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Apartment Community to Transform Winfield Fuel & Material Site

By Phil Hardy

Saying goodbye can be difficult, but turning the page and seeing new opportunities can also be fulfilling. Winfield's downtown corridor, which used to be defined by the likes of the original Brach's service station, Ace Hardware, Winfield Flower Shop, John's Restaurant and Tavern and White Hen Pantry, has been undergoing transformational change over the past few years. What was once "John's Buffet" is currently an open lot, waiting for a new mixed use building as part of the pending Town Center development. The Ace Hardware building was converted into an antique store more than a decade ago. The Winfield Flower Shop is now the Shamrock Garden Florist, and the landmark, two-story red building has been revitalized with a crisp grey and white paint job. And for many years, the 7-11 convenience store has occupied the space that was once the White Hen.

Another longtime, respected Winfield business, Winfield Fuel and Material, closed its doors in 2013. Tom Saylor, who owned Winfield Fuel, made the difficult decision to close his business and retire in the aftermath of the 2008-09 recession. "After the economy fell apart and most of our commercial customers and builders went out of business, we decided it was time to shut down the company." For several years the Winfield Fuel and Material building sat vacant, with a "For Sale" sign displayed at the property entrance, south of the railroad tracks on Winfield Road, waiting for a buyer.

In its heyday, spanning several decades, customers could go to Winfield Fuel to purchase top soil, mulch, firewood, gravel and other landscape and construction materials. The brown brick building and Americana-themed signage greeted visitors

to the business. Patriotic displays were frequently seen in the large, east facing windows of the building, including a black text window display that still reads: "May God Bless & Protect Our Troops & Their Leaders."

Opened in conjunction with the Higgins General Store by Barbara Higgins, the oldest deed associated with Winfield Fuel shows a coal shed from



A staple of Winfield's business district for decades, Winfield Fuel and Material is being demolished and the site prepared for a luxury apartment community.

1895. Part of the family took over the store and the coal business end of it was taken over by George Higgins, Tom Saylor's grandfather. Coal was sold to farmers for their threshing machines. Tom Saylor's mother, Laurene Higgins started doing bookwork and his uncle took over from George Higgins around the 1940s. Laurene Higgins married Tom Saylor, Sr., who began his involvement in the family company. Winfield Coal Company later started selling sewer pipe to contractors, and, gradually got involved in masonry and bricklayer supplies, as well as fuel

oil for residential/commercial needs. In 1956 the company's name was changed to Winfield Fuel and Material and during that period it employed upwards of 20 people, many of them volunteer firefighters.

Demolition of the Winfield Fuel site has been underway for several weeks, with construction vehicles positioned along the property and a temporary access road established along Beecher Avenue.

Mounds of dirt and debris are accumulating on the land for what is said to be about a 14-month build. The Winfield Fuel building itself will be one of the last things to be razed, as it is functioning as a makeshift office for the demolition and construction crews. Once demolition and land prep are completed, Synergy Construction will be building a \$35 million luxury apartment community on the five-plus acres of land. More than 160 apartments will be built in the five-story complex, including 90 one-bedroom apartments and 58 two-bedroom apartments. The apartment community will include a high quality clubhouse, fitness center and swimming pool.

As Tom Saylor reflects on his family's legacy and contribution to the Winfield community, he recalls the many customers with whom he developed lasting friendships. "During those final days, as we were moving the last of our inventory, I had so many customers come in, sit down and talk to me. These customers, a lot of times, they would be the first ones to get emotional about what happened to our business as a result of the bad economy. It was quite an emotional and, maybe, rewarding time to hear people say those things about our family business."

One can only hope the upcoming apartment community on the Winfield Fuel site will make a similar, enduring impression on the village.

COVID-19 Pandemic's Impact on Winfield Finances

By Phil Hardy

If government projections hold, the State of Illinois faces budget shortfalls in the billions of dollars in what remains of 2020, and well into 2021. Governor Pritzker announced the alarming shortages during an April Coronavirus response press briefing. Local governments are also anticipating declines in revenue, and Winfield is examining possible economic scenarios that may result from the state's shelter-in-place order.

The village government has developed a Budget Contingency Plan that examines different scenarios that account for "potential unknown impacts" due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. In the plan, which includes two different financial scenarios modeled, in part, on what happened during the Great Recession of 2008-09, impacts to Fiscal Year 2020-21 General Fund tax revenue changes are considered across three of the biggest revenue categories: real estate taxes (20%), income tax (20%), and sales tax (12%). According to the analysis provided in the April 15 version of this plan, "the Village could see an overall decline of 6% to 12% for the FY 2020-21 budget. The largest impact would be on tax revenues, which could decline as much as 13% from the original budget."

Much remains unclear about the specific financial impacts to Winfield's General Fund resulting

from the COVID-19 crisis, but, according to Village President Erik Spande, "The Village board has taken a proactive approach to COVID-19 budget impacts, and we will work with village staff to take necessary steps to ensure the continued fiscal health of the Village." This includes being prepared for different possible revenue outcomes. Real estate tax payments may be delayed as some households deal with their own economic challenges. Income tax revenue to the Village dropped 15% during the

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Great Recession and one of the scenarios being examined takes a similar decline into account for the current recession, though their planning does consider that the two economic crises are not identical. Because sales tax revenues represent a smaller share of General Fund revenues, Winfield may not be as negatively impacted as other municipalities. However, the Bucky's Gas Station has been delayed while it waits for a final permit from the Du-

Page County Stormwater Management Department, so projected sales tax revenue from this new business has been reduced to take the delay into account.

After running analyses that compare the original budget to the two pandemic-related scenarios, the Budget Contingency Plan outlines "Opportunities" and "Next Steps" as part of their "proactive... management of the crisis." This includes a set of "Immediate Response" measures, such as delaying \$690,000 in use of reserve funds for future road projects, and a "Temporary Suspension of Capital Expenditures" section of the Plan that notes that some capital projects can be delayed "until a time when the economic situation becomes less volatile."

For general information about Winfield's COVID-19 response, the Village's website contains a COVID-19 Update page, which was most recently updated on May 1. An Emergency Declaration that was approved by the Village Board on March 19, 2020 is available on the website. And there is information about social distancing guidelines, the steps being taken to safely reopen Winfield businesses and other practices related to the pandemic response.

While restaurants in the village have been allowed to provide takeout and delivery services for some time, other Winfield businesses that were told to temporarily closed will be allowed to reopen on Friday, May 29, with certain restrictions.

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See page 8 for a salute to some special 2020 Winfield graduates

Winfield Farmers Market Opens for 25th Season...With Changes

It's the beginning of the Farmers Market season, but in this COVID-19 world, things will be a little different, like they are with all businesses these days.

Shoppers who visit the Winfield Farmers Market for the first time will notice plenty of signage they've never seen before. These shopping "guidelines" are similar to what they now see every day at supermarkets, hardware stores, gas stations – any retail business that needs to serve its customers, but must adapt in certain ways to insure the health and safety of customers and employees alike.

The most visible "sign of the times" is a face mask, which every vendor must wear throughout the day, from 7am to 1pm. Customers will also be required to wear a face covering when entering the market area. Those not wearing one will be reminded by the market manager, or even other vendors, where they can immediately buy one at a crafts vendor on the premises who makes them. Hand sanitizers will also be available for use by anyone at various points within the market shopping area.

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get this country back to our normal way of life."

The Winfield Farmers Market is open every Wednesday, 7am-1pm, June through October, in the parking lot of the Prairie Trail Center shopping plaza, SW corner of Geneva and County Farm Roads. Visit www.winfieldfarmersmarket.com regularly for vendor information and updates from the Governor's office that may affect the operation of farmers markets in general.

We're All in this Together

This pandemic has changed all our lives. We live in a very different world now. Many things will be different forever, but we will adapt. I would like to give everyone a snapshot of status of the DuPage County Sheriff's Office during this pandemic.

First, we have a plan. The plan is what it is today, it might change tomorrow, and it will certainly be different next week. We are continually evolving our plan to match the patterns of a virus and infected people. We have a 500-person, indoor environment called the DuPage County Correctional Facility. We have employed every possible measure to create scientific barriers to COVID-19. We have modified the entire ventilation system to remove all recycled air to remove any particulate matter from the air system. We have 16, negative pressure cells where we could contain virus positive inmates. We have a vacant 4th floor where any new person to our environment does a 15-day observation period prior to touching our general population. We are using an ammonia solution on our shoes prior to entry. We are using masks, temperatures for anyone coming in and we have a dedicated contagion cleaning crew working hard every day to create a sterile environment.

All these strategies together have kept this large indoor environment contagion free. We have a

courthouse that will re-open soon and expect many challenges when that happens. Out on patrol, we are experiencing a stressed society. They have been on lockdown for a long time, not getting paid and a lot of uncertainty. Domestic violence, alcohol and drug use and suicides have been on the rise. Community policing has never been more important. We are all training on de-escalation strategies, so communication is calm during these stressful times.

We are working extremely hard to keep everyone safe and working with our citizens; not against them. It is very important to work closely with our citizens' businesses and local leaders. Through some of these partnerships, we started our "It Takes a Village" program. This is a program where citizens and local businesses have joined our Sheriff's Office in obtaining food for the needy or homeless and our Deputies pick it up and get it to the people who need it most. We are also starting a horticulture class next to our facility where we expect to generate a large amount of food. These types of things can only succeed if we all work together.

If I can say one thing that has been very enlightening during this pandemic, it is meeting and working with so many citizens and community leaders. We have a strong, robust county filled with truly good people and together we will get through this.



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Honk for the Hospital Honors CDH Workers

By Liz and Claire Tibble

For over 60 years, Central DuPage Hospital has been a major focal point in Winfield, Illinois. The building itself has grown, been redesigned, and has reshaped our town. CDH has welcomed new life, healed the sick, consoled those who lost loved ones, and created a safe place for all community members. Through all of the changes, one thing has remained the same...the brave, compassionate people who work there.

Over the past nine weeks, our family – like many in our community – have come to have a greater appreciation for our frontline workers. The frontline workers at CDH have given themselves selflessly over to the pandemic. They have worked harder, smarter, and stronger than ever before. They have protected not only their families but our families as well. We decided that it was time to show our appreciation in the loudest way possible.

After doing a few car parades through some local retirement communities, our family wanted to show a way to thank all the hard-working heroes of CDH. We created “Honk for the Hospital”. With the help of our new friend Ann Marie Bianchi, from

Northwestern Hospital, we held our first event on Friday, May 1st at 7:30PM. We picked this time because we would catch those coming off shift and those just starting shift. We asked people to join us in the parking lot across from CDH on Winfield Rd. between the Chase Bank and Ronald McDonald house. Then at 7:30, we let it rip: ten full minutes of horns, noisemakers, pots, pans, flashing lights, and cheers!

After that successful event, we wanted to do it again! On Tuesday, May 12th, to honor the end of Nurses’ Appreciation Week, we hosted our second “Honk for the Hospital”. Our crowd was bigger, our noise was louder, our signs were brighter, our cheers were stronger. We even had live music: several members of Winfield School’s band came out to play for our frontline heroes!

We’re planning at least one more “Honk for the Hospital” event before the Shelter-in-Place order expires at the end of May. If you’d like to join us, please contact Liz Tibble (liztibble@yahoo.com) or Claire Tibble (clairetibble@yahoo.com), or check us out on Facebook (<https://fb.me/HonkForTheHospital>). We respect the Shelter-in-Place order and ask

everyone else to do the same. Just because we stay in our cars doesn’t mean we can’t show CDH staff some love: noisemakers, signs, posters, balloons, and smiles are all welcome!

The Tibble family has been here for over 40 years and three generations. If honking a horn at the frontline heroes is the least we can do, we shall be loudest ones!



Winfield Education Foundation & PTO Support Community

As we weather this challenging time, it’s inspiring to see our Winfield community come together to support one another, maintain strength and positivity, and deepen community connections.

For the Winfield Education Foundation (WEF) and District 34 Parent Teacher Organization (PTO), our current focus is supporting families and businesses through the monumental challenges of this season. We are working to act upon suggestions from our community, including a blood drive, recognition of essential workers, and outreach promoting local businesses throughout our community. Together, we hope to turn these challenges into an opportunity to find new ways to connect with each other and help our greater community persevere through this time.

To that end, we would like to extend a “no strings attached” invitation to all local businesses to let us know how we can assist - promoting your services, sharing news and information, and encouraging our school community to support local at a time when it’s more important than ever. Please contact Eileen Tibble (wef@winfield34.org) and let us know how we can support you!

We are especially grateful for your support throughout this school year, which has allowed us to provide over \$10,000 in educational grants, enrichment programs, school assemblies, teacher support, and recognition. We are proud to recognize our community partners through our website, social media, and district communications. We wish safety and health to you and your loved ones and wish you strength and success as you navigate through this crisis.



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Walking with Faith

By *Kathe Doremus*

It has been a difficult Springtime for those who are used to practicing their faith in the State of Illinois with the restrictions in place during the Covid-19 pandemic. Many churches have tried to find ways to provide the community and support that is so needed at this difficult time but it has been a challenge to maintain the social distancing required and simultaneously have the continuum of community that enhances and enriches our faith.

St. John The Baptist Church in Winfield has a close knit, active community and so many of us members of the Parish have missed having the Church doors open and the gathering of fellow parishioners for Mass each week – perhaps one of the most difficult sacrifices of the quarantine. While our priests have provided on-line opportunities for worship, we have been isolated and unable to gather to worship. On Sunday, May 3, St. John's brought our faith into the streets of the Parish community as Father Matt Pratscher, Deacon Andrew, and Seminarian Joseph Solomon walked the streets of Winfield in a Eucharistic Procession, allowing those who lived along the 5.5 mile route to come outside once again to pray, worship and be reminded that our faith remains strong and our Lord is with us through this time.

With the lifting of restrictions and the determination that "the free exercise of religion being considered an essential activity," St. John's made an announcement of the plan and the word passed from one parishioner to another, shared by neighbors, friends and family – posted on Facebook, through phone calls and text messages, calling for us to come out and participate in this prayerful Procession – though not following or crossing the line of

social distancing. Sunday was one of the first truly warm and beautiful Spring days and people came out from their homes or drove to open spaces along the published route to see the passage of Father Matt and staff, dressed in their vestments carrying



Christ through the Eucharist, praying and allowing us to renew, restore, and rejuvenate our faith by encouraging our prayers and commitment to our Lord.

While for those of us who are Catholic, this was a very specific and unique experience and the message of faith carried through the streets refreshed us and brought back the community we have been so thirsting for with the prayers and renewed sense of spirituality in this time of challenge. For those not of the same faith, this was a reminder that all of us are together in this time of universal struggle and fear – here was a call to one and all that God is with us at this time and a reminder that we never walk alone.

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A New Way to Celebrate Birthdays

By Jamie Reid

Many things are different in the COVID-19 quarantine life, but we've persevered and made the best of our situations. So, what do you do when your child has a birthday during the quarantine? My son turned 10 shortly after the stay-at-home order went into effect. We tried to make it special with things like a video call with family to sing Happy Birthday. But, what brought the biggest smile to his face was when some other Winfield 34 families showed up in front of our house and sang Happy Birthday to him (while appropriately distancing, of course). Since then, we've been coordinating birthday parades on our Winfield 34 Parents' Facebook group for other

children in the district.

We've held over 15 birthday parades (as of mid-May), with anywhere from 4 to 30+ cars. A DuPage Sheriff officer (and Winfield 34 parent) has led several of the parades in his squad car with lights and sirens, and we've even had a Winfield Fire District engine join in. My family usually has a Happy Birthday sign in our windshield and the Happy Birthday song blaring through our speakers. Some cars are decorated, some families have noise makers, and everyone honks and waves as they drive past the birthday boy or girl. Many families have even participated by walking or

riding bikes past the birthday houses. Each time, I hear from the parents how much these parades have made the birthdays so special for these kids. Several kids have even said that this was their best birthday ever! This just reinforces how important it is for all of us, even our children, to continue to stay socially connected any way that we can safely during this difficult and unique situation.

If you have not joined already, please join our Winfield 34 Parents group on Facebook, for more social opportunities.



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Dining Out While Staying In

By Annie Dragosh

The Stay at Home order issued and the fridge and pantry stocked, our kitchen games were strong in March. Years of watching the Food Network were starting to pay off and we were prepared for this! And yet by week three, glumly eating our umpteenth iteration of chicken, we needed a culinary intervention and that next night we called upon Berger Bros. Pub to save us from ourselves and to provide some normalcy in the act of going “out” to dinner.

Berger Bros. Pub has become one of our favorite go-to restaurants since they came to town and lucky for us – their cooking game is strong as ever with a pared down take out menu featuring customer favorites like the Holy Grail Grilled Cheese, their

signature burgers, and a selection of small plates, sandwiches and salads.

Their curbside pickup service is impressive. Call to place your order and pay by phone. Provide your name and vehicle type and call when you arrive. A masked Berger Bros Pub angel will deliver take out deliciousness right your driver’s side door. Want a beer with that? You can get one to go! The Berger Bros Pub crew are having fun with this and if you check their Facebook page daily you’ll discover food and drink specials – all available for curbside pickup.

These days, we’re spending less elsewhere, and eating out more feels like a justifiable expense. I am grateful to be able to support our local business and

am hopeful they will ALL continue to be here for us when the dust settles.

While nothing beats a night out at Berger Bros Pub, socializing and carrying on with your favorite Winfield people – you can get pretty close to experiencing that feeling at home – so long as you haven’t completely tired of your dinner mates by day 843 of the stay at home order. Oh – what’s that you say? It only been, like, 60 days? Hmm...I’ll need to check my calendar.

Winfield Library Offers Summer Fun

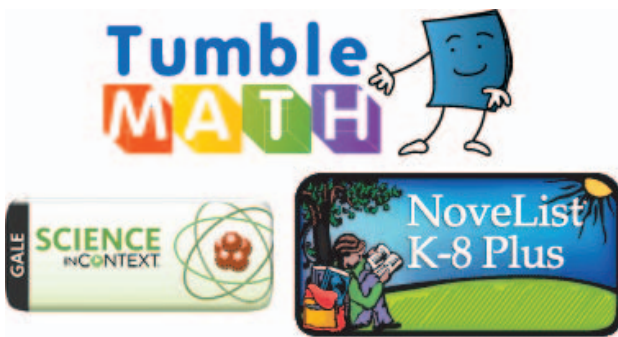
This year, everything’s different, including library activities and our summer reading program. Instead of tickets, tracking, and prize deadlines, we are instead offering our patrons a summer fun packet that we hope can bring some low-stress fun to the summer months. Play our reading bingo games, enjoy some word games, do a scavenger hunt and much more. Starting in June, we will have summer fun packets available at www.winfield.lib.il.us. Packets for kids and families, teens and tweens, and adults will be available.

We encourage patrons to do any or all of the events and activities at their own pace and just for fun. Every Saturday throughout the summer, we will host “Summer Fun Saturdays” on our Facebook page. We hope our community will come together to share the activities they’ve done and connect with one another.

We will also be offering virtual programming this summer using Facebook, YouTube, and Zoom. From storytime to cooking to art to book groups, we will have programs for every age happening online this June and July. Check out the library’s online events calendar in June to see everything we have to offer this summer.

As we are still uncertain about our reopening date, we encourage everyone to visit www.winfield.lib.il.us for links to all of our online resources, including access to eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, streaming entertainment, craft tutorials, language learning and much more. Access is FREE with your library card number.

We can’t wait to start having summer fun with our friends and neighbors. The best place to connect with us online is our Facebook page at [Facebook.com/WinfieldLib](https://www.facebook.com/WinfieldLib). Download your summer fun packets starting in June and meet us there!



CartonCraft CEO Responds to COVID-19 Crisis

CartonCraft CEO, Tony Reyes and The Tony Reyes Family Foundation are showing their appreciation for first responders and front-line healthcare workers by providing free meals.

Tony himself has been busy on the weekends cooking up specialties such as fish tacos with rice and beans, and wood-fire smoked Angus prime rib beef and baked potato dinners. He’s distributed these meals through the Knights of Columbus Council 8002 Friday night Fish Fry dinners, and Easter Vigil dinners. Local law enforcement officers have

stopped by to pick-up their meals with curbside delivery provided by the KOC 8002.

Not to be outdone, our Ft. Madison, Iowa location PaperPak is doing the same with their law enforcement and hospital workers, said Reyes.

The Foundation has also partnered with Caliendo’s Restaurant & Bar and is providing free meals to Northwestern Medicine Central DuPage Hospital employees and RMHC near CDH families, staff and volunteers. So far meals have been provided to the ER, Pediatric Oncology, and Respiratory departments at CDH.

These initiatives have involved over 100 hours of

volunteer work, and \$10,000 in donations. “Nothing makes me feel better than helping others in their greatest time of need”, said Reyes.

For more information about the Foundation, www.thetonyreyesfamilyfoundation.com.

CartonCraft Inc. serves customers nationwide and is making an impact in the local community as well. If you’re interested in helping show your support, donations can be made to the Foundation at <https://thetonyreyesfamilyfoundation.org/>. Or checks may be sent to the Foundation at 2900 DuKane Drive, Suite 2, St. Charles, IL 60174. Thank you!



Prime rib beef and baked potato dinners and fish tacos are some of the dishes Tony Reyes and the Knights of Columbus Council 8002 have been preparing and serving to local folks. Your donation can help provide meals to first responders, healthcare workers, local law enforcement officers and others in need in our community. “Nothing makes me feel better than helping others in their greatest time of need”, said Reyes.

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Celebrating Anna DeJong

By Annie Dragosh

As the school year comes to an end and we celebrate our recent graduates, we wish to celebrate the life of Anna DeJong – graduate of West Chicago Community High School. Anna was a much beloved student, known to her teachers and classmates as someone patient, sweet, and kind to everyone she met. Anna loved life and loved living it. Anna was a woman of faith. She was also creative – a dancer, an actress, an artist, a friend, and a music lover. Anna loved Disney and theatrics and was an aspiring performer. Anyone who saw Anna perform last spring in “Mama Mia!” saw firsthand Anna’s passion for the arts and her love of performing. As one of her teachers, I can confidently speak on behalf of all of her teachers when I say that Anna was one of our favorite people. She was someone with a sweet spirit who one just simply enjoyed being around. She loved her friends and family and radiated joy – especially when doing the things she loved.

Although our community tragically lost Anna in an accident this May, following flooding along the DuPage River, she will live on in our hearts and minds – singing and dancing with all the joy and exuberance of the angel she is.

Dance on, sweet Anna.



KOC Blood Drive June 29th

Be a beacon of hope for someone and donate blood. The Knights of Columbus Council 8002 will hold a blood drive on June 29th from 2:00 to 7:00 PM in Sebahar Hall at St. John the Baptist Church at 0S233 Church Street in Winfield. Enter via the Liberty Street entrance only. Appointments must be made in advance by calling Alan Kalitzky at 630-229-0190, please leave a message if no answer and you will be called back, we're unable to accept walk-ins.

Safe social distancing measures will be in place to ensure donor safety. Keeping in compliance with our state's ordinance, donors will be required to bring and wear face masks during the donation process. Donating blood is considered an "Essential Activity" and exempt from the "Shelter-in-Place" mandate. Blood supplies are critically low so please help if you can.

*As our Thank You,
all donors will receive a
to-go grilled hamburger
or bratwurst meal cooked by
the KOC grilling team.*



Wave Goodbye to Father Matt— From Your Car!

The community is invited to participate in a parking lot salute on Saturday, June 27th after 5 o'clock mass to say good bye to Father Matt, whose last day at St. John the Baptist parish is July 1st.

Please park your car in the lot at Church and Liberty streets, facing south towards the pavilion, and stay in your car. Father Matt will come to the pavilion after mass and we'll honk and wave as we wish him farewell.



In Memoriam

FRANK L. BELLISARIO

Frank L. Bellisario, age 67, of Elgin, IL. Beloved son of the late Rocco and Mary Bellisario. Dear brother of Larry (Janet) and Victor (Susan) Bellisario. Proud uncle to Jeffrey (Lucia), Michael (Mary), David (Katherine), and Samantha. Loving nephew and cousin to many. Frank spent his entire 30-year law enforcement career with the Village of Winfield Police Department. He rose through the ranks holding a variety of positions, including patrol officer, detective, sergeant and administrative sergeant, and then served as Police Chief from 2006 until his retirement in 2011. During his career in Winfield he served as a member of the DuPage County Major Crimes Task Force, developed the village's Internet Investigation Unit, and ran an open gym program for the Winfield school system.



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Congratulations
to these Winfield
2020 graduates

Congratulations
Xavier S. Gomez
WCCHS Class of 2020
Xavier earned the President's Education Award and graduates with honors. He is going to Bradley University in the fall with a presidential scholarship to pursue an engineering degree.



Congratulations
Madelyn Goodale
WCCHS Class of 2020



Congratulations
NATHAN HILTNER
WCCHS CLASS OF 2020



UMaine School of Nursing Class of 2020 Minor in Spanish
Will be working in the ED at Dartmouth-Hitchcock Medical Center
Favorite Nursing Class: NUR102
"The first real nursing class we got to take and when I really felt like I was learning to be a nurse."
Favorite Part About UMaine: "The hockey games and making so many friends through school and my sorority."



Grace Kelley


Congratulations, Michael!
WCCHS Class of 2020



Elli and Juju, thank you for answering the call to be the difference. You inspire us and so many others. We love you so much. Love, Scott, Dolly and Peach



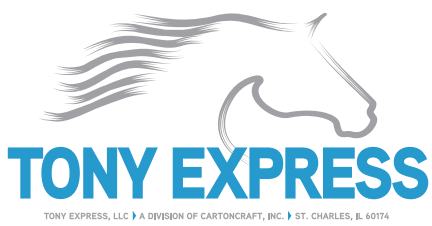
Max, there is so much we admire about you. We think you're amazing. You have made us so proud!
Congratulations!
- Love, Mom, Dad, Riana and Ayden



Congratulations
Clare Weber
WCCHS Class of 2020
DePaul University Class of 2024



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