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KNIGHTS JHOC CHAMPS. The eighth grade ALAH Knights boys' basketball team is the 2019 Junior High Okaw Tournament Champions as they defeated the Decatur LSA Lions Thursday night in Cerro Gordo. First row: Isaiah Bates, Conner Edmonds, Aaron Seegmiller, Mason Allen and Bobby Schanuel. Second row: Coach Mike Haste, Andrew Jeffers, Levi Ward, Wyatt Hilligoss, Kaden Fagen, Levi Ward, Tanner Beckmier, Braden Kauffman, Drew Cotton, and team manager Brady Moore. Photo by Jazmine Arnett

News Briefs

Lantz Benefit rescheduled for Saturday, January 19

Due to the snowstorm over the weekend, the benefit for David Lantz has been rescheduled to Saturday, January 19, from 2 to 11 p.m. at It'll Do in Arcola.

Lantz has Stage 4 stomach cancer. Proceeds from the benefit will help him in his time of need.

Everyone is welcome to attend, including children. Activities include face painting from 2 to 5 p.m., a live DJ (2-5), bags tournament from 4 to 6 (entry fee \$10 per team), silent auction, and 50/50 raffle (must be present to win).

Hard Kase band will play at 8 p.m.

Sign up for bags tournament by 3:30.

Please come out and support David!

Senior Citizens Luncheon to be held January 21

The monthly Senior Citizens lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, January 21, at The Arthur Home in the north activity room.

Everyone is welcome. Bring a covered dish. Meat and drinks are furnished.

Rep. Halbrook to conduct traveling office hours in Arthur

State Representative Brad Halbrook will conduct traveling office hours from 4 to 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 23, in Arthur.

Rep. Halbrook will be available in the Village Board Room at the Municipal Building, 120 East Progress Street, to talk with residents and answer questions.

EMT chili supper, auction set for Feb. 2

Arthur EMT Association will hold its Annual Chili Supper and Auction on Saturday evening, February 2.

Proceeds from the event are used to fund local training events for the EMTs. The fundraiser will be held at the firehouse, 323 West Columbia (Route 133 West) in Arthur.

Serving will be 4 to 8 p.m. with the auction beginning at 6.

Arthur EMT Association members will soon be out in the community seeking donations for the auction. Items will be collected up to and including the day of the auction.

Anyone having an item to contribute to the fundraiser should contact the EMT Association at (217) 543-3754.

They will arrange for picking up the items, or for someone to be at the firehouse so the donor can drop off the item. Please contact the EMT Association ahead of time to assure someone will be at the firehouse to receive the donated items being dropped off.

Everyone is invited to attend and support Arthur EMT Association.

A Tribute To Mr. Bob Doan

Great teachers make great coaches, and for 35 years that was Bob Doan's career: coach, teacher, administrator. He served many area schools and communities, including Arthur, during that time, always leaving his mark where he lived and worked.

He and his wife Arlene returned to Arthur to live in the Morningside neighborhood. Bob was eager to be involved in his community and had a special interest in economic development.



Bob did not have a limited view of developing, building, and maintaining a great community, but was always interested in the bigger picture. He saw Arthur as unique, thriving with lots of potential due to a variety of resources; the most important being people.

So he got out his many "hats" to wear and set to work on making our community and our area the best place it could possibly be. He knew that combining a great place to visit, with a great place to live and a great place to work could certainly continue to grow and prosper through teamwork and communication.

Economic development needed support, as any good game plan does, from a variety of sources each with their own goals and future plans. Bob went back to his coaching days and instinctively knew what personnel were needed to work together towards a common goal that would satisfy all needs plus respect the diversity of the people of our area.

He worked tirelessly networking in the community, with both Amish and non-Amish groups, and in our central Illinois area as an ambassador for all we had to offer in Arthur. He formed partnerships with groups outside of our area proper such as Champaign County Tourism, the East Central Illinois Development Corporation, as well as local universities.

Bob knew that tourism, community hosted events, agriculture, businesses, manufacturing, organizations, churches, village officials, education and, most important, motivated people needed to be assembled from all these different areas to create plans and see that the little ideas and the big dreams could come to fruition.

Bob laid the groundwork for so many things taking place now in Arthur. He'd often see a project through and then take a step back and let the team move forward. He would always be there with his insight, guidance, positivity, and, when called on, his sense of humor.

Bob knew economic development was really about developing people and relationships. He enjoyed it and immersed himself in all things Arthur. He did not miss a thing when it came to helping our community in so many ways. So when news spread of his sudden passing, many were filled with the sense of a great loss; for most of us the loss was deepened as we lost a friend.

We've had a week now to mourn that loss and celebrate a life well lived. We realize we have many "holes" to fill, but we were coached by one of the best. Bob's current work with the AAEDC is ongoing. His future goals and dreams will be pursued by those with whom he worked and people he had never met. Together we will work to grow in Arthur.

You've handed us the ball, and we are ready to run with it according to the example you set. Thanks, Coach!

—Arthur Area Economic Development Corporation

Kindergarten pre-registration at AGS set for February 5-7

Pre-registration of Kindergarten students for the 2019-2020 school year will be held Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, February 5, 6, and 7, in the Arthur Grade School office between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:45 p.m.

The office is located on the north side of the building. Enter through the bus drop-off doors.

Any student who will be

five years of age by September 1, 2019, and resides in Arthur School District 305 (the Arthur Grade School district boundaries are the same as the former Arthur School District) is welcome to attend.

Parents are asked to bring the child's birth certificate to pre-registration.

Parents will receive a health record to be filled out by a doc-

tor, an eye doctor, and a dentist. Proof of lead screening is also required.

At the time parents register their child for kindergarten, if the child has not attended AGS preschool, they will also be requested to make a screening appointment for their incoming kindergarten which will be held on February 19 and 20 at the Arthur First Baptist Church.



SEVENTH GRADE KNIGHTS SECOND IN TOURNAMENT. The seventh grade ALAH Knights were defeated 32-22 by the Tuscola Hornets in the championship game of the Junior High Okaw Tournament. The Knights proudly display their trophy. First row: Kaulin Morfey, Connor Nettles, Noah Shoemaker, and Brody Louden. Second row: Team manager Brady Moore, Coach Shandon Herschberger, Garrett Casteel, Jayce Parsons, Landon Waldrop, Dalton Eads, and Coach Mike Haste. Photo by Stephanie Wierman

Moultrie County Farm Bureau offering \$500 Shuman Scholarship; applications available at FB office

Moultrie County Farm Bureau has announced that applications are available for the Charles B. Shuman Memorial Scholarship.

The \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a resident of Moultrie County who is a graduating high school senior or who is currently enrolled in a University or Community College.

The successful applicant should be of good moral character and exhibit potential for successful completion of a course of study in agriculture or related fields.

In addition to academic performance, extra-curricular and community involvement will al-

so be considered in the selection process.

Applications for the scholarship may be obtained from the Moultrie County Farm Bureau office at 1102 W. Jackson Street in Sullivan or by calling the office at (217) 728-4214. Application deadline is March 22, 2019.

The Charles B. Shuman Memorial Scholarship was established in 2000 by Moultrie County Farm Bureau to honor the achievements and life of a Moultrie County farmer and Farm Bureau leader.

Mr. Shuman served as president of Moultrie County Farm Bureau from 1936-1945, and president of Illinois Farm Bureau

from 1945-1954.

In 1954, he was elected president of the two million-member American Farm Bureau Federation and served in that capacity until his retirement in 1970. He passed away in October 1999 at the age of 92.

Parkland students on Dean's List

The following students have been named to the Parkland College Dean's List for fall 2018: Paige E. Davis of Arthur; Jazmine M. Arnett and Zane A. Crist of Atwood; Kimberly J. Davis of Hammond; and Megan N. Metcalf of Lovington.