# Southern Champaign County

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### **SERVING ALL OF SOUTHERN CHAMPAIGN COUNTY**

## South County SPOTLIGHT

St. Patrick Catholic Charities - Tolono IL Free Food Pantry Every Monday from 5-6:30 and Friday 9-10:30 -Located at the Parish - Serving all of Champaign County providing Fresh produce, meat and pantry items.

The Giving Place is open every Wednesday from 4pm-6pm in Tolono to help families in need with food items.

VFW of Villa Grove Bingo Every Friday Night @7pm

4/10 Unity High Homecoming

4/17 Annual Villa Grove VFW Garage Sale @ VFW in Villa Grove from 8am-2pm

4/22 Earth Day

If you have an upcoming event that you would like to see featured in Spotlight email us at: advertising@ thevillagrovenews.

# **Unity High 2020-2021 Homecoming Court**





Pictured above: Unity's 2020-2021 Homecoming Court. Homecoming this year will be held on Saturday, April 10. Freshmen Attendants: Shelby Hoel and Henry Thomas. Sophomore Attendants: Maddisen McConaha and Cale Rawdin. Junior Attendants: Annabelle Jokisch and Carson Willard. Senior Alternates: Summer Day and Abel Juerissen. Queen Candidates: Caroline Bachert, Marissa Charleston, Chloee Reed, Lilly Styan and Kyleigh Weller. King Candidates: Kyle Burgoni, Nate Drennan, Lane Innes, Logan Jones and Hudson Ritchie

## **Easter Fun! Sidney Improvement Group Community Easter Bunny Parade**

Correspondent

The Sidney Improvement Group (SIG) gives back to the Sidney community by hosting a Saturday, April 3 Easter **Bunny Parade!** 

The Sidney Improvement Group hosted the Easter Bunny in a parade throughout the Village of Sidney on Saturday, April 3. The Easter Bunny kept busy throwing packaged Easter treats to children while following social

By Ann Rhoton SCCT News distancing guidelines. The Sidney Fire Protection District Fire Department helped out by providing transportation for the Easter Bunny around the Village of Sidney.

Village of Sidney President and Sidney Fire Department Captain Jason Arrasmith drove the Sidney fire truck and SIG member and Village of Sidney Trustee Donna Hooker helped the Easter Bunny throw packaged treats

(Photo on Right) Left to right at the Easter Bunny Parade Sidney Dairy Barn launch site are Sidney Improvement Group member and Village of Sidney Trustee Donna Hooker, the Easter Bunny, Sidney Dairy Barn owner Dennis Riggs, and Village of Sidney President and Sidney Fire Department Captain Jason Arrasmith holding packaged treats to be thrown out to children along the Saturday, April 3 Easter Bunny parade route. Photo by Ann Rhoton.

young and old in the Village to the children. Lynne Hoveln Sidney Improvement Group also volunteered. Thank you for hosting the parade for kids of Sidney!



# The Givina **Weekly Newsletter**

"Remember Jesus of Nazareth, staggering on broken feet out of the tomb toward the Resurrection, bearing on his body the proud insignia of the defeat which is victory, the magnificent defeat of the human soul at the hands of God.'

- Frederick Buechner, The Magnificent Defeat

"His crucifixion is the key; His resurrection is the door... it is only by his death that we have the mandate to enter into the gates of eternal life. His doors are open always. Christ is king!"

- Israelmore Ayivor "It was inevitable that Jesus Christ should be crucified. It

was also inevitable that He should rise again."

H. R. L. Sheppard We had a quiet day at The Giving Place. We served 3 families (0 new) / 10 people / 3 children. If you know of any families in Unit Seven that are in need, please encourage them to visit TGP on Wednesday nights.

Thanks to Pastor Catherine, Jo Ellen, Karen, Roberta, Dale and Mike for serving clients, accepting and sorting donations of food and clothes and stocking shelves Wednesday afternoon.

Thanks to those who make



#### donations of food and cash As always, we are so thankful for your prayers, and your donations. We couldn't do this without your support.

The Giving Place is once again accepting gently used, clean & ready to hang Spring & Summer clothing. Note that we do not have laundry facilities to clean clothing of stains or pet hair or the facilities to make repairs to torn clothing. Please drop off clothes during our open time, Wednesday 4-6 or call to set up a time to drop off, so someone can be there to put the clothes inside the building.

Mike Williams Mark 8:31

He then began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests and the teachers of the law, and that he must be killed and after three days rise again.

Luke 23:44-47

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon, for the sun stopped shining. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last. The centurion, seeing what had happened, praised God and said, "Surely this was a righteous man."

Luke 24:6-7

He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' "

# Rolling in Wins: Rocket Football Reports Wins in First Games of the Season

Coach Tony Reetz offers an official report from the first two games of the Unity football season.

The season started off with a canceled game due to CO-VID-19 rules. Coach Reetz was ready to report that "after having week 1 canceled due to COVID concerns, we came out and played very well despite being short handed (some players still out in quarantine) and missing the previous week of practice. We traveled to IVC and knocked





Photo Above: Lane Innes dives into the endzone for the winning TD in OT at IVC. Photo Left: Grant Albaugh and Dylan Rutledge bring down a Pontiac ball carrier. Photos courtesy Lori Garrett and Sandy Gorman.

off the reigning conference champions and ended their 14 game conference winning

It was a looking like the Rockets would go home with a loss, however Reetz reports that the tables turned in the fourth quarter, "we came from

14 points down and tied it up late in the 4th quarter and won the game in over time".

More good news to report going in to week two of the season, "In week 2 we continued to execute well (this time with a full roster) on another long road trip to Pontiac. We

jumped out to a 40-0 lead and ended up winning the game

We are excited about coming home for a big rivalry game with SJO this week and playing on the turf in front of a home crowd" said Reetz.