



MOST OUTSTANDING PLAYER. Arthur Lovington Atwood Hammond High School baseball team held their awards banquet on Sunday, June 3, at Vine Street Christian Church. Lucas Otto, above, was not able attend due to a family vacation so was not pictured with the other award winners in the June 27 edition. Lucas was named Most Outstanding Player for the 2018 season. He batted .404 and compiled a 4-6 pitching record. He recorded 52 strike outs in 37 innings of work on the mound. The other Knights winning awards were Wyatt Schlabach, Most Valuable Teammate; Waylon Schlabach, Team Leader Award; and Marcus Vanausdoll, Most Valuable Player. Photo was submitted

Village board

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total amount approved.

The motion was made and seconded to approve Ordinance 0702-18A authorizing the Village of Arthur to borrow funds from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency Water Pollution Control Revolving Loan Fund in an amount of up to \$3,382,995.00. The motion was passed unanimously.

The second item on the new business agenda was discussion on purchasing the property at 417 S. Union Street for cleanup and development purposes.

There have been some discussions with the broker for the property.

It was determined that further investigation and discussion over the cost of the transaction would need to take place for the board to take any action at this meeting, so the agenda topic was postponed until the next meeting.

Trustee Paul Pearce addressed the board about the Finance Committee's recom-

mendations regarding the investments of village funds. An official investment policy for the Village is needed and several templates are available. Village attorney Kenny Crossman will take a look at these, and a policy will be crafted to fit the needs of the community.

This topic was also postponed for further consideration at a future meeting after an investment policy is ready for approval and investment options can be considered by the village.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

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er and Earl H. Yoder satisfaction of mortgage for Lots 1 and 4 in Block 13 of the Original Town, Atwood (115 North Kentucky, Atwood).

Amcore Bank granted Tuscola Hotel Group satisfaction of mortgage for Lot 6A of Janko Subdivision (1201 Tuscola Boulevard, Tuscola).

Richard M. Tharp granted Joseph J. Tharp and Lyndsay H. Tharp a quitclaim deed for Lot 3 of Assessors Subdivision, Newman.

Harry A. Fidler granted Nicole Jo Lawrence a quitclaim deed for Lot 1 in Block

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Art was dropped as an offering at all buildings.

Seventh grade electives include band, chorus, one semester of art at AHGS and two semester of art at AGS, computers both semesters at AGS, health (one semester at AHGS). Ag was dropped as an elective at all buildings. Arthur Grade School dropped Home Ec, LGS dropped Culinary, and AHGS dropped Current Events and Enrichment.

Eighth grade electives include band, chorus, art (one semester AHGS, two semesters AGS), and computers (one semester AHGS, two semesters AGS). Spanish was dropped from all buildings; Industrial Tech, AGS; Creative Writing, LGS; and Current Events and Enrichment, AHGS.

The teachers are also working to align curriculum among the three buildings.

High School Principal's Report
Steffanie Seegmiller, high school principal, reported 13 students attended summer school which ran 8 a.m. to noon through June 22. Mrs. Leichty supervised the class.

Three ALAH HS students were accepted into the CEO Program for 2018-19. The class will meet 7:30 to 9 a.m. every day. This will be the second year for the high school's participation in the program.

An EIEFES grant was used to purchase a new four-color 3-D printer, kitchen items for Home Ec, and new drafting tables and tools for Industrial Arts.

Mrs. Glennon took three students to the Lake Land Business College Challenge. Kara Yoder placed second in the Microsoft Excel category.

She expressed appreciation for the maintenance crew and the work they are doing to prepare the building for next school year.

In addition to the regu-

lar cleaning and waxing, they are working on the updated science lab and converting a storage room into an office.

High school registration will be 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 6 p.m. on August 2 and 9 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. on August 3.

A "Freshman Icebreaker" will be held on August 7. Time will be announced.

New teacher orientation is set for August 10 with a Teacher Institute on August 13. First day of school is August 14 with classes dismissing at 2 p.m.

Atwood-Hammond Grade School

Principal's Report
Kristin Nall estimated enrollment this fall at Atwood-Hammond Grade School will be 272. She said 23 students moved away with two families moving into other buildings within the district.

Registration at AHGS will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 3 to 6 p.m. on August 2.

First Night will be 6 to 7 p.m. on August 13.

First day of student attendance is August 14.

AGS Principal's Report

Attendance rate in pre-K through Eight Grade for 2017-2018 was 95.6 percent, slightly higher than last year.

The principal thanked Heather Miller and Erica Schrock for organizing activities for the K-5 students during the Fun Day on the last day of school.

Over 20 volunteers helped with the events and fed over 70 teachers and volunteers. Students enjoyed a

great end of the school year with their annual tug-of-war.

Hale thanked Itsa Piz-za for helping the students reach their reading goals. The pizzeria gave out free pizza cards for students that met their reading goals each quarter.

"We appreciate their support," Hale said.

Top Knights for Fourth Quarter: Halle Oye, Mrs. Crossman; Olivia Gingerich, Miss Lumsden; Kyndrie Carter, Mrs. Kingery; Annabella Custer, Mrs. Parsons; Jeremy Gingerich, Miss Checkley; Alex Miller, Mrs. Perkins;

Grace Mast, Miss Ponstein; Sophie Monts, Mrs. Rhodes; Cody Kuhns, Mrs. Eads; Mackenzie Miller, Mrs. Kauffman; Denise Hostetler, Mr. Punches; and Sara Herschberger, Miss Russell.

Yearly Top Knights are Michelle Gingerich, Mrs. Crossman; Kayla Gingerich, Miss Lumsden; Crystal Hostetler, Mrs. Kingery; Jezmin Gutierrez, Mrs. Parsons; Jillian Marner, Miss Checkley; Keri Schrock, Mrs. Perkins; Lori Herschberger, Miss Ponstein; Reece Oye, Mrs. Rhodes; Jakhany Medina, Mrs. Eads; Karaline Vanausdoll, Mrs. Kauffman; Treva Gingerich, Mr. Punches; and Marnita Herschberger, Miss Russell.

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year will be held noon to 6 p.m. on August 2 and 3.

Students earning Straight A's all four quarters in 2017-2018 were the following: Brenda Schrock,

sixth grade; Charley Con-dill, Alisha Frederick, Kail-ee Otto, Lavon Schrock, Aaron Seegmiller, and Ashley Seegmiller, seventh grade; and Jacob Duzan, Kade Herschberger, Malinda Herschberger, Alexa Miller, Hailey Miller, Sarah Rafferty, and Kristina Slabaugh, eighth grade.

Superintendent Schwen-gel recommended maintain-ing the same lunch and course fees as last year. These include \$2.45 per meal for K-5 lunches; \$2.60, grades 6-12 lunches; \$3.00, adult lunch; \$2.00, break-fast; \$35, tech fee for 9-12; \$15, tech fee for 6-8; \$10 for HS English Best Sellers class; and \$10 per course for HS Tech Ed courses.

The superintendent will seek quotes for repairing the parking lots at Lovington Grade School and west of the high school main park-ing lot.

In other action, the board adopted the Prevailing Wage Rates for projects.

Next regular school board meeting will be Wednesday, July 18. The board meets at 6 p.m. in the district superintendent's office at ALAH HS. Meetings are open to the public.




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While we mourn the loss of such an amazing man, it brings us comfort to know how many lives he touched through his kindness and music.

The song is ended. But the melody lingers on. - Irving Berlin

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