



TWO TUSCOLA TEAMS played in the Okaw Valley League Championship. On the left, Team Downtown Design Studio and right, Team Kelsey Furniture. Team Downtown Design Studio won the League Championship. Photo by Mark Jones.

Drag

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 create a more affirming environment in Tuscola to let students and the community know that this a place you can live as an 'out' person," said Heilich.
 Heilich and Dellorso and others at the event said that the drag show ultimately is

there to make young people feel comfortable.
 "We're not just putting on an event that is intentionally being done to create drama. I'm doing it for the younger Ainslie," said Heilich. "This is not something to be afraid of or to hate. Just come and experience it."
 Guests Kevin Gosnell and his partner Jackson Dustin

said, "It's great to support the younger people ... I think it's amazing that a small community has this. There's so many farm communities that don't have this."
 Delorso and Heilich want people to realize that young, queer people don't have to go to bigger cities to live more comfortably to express and be themselves.

At the drag show, Heilich thanked the elders of the LGBTQ community who have visited drag shows for the last 30 years and have been at the forefront of LGBTQ activism.
 Heilich said he doesn't like it when people from outside the LGBTQ community create narratives about LGBTQ lives. He said that nobody comes to him and asks questions. Hei-

lich feels that people just feel comfortable believing what they see on TV. He explained that he also had learned the same homophobia and transphobia while growing up. It took him decades until he started living authentically himself. Heilich said he publicly transitioned from a lesbian presenting person to a trans man.

"Imagine a world where a student or anybody can realize at a younger age how to live their life authentically, without pretending and trying to be someone else. I'm trying to think of all the years I lost trying to be somebody else," said Heilich.
 The GSA booster club is looking for more members to join their club as well.



AINSLIE HIELICH walks onto the stage after the last drag show performance during the June 10 Queens in the Corn drag show in Tuscola. Photo by Dominik Stallings.



DRAG PERFORMER KARMA CARRINGTON takes to the stage during the June 10 Queens in the Corn drag show. Photo by Dominik Stallings.



WINNERS OF THE POUND THE PAVEMENT FOR PRIDE 5K RACE/WALK. From left to right, Larry Adelston, Champaign, won 1st place for Males Age 51 and over, Hannah Brauer, Savoy, won 1st place for age 26-50, Isabella Dueker, Tuscola won 2nd place for age 25 and under, Dean Kidd, Gibson City won 2nd place for age 51 and over. David Chen, Champaign, won 1st place in age 25 and under, Daniel Montes De Oca, Bloomington, won overall 2nd place, Kyle Montes De Oca, Bloomington, won over all 1st place, Chris Nguyen, Champaign, won 2nd place in age 26-50. Photo by Dominik Stallings.



RUNNERS GET COVERED in powdered pigments at the start of the the June 10 Pound the Pavement for Pride 5K Race/Walk. Photo by Dominik Stallings.

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Tri County Club's golf wrap

By Tony Hooker
 Here are the results from Tri City Country Club's Men's league, week #4.
Low Gross:
 Troy Gabbard 34
 Michael Holmes 36
 Travis Albin 36
 Doug Cisna 37
 Eric Douglas 38
 Low Net:
 Troy Gabbard 30
 Brian Mohr 30
 Alex Merkle 32
 Kyle Messman 32
 Michael Holmes 33
Division I
 Dobie Gilles / Troy Gabbard defeat Tony Vandeventer / Chris Vandeventer 44-34
 Toby Ring / Jason Watson defeat Eric Douglas / Lucas

Vandeventer 33-31
 Ryan Block / Heath Wilson defeat Michael Holmes / Aaron Mendoza 37-31
 Reagan Sheriff / David Dowler defeat Dave Wax/Pat McDowell 34-32
 Ryan Spears / Kyle Messman defeat Bob Faust / Alex Merkle 41-38
 Travis Albin / Mike Joines defeat Matthew Waldrop / Josh Vandeventer 36-32
 Doug Cisna / Chuck Edwards defeat Tim VonLanken / Cliff Stoker 34-33
Division II
 Billy Brocksmith / Nick Godel defeat Steve Douglas/ Chuck Dorsett 36-29
 Lance Landeck / Jake Reifsteck defeat Marc Mixell / Da-

vin Smith 39-33
 Andy Mohr / Brian Mohr defeat Christian Moore / Mitch Snodgrass 39-29
 Robert Renfrow / Paul Riley defeat Mike Stevens / Brian Stabler 35-33
 Steve Sigler / Matt Pangburn defeat Chance Lemmon / Cole Lemmon 39-33
 Don Cler / Dan Sappenfield defeat Drew Sappenfield / Brad Beccue 36-33
 Andrew Dietrich / Jordan McDaniel defeat David Wince / Bruce Povalich 39-34
 Gavin Kiser / Joe Henderson defeat Tony Hooker / Gavin Gunter 36-34
 Chad Wendling / Jeff Wendling defeat Jim Causey / Tyler Knight 39-36