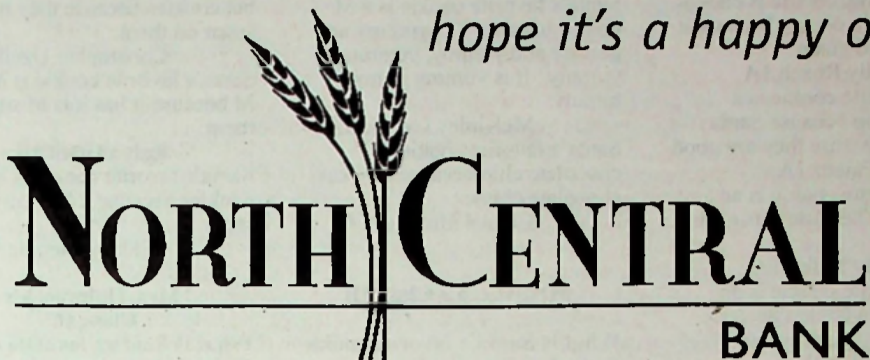


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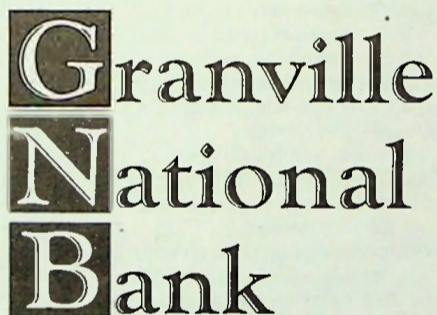


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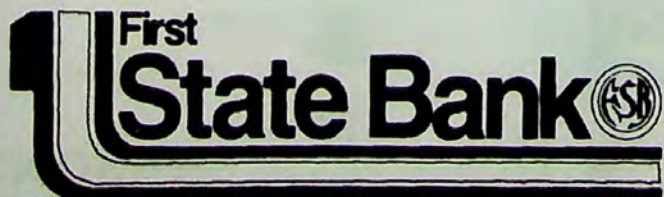
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mas is special because of family get together and gifts. Also, it is fun to decorate the tree. Those are my favorite parts. I feel excellent when it is Christmas.

**Cassie Johnson**

The holidays are marvelous to me. The reason is because all holidays have reasons to celebrate. Valentine day is all about love. The main thing about Christmas is the giving. Thank-giving talks about giving thanks for all we have. They are all exciting to me. I like them all so I can not choose just one to write about. All of the holidays are amazing!

**Molly Boyd**

Ho! Ho! Ho! Do you know how I celebrate Christmas? My favorite part of Christmas is my family's gets together. I have Christmas at my house and my grandma's. I get to see my cousins from Wisconsin. We have fun. Also, I like all the presents I get. Christmas is one of my more favorite holidays.

**Madelyn Hultz**

The holidays are terrific to me in different ways. On Christmas we always have dinner together. At Christmas time we get together and put up a Christmas tree. I love to get presents from my family and I like giving them presents. It always makes me feel terrific when they open my gift. These are some of the things that are special to me about Christmas.

**Skyler Williams**

The holidays are special to me. One reason is when I go shopping with my mom and I get to buy a present for my friend. It makes me feel good. Another thing I like is when we put up the Christmas tree and then wait for the presents that will be put under the tree that Santa brings us. Another reason I like Christmas is when my family and I open gifts. That makes me feel fantastic. One more thing I like is when my family gets together at the church. These are just some of the reasons why I enjoy Christmas.

**Livia Sanchez**

Christmas is fantastic because

my mom buys gifts and lock them in the office and spare bedroom. For the rest of my family I help to wrap the presents. It is an excellent task. I sometimes try to buy or make gifts for my family, but sometimes I can not finish. Do you make little presents for your teacher? Well, I do sometimes. It makes me feel terrific to surprise them and make them gifts. My family in Standard comes to my house for breakfast on Christmas Day and brings presents and we all open them. The adults do a gift exchange for presents. This is how I celebrate Christmas! How do you celebrate Christmas? It is a magnificent holiday!

**Meggie Brooker**

Ho! Ho! Ho! What makes the holiday special for you and your family? For my family it is putting up our Christmas tree. We have an artificial tree so my brother, sister and I get a bunch of leaves and help our mom put them on the tree. While my mom puts up the lights I hold the extra wire so she can go faster. Then there's my favorite part of all - putting the ornaments on. I love it so much because the tree is just green before you put the lights and ornaments up, but then it's just magical! That is what makes the holiday so fantastic.

**Hunter Ziano**

This is why I really like Christmas. I love Christmas because we visit different places. We go to see my aunt and uncle and cousins Ryan and Nathaniel and play with them. I like to open presents on Christmas morning. It is fun when you get to see what you have. Then we get to play with what we got. This is why I like my Christmas.

**MARY LUCAS CLASS 3C**

The holiday season is special to me because you get a lot of presents from Santa. And there is a lot of snow and we can build snowmans. And when you are all done you can have hot choclot.

**Miles McCook**

The holiday is spechil to me because every body in my famly

is there with me.

**Nolan Doyle**

The holiday is speshl to me because I get presints and I get my Chrismis tree, but most of all the snow.

**Ben Cyr**

The holiday season is special to me because on Christmas Eve my mom gets a stuffed anmil Rudolph and we sit down and read a story about Christmas and go to sleep and wake up elary.

**Tianna Green**

The holiday season is special to me because I east cookies, open presnts, and play with them.

**Eric Dudek**

The holiday season is special to me because I get to spend time with my famly and I can have fun opening presents and enjoy the rest of Chrismis and have fun.

**Kennedi Bazydlo**

The holiday season is special to me beacause on Chistmas I get a lot of presents. On Thanksgivig I go to my Grandparent's house.

**Jacob Williams**

The holiday season is special to me because I get to see my family. I like getting presents from Santa Claus. I like when it is Christmas morning & my mom lets me sleep in & at my dad's house too.

**Katrien Holocker**

The holiday season is special to me because when we put up ovr Christmas tree up we watch The Muffets Christmas. Next day we watch "How the Grinch Stoll Christmas." 2 days before Christmas we watch "Horton Hears a Who."

**Maddie Wroblecki**

The holiday season is special to me because I get to see my family and eat a lot of good food.

**Lucas Olson**

The holiday season is special to me because I get to spend time whit my famley.

**Keegen Taylor Allamen**

I like Christmas. I put up a Christmas tree. And it snows. I play in the snow. I set out milk and cookies for Santa Claus. This year I will set out caramel apples for Santa Claus. I like to sing at my Christmas concert.

**Jeri Lester**

The holiday season is special to me because I get to spend more time with my family and Santa comes to give presents to us. That is why the holiday season is special to me.

**Kamryn Heredia**

The holiday season is special to me because we selabrat Christmas. We have a Charlie Brown tree. I beleve in Santa Claus.

**Abbi Podman**

The holiday season is special to me because we get to open our presents, put up the Christmas tree, and we play in the snow.

**Allison**

The holiday season is special to me because I love my presents. I get then from Santa.

**Raegen Poole**

The holiday Christmas is special to me because I love to spend time with my family and get to open presents. And to share the joy.

**Shayla Arroyo**

The holiday season is special to me because I go to my grandma's house. The whole family comes. We eat and open presents. I have a lot of fun!

**Hannah**

**MRS. PETERSON CLASS 4A Traditions**

On Christmas Eve we spend time with my mom's side of the family. We eat dinner and open presents as a family. Then we drive back home. On Christmas day we eat cinnamon rolls and then spend time with my dad's family. We open presents again!!

**Luke Carlson**

**My Family Tradition**

Every year our family goes to grandma and grandpa's on Christmas Eve to celebrate with our family. First we talk, then eat. Everyone brings something to eat. I like the deviled eggs!! Then we get to open presents. We pick someone every year to play Santa and they have to put on the hat and pass out the presents. We take turns opening our presents. Christmas is my favorite holiday!

**Andrew Mercer**

**My Family Tradition**

This is how my family tradition starts: We put the Christmas tree up. We put a carpet under the tree. Everybody puts the ornaments on. I put the string on the tree. The next day we go to Wal-Mart and other stores to buy

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Love,  
**McKenna Solomon**

Dear Santa, How are you and Mrs. Claus? I am going to have cookies for you. What I want for Christmas, please, is: an art kit, Creepy Crawlies, and one more thing-for you to have a great Christmas! Love and thank you,

**Caitlyn Cioni**

Dear Santa, Have a holly, jolly Christmas. Can I have a DSi, a video game controller, and a pillow pet, please? Thank you, Santa. Oh, and say "Hi!" to Mrs. Claus for me.

Your friend,  
**Sophia Harris**

Dear Santa, I hope you have a good Christmas. I hope you will have a good time. Can you, please, say "Hi!" to everybody? I hope you would be happy on the 24th and the 25th. I would like: a blizzard maker, a new Xbox 360, and Barbies. Thank you!

Your friend,  
**Selene Garza**

Dear Santa, Have a holly, jolly Christmas. I hope you're doing well. Can I, please, have a DSi, PS3 and an Xbox 360? Thank you. I hope you have a nice year.

Your friend,  
**Joseph Nowakowski**

Dear Santa, How are you and the reindeer? Say "Hi!" to Mrs. Claus and the elves for me. I don't want anything but my family for Christmas because my family is the most important thing of all! And I wish I lived with my whole family!

Your friend,  
**Madison Longbein**

Dear Santa, Have a great Christmas! Please, I would like: a remote-control helicopter, a DSi, and a skateboard. Thank you! Have a holly, jolly Christmas.

Your friend,  
**Mic Voss**

Dear Santa, Please say "Hi!" to the reindeer for me. Santa, I would like a DSi, a toy dirt bike, and a new bike, please. Thank you. And I'll have a present for you, too—it will be cookies and milk.

Your friend,  
**Matthew Scott**

Dear Santa, I hope you have a nice Christmas. Please, I would like a Creepy Crawlers, and Xbox 360 Kinect, and a pet game for the Xbox 360. Thank you.

Your friend,  
**Zach Borio**

Dear Santa, I hope you're doing well. Please, I would like an American Girl doll, an iPod, and colored pencils. Thank you.

Your friend,  
**Madalyn Lorentzen**

Dear Santa, I hope you are having a good year. I hope you will have a good holiday. Please, I would like an iPod, a bike, and a guitar. Thank you.

Your friend,  
**Jaedon Campbell**

Dear Santa, I hope you're having a good Christmas! This is what I want for Christmas, please: a DS, a DSi, and a PSP. Thank you.

Love,  
**Douglas Bailey**

Dear Santa, How are you and the reindeer? Can I get a racing game for Xbox

360, see-in-the-dark goggles, and a box of crayons, please? Have a holly, jolly Christmas. Thank you.

Your friend,  
**Dylan Cadwallader**

Dear Santa, Have a good year! Tell the reindeer I said, "Hi!" I love you so much because you give me presents that I like. Please, could I have a remote-control helicopter, Mark Martin car hauler, and a PSP? Thank you.

Love,  
**Justin Masters**

Dear Santa, Say "Hi!" to the reindeer for me. Please, I would like: a DSi, an iPod, and toys. Thank you. I will have cookies and milk for you, and carrots for the reindeer.

Your friend,  
**Ivan Schinkey**

Dear Santa, Say "Hey!" to the reindeer for me. For Christmas, I would please like a free-style bike and some other things. One more thing, I will have cookies and milk for you, and carrots for the reindeer. Thank you.

Your friend,  
**Jose Espindola**

#### Mrs. Downey's Class 2C

**Matthew Liebhart**

Santa needs help cutting his beard and his hair. You need to go to barber school. You have to get the right supplies. You also need to be good at blow drying and washing hair. You need to be good at coloring and shampooing in case Santa gets gray hairs. Santa will pay \$2,000 a year. Please go to Santa's barber shop to apply. Thank you!

**Jacob Hammell**

Santa is in need of helpers. He needs someone to deliver presents. You will have to ride in the sleigh on Christmas Eve. You have to be good at names and delivering. You cannot break things that are glass. Santa will pay you \$89,000 a year. Apply for this job at [www.santaneeedsahelper.com](http://www.santaneeedsahelper.com)

**Kaitlin Ahern**

Santa is looking for a kid watcher. They have to watch the kids. They know when kids are awake. They have to watch a bunch of TV's. They have to be good at watching the kids. A kid watcher should have good eye sight and know all their names. How much will this job pay? \$15 a day. If you want this job go to [www.kidwatcher.com](http://www.kidwatcher.com)

**Ashlyn Serrine**

Santa is looking for a candy maker. The candy maker makes the candy. They make all sorts of candy. They put all the candy in a big red bag for him. They check to see if the candy tastes good. A candy maker has to be good at making candy and make sure the candy tastes good. They have to know how to read a book to make recipes. It will pay \$30 a week. Go to [www.candymaker.com](http://www.candymaker.com) if you want this job.

**Hunter Strack**

Santa needs a new cookie baker because the other baker burnt the cookies. You will bake cookies and cupcakes. When the cookies and cupcakes are done you have to give them to Santa. You have to mix and measure. You also have to decorate the cookies and cupcakes. Don't forget about frosting them. The pay is \$15,000 a day. Apply for this job at [www.santaneeedsafastercookiebaker.com](http://www.santaneeedsafastercookiebaker.com)

**Dominic Sartin**

Santa needs help! He is looking for a decorator. Decorators decorate Santa's workshop. The decorators buy the decorations because Santa does not. You have to be good at decorating. You have to be smart and know where to put up the decorations. Santa will pay you \$10 a week. The phone number is 1-800-decorations if you want this job.

**Tommy Gallup**

Santa needs help fixing his sleigh. You can get your own tools. Some tools you will need are a hammer, wrench, and screwdriver. It is cool. All you have to do is change the oil and check the engine. Santa will pay \$100 a day. It is really fun, come and do it please. Go to [www.sleighmechanic.com](http://www.sleighmechanic.com)

**Rylan Poole**

Santa needs a cocoa maker because his cocoa maker got fired for spilling the cocoa. You'll need to make the cocoa and buy the cocoa. You'll need to stir the cocoa and put marshmallows in the glass. The cocoa maker also needs to clean the glass when he is done. You will need to know how to stir and not get burnt. Santa will pay \$24.00 a day. Go to Santa's kitchen to find out more.

**Stephen Mecagni**

Are you looking for a job? If so, Santa is looking for a person to shop for him. You have to sleep during the day and shop at night. A shopper needs to be good at driving a snowmobile. You also need to know how much money to spend. So, you better be good at math. Santa will pay \$10 a week. You need to call 1-800-SECRETSHOPPER if you want this job.

**Emma Edens**

Santa is looking for a behavior watcher. The behavior watcher has to make sure the kids are nice. They always have to watch the kids and make a list of who is naughty and who is nice. One other thing a behavior watcher does is talk to Santa about how the kids are acting. If you want to be a behavior watcher you have to be fair. It is important to understand kids and listen to what kids have to say. This job pays \$100 a week. Please call 1-800-BE NICE if you want this job.

**Lucas Strawn**

Santa needs a reindeer feeder. They have to feed them the right food and water. They need to be great at taking care of animals. This job will pay \$10 an hour. Go to [www.reindeerfeeder.com](http://www.reindeerfeeder.com) to apply.

**Ryan Welch**

Santa is looking for a helper. He needs a vet for the reindeer. You have to clean the reindeer every week and check on them at night. When they are sick give them medicine and check their eyes, ears, heart, and antlers. You need to know how to make reindeer food. You need to know how to take care of them when they are sick. Go to [www.vet.com](http://www.vet.com) for this job and make \$20 a week.

**Adam Currie**

Santa is looking for an assistant. The assistant helps the toy maker, secret shopper, cookie baker, candy maker, reindeer vet, and the reindeer feeder. You need to be good at helping anyone. You should be good at being on time. The assistant should also be reliable, organized, and trustworthy. I will pay \$2,900 a month. If you would like to apply go to [www.santasassistant.com](http://www.santasassistant.com)

**Ethan Turner**

Santa is looking for a janitor because the old janitor couldn't follow directions. You need to be on time. You will clean Santa's shop. Santa will pay \$60,000 a year. Call 1-881-310-7398 for the job.

**Cody Hill**

Santa needs help toy making. You have to wrap the toys. You also have to make the toys. A toy maker needs to be good at writing the names, cutting the paper, and wrapping the presents. This job pays \$20 a day. Please call 1-888-663-7451

**Kyler McFadin**

Santa is looking for a sleigh loader. You need to be sure all the presents are in the sleigh. You also have to count the pres-

ents. The job will pay 50 bucks an hour. To apply on the internet go to [www.sleighloader.com](http://www.sleighloader.com)

**Taylor Lenkaitis**

Santa needs help. He needs a painter. You will have to paint the toys, stain the deck, and paint the workshop. You need to buy paintbrushes and paint. You need to be good at staying in the lines. You must be steady and good at carrying big paint buckets. Be careful on the ladders! Santa will pay \$10 a week. Apply at [www.santapainter.com](http://www.santapainter.com)

**Chloe Linton**

Are you a good present wrapper? If so, Santa needs a present wrapper. You will have to wrap presents and tape the boxes. You will have to make bows. You need to make sure the bows and wrapping paper I are stocked. You will need to buy them. You need to be good at wrapping the wrapping paper and tying bows. You need to know how to tape, wrap, and make bows. Santa will pay \$200 a year. To apply go to [www.presentwrapper.com](http://www.presentwrapper.com) I hope you help Santa!

**Phoenix Black**

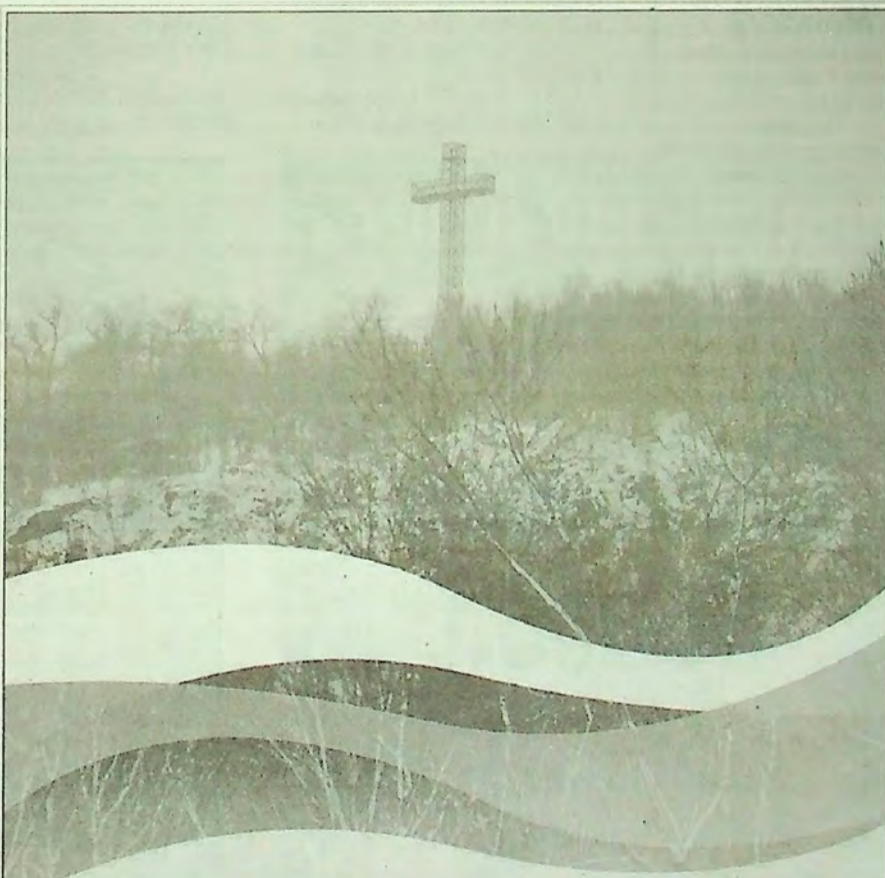
Are you good at taking care of animals? If you are, Santa needs help. You will need to feed them and give them water. You will have to take them to the bathroom too. But, the most important thing is that you have to love them. Santa needs someone who is nice and treats the other elves nice. Santa will pay you \$200.90 a week.

**Dakota Hall**

Santa is looking for a list checker. They need to check the kids and watch the kids on a camera. You need to know how to read. You have to be able to see good. You have to know how to work on cameras. Santa will pay \$300 a week. You can call 815-666-7864 for the job.

**Zoe Burash**

Santa is looking for a stock-



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ing designer. They have to do designs. They need to come up with their own ideas. They have to sew the stockings. They need to be good at spelling and writing because they have to put names on the stockings. Santa will pay \$20 a week. You can call 1-888-663-7451 to apply.

**MARY HENDERSON CLASS 3A**

The holidays are special to me because Santa brings presents. I make pumpkin pies for Santa. We put lights and toys that hang from the tree. We put stockings by the walls. Last year I got a Wii.

**Caleb Haig**

The holidays are special to me because it is fun. We get presents from my family and we have a party. We get to put up a Christmas tree. And sometimes our cat climbs up it. Last year, I got a sled for Christmas and moon shoes. I like Christmas.

**Crissy Mercer**

My favorite holiday is Christmas. I eat pancakes in the morning, then I go to church. At church I pray to God. Then, I open presents. After, I play with my mom and eat lunch. This is why Christmas is my favorite holiday.

**Sami Khouaja**

Christmas means a lot to me. I like Christmas because I get to set up the Christmas decorations. Then, I get to open the presents. We eat a good breakfast of pancakes, eggs, and milk. After, we watch TV and go to church. This is why Christmas means a lot to me.

**Jaime Avila**

New Years Eve is a very special holiday to me. The reason it is special to me is because whoever I am with, I have fun. When I am with my dad, we go to Savannah's and Kargan's house. We play all night long. After it is past midnight, we get to drink kid wine and shoot off confetti shooters. Once my dad, my stepmom, and I got tired. We left and went to bed once we got home. At my mom's house my cousins come and we get confetti shooters, some food, and drinks. It is really fun. Last New Years, confetti was everywhere. Sometimes on New Years, I can't even find a place to sleep because I have a house full of people. That is why New Years is important to me.

**Allyson Snyder**  
Christmas means many things to me. It is fun when we have snow and presents. The holiday means happiness, songs, and fun. You can play in the snow. What I do is ride the snowmobile and slide one of the hills by Mark. We set up the Christmas decorations. Christmas is fun!

**Alex Easley Joop**

Christmas is my favorite holiday. I like getting toys. Everybody in my family comes. We have it at my mom's house. I get to play with my sister. We eat pizza for supper. This is why I like Christmas best.

**Tohe Lohman**

Christmas is my favorite holiday! I like Christmas because my family from Minnesota come down and open gifts with my sister and me. After I do that, my family spends the night with us. The next day, my sister and I go to our dad's house. We call our cousins and they come down to my dad's. We open gifts. It is so fun with all of my family. That's why Christmas is my favorite holiday!

**Madison Bauer**

The holidays mean a lot to me. Christmas is my favorite holiday. I really like getting presents. I get very happy when it's a present I want, even if it is something I didn't want. Christmas is a blast.

**Matt Hultz**

Christmas is a special holiday to me. On Christmas, I go to Chicago to visit my relatives. When I get there, they give me presents, but I can't open them until a little bit later. After a bit, I get dinner. After dinner, I get to open my presents. After everything is over, I go home. That's why Christmas is a special holiday to me.

**Luis Gonzalez**

The holidays are important to me. On Christmas, we go to both of my grandma's so we can open up presents. But first, we go to my house, I have a little family party. Last New Year's Eve, my dad, mom, sister, brother, me, my uncle and aunt, and my two cousins went to Sundown for a snow ski trip. It was so much fun going down "The Green." It was fast going down "The Green." We stayed in a hotel for one day. Then the next day, we went back skiing again. The holidays are

important to me.

**Charleigh Holmes**

The holidays are important to me. I love Christmas because my sister, brother, and I are excited to play a game called "Guess What You Are Getting." We always go to my cousin's. I like New Year's Eve because my mom and dad watch TV and the show is about New Year's Eve and they count down. My sister, brother, and I go on the computer and we stay up until 12:00, or until the next day. We have drinks called Sparkling Cider. That's why I love Christmas and New Year's Eve.

**Sadie Heinrich**

Christmas is my favorite holiday. When I get up, we eat breakfast. Then, we open presents and my grandma and grandpa come over. Last Christ we got a Wii. I can't wait for next Christmas.

**Dylan Zupce**

Christmas means many things to me. I like spending time with my family drinking hot cocoa. I like making snowmen and caroling. I love Christmas. It's my favorite holiday watching movies. That's why I like Christmas.

**Kaitlin Miller**

Christmas is special to me. I get to spend more time with my family. I also get to play in the snow. I also get to spend more time with my family from far away. Sometimes we go there. I get to bake cookies with my cousins and have hot cocoa. Also, I help put ornaments on the Christmas tree. This is why I like Christmas.

**Morgan Hundley**

The holidays mean joyful things to me. Christmas is when you're good and get presents. When you're bad, you get coal. You give Santa cookies with milk. He comes in the night when you are sleeping. When you wake up, you might see presents or coal, but everyone wants presents. That's why Christmas is my favorite holiday.

**Paige Zellmer**

The holidays mean many things to me. Christmas is a happy holiday. I get lots of presents from Santa Claus. Then we go outside to see if the reindeer ate the oatmeal. Then, we make a snowman in the snow, and then later, we go inside and drink hot chocolate. I love Christmas!

**Carter Trone**

The holidays are special to me. We have so much fun on New Year's Eve. We have cousins, grandparents, and all the relatives come over. We play downstairs till it's midnight. Then, we turn on the news. They count down until it's midnight. When it strikes midnight, we shoot confetti shooter and drink sparkling

cider and talk and eat. I have much fun on New Year's Eve.

**Maddy Vacca**

Christmas is my favorite holiday because it has presents. It has a Christmas tree. I don't even know why Christmas needs a tree. Candy is my favorite. I love Jolly Ranchers and most of all, Tootsie Rolls. I get to make snowmen and Sponge Bob Square Pants snowmen! Hot cocoa, oh yeah! Merry Christmas everybody!

**Ian Roach**

Christmas Eve is special to me. My family comes over for supper, playing, and presents. On Christmas Eve, everyone gets a lot of presents. I usually get things that I want. But, I like everything I get. Sometimes, I go outside and play with my cousins and brothers. I really like Christmas Eve.

**Jakyb Stoddard**

The holidays are fun and special to me. They are fun because we have parties, and we see all our family. We go to my grandma's house and my other grandma's house for Christmas.

**Emily Bruch**

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**Triston Hudkins**

Christmas is special to me for many reasons. One of those reasons is I love getting presents. Like last year, I was so excited to ride my new snowboard! Another reason is that I love going to my grandma's house and seeing my cousins Mich and Sam. These are only two of the many things that make Christmas special to me. . . . keep reading to find more.

**Alexis Davis**

The holidays are special to me. One thing is you get gifts on Christmas. A second thing is that we do at Christmas is look for a Christmas tree and we shop for presents. That is why I like Christmas.

**Madi Brannon**

What makes the holiday special to me? I enjoy Christmas because we decorate the tree, bake cookies with mom, and get presents. It makes me feel terrific to spend extra time with my family. This is what I do on Christmas to make it a special holiday.

**Tony Labanowski**

The Christmas season is special to me because when go to Holocker's Tree Farm. I get to pick the tree out and cut it down too. When I cut the tree down I feel like I just want to jump up and down with excitement. This is why I like Christmas.

**Rhyanne Haage**

HO! HO! HO! What is your favorite holiday? My favorite holiday is Christmas. My mom and I bake cookies. My family decorates the tree together. I like getting presents and giving presents. When my family opens my presents the look so happy! Also, it is my birthday on Christmas. I love Christmas and spending time with my family.

**Ali Cuicci**

Christmas is very special to me for many reasons. One of the reasons is we open presents

under the Christmas tree when the fireplace is on. I like giving presents to my family because I can't wait until they open them and see if they like them and are happy. Also, I play with my friends in the snow if we have any. We have extra time to spend with my family. That is the most important thing about Christmas.

**Maxwell Magana**

The holidays are special to everybody because you get to see your family. You get to put up a tree and then put ornaments on the tree. I feel so good because I get to see more family more. I like to see the tree all decorated. Holidays are awesome.

**Haley Saepharn**

Holiday are a very special time for many reasons. One reason I like Christmas is when there is snow to with. Another thing I like about Christmas is when we all get together with our family and friends. We all go to my grandma's house and celebrate. That is how Christmas is special to me.

**Brayden Holmes**

Holidays are very special to me because I get to see my family and friends more. I also love decorating the tree with my mom, dad, and sister. My favorite part of Christmas is searching through the woods trying to find the tree that fits me. That is all the reasons why I love Christmas.

**Alex Judd**

Ho, Ho . . . what do you do at Christmas? I have a family day. On Christmas morning I open my gifts. I give my family gifts too. I feel great to know that I made them happy. On Christmas Eve I go to my grandma's house. We open gifts there. It is my favorite holiday.

**Jack Buffington**

The holiday of Christmas is special to me for many reasons. On Christmas Eve night I hide behind the chair and wait. Sometimes I see a mouse and it makes it more exciting. I like it when we go to my grandma's. We wait until everyone gets there and we eat. Finally, we open the presents. I love Christmas!

**Lucas Stombaugh**

Christmas is special. I am going to my mom's house when it is Christmas time. My sister will be there too. Christmas is fun with my family.

**Haleigh Evans**

The holidays are special to me for lots of reasons. I like Christmas because we get to open gifts. We also go to the store to buy a tree for Christmas. It is fun to decorate for Christmas. Christmas is a wonderful time of the year.

**Jakob Pyszka**

In the fantastic Christmas season I get to go to my aunt's house. I get to play with cousins. My aunts and I bake cookies. It is fun to get messy and I get to lick the spoon! I open presents that are under the tree. I play with my new toys. It is fun to play with my cousin Dane on his Xbox. Christmas is great.

**Antoine Jones**

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gifts. On Christmas Eve my sister and I get to open one present. Then on Christmas Day we open the rest of our presents. We also go to our grandma's house. We eat there. My sister and I play with our cousin too. Finally we go home and fall asleep!

**Matthew Grush**

**Santa Hats and Books**

On Christmas Eve my dad, my sister Kate, my brother Zach and I put on our Santa hats. My mom puts on her Christmas tree hat and my dad reads us The Night Before Christmas. My grandma read him the same book. Then my mom reads a book about children that go downstairs to look at the Christmas tree. I put my presents around the tree, we put out cookies and milk for Santa and we go to bed.

**John Kazmierczak**

**My Family Tradition**

My family tradition is that we travel and visit family during the holidays. My grandparents, on my mother's side of the family, live in Streator. We usually go there around 11 in the morning to talk, play games, and watch football or any other sports game that is on that day. At about 2 in the afternoon we all sit around the kitchen table and have our meal. My father's family all live in the suburbs around Chicago. Usually we go to my great uncle's home. My father's family is little different in that everyone comes to dinner and I mean everyone, aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandparents. There are probably 50 people there! We spend the evening with them and then come home and put up our Christmas tree.

**Manuel**

**Antonio Galindo**

**Things we do on Christmas Day**

On Christmas morning I wake up my mom and dad and I go to the living room while my dad gets the video camera. My dad video tapes my family while my mom helps me and my sister open presents. Then we play with the presents we got while my mom and dad make up a big super. When it is night time we go to bed and think about that day.

**Tehya Robbins**

**Decorating our Christmas Tree**

The reason I picked this tradition is it gives a lot of joy to the family; also it brings the family closer. The best thing is I get to look at all the old Christmas ornaments and remember all the good times.

**Erika Dean**

**Twinkle The**

**Tiny Christmas Elf**

Twinkle is a little Christmas elf that has been around my family since the early 1970's. He comes the day after Thanksgiving (or black Friday). If you touch him he will turn to stone. He leaves Christmas eve and tells Santa if we are good or bad. When nobody is looking, he flies to a different place in the house. He mostly stays in the living room. Sometimes he goes in the kitchen. The best part is that you never know where he'll go.

**Elizabeth Larsen**

**My Four Christmases**

Every Christmas morning my family and I wake up early and open Santa's presents before the sun is up. When we have opened all of our presents at home, we go to my Grandma's in Grand Ridge for Christmas Breakfast. After breakfast we exchange presents with Grandma, my Aunts and Uncles and cousins. Later in the afternoon my Grandma and family from Mendota come down for Christmas dinner. After dinner we exchange presents and play with our cousins and have dessert. Later on that night my Aunt Sharon comes to spend the night and we have Christmas with her and open presents. After having four wonderful

Christmases and have traveled several miles throughout the day, I finally try to go to sleep.

**Zachariah Carroll**

**Cookies, Lights, and Family**  
Every year we make Christmas cookies. We roll out the dough and choose our cookie cutters. We place them on cookie sheets and bake them. Then we decorate them with our favorite sprinkles. We also like to go and look at Christmas lights. There is a house in Utica that the best! We visit our family members and eat good food and spend time together.

**Isabelle Lyons**

**The Christmas Trees**

Our family tradition is that my mom and sister Hailey pick out a tree. My dad and I take a saw and cut it down. the we drag it to the truck and put it in the back to go home and decorate.

**Aaron Stevens Cimei**

**My**

**Christmas Tradition**

One of my favorite family traditions is when all of my family goes to my grandma's house on Christmas morning. We always wear our pajamas. After we open all the presents, we have breakfast. I love that family tradition!

**Zachary Liebhart**

**Our Family**

**Holiday Tradition**

Our family holiday tradition is that we watch the Polar Express every Christmas Eve. Also, mom, my brother Alex, and I decorate our Christmas tree with lights and ornaments. Our Christmas tree is broken into parts. Grandma Dora gave us her hand made ornaments, which are placed on of the tree so the cats don't get them.

**Ben Munson**

**The Best Christmas**

One tradition my family has is when we are all together before christmas we pull a name out of a hat. Whoever's name you pull out of the hat you buy them a gift. The first letter of the person's name also has to be the first letter of the gift. The gift also has to be under \$10. that's my Christmas family tradition.

**Annie Sabotta**

**My Family's**

**Christmas Tradition**

Every Christmas my family and I sit down around the Christmas tree and open our presents. We also eat turkey every Christmas. Also we go to are cousins every

Christmas. We also go to are grandmas and grandpas every Christmas and open more presents. Also we all gather together around the Christmas tree as a family.

**Ryan Lund**

**My**

**Christmas Tradition**

My family tradition is to put our baby shoes on the Christmas tree. I can't believe how little my feet were.

**Emanuel Fowls**

**Winter Snowball Fight**

Every year it snows in Illinois for winter. My family always has a snowball fight when the snow packs just right. First we build our forts. I always sneak up behind my brother Cale and hit him with a snowball. My little sister Jocelyn likes to eat the snowballs. Dad and mom take a lot of pictures of our fun fights.

**Maddy Mosley**

**My Christmas Tree Tradition**

My favorite holiday tradition is getting a Christmas tree. Every year my family and me try to go to a tree farm and pick out a nice tree. My dad cuts the tree down and then we bring it home. I always like to help my mom decorate the tree. The tree always looks just right!

**Cale Charbonneau**

**A Yummy**

**Christmas Morning**

My family has a special Christmas morning tradition. The first thing we do is get up really early - like 5:00am. My brother, sister and I look at Santa's presents and open the gifts from mom & dad. Then, my mom's side of the family comes over for a brunch. We have lots of things to eat like bacon, cinnamon rolls, eggs and my Grandma Mary's world famous monkey bread. Since we only have monkey bread on special occasions it makes it taste even better. Spending time with my family and enjoying brunch is why I like Christmas.

**Mackenzie Edens**

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**Christmas Eve**

Every Christmas we open presents with our family. We have lots of fun. We get lots of presents. We donate some of our old ones.

**Dakota Welch**

**Merry Christmas Family**

I like Christmas a lot because I get presents and I get to spend time with my family and friends and that's why I like Christmas.

**Destiny West**

Every Christmas we get together and have a cook out. First we go to my grandma and grandpa's house. It is so very fun there. Also this year I am sleeping all Christmas break.

**Ashley Moore**

**Christmas Eve Family Tradition**

My family tradition fro Christmas Eve is that we get to open 3 presents from my mom and dad. We always get a ornament, and some Christmas pajamas. And the last present is a toy or a game. The ornament is of something special that happened that year. After we open presents we have hot chocolate and cookies. Then we leave cookies and milk out for Santa.

**Ethan Staley**

**Looking at Lights**

Every year my mom, dad, brother Corey, and I go out and look at Christmas lights. We go to Peru, Spring Valley, Oglesby, and Granville. We listen to Christmas while we look.

**Jarett Baxter**

Family Christmas Day  
Every year we open presents with all our family and play with them and say thank you to Mom and Dad because they get us stuff every year.

**Aleiah**


**Christmas**

On the day of Christmas my family and I go to our Grandma and Grandpa's house. Then we trade presents and open them at the same time. Before we leave we say thank-you and you're welcome.

**Kaleb Wright**

My Family Tradition  
Every year for Christmas eve me and my family go to my grandma's house. When we get there a lot of my family

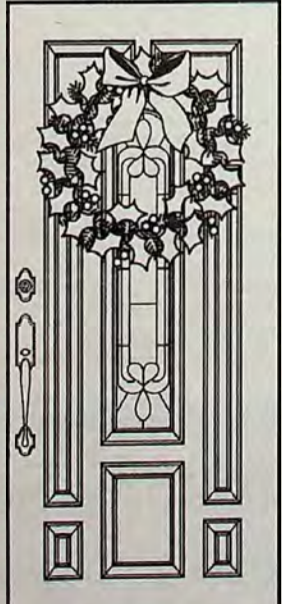
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is already there but not all of them. When all of my family is there we all eat ham, chips, and for dessert we have Christmas cookies, chocolate chip cookies, and oreo cookies. We also sit down and talk about football and other stuff. After that we open presents which is the best part of all because we usually get a toy, a movie or a video game that you really wanted to get.  
That is my Family Tradition.

**Donnie Burriss**

**Waiting for Grandma and Grandpa to Call**

Every Christmas morning our Grandmas and Grandpas call us to wish us a Merry Christmas. We talk about our gifts and say "I love you".

**Alex Munson**

**What I do for Thanksgiving**

What I do for Thanksgiving is go to my Aunt Katie's in tinley Park or to my Aunt Karen's when I am in Florida. The first thing me and my sister do is play around up stairs at my Aunt Katie's house and play with my cousins. Then Aunt Katie calls everyone to eat. After we eat we go and play in a room called the game room. We like to play uno and sorry. At my Aunt Karen's house like I told you earlier she lives in Florida. What we do there is play around with my cousins and then we eat. My Uncle John makes the best smoked ham. It is so good. After we eat we go swimming in the pool and their dog Ozzie follows us all around the pool. It is so funny because he won't go swimming but just chases you around the pool. That is what I do for my thanksgiving tradition.

My special Christmas tradition is to make cookies with my Nana.

**Madison Solomon**

**My Family Tradition**  
On Christmas my family go to our aunts. Aunt Linda we have a lot of fun. After we go there are family goes to oare grandma's. We have a dinner at grandmas with a section kids and adults. I love being with my family on Christmas.

**Skylar Grevengoed**

**Our Family's Holiday Schedule**

On Christmas Eve night we go over to my grandma's house and have supper and open Christmas presents. The next day we wake up and wait for my family to arrive. When they arrive we have a big breakfast. When we are done eating we go to the living room and open presents. After that we go to my aunt's house and open presents.

**Cameron Fandel**

**Christmas Morning**

Every Christmas morning my family goes downstairs to open presents. We turn on our electric fireplace and play with our stuff.

**Joseph Mecagni**

My Christmas tradition is on Christmas morning we get up and open presents. Then my mom makes dinner and both of my grandparents come over and sometimes my one great grandpa and we visit and spend time together until late afternoon.

**Kole Chiado**

**Great Gramma Traditions!**

Our family tradition is always spent with family and food all day. First we go to the underground at 10:00 a.m. with my Great Grandma Zelda and the Keegan side of the family. Then at like 2:00 p.m. we go to my Great Granny Annie's house. Usually all the family is there and I play with my cousins and

always have to eat because my Granny annie cooks and cooks and cooks!!!!  
That's my family's holiday tradition!!!!

**Madison Keegan**

**Pick Your Own Christmas Tree**

One of our family traditions is to cut down our Christmas tree each year. This tradition was pretty easy to start when we lived in WI, because there was a Christmas tree farm close by. It was a little harder in Panama City Beach and Jacksonville, FL, so we found a store with real looking trees and my dad got a palm tree with Christmas lights also. We plan to go again this year to restart our great tradition and cut down a fresh tree.

The Christmas tree tradition has even been at the White House in Washington D.C. The first national American Christmas Tree was lighted in the year 1923 on the White House lawn by our 30th President Calvin Coolidge. A tree from the National Christmas Tree Association has been displayed in the Blue Room of the white House since 1966. If you would like the excitement of cutting down your tree you can visit the Pick Your Own Christmas Tree website which lists Christmas tree farms all over the world. <http://pick-your-ownchristmastree.org/index.htm>. This website has lots of other information regarding how to pick a tree, how to make your tree last, as well as a list of farms that give sleigh rides. Cutting your own Christmas tree is probably not the most frugal way, but it is definitely the most fun. We usually make a day out of it. We bundle up, play Christmas music in the car, and get hot chocolate. Once the tree is picked out, cut and loaded it's time to head home where we have milk and fresh cookies waiting at home for a decorating treat. I love to decorate the tree!

**Victoria Page**

**Christmas**

For Christmas my grandma and grandpa give us a weekend trip to Wisconsin Dells. I go on every water ride there is. The one called the hurricane is my favorite. You drop 50 feet down vertically and then you go in a tunnel and you swing side to side. Then you go in a smaller tunnel and it shoots you out into a pool. I

like that part because the water splashes in my face and I fell like I'm in a wind tunnel.

**Evan Halbleib**

**Emily's Holiday Tradition**

During December we pick a weekend my mommy has off work and we go to Peoria to see the festival of lights. We usually pick somewhere to eat first me and my sister get to pick. One year it was chuckee cheese, I remember one year it was CiCi's Pizza. Another year was UNO's, my favorite is Ming's they have an Ice cream machine with 10 or more flavors. After we eat we go to see the Christmas lights. My dad turns the radio on to the station with the music and we drive through looking at all the lights. There are space ships, trains, horses, dinosaurs, and lots of other ones. One the way home my daddy stops at the La Gondola to get torpedos to take home to eat. My little sister Rachel usually falls asleep before we even get home and sometimes I do too.

**Emily Ely**

**My Family Tradition**

Every year my family switches houses between my house and my cousins for Christmas. We always have a drawing go and pick out a Christmas tree. In the morning my grandpa comes to our house and open presents and we have breakfast.

**Caleb Tonozzi**

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**Christmas with my Family**

This Christmas I'm going to stay home and my aunt, uncle, and cousins Brianna, Oscar, Alex, Luis, and Star are coming. The minute they get here we do a big snowball fight. A couple hours later, we come inside and open our presents. Isn't that joyful?

**Cristian Correa**

**My Family Tradition**

Every year we at least go shopping for a little while. Then, we all go play outside in the snow. We do lots of stuff outside. Hmmm, I don't know where to begin. First, we go sledding. Then we will try to make a snow fort for our snowball fight. Then finally, we end it off with a family snowman. Then, we all go inside and have dinner. Finally, we start the fireplace and at the end we all go to sleep. We're all thinking we can't wait to wake up. That is my family tradition.

**Ashton Miller**

**Christmas**

I put up the tree. I also bake cookies. Then my mom and I eat them. I go to my grandma's house for Christmas. I play with my grandma's dogs and I get presents.

**Larry Thurston**

**My Eight Days of Hanukkah**

Every year we have eight days of Hanukkah. Last year I got a

Littlest Pet Shop set and a doll. We opened our presents by the fireplace. After we got them, we played with them. I put my presents in my bedroom. Dad used to tell my family the story about the Israelites.

**Hope Stunkel**

**Draw a name**

My family tradition is when we draw a name out of a hat. On Thanksgiving, we go over to my grandma's house for dinner. After we all get together and eat, everyone puts there name on a piece of paper and writes down a few things they might want for Christmas. Then we put the paper in a hat and shake it up then pass it around for everyone to pull a name out. You can't tell anyone who's name you got! Then on Christmas Eve we go back over to my grandma's house to get together and eat dinner and exchange gifts. After we exchange them, we get to open up presents and find out who had our name. Sometimes its fun because you might get something that you really like that wasn't something that you asked for. I like going over to grandma's house for the holidays because we get to eat a lot of good food and see everyone together!

**Tyler J. Davis**

**The Christmas Tree**

Every year I can't wait to get a Christmas tree. Usually Thanksgiving weekend we dress up warm to go down the road to Boyle Brothers to cut our tree. I get to pick out the tree. My dad gets very impatient with me and my mom. We like to walk around and look at a lot of them. We cut it down and drag it back to the truck. Then they give it the big shake. We bring our tree home and my family and I decorate it with ornaments, lights, and a big star on the top. My favorite ornaments are the ones we made. I put a little train around the bottom. Our family and friends have gifts under the tree. I know Christmas will be here soon when we get our Christmas tree!

**Michael Dzierzynski**

**My Holiday Tradition**

I love Christmas! Each year, Mom, Dad, my sister and I listen to music while we decorate the tree. I like going to my Grandma and Grandpa's and Nana's house. My whole family gets together and we spend time with each other. We eat lots of great food, give and receive gifts and have lots of laughs. Everyone brings a tray to share with one another. My favorite foods are Papa's rolls, Nana's lasagna and Madoo's cookies. I like playing with my cousins. We play with our presents we get from Santa. Then, my favorite part, is getting presents from each other. I love getting presents at Christmas. If there's snow, we like to go sledding behind my house. I am so

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**Haley Cioni**

**Going to Pap's House**  
All my family goes to my nona's and Papa's house that is our family's tradition. First, we eat a bunch of good food for supper. Me and Audre and Emily and my cousins open stockings and presents. We always eat dessert we have sherbert. Also we play with are presents. My cousins and me sleep over at Papa's house and we make a fort and we sleep in it. It is awesome!! And that is our family tradition.

**Nolan Whitney**

**My Christmas Morning!!!!**  
One of my favorite traditions is Christmas morning. The first thing I do is peak down the stairs to see if Santa came, then I run to my sisters room and wake her up, then we go jump on my Mom and Dad's bed yelling GET UP!!! We go downstairs and start opening while we do that my Mom always make us cinnamon rolls for breakfast. After breakfast we all sit together around the tree and play with all of our new toys and games. I love Christmas!!!!

**Rylee Liles**

On Christmas Eve my family and I go to church in Hennepin at 4pm. After church we go to Grammy's and EE's to eat dinner. After we eat supper we open presents and visit for awhile then we go home and go to bed so that Santa can come. In the morning we wake up and open our presents. Then EE and Grammy come over to see what Santa brought. After that we have lunch with our whole family. Then we go to my dad's and open our presents and have a sleep over. I have a great time!!!

**Madelyn Dzierzynski**

*(Editor's note: The following paragraph was typed in the shape of a Christmas Tree. We are sorry we are unable to reproduce it as it was received.)*

**Decorating the Tree**

Every year on the weekend after Thanksgiving, my family goes to Boyle's Tree Farm and picks out our Christmas tree. Dad sets it up in the tree stand and then the fun begins. First we start up the Christmas music. We listen to records that my parents had when they were kids. Then we string the lights. After the tree is perfectly lit, we sort out all of our ornaments. My brother, sister, and I each get to take a turn hanging our favorite ornaments. After each ornament is hung, Mom gets to put the angel on top. Then Dad has us put silver tinsel all over the tree. When we are all done with the tree, we listen to more Christmas music and we look at our beautiful Christmas tree. I love to decorate our Christmas tree.

**Paxton Zellmer**

**Christmas Eve**  
Every year on Christmas Eve my family and I go to church. After that we go to Red Lobster and get whatever we want. Then we go home, watch a Christmas movie and set out cookies for Santa.

**Michael Schrowang**

**Christmas Lights**  
For my family tradition, we go

and look at the Christmas lights. My favorite house of all is in Utica. The lights flash to the music. Isn't that awesome? So that's my family tradition.

**Becky Ramey**

**My Family Tradition**  
On Christmas, my family plays games on PS2 and watches movies. We also eat Christmas dinner. We have a great time together.

**Christian Holm**  
**Christmas**

The morning before Christmas is very busy. We have to put up decorations outside and inside. We have to make cookies or something. After all the work is done, we usually go get a movie.

**Devon Elmer**

**Christmas**  
Every Christmas Eve my whole family; aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandparents get together. We eat turkey with all the trimmings and pumpkin pie. After, we open the presents. It is so fun!

**Hope Keller**

**The Best Christmas Ever**  
Every year we go to my Grandma and Grandpa's house. We open present sand watch football. We eat turkey, potatoes, pie, and potica. This is one of the only times I get to see some of my cousins that I don't see very much. We have a lot of fun when we all get together.

**Daniel Sabotta**

**Christmas Eve**  
Every year in December, me and my family all get ready to go for a trip. We go to a Christmas tree farm and we cut down our own Christmas tree for Christmas. We all have alot of fun, but it isn't so easy to cut down a tree. They are all so big and full of needles. My dad and my grandpa are the two men who cut it down. Me and my sisters and brother get to pick it out. After we get our tree we stop and get some hot chocolate so we can warm up a little bit. Then we all go home and set up the tree. Finally after a few days we start to decorate the tree. It looks so pretty when it's all done. This is my family holiday tradition that we do every year.

**Dalton Smith**

**Christmas**  
Every Christmas I go to my grandma's house. I see all of my cousins and my family. We eat supper and cookies. After we can go play down in the basement. It is so much fun! The best part is when Santa comes and gives us cool things. Santa rides his sleigh to my grandma's house and stops his sleigh in her yard. I can't wait for Christmas! Every year when it is Christmas day I wake up my Mom, my brother Tayton and Justin. Then I go see what Santa brought us. First we open present. Then we eat cinnamon rolls for breakfast. After that we give our dogs and cats their presents. The dogs are Addie which is 10 and our other dog Sierra which is 3. both of our dogs are labs. The cats are Callie and Dots. Later in the day we go to my aunt Cindy's house. I see my cousins Nadia and

Bailey that live a couple of hours away. I see the rest of my family too. We open presents and play games. Usually we go outside and play in the snow and ride my uncle Nathan's sled. We have to wear goggles, gloves, hats, snowsuits and more. When we ride it I go with my cousin Bailey and there is snow blowing everywhere! I can't wait until Christmas! We have so much fun!

**Taryn Grasser**

**BECKY BOUDREAU**  
**CLASS 5A**

Snowflakes everywhere  
No school  
Overloads in driveway  
Water puddels

**Avery Crouch**

Christmas cookies are good  
Oddly delicious  
Oreo cookies are the best!  
Kindly delicious  
Interesting to eat  
Excellent taste  
Soft and tasty

**Jace Schorn**

**Snow**  
Snow flakes falls from the sky  
Not enough snow falls for no school  
Outside is so white  
Weather is cruel from the snow

**Hannah Flores**

Snowballs to throw  
Not enough snow  
Outside playing in the snow  
Whipping blizzard

**Luke Griffith**

Dark when playing out in the snow.  
Eggnog is good.  
Christmas tree.  
Exciting presents to open.  
Misle toe to kiss under it.  
Building a snowman.  
Excellent snow.  
Reindeer fly high in the sky.

**Alexis Harris**

Cold and so chilly  
Hot coco burning your mouth  
Reindeer flying over our heads  
Icicles hanging from the ceiling  
Santas sleigh flying  
Trees so green in your living room  
Magical and beautiful holiday  
An awesome day of getting presents  
Santa's reindeer are flying

**Presley Hatton**

Can't wait for it to come!  
Having a great time with family  
Reindeer will be on the roof.  
Icicles hanging.  
Soft, fluffy, snow falling from the sky.  
Thanking each other for presents.  
Merry and joyful times.  
A big, pretty, wrapped box.  
Soon it will be Christmas night.

**Olivia Lawley**

Caroling to house  
Holiday fun!  
Ready for presents  
Icicles everywhere.  
Snow all on the ground  
Telling people what you want for Christmas  
May you have a good Christmas  
A lot of presents  
Santa Claus is coming to town!

**Cassidy Kiny**

Snow White beard  
A lot of presents for good boys and girls  
Naughty boys and girls don't get presents  
Telling people Merry Christmas  
A reindeer sleigh

**Ray Casford**

Weather gets cold  
Icicles on your house  
Never go without a coat  
Time for snow!  
Exciting time of the year  
Really cold out

**Sydney Pederson**

Merry time, lots of fun  
Every one is happy  
Rolling along opening presents  
Red and green everywhere you look  
You're laughing, playing, goofing around  
Christmas carols many sing  
Heavily loaded with presents  
Red and green and pink and purple ornaments  
Is anyone working on this holiday?

Sledding and snowmen on the snow  
Together as a family on this day  
Mothers and fathers laugh all day  
A lot of fun for everyone  
Santa comes and gives you gifts  
**Carleigh Wellenreter**  
Too many leaves  
Reeds with bad smell  
Excellently tall  
Endless presents around the tree  
Stars around the tree

**Hailey Hammell**

Decorate for Christmas  
Elves come in winter  
Christmas is cold  
Eagles and birds fly south  
Molding hot cocoa  
Boys and girls get lost of presents  
Ears freeze  
Reindeer fly

**AJ Borio**

Decorations hang over the rafters  
Evergreens are tall and stay alive.  
Christmas is amazing.  
Expect a log of things  
Menoras glow in dark hallways  
Bells ring merrily  
Excellent egg nog.  
Rudolph's red nose.

**Melanie Brady**

Giving thanks for getting gifts.  
I like getting gifts and giving gifts.  
Full of fun!  
Telling everyone Merry Christmas!  
Saving money for gifts.

**Caleb Dzierzynski**

Dog sledding is fun!  
Overload of barking  
Good and fast!  
So many people in sight!

**Sydney Buffington**

Christmas presents  
Holiday of cheer  
Ribbons on presents  
Interesting and fun  
Super fun with family  
Terrific and sweet  
Marvelous and cooperative  
Awesome and cool  
Surprised and exciting day

**Shauni Biagini**

Decorative fun!  
Exhausting wood  
CHRISTMAS!  
Evergreen trees  
Merry Christmas!  
Beileiving  
Elves for Santa  
Riding time for Santa

**Bailey Davenport**

Banging bells  
Enormas bell tower  
Lovely sounds  
Loud bangs  
Sweet sounds

**Mel Voss**

T-Tall and terrific  
R-Really, really, green  
E-enormously epic  
E-evergreen like a prairie

**Alex Campbell**

Care for each other  
Help each other.  
Rain turns into snow.  
Is it great!  
Snow is fun.  
The hills are high.  
My friends are near.  
As fun as it is,  
Share with each other.

**Quintin**

Sleigh riding with reindeer  
At Cristmas eve  
No naughty kid  
Tiny elves help with toys  
All around the world

**Terrance**

Sled slowing down  
Not left the North Pole  
Old sled getting repaired  
World having a wonderful night

**Kendell**

Santa is my partner  
And we write back and forth  
Nothing is in Santa's way  
The milk and cookies I leave him are gone  
And every year he get's me what I want

**Devin Masters**

**JOSIE HALL**  
**CLASS 5B**

**Christmas Presents**

Cool presents.  
Happy children wake up excitedly.  
Riding in a sleigh is Santa!  
It's always great  
Santa sent them!  
This one says FROM SANTA  
MERRY CHRISTMAS!  
Always great.  
Special presents

Prepared to wake from a long sleep.  
Ready to rip all the wrapping.  
Excellent presents.  
So jolly.  
Ends sadly.  
Never wake up to early  
To many gift.  
Smiling children sleeping about.

**Alex Podman**

**Christmas Present**

Cheerful  
Happy  
Really fun day  
Is cool  
Special time of year  
Terrific  
Mom gets me presents

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A lot of presents  
Santa delivers presents

Presents  
R as CD's  
Edible tree ornaments  
Special food  
Exciting  
New games  
Tony Hawk ride  
Slide phone

Steven York

Rudolph the  
Red Nose Reindeer  
Red nose  
Unepresated  
Doesn't fit in  
Others are man to him  
Likes Clarice  
Peaceful  
Happy all the time

Thankful for what he has  
Has hope in hiself  
Excited that it is Christmas

Reindeer in traning  
Excited to lead the sleigh  
Doesn't make fun of other reindeer

Nice to others  
Open heart  
Soaring through the night  
Eating for supper

Running wild  
Example to the little ones  
Is ready for Christmas  
Nine more days till Christmas  
Dependable  
Emotional  
Enjoying time with Santa  
Running the sleigh

Aleceya Davis

Santa Claus  
So nice  
A jolly man  
Nothing but nice  
Thinks about kids  
And is fat

Covered in red  
Loves cookies  
Always on time  
Uses reindeer  
Sled rider

Liam L.

Merry Christmas  
Magical reindeer  
Every sparring sound  
Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer  
Running in the snow  
Yummy food

Christmas gifts

Heart warming cards  
Rudolph's collar jingles  
Instruments from Christmas carolers  
Singing Christmas carols  
The sound of jingle bells  
Merry Christmas families say  
All the wonderful gifts under the tree  
Sound asleep waiting for Christmas day

Alexa Grant

Santa Claus  
St. Nick is Santa's real name  
A month of snow  
Now santa will come  
Tonight is Cristmas eve  
A elf makes toys for Santa

Cookies and milk are what Santa eats  
Lots of presents are around the tree  
A stocking is where Santa puts presents  
U put ornaments of trees  
Santa Claus is coming to town.

Chase Washkowiak

Christmas Presents  
Clothes  
Happy feet video game  
Rap cd's  
I pod  
Skateboard  
Tony Hawk Ride  
Motorola backflip  
A cell phone  
Suprises

Presents  
Red dead redemption game  
Exciting  
Super gifts  
Edible tree ornaments  
New games  
Teddy bear  
Suspicious

Kyle Krystofek

Rudolph the Reindeer  
Rudolph the red nose reindeer  
Unique in his own special way  
Doesn't have a lot of fur  
Oh joy! Rudolph is just joyful!  
Likes to fly  
Prepares for Christmas Eve  
Has a shiny red nose

Talks  
Helps Santa fly his sleigh  
Especially Special

Rudolph  
Exciting Rudolph  
Is in the front of all the other reindeer  
Nice to a lot of other reindeer  
Does only have a few antlers  
Equal to all others  
Eek! I just saw him in the sky  
Red nose

Jordyn Friel

Christmas Presents  
Cool  
Happy  
Robots  
Insainly sweet  
So cool  
Teddy bears  
Merry Christmas  
Awesome  
Santa deliveres them

Palm Beach cloth clothes  
Rockign horses

Exciting  
Sirens & lights  
Expermental toys  
Never ending fun  
Toys  
Spy toys

Cameron Colby

Christmas Cookies  
Cooking in the hot oven  
Houses filled with smells  
"Ring!" is the sound when they are done  
I love baking Christmas cookies  
So delicious, they are better than cheese  
Too much of them and you will get sick  
"Merry Christmas!" is what they say in icing.  
A green one, a red one, a blue too.  
So good! Yummy!

Christmas is when we eat them  
Oh my gosh! There are snicker doodles too.  
Orange frosting is the best  
Kings would even eat them  
I think even the Preident would.  
"Everyone!", "Cookies for everyone!"  
So, when the cookies are gone everyone is so, so sad

Kylie Edens

Christmas Cookies  
Crunchy taste  
How crunchy  
Room full of family  
I want some more  
Santa's coming  
To the oven  
Mom bakes the cookies  
A pan full of cookies  
She tried a cookies

Calie gets one too  
One by one the cookies were gone  
One more left  
Kellie found another  
I like cookies  
Emma does too  
So does Sam

Emilie

Santa Claus  
Saint Nick  
Always jolly  
Nothing stops him  
Thinking of all the good boys and girls  
Always watching the kids

Causes kids to be happy  
Laughs  
Always on time  
Use elves  
Says Hohoho

Alba Bence

Santa Claus  
St. Nick  
Awesomely jolly  
Not mean  
Thanful to good kids  
Always checks his list

Cookies are his favorite  
Loves milk  
Always leaves presents  
Unuble to be forgotten  
Says hohoho

Maxwell Huffstodt

Santa Claus  
Santa Claus came to our house

A is in his name  
Not here in the summer  
Talks to the world saying hohoho  
A cookie gets eaten by him

Claus is his last name  
Likes cookies and milk  
Ate a lot of them  
Unique for riding a sleigh  
Santa Claus rode off in his sleigh

Ben Just

Santa Claus  
St. Nick  
Awesome  
Nice  
Totally A-ok  
Awesome at bringing presents  
Cool  
Lots of presents  
Aught to be nice  
Unforgetable  
So not mean

Lissette Seibert

Rudolph the Reindeer  
Red nose  
Uncontrollable light  
Dashful when he plays  
Odd reindeer  
Little bit cute  
Playful  
Happy (sometimes)

Too cute  
High spirit  
Elegant

Really bright nose  
Eager  
In love with a girl reindeer  
Never gives up  
Daskind things  
Either way he plays or learn  
Eats carrots  
Really cute

Alexandra Porter

Christmas Time  
Cheerful season  
Happy smiles  
Racing on sleds  
Ice skating  
Shoppers everywhere  
The best time of the year  
Marshmallows and cocoa  
Awesome food  
Snowy sidewalk

Trees hung with ordaments  
Incredible presents  
Making cookies  
Enjoying time with family

Anna Mattern

Santa Clause  
St. Nick is Santa  
All the little kids like him  
No one sees him  
The day after he comes the kids open presents  
All the little boys and girls are asleep when he arrives.

Coment and Cupid are 2 of his reindeer  
Lots of people love Santa Claus  
A lot of Christmas lights are hung up  
Usually kids leave milk and cookies out  
St. Nick and his reindeer leave after

Paige Veronda

Merry Christmas  
Many people like Christmas  
Every year we celebrate this day  
Really . . . Christmas is a lot of fun  
Rain isn't a problem neither is

snow  
Year after year we get and give presents.

Christmas is a great holiday  
Holidays like this are amazing  
Receiving presents is awesome  
I think its one of the best holidays  
Some people don't celebrate Christmas  
The night before Christmas is exciting  
Most people X their calendar until the 25  
And the night of Christmas Eve

Small kids wait for St. Nick  
Brea S.

Merry Christmas!  
Merry Christmas!  
Everyone's filled with joy!  
Running with cheer!  
Rustling through stores!  
Yard work is here!

Christmas is a time of relaxing  
Happy Holiday's and Seasons  
Greeting's!  
Resting in your home by the fire.  
Interesting noises and crackles.  
Somebody climbing down your chimney!  
Time to get up!  
Merry Christmas!  
A great present waiting for you!  
Surprise!  
! Everybody laughs and has fun!  
Olivia Holmes

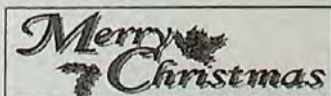
Snowflake  
Snow is cold  
Never is there big snow  
One snowflake is little  
Whenever it is snowing it will be cold  
Flakes of snow is cool to look at.  
Little by little snow falls  
A snowflake is smaller then our hand  
Kites are not used when snow falls  
Eciting is what snow it.  
Arduan Zulbeari

Santa  
Santa brings presents  
Awsome  
Needless  
Tender  
Amazing

Claus is his last name  
Likes cookies  
Advises people if they are nice  
Under estimated  
Says ho, ho, ho  
Sawyer Gray

Presents  
Presents are fun to open  
Read the tag  
Everyone gets gifts  
Santa bring us lots o presents  
Everyone loves their gifts  
Nobody hates their presents  
The best part is giving  
Terra

Snow  
Snow is ausome  
Now I will sled  
Oh it so fun  
Wow it is so fun



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Sweet Spirit  
Of The Holiday



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Christmas Eve

Every Christmas we open presents with our family. We have lots of fun. We get lots of presents. We donate some of our old ones.

**Dakota Welch**

Merry Christmas Family I like Christmas a lot because I get presents and I get to spend time with my family and friends and that's why I like Christmas.

**Destiny West**

Every Christmas we get together and have a cook out. First we go to my grandma and grandpa's house. It is so very fun there. Also this year I am sleeping all Christmas break.

**Ashley Moore**

Christmas Eve  
Family Tradition

My family tradition fro Christmas Eve is that we get to open 3 presents from my mom and dad. We always get a ornament, and some Christmas pajamas. And the last present is a toy or a game. The ornament is of something special that happened that year. After we open presents we have hot chocolate and cookies. Then we leave cookies and milk out for Santa.

**Ethan Staley**

Looking at Lights

Every year my mom, dad, brother Corey, and I go out and look at Christmas lights. We go to Peru, Spring Valley, Oglesby, and Granville. We listen to Christmas while we look.

**Jarett Baxter**

Family Christmas Day

Every year we open presents with all our family and play with them and say thank you to Mom and Dad because they get us stuff every year.

**Aleiah**

Christmas

On the day of Christmas my family and I go to our Grandma and Grandpa's house. Then we trade presents and open them at the same time. Before we leave we say thank-you and you're welcome.

**Kaleb Wright**

My Family Tradition

Every year for Christmas eve me and my family go to my grandma's house. When we get there a lot of my family is already there but not all of them. When all of my fam-

ily is there we all eat ham, chips, and for dessert we have Christmas cookies, chocolate chip cookies, and oreo cookies. We also sit down and talk about football and other stuff. After that we open presents wich is the best part of all because we usually get a toy, a movie or a video game that you really wanted to get. That is my Family Tradition.

**Donnie Burress**

Waiting for Grandma and Grandpa to Call

Every Christmas morning our Grandmas and Grandpas call us to wish us a Merry Christmas. We talk about our gifts and say "I love yous".

**Alex Munson**

What I do for Thanksgiving

What I do for Thanksgiv-

ing is go to my Aunt Katie's in tinley Park or to my Aunt Karen's when I am in Florida. The first thing me and my sister do is play around up stairs at my Aunt Katie's house and play with my cousins. Then Aunt Katie calls everyone to eat. After we eat we go and play in a room called the game room. We like to play uno and sorry. At my Aunt Karen's house like I told you earlier she lives in Florida. What we do there is play around with my cousins and then we eat. My Uncle John makes the best smoked ham. It is so good. After we eat we go swimming in the pool and their dog Ozzie follows us all around the pool. It is so funny because he won't go swimming but just chases

you around the pool. That is what I do for my thanksgiving tradition. My special Christmas tradi-tion is to make cookies with my Nana.

**Madison Solomon**

My Family Tradition

On Christmas my family go to our aunts. Aunt Linda we have a lot of fun. After we go there are family goes to oare grandma's. We have a dinner at grandmas with a section kids and adults. I love being with my family on Christmas.

**Skylar Grevengoed**

Our Family's Holiday Schedule

On Christmas Eve night we go over to my grandma's house and have supper and open Christmas presents. The next day we wake up and

wait for my family to arrive. When they arrive we have a big breakfast. When we are done eating we go to the living room and open presents. After that we go to my aunt's house and open presents.

**Cameron Fandel**

Christmas Morning

Every Christmas morning my family goes downstairs to open presents. We turn on our electric fireplace and play with our stuff.

**Joseph Mecagni**

My Christmas tradition is on Christmas morning we get up and open presents. Then my mom makes dinner and both of my grandparents come over and sometimes my one great grandpa and we visit and spend time together until late afternoon.

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**Kole Chiado Great**

**Gramma Traditions!**  
Our family tradition is always spent with family and food all day. First we go to the underground at 10:00 a.m. with my Great Grandma Zelda and the Keegan side of the family. Then at like 2:00 p.m. we go to my Great Granny Annie's house. Usually all the family is there and I play with my cousins and always have to eat because my Granny annie cooks and cooks and cooks!!!! That's my family's holiday tradition!!!!

**Madison Keegan**

**Pick Your Own Christmas Tree**

One of our family traditions is to cut down our Christmas

tree each year. This tradition was pretty easy to start when we lived in WI, because there was a Christmas tree farm close by. It was a little harder in Panama City Beach and Jacksonville, FL, so we found a store with real looking trees and my dad got a palm tree with Christmas lights also. We plan to go again this year to restart our great tradition and cut down a fresh tree. The Christmas tree tradition has even been at the White House in Washington D.C. The first national American Christmas Tree was lighted in the year 1923 on the White House lawn by our 30th President Calvin Coolidge. A tree from the National Christmas Tree Association has been

displayed in the Blue Room of the white House since 1966. If you would like the excitement of cutting down your tree you can visit the Pick Your Own Christmas Tree website which lists Christmas tree farms all over the world. <http://pickyourownchristmastree.org/index.htm>. This website has lots of other information regarding how to pick a tree, how to make your tree last, as well as a list of farms that give sleigh rides. Cutting your own Christmas tree is probably not the most frugal way, but it is definitely the most fun. We usually make a day out of it. We bundle up, play Christmas music in the car, and get hot chocolate. Once the tree is picked out, cut and loaded it's time to head home where we have milk and fresh cookies waiting at home for a decorating treat. I love to decorate the tree!

**Victoria Page**  
**Christmas**

For Christmas my grandma and grandpa give us a weekend trip to Wisconsin Dells. I go on every water ride there is. The one called the hurricane is my favorite. You drop 50 feet down vertically and

then you go in a tunnel and you swing side to side. Then you go in a smaller tunnel and it shoots you out into a pool. I like that part because the water splashes in my face and I fell like I'm in a wind tunnel.

**Evan Halbleib**

**Emily's Holiday Tradition**  
During December we pick a weekend my mommy has off work and we go to Peoria to see the festival of lights. We usually pick somewhere to eat first me and my sister get to pick. One year it was chuckee cheese. I remember one year it was CiCi's Pizza. Another year was UNO's, my favorite is Ming's they have an Ice cream machine with 10 or more flavors. After we eat we go to see the Christmas lights. My dad turns the radio on to the station with the music and we drive through looking at all the lights. There are space ships, trains, horses, dinosaurs, and lots of other ones. One the way home my daddy stops at the La Gondola to get torpedos to take home to eat. My little sister Rachel usually falls asleep before we even get home and sometimes I do too.

**Emily Ely**

My Family Tradition

Every year my family switches houses between my house and my cousins for Christmas. We always have a drawing go and pick out a Christmas tree. In the morning my grandpa comes to our house and open presents and we have breakfast.

**Caleb Tonozzi**  
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**Christmas with my Family**  
This Christmas I'm going to stay home and my aunt, uncle, and cousins Brianna, Oscar, Alex, Luis, and Star are coming. The minute they get here we do a big snowball fight. A couple hours later, we come inside and open our presents. Isn't that joyful?

**Cristian Correa**

**My Family Tradition**  
Every year we at least go shopping for a little while. Then, we all go play outside in the snow. We do lots of stuff outside. Hmm, I don't know where to begin. First, we go sledding. Then we will try to make a snow fort for our snowball fight. Then finally, we end it off with a family snowman. Then, we all go inside and have dinner. Finally, we start the fireplace and at the end we all go to sleep. We're all thinking we can't wait to wake up. That is my family tradition.

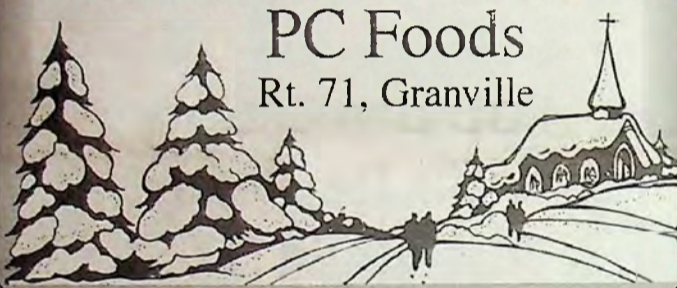
**Ashton Miller**  
**Christmas**

I put up the tree. I also bake

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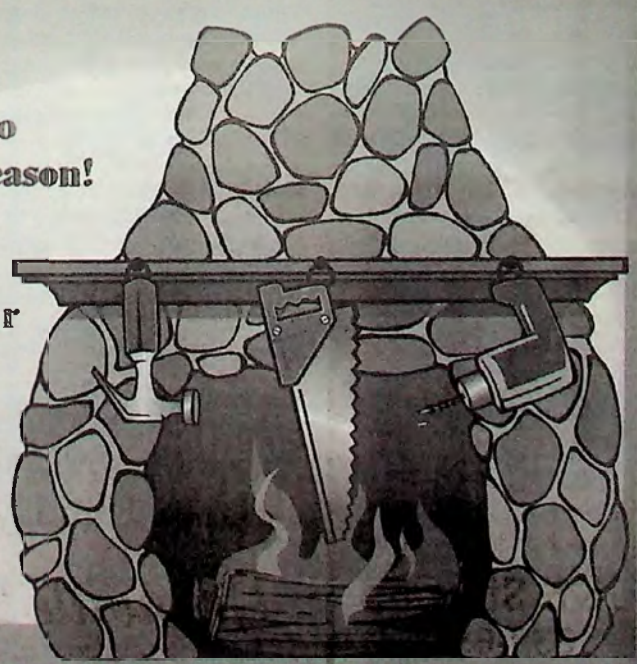
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cookies. Then my mom and I eat them. I go to my grandma's house for Christmas. I play with my grandma's dogs and I get presents.

#### Larry Thurston My Eight Days of Hanukkah

Every year we have eight days of Hanukkah. Last year I got a Littlest Pet Shop set and a doll. We opened our presents by the fireplace. After we got them, we played with them. I put my presents in my bedroom. Dad used to tell my family the story about the Israelites.

#### Hope Stunkel Draw a name

My family tradition is when we draw a name out of a hat. On Thanksgiving, we go over to my grandma's house for dinner. After we all get together and eat, everyone puts there name on a piece of paper and writes down a few things they might want for Christmas. Then we put the paper in a hat and shake it up then pass it around for everyone to pull a name out. You can't tell anyone who's name you got! Then on Christmas Eve we go back over to my grandma's house to get together and eat dinner and exchange gifts. After we exchange them, we get to open up presents and find out who had our name. Sometimes its fun because you might get something that you really like that wasn't something that you asked for. I like going over to grandma's house for the holidays because we get to eat a lot of good food and see everyone together!

#### Tyler J. Davis

##### The Christmas Tree

Every year I can't wait to get a Christmas tree. Usually Thanksgiving weekend we dress up warm to go down the road to Boyle Brothers to cut our tree. I get to pick out the tree. My dad gets very impatient with me and my mom. We like to walk around and look at a lot of them. We cut it down and drag it back to the truck. Then they give it the big shake. We bring our tree home and my family and I decorate it with ornaments, lights, and a big star on the top. My favorite ornaments are the ones we made. I put a little train around the bottom. Our family and friends have gifts under the tree. I know Christmas will be here soon when we get our Christmas tree!

#### Michael Dzierzynski

##### My Holiday Tradition

I love Christmas! Each year, Mom, Dad, my sister and I listen to music while we decorate the tree. I like going to my Grandma and Grandpa's and Nana's house. My whole family gets together and we spend time with each other. We eat lots of great food, give and receive gifts and have lots of laughs. Everyone brings a tray to share with one another. My favorite foods are Papa's rolls, Nana's lasagna and Madoo's cookies. I like playing with my cousins. We play with our presents we get from Santa. Then, my favorite part, is getting presents from each other. I love getting presents at Christmas. If there's snow, we like to go sledding behind my house. I am so grateful for all the great things we do during Christmas time.

#### Haley Cioni

Going to Pap's House  
All my family goes to my

nona's and Papa's house that is our family's tradition. First, we eat a bunch of good food for supper. Me and Audre and Emily and my cousins open stockings and presents. We always eat dessert we have sherbert. Also we play with are presents. My cousins and me sleep over at Papa's house and we make a fort and we sleep in it. It is awesome!! And that is our family tradition.

#### Nolan Whitney

My Christmas Morning!!!!  
One of my favorite traditions is Christmas morning. The first thing I do is peak down the stairs to see if Santa came, then I run to my sisters room and wake her up, then we go jump on my Mom and Dad's bed yelling GET UP!!! We go downstairs and start opening while we do that my Mom always make us cinnamon rolls for breakfast. After breakfast we all sit together around the tree and play with all of our new toys and games. I love Christmas!!!!

#### Rylee Liles

On Christmas Eve my family and I go to church in Hennepin at 4pm. After church we go to Grammy's and EE's to eat dinner. After we eat supper we open presents and visit for awhile then we go home and go to bed so that Santa can come. In the morning we wake up and open our presents. Then EE and Grammy come over to see what Santa brought. After that we have lunch with our whole family. Then we go to my dad's and open our presents and have a sleep over. I have a great time!!!

#### Madelyn Dzierzynski

*(Editor's note: The following paragraph was typed in the shape of a Christmas Tree. We are sorry we are unable to reproduce it as it was received.)*

##### Decorating the Tree

Every year on the weekend after Thanksgiving, my family goes to Boyle's Tree Farm and picks out our Christmas tree. Dad sets it up in the tree stand and then the fun begins. First we start up the Christmas music. We listen to records that my parents had when they were kids. Then we string the lights. After the tree is perfectly lit, we sort out all of our ornaments. My brother, sister, and I each get to take a turn hanging our favorite ornaments. After each ornament is hung, Mom gets to put the angel on top. Then Dad has us put silver tinsel all over the tree. When we are all done with the tree, we listen to more Christmas music and we look at our beautiful Christmas tree. I love to decorate our Christmas tree.

#### Paxton Zellmer

##### Christmas Eve

Every year on Christmas Eve my family and I go to church. After that we go to Red Lobster and get whatever we want. Then we go home, watch a Christmas movie and set out cookies for Santa.

#### Michael Schrowang

##### Christmas Lights

For my family tradition, we go and look at the Christmas lights. My favorite house of all is in Utica. The lights flash to the music. Isn't that awesome? So that's my family tradition.

#### Becky Ramey

My Family Tradition  
On Christmas, my family plays games on PS2 and

watches movies. We also eat Christmas dinner. We have a great time together.

#### Christian Holm Christmas

The morning before Christmas is very busy. We have to put up decorations outside and inside. We have to make cookies or something. After all the work is done, we usually go get a movie.

#### Devon Elmer

##### Christmas

Every Christmas Eve my whole family; aunts, uncles, cousins, and grandparents get together. We eat turkey with all the trimmings and pumpkin pie. After, we open the presents. It is so fun!

#### Hope Keller

##### The Best Christmas Ever

Every year we go to my Grandma and Grandpa's house. We open present sand watch football. We eat turkey, potatoes, pie, and potica. This is one of the only times I get to see some of my cousins that I don't see very much. We have a lot of fun when we all get together.

#### Daniel Sabotta

##### Christmas Eve

Every year in December, me and my family all get ready to go for a trip. We go to a Christmas tree farm and we cut down our own Christmas tree for Christmas. We all have alot of fun, but it isn't so easy to cut down a tree. They are all so big and full of needles. My dad and my grandpa are the two men who cut it down. Me and my sisters and brother get to pick it out. After we get our tree we stop and get some hot chocolate so we can warm up a little bit. Then we all go home and set up the tree. Finally after a few days we start to decorate the tree. It looks so pretty when it's all done. This is my family holiday tradition that we do every year.

#### Dalton Smith

##### Christmas

Every Christmas I go to my grandma's house. I see all of my cousins and my family. We eat supper and cookies. After we can go play down in the basement. It is so much fun! The best part is when Santa comes and gives us cool things. Santa rides his sleigh to my grandma's house and stops his sleigh in her yard. I can't wait for Christmas! Every year when it is Christmas day I wake up my Mom, my brother Tayton and Justin. Then I go see what Santa brought us. First we open present. Then we eat cinnamon rolls for breakfast. After that we give our dogs and cats their presents. The dogs are Addie which is 10 and our other dog Sierra which is 3. both of our dogs are labs. The cats are Callie and Dots. Later in the day we go to my aunt cindy's house. I see my cousins Nadia and Bailey that live a couple of hours away. I see the rest of my family too. We open presents and play

games. Usually we go outside and play in the snow and ride my uncle Nathan's sled. We have to wear goggles, gloves, hats, snowsuits and more. When we ride it I go with my cousin Bailey and there is snow blowing everywhere! I can't wait until Christmas! We have so much fun!

#### Taryn Grasser

#### BECKY BOUDREAU CLASS 5A

Snowflakes everywhere  
No school  
Overloads in driveway  
Water puddles

#### Avery Crouch

Christmas cookies are good  
Oddly delicious  
Oreo cookies are the best!  
Kindly delicious  
Interesting to eat  
Excellent taste  
Soft and tasty

#### Jace Schorn

##### Snow

Snow flakes falls from the sky  
Not enough snow falls for no school  
Outside is so white  
Weather is cruel from the snow

#### Hannah Flores

Snowballs to throw  
Not enough snow

Outside playing in the snow  
Whipping blizzard

#### Luke Griffith

Dark when playing out in the snow.  
Eggnog is good.  
Christmas tree.  
Exciting presents to open.  
Misle toe to kiss under it.  
Building a snowman.  
Excellent snow.  
Reindeer fly high in the sky.

#### Alexis Harris

Cold and so chilly  
Hot coco burning your mouth  
Reindeer flying over our heads  
Icicles hanging from the ceiling  
Santas sleigh flying  
Trees so green in your living room  
Magical and beautiful holiday  
An awsome day of getting presents  
Santa's reindeer are flying

#### Presley Hatton

Can't wait for it to come!  
Having a great time with family  
Reindeer will be on the roof.  
Icicles hanging.  
Soft, fluffly, snow falling from the sky.  
Thanking each other for presents.

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Merry and joyful times.  
A big, pretty, wrapped box.  
Soon it will be Christmas night.

**Olivia Lawley**

Caroling to house  
Holiday fun!  
Ready for presents  
Icicles everywhere.  
Snow all on the ground  
Telling people what you want for Christmas  
May you have a good Christmas  
A lot of presents  
Santa Claus is coming to town!

**Cassidy Kiny**

Snow White beard  
A lot of presents for good boys and girls  
Naughty boys and girls don't get presents  
Telling people Merry Christmas  
A reindeer sleigh

**Ray Casford**

Weather gets cold  
Icicles on your house  
Never go without a coat

Time for snow!  
Exciting time of the year  
Really cold out

**Sydney Pederson**

Merry time, lots of fun  
Every one is happy  
Rolling along opening presents  
Red and green everywhere you look  
You're laughing, playing, goofing around  
Christmas carols many sing  
Heavily loaded with presents  
Red and green and pink and purple ornaments  
Is anyone working on this holiday?  
Sledding and snowmen on the snow  
Together as a family on this day  
Mothers and fathers laugh all day  
A lot of fun for everyone  
Santa comes and gives you gifts

**Carleigh Wellenreter**

Too many leaves  
Reeds with bad smell

Excelently tall  
Endless presents around the tree  
Stars around the tree

**Hailey Hammell**

Decorate for Christmas  
Elves come in winter  
Christmas is cold  
Eagles and birds fly south  
Molding hot cocoa  
Boys and girls get lost of presents  
Ears freeze  
Reindeer fly

**AJ Borio**

Decorations hang over the rafters  
Evergreens are tall and stay alive.  
Christmas is amazing.  
Expect a log of things  
Menoras glow in dark hallways  
Bells ring merrily  
Excellent egg nog.  
Rudolph's red nose.

**Melanie Brady**

Giving thanks for getting gifts.  
I like getting gifts and giving gifts.  
Full of fun!  
Telling everyone Merry Christmas!  
Saving money for gifts.

**Caleb Dzierzynski**

Dog sledding is fun!  
Overload of barking  
Good and fast!  
So many people in sight!

**Sydney Burlington**

Christmas presents  
Holiday of cheer  
Ribbons on presents  
Interesting and fun  
Super fun with family  
Terrific and sweet  
Marvelous and cooperative  
Awesome and cool  
Surprised and exciting day

**Shauni Biagini**

Decorative fun!  
Exhausting wood  
CHRISTMAS!  
Evergreen trees  
Merry Christmas!  
Beileiving  
Elves for Santa  
Riding time for Santa  
Banging bells  
Enormas bell tower  
Lovely sounds  
Loud bangs  
Sweet sounds

**Mel Voss**

T-Tall and terrific  
R-Really, really, green  
E-enormously epic  
E-evergreen like a prairie

**Alex Campbell**

Care for each other  
Help each other.  
Rain turns into snow.  
Is it great!  
Snow is fun.  
The hills are high.  
My friends are near.  
As fun as it is,  
Share with each other.

**Quintin**

Sleigh riding with reindeer  
At Christmas eve  
No naughty kid  
Tiny elves help with toys  
All around the world

**Terrance**

Sled slowing down  
Not left the North Pole  
Old sled getting repaired  
World having a wonderful night

**Kendell**

Santa is my partner  
And we write back and forth  
Nothing is in Santa's way  
The milk and cookies I leave him are gone  
And every year he get's me what I want

**Devin Masters**

**JOSIE HALL**

**CLASS 5B**

Christmas Presents  
Cool presents.  
Happy children wake up excitedly.  
Riding in a sleigh is Santa!  
It's always great  
Santa sent them!  
This one says FROM SANTA MERRY CHRISTMAS!  
Always great.  
Special presents

Prepared to wake from a long sleep.  
Ready to rip all the wrapping.  
Excellent presents.  
So jolly.  
Ends sadly.  
Never wake up to early  
To many gift.  
Smilling children sleeping about.

**Alex Podman**

**Christmas Present**

Cheerful  
Happy  
Really fun day  
Is cool  
Special time of year  
Terrific  
Mom gets me presents  
A lot of presents  
Santa delivers presents

Presents  
R as CD's  
Edible tree ornaments  
Special food  
Exciting  
New games  
Tony Hawk ride  
Slide phone

**Steven York**

**Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer**

Red nose  
Unepresated  
Doesn't fit in  
Others are man to him  
Likes Clarice  
Peaceful  
Happy all the time

Thankful for what he has  
Has hope in hiself  
Excited that it is Christmas

Reindeer in traning  
Excited to lead the sleigh  
Doesn't make fun of other reindeer

Nice to others  
Open heart  
Soaring through the night  
Eating for supper

Running wild  
Example to the little ones  
Is ready for Christmas  
Nine more days till Christmas  
Dependable  
Emotonal  
Enjoying time with Santa  
Running the sleigh

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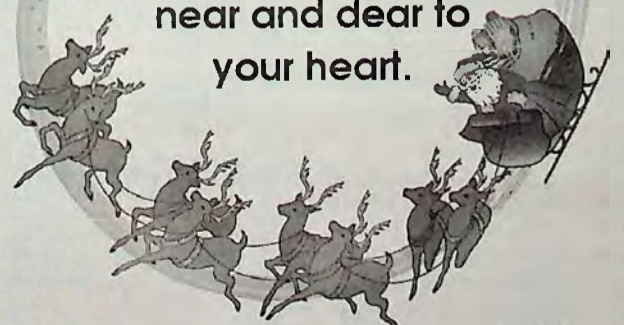
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Santa Claus  
So nice  
A jolly man  
Nothing but nice  
Thinks about kids  
And is fat

Robots  
Insainly sweet  
So cool  
Teddy bears  
Merry Christmas  
Awesome  
Santa delivers them

Always jolly  
Nothing stops him  
Thinking of all the good boys  
and girls  
Always watching the kids

Eager  
In love with a girl reindeer  
Never gives up  
Daskind things  
Either way he plays or learn  
Eats carrots  
Really cute

Christmas is a great holiday  
Holidays like this are amazing  
Receiving presents is awe-  
some  
I think its one of the best  
holidays  
Some people don't celebrate  
Christmas  
The night before Christmas is  
exciting  
Most people X their calendar  
until the 25  
And the night of Christmas  
Eve ...  
Small kids wait for St. Nick  
**Brea S.**

Covered in red  
Loves cookies  
Always on time  
Uses reindeer  
Sled rider

Palm Beach cloth clothes  
Rockign horses  
Exciting  
Sirens & lights  
Experemental toys  
Never ending fun  
Toys  
Spy toys

Causes kids to be happy  
Laughs  
Always on time  
Use elves  
Says Hohoho

**Alexandra Porter**

**Liam L.**

Merry Christmas  
Magical reindeir  
Every sparling sound  
Rudolph the Red Nosed  
Reindeer  
Running in the snow  
Yummy food

Christmas Cookies  
Cooking in the hot oven  
Houses filled with smells  
"Ring!" is the sound when  
they are done  
I love baking Christmas cook-  
ies

Santa Claus  
St. Nick  
Awesomely jolly  
Not mean  
Thanful to good kids  
Always checks his list

**Alba Bence**

Christmas gifts  
Heart warming cards  
Rudolph's collar jingles  
Instruments from Christmas  
carolers  
Singing Christmas carols  
The sound of jingle bells  
Merry Christmas families say  
All the wonderful gifts under  
the tree  
Sound asleep waiting for  
Christman day

So delicious, they are better  
than cheese  
Too much of them and you  
will get sick  
"Merry Christmas!" is what  
they say in icing.  
A green one, a red one, a blue  
too.  
So good! Yummy!

Cookies are his favorite  
Loves milk  
Always leaves presents  
Unuble to be forgotten  
Says hohoho

Christmas Time  
Cheerful season  
Happy smiles  
Racing on sleds  
Ice skating  
Shoppers everywhere  
The best time of the year  
Marshmallows and cocoa  
Awesome food  
Snowy sidewalk

**Anna Mattern**

**Alexa Grant**

Santa Claus  
St. Nick is Santa's real name  
A month of snow  
Now santa will come  
Tonight is Cristmas eve  
A elf makes toys for Santa

Christmas is when we eat  
them  
Oh my gosh! There are  
snicker doodles too.  
Orange frosting is the best  
Kings would even eat them  
I think even the Preident  
would.

Claus is his last name  
Likes cookies and milk  
Ate a lot of them  
Unique for riding a sleigh  
Santa Claus rode off in his  
sleigh

**Ben Just**

Cookies and milk are what  
Santa eats  
Lots of presents are around  
the tree  
A stocking is where Santa  
puts presents  
U put ornaments of trees  
Santa Claus is coming to  
town.

"Everyone!"; "Cookies for  
everyone!"  
So, when the cookies are gone  
everyone is so, so sad

Santa Claus  
St. Nick  
Awesome  
Nice  
Totally A-ok  
Awesome at bringing pres-  
ents  
Cool  
Lots of presents  
Aught to be nice  
Unforgetable  
So not mean

Trees hung with ordaments  
Incredible presents  
Making cookies  
Enjoying time with family

**Anna Mattern**

Santa Clause  
St. Nick is Santa  
All the little kids like him  
No one sees him  
The day after he comes the  
kids open presents  
All the little boys and girls are  
asleep when he arrives.

Coment and Cupid are 2 of his  
reindeer  
Lots of people love Santa  
Claus  
A lot of Christmas lights are  
hung up  
Usually kids leave milk and  
cookies out  
St. Nick and his reindeer leave  
after

**Paige Veronda**

Christmas Presents  
Clothes  
Happy feet video game  
Rap cd's.  
I pod  
Skateboard  
Tony Hawk Ride  
Motorola backflip  
A cell phone  
Suprises

Christmas Cookies  
Crunchy taste  
How crunchy  
Room full of family  
I want some more  
Santa's coming  
To the oven  
Mom bakes the cookies  
A pan full of cookies  
She tried a cookies

Rudolph the Reindeer  
Red nose  
Uncontrollable light  
Dashful when he plays  
Odd reindeer  
Little bit cute  
Playful  
Happy (sometimes)

**Lissette Seibert**

Presents  
Red dead redemption game  
Exciting  
Super gifts  
Edible tree ornaments  
New games  
Teddy bear  
Suspicious

Calie gets one too  
One by one the cookies were  
gone  
One more left  
Kellie found another  
I like cookies  
Emma does too  
So does Sam

Too cute  
High spirit  
Elegant

**Emilie**

Rudolph the Reindeer  
Rudolph the red nose reindeer  
Unique in his own special  
way  
Doesn't have a lot of fur  
Oh joy! Rudolph is just joy-  
ful!  
Likes to fly  
Prepares for Christmas Eve  
Has a shiny red nose

Santa Claus  
Saint Nick

Really bright nose

**Kyle Krystofek**

Talks  
Helps Santa fly his sleigh  
Especially Special

Rudolph  
Exciting Rudolph  
Is in the front of all the other  
reindeer  
Nice to a lot of other reindeer  
Does only have a few antlers  
Equal to all others  
Eek! I just saw him in the sky  
Red nose

**Jordyn Friel**

Christmas Presents  
Cool  
Happy



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Christmas is  
merry and your  
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with warm thoughts and glad  
tidings. May those you love  
join you in celebrating this  
special time.

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Santa  
Santa brings presents  
Awesome  
Needless  
Tender  
Amazing

Claus is his last name  
Likes cookies  
Advises people if they are nice  
Under estimated  
Says ho, ho, ho

Sawyer Gray

Presents  
Presents are fun to open  
Read the tag  
Everyone gets gifts  
Santa bring us lots o presents  
Everyone loves their gifts  
Nobody hates their presents  
The best part is giving

Terra

Snow  
Snow is ausome  
Now I will sled

Oh it so fun  
Wow it is so fun

Sam

Santa  
Start sending letters  
Address it to the North pole  
Never be naughty  
Tell Santa what you want  
And have a holly jolly Christmas.

Robert

DEBBIE WARD  
CLASS 5C  
Christmas

Christmas Eve we all put on shiny decorations.  
Happily we eat popcorn during movies.  
Really we watch movies most of the time too.  
I go to bed at exactly 10:00 pm.

Soon I open presents  
Then my dog gets under the blankets with me.  
My blankets are usally warm  
Actually I snuggle up in my

blankets next to my dad.  
Some people come to our house on Christmas day.  
Nicole Archer

Christmas

Christmas is a joyful holiday.  
Happy children get a lot of presents.

Right across the street is a decoration of Santa  
In the dark a lot of christmas lights twinkle  
Songs are sung often on Christmas.

There are four snowmen in my front yard.  
Merry Christmas everyone.  
About 10:00 p.m. Mom makes me go to bed  
Sometimes mom makes cookies for everyone at Grandma's house.

Arek Bulingame

Traditions

Try to get our presents organized  
Rip them open  
Angel on top of the tree  
Do you go to your Grandparents house  
Ice skate for 2 hours  
Try not to fight with my brothers

I eat Christmas dinner at my house  
Ornaments are red light safe red and white  
Never stop opening presents  
Snow mobi esq Bing ridden  
Nate Byrne

Ornaments

Our Christmas is going to be fun  
Rip the presents right open  
Nicely say thank you for the presents  
As we get together we celebrate  
Me and my family allway gets together  
Eat ham and all the trimmings.  
Neat up the house  
Tree decorating is the main thing  
Some people don't celebrate Christmas, but we do!!!!

Nick Clemann

Stockings

So many surprizes in it  
The fireplace just below them warming up their toes  
Overflowing onto the ground  
Coca-Cola bottles with Santa's face on it  
Kind of Christmas morning I love

I have Christmas excitement  
Never too many presents

gifts jammed to the top  
Stuffed to the brim

Emma Cyr

Christmas

Christ's birthday  
Holly jolly music  
Reindeer in my front yard  
Instant shock when I open my presents  
Stockings filled with wrapped gifts  
Tall, green Christmas tree.  
Merry people laughing and playing  
Always in the snow  
So many ornaments on the christmas tree.

Jayme Davis

Decorations

Dad puts lights up.  
Energy saving bulbs.  
Candy canes placed in yard  
On the roof lights shine.  
Relieved my Dad didn't fall of the roof.  
A top in the trees putting up lights.  
Twinkling lights.  
Incredible decorations.  
One new decoration a big candle that lights up.  
Nutcrackers in the kitchen  
Shimmering candles light the darkness.

Joey Ellena

Christmas

Cold winter day.  
Hot cocoa  
Racing snowmobiles.  
Ice falling from roofs.  
Snow falling from the sky.  
Tucking my brother's shirt in so we can go outside and play in the show.  
Making Christmas for friends and family.  
Apple pie is good for a Christmas party.  
Sliding through the icy snow on our sled.

Teresa K. Gallup




Merry Christmas  
and a Prosperous New Year  
from the  
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The Moments.  
Christmas is a time for celebrating.  
We hope that this season brings you joy,  
hope and peace as you gather with  
friends and family. And may the light and  
warmth of the season spread throughout  
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Season's Greetings!

May the decorations of the season fill your life with holiday spirit!



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**Traditions**

Trying to reach for the top limb on the tree by climbing  
Reading the names on the stockings  
Apple ornament that we are supposed to find  
Darting to the tree for presents to open.  
I am going to sort the presents by name.  
Tearing though piles of wrapping paper  
Investagating the boxes under the tree.  
Opening tree limbs by pushing them in.  
No one is allowed to open gifts until breakfast is done.  
Searching for a secret ornament inside the tree.

**Ryan Giacometti**

**Christmas**

Coming home to presents under the tree.  
Holiday cheer spread around  
Resisting sleep on the cold, snowy night before  
In the morning going to my great-grandma Angies for a yummy holiday brunch  
Stockings filled with presents for me.  
The Christmas tree glowing with colorful lights.  
My thousand cousins and I actually don't fight.  
Attending three homes in one day: 1 for breakfast, 1 for lunch and 1 for dinner.  
Surrounded by friends and family laughing, eating, and opening presents.

**Elly Glenn**

**Christmas**

Cold and snowy outside on Christmas Day  
Happily, I play with my toys  
Reading the names on the gift tags  
I quickly get dressed after I wake up  
Shorter days around Christmas time  
The house is filled with joy  
Many presents in tall piles by the Christmas tree  
Always wak up early and open presents  
Stockings filled with plenty of goodies.

**Dom Green**

**Christmas**

Christmas is th eday when Jesus was born

Have two Christmas parties, one at my house and at Aunt Angie's  
Ronnie and Jake get me a lot of Starwars toys for Christmas gifts  
I eat gingerbread, cookies and pie  
Sara and Josh get a lot of clothes for Christmas  
Tommy gets a lot of toy semis for christmas  
McNabb is beautifull at night during Christmas  
Aunt Cherie is a very good artist and drew picture of me in a Santa hat  
Santa only brings toys to nice and sleepign kids.

**Gage Presthus**

**Christmas**

Christmas trees are big  
He is old Saint Nick  
Read Christmas stories  
Is Saint Nick real?  
Stockings are hung.  
The Christmas tree has lights.  
Merry Christmas  
A reindeer can fly.  
Saint Nick is big.

**Peppy Manfredini**

**Ornaments**

Ornaments are hanging on my Christmas tree  
Running up stairs and down stairs getting more treasures  
Noise in the house  
A lot of racket while we set up the tree  
Mom is cooking supper while I put on the decorations  
Everyone is helping place shiny balls in front and back of the tree  
Not a lot of homeade treasures  
TV is an playing Christmas music  
Star is on the tipy top of the tree.

**Charlie McCook**

**Christmas**

Christ was born.  
Having fun baking cookies  
Reading Christmas stories like The Night Before Christmas  
Inviting people over to eat Christmas diner.  
Singing Christmas carols for everyone to hear  
Taking pictures to remember this year's Christmas.  
Makign beautiful ornaments

to give as gifts.  
Advent calandars to count down the days of Christmas with a chocolate everyday.  
Sending Christmas cards.

**Catie Nowakowski**

**Decorations**

December is for Christmas  
Eleven twinkling star lights  
Christmas candles glimmer everywhere  
Ornaments on a tree  
Red ribbons on boxes  
Angel on top of the tree  
Tinsel on the windows  
Inflatable snowman on the ground  
Orange surprises under trees  
Navy blue lights outside on the roofs  
Stockings on a wall at night.

**Teagan Pantenburg**

**Ornament**

On our Christmas tree, we hang up ornaments.  
Random Christmas songs playing.  
Noel in big letters is my favorite ornament.  
Another year hanging up the pickle.  
Most of my family laughing cause of the silly Christmas family photo.  
Every year Aunt Kyla is over helping with decorating.  
Noboy tall enough to top the tree.  
Tree as tall as the ceiling.

**Raelee Poole**

**Christmas**

Cold winter  
Hot chocolate full of marshmallows  
Reindeer prancing on the roof  
Inside with nice cozy hot chocolate  
Singing to Christmas music  
Trees covered with decorations  
My grandma's house  
Amazing food by Grandma  
Silent Night song playing on the radio.

**Alivia Resurreccion**

**Christmas**

Cheeriest holiday of the year  
Happiness all over  
Really special twinkling eyes  
Impatient children everywhere

Surprizing gifts  
Trying to guess my presents  
Man made toys  
Amazing decorations  
Smiling faces in every direction.

**Cameron Serafini**

**Christmas**

Chowing down on cookies  
Happy to be with my family  
Rushing to get the presents open.  
Indoor excitement in children.  
Sweet warm apple pie.  
Time to watch the football game.  
Munshkins (children) going to settle down.  
At last everyone's asleep in town.  
Santa is coming with my new I-Pod.

**Zoe Stombaugh**

**Christmas**

Christmas is my favorite holiday because we get a lot of gits.  
Having fun at mine and grandmas house.  
Red stockings are hanging by the railing of the stairs full of gifts  
I love doing this every year and hope the day won't end.  
Some toys, clothes, posters, and toys for children  
The presents are all super and fun to play with  
Mom and Dad are happy we like our gifts.  
A famly got all kinds of things like games, toys and clothes.  
Sister and I are happy on Christmas.

**Colin Sudaj**

**Christmas**

Cookies with chocolate chips and  
Hot chocolate smelling delicious.  
Reindeers dancing in the snow.  
Ice that is frozen with crystals and  
Snow that is cold.  
Trees everywhere around houses.  
Mountains covered with snow.  
Apple pie warm and delicious.  
Soup that is warm.

**Duamira Zulbeari**

The End

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