



Nicholas James, Kyle Hess, Katrina Korsmeyer, Kylie Ketcham, and Shayden Hogg were all bestowed the honor of the golden key at the 4th and final day of convention with the American Degree ceremony.  
..... See Page 14.



The Highland Illinois Area Schools Alumni Association inducted four new individuals to the Hall of Fame. They are Earl Steiner, Public Service; Guy Michael, Business; Glenn Monken, Sports; and Adolph Bandelier, Arts & Sciences. .... See Page 7.



Bradford National Bank was one of many businesses and organizations represented when the downtown streets were turned into a sea of trick or treaters fueled by candy and treats on Friday afternoon.  
..... See Page 8-9.



Highland Optimist members Dave Korte, left, Bill Wagner, Craig Loyet, John Zieser, and Dave Haberer volunteered their time to assist "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" in making beds for kids in need. Great job gentlemen! ..... See Page 16.



**Spring Forward, Fall Back**  
We'll return to standard time on  
Sunday, Nov. 3.  
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turn your clocks back 1 hour!

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**WEDNESDAY**  
**OCTOBER 30, 2024**  
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## Highland: Eaton Workers on Strike

By Bill Napper

HIGHLAND - Striking workers waved and acknowledged motorists who were honking horns and waving in support Friday evening as the workers continue their strike at Eaton.

Eaton employees are striking to fight for better wages and better working conditions, according to their official Facebook page.

The union members have rejected a proposed contract offering "minuscule raises which fail to even cover the rising costs of union dues, insurance, and living expenses."

Those striking said they are overwhelmed by the support of the community.

The striking workers are overwhelmed with people bringing them food, refreshments and even money.

They are overwhelmed by the kindness and support.

"One lady came by and gave each of us \$100," one striker said.



### On Strike

Eaton workers gather for a photo Friday evening as they continue their strike for better pay and benefits.

The Pioneer/ photo by Bill Napper



### Leading the Dogs

Senior lineman Will Bolen #77 shows great form as he helps lead the Dogs rushing attack. HHS rushed for over 400 yards Friday night. See page 11 for story and photo.

The Pioneer/ photo by Emily Warnecke

## Veteran's Day Parade Set For Sunday, Nov. 10

HIGHLAND - A Veteran's Day Parade by Highland VFW Post #5694 and American Legion Post #439 will be held Sunday, November 10 starting at 2 p.m. from the intersection of Olive and Main Streets proceeding west on Main to the city square. A brief ceremony will follow. Mayor Kevin Hemann will read the proclamation, which was signed and approved by the city council designating November as Veteran's Month. For those who prefer being seated, lawn chairs are welcome. All Veterans in the surrounding community are welcome to participate in the parade. Rides will be furnished for participants and walkers are also welcome. Participants should meet at the northwest parking lot of St. Paul's church at 1:30 p.m. The parade is sponsored by Highland Moose Lodge #2479 in coordination with VFW Post #5694 and American Legion Post #439.

Contact Lenny Gall at 314-791-7061 or Ken Kapp at 618-781-2004 for additional information.

According to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Veterans Day continues to be observed on November 11, regardless of what day of the week on which it falls. The restoration of the observance of Veterans Day to November 11 not only preserves the historical significance of the date, but helps focus attention on the important purpose of Veterans Day: A celebration to honor America's veterans for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.




# Time to Change Buying Methods

## My View

By Bill Napper

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I can't understand why we, as a nation, buy so much from China.

We are told that China is the number one enemy of the US, yet we continue to buy from them.

We are also told that they do not respect the copyright laws and steal our technology.

Even some of the new Lincoln vehicles are manufactured in China. I was shocked when I learned that Lincoln has moved to China.

I am told that most of our medicine is also manufactured in China. They could easily wipe out most of the population by pushing lethal doses upon us.

I believe that the workmanship cannot be matched anywhere in the world over American workers.

We should be exporters to the world.

I was also shocked to learn that our military has imported drones from China. Do you really believe that those drones aren't sending information back to Beijing? Something is wrong with this picture. We have folks in Alabama who make some of the best drones in the world. Even still, why would we buy

them from China?

I believe that we should make as much as possible in this nation. But sadly we have outsourced everything from bicycle to jeans and so much more to China. Even the phone to the computer that most of us use was more than likely made in China.

How can we as a nation survive in the world of competition if we continue to follow this path of destruction.

As long as we as a nation are content with being dependent on others to make our goods, we are nothing a paper tiger.

If you want to get your enemies attention hit them in the pocketbook! When you have as many people as China does, the population will riot and demand regime change if they aren't working.

I believe in free trade. But we allow much more importing from other nations that we export.

At one time North Carolina was the capital of the world when making furniture. Today, everything is made in China, Malaysia, or Vietnam, just to name a few.

Georgia is known for the best

carpet making and exported around the world, but that isn't the case anymore. At one time, in the 50-60's Tennessee had thread mills where hundreds of people worked.

The United States is the world's leading manufacturer of carpeting, but India is the world's largest exporter of handmade carpets. While there are smaller companies, major names include Shaw and Mohawk.

There has been much debate about our manufacturing ability in recent months.

Frankly, I don't understand why we can't make what we need here and trade fairly with other countries.

Why do people in Japan have to pay a huge tariff on American cars purchased in Japan, but it isn't charged on their vehicles when sold here?

I don't think we are getting a fair shake from those whom we vote for and send to Washington to represent us.

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## Thank You for the Pioneer newspaper

Thanks to you, Bill, and all your great staff for the terrific weekly paper! Your paper is truly an asset to Highland and the surrounding communities.

I can remember when one of my triplet grandchildren read your paper on a regular basis! I must check and see if he's still doing that!

Thanks, again, and keep up the good work!

Sharon Klostermann

## St. Paul Parish Catholic School has Open Position

St. Paul Parish Catholic School is seeking a dynamic and versatile individual who will manage school events, lead fundraising efforts, oversee marketing and social media initiatives, provide occasional classroom support as a substitute, and assist with day-to-day operations in a fast-paced school office environment. This is a key position that requires strong organizational, communication, and multitasking skills, along with a passion for supporting the mission of Catholic education. Please send cover letter with resume to: Haidee Todora, htodora@stpaulhighland.org



## Korte Meats Moved

Pioneer Photo by Bill Napper

Amy Koerkenmeier stocks a cooler at Korte Meat Processing as they have moved into their new location at 915 Hemlock Street in Highland on Saturday. They are working hard to keep things running as smoothly as possible as they work out the kinks during the transition into the new location. At this time the new hours are: Mon. - Fri. 8 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sat: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. and closed on Sunday.



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## Highland Veterans Day Parade Set For Sunday, Nov. 10

HIGHLAND - Everyone is invited to attend the Highland Veterans Day Parade which will be held on Sunday, Nov. 10.

The line up is at the St. Park Church parking lot at 1 p.m.; Step off at 2 p.m.

The ceremony will be held at square immediately following the parade.

## American Legion Holding Meat Raffle

Highland - The American Legion is inviting everyone to participate in the annual American Legion turkey/meat - raffle that will be held on the V.F.W. grounds here on Sunday, Nov. 17 starting at 1 p.m.

There will be prizes of turkeys, pork, Bone-in Ham, and spare ribs.

## Announcing Recent Moose Chili Cook-off Winners

HIGHLAND - The Highland Moose Club has announced the winners in the recent chili cookoff.

Congratulations to all of our winners!

### 1st Place:

Courtney Jordan and Chuck Arrington

2nd Place: Brian Whitaker

3rd Place: Matt Resmann

First Responders:

### 1st Place:

Highland Fire Department

2nd Place: Fire N Iron

Business Champion:

1st Place: Kretzers

2nd Place:

Broadway Bar and Grill

3rd Place:

Schlaflly Highland Square

Peoples Choice: Matt Resmann

Best of Show:

Gauchos Steakhouse



## Deputy City Clerk

The Pioneer/ By Bill Napper

Highland City Clerk Barbara Bellm administers the Oath of Office to Chris Flake who was sworn in as the Administrative Assistant & Deputy City Clerk on Monday Oct. 21 during the regular session of the Highland City Council meeting.

## ZILLES LAND AUCTION

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**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2024  
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**Watch for markers!**

**Tract 1:** +/- 34.7 acres of farmland with a small amount of timber on the corner of Zilles & Leroy Road.

**Tract 2:** +/- 5.2 acres of farmland with road frontage to Leroy Road.

**Tract 3:** +/- 19.9 acres of farmland with road frontage to Zilles Road.

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**Trick or Treat**  
Highland Health Care held an afternoon for the kids who found candy, refreshments, popcorn and plenty of fun as they trick or treated at the facility in Highland on Saturday.

Pioneer Photo by Bill Napper

**WE OUTSELL THOSE WHO SAY THEY WON'T BE UNDERSOLD**

**POPCORN WORD SEARCH**

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

**WORDS**

- BOWL
- BUTTER
- CARAMEL
- CARNIVAL
- COMBINATION
- CONCESSION
- ENJOY
- EXPLODE
- FAIR
- FIBER
- INFLATE
- KERNELS
- MAIZE
- MICROWAVE
- MOVIE
- POPCORN
- POPPER
- SALTY
- SEASONING
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- SODA
- TASTY
- THEATER
- UNPOPPED

Answers found on Page 14

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**Be Safe: Watch Out For Deer**

HIGHLAND – During the months of October through December, the number of deer incidents on our roadways skyrocket. State Representative Charlie Meier shared some tips to stay safe on the roads this deer season. If you happen to hit a deer, safely pull off to the shoulder, turn your hazard lights on, and call 9-1-1. Remain in your vehicle and don't check on the injured deer. Meier said Deer are more likely to be active during the evening, so be extra cautious at dawn and dusk. While you're driving, scan the sides of the road for eyeshine – which you'll likely be able to see before you see the whole deer. Also remember – where there's one deer, there's probably more. Stay safe out there and be extra careful out there!" For more information on how to claim a deer involved in a crash, or to report possession of a deer killed in a crash, visit the IDNR website.

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**Sunday, Nov. 3**

**Marine United Church of Christ**

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Also, available will be liver sausage and head cheese.

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# When Caregiving Becomes Too Much

Being the primary caregiver to an aging loved one strains and challenges even the most resilient people. Caregiver stress is the emotional and physical stress of caregiving. It is unfortunately all too common. Those suffering from caregiver stress can be vulnerable to changes in their own health. Risk factors associated with caregiver stress include:

- Lack of choice in being a caregiver and feeling trapped
- Social isolation
- Developing depression or anxiety
- Decreased ability to cope and solve problems
- Lack of quality sleep

When caring for a senior loved one, it is easy to become so focused on them and meeting their needs that you

may not realize your own health and wellbeing are being compromised. Signs that you may be suffering from caregiver stress and burnout include:

- Feeling constantly worried and overwhelmed
- Difficulty concentrating
- Getting too much or too little sleep
- Being angry, easily irritated or resentful
- Losing or gaining weight
- Feeling sad and lonely
- New health problems or worsening conditions
- Inability to relax, even during downtime

Caregiver burnout is dangerous for you and your loved one. Earlier

on, you may be successful enlisting the help of other family members to divide the workload. In many cases, this is eventually not enough. Ask yourself if the current situation poses a risk to caregiver or the senior's life and wellbeing. If the answer is yes, then it is time to find professional services.

Moving to an Assisted Living community can reduce the stress of caregiving and provide you and your loved one with an improved When Caregiving Becomes Too Much quality of life. Feeling solely responsible for the ever-growing care needs of

an aging senior is daunting. While the choice to move to Assisted Living can be difficult for caregiver and seniors alike, it often provides a great relief and freedom for everyone involved. Assisted Living communities are designed to feel like home, with many amenities available. They provide empowering solutions that allow seniors to maintain a level of independence, while allowing caregivers to restore their mental and physical health and well-being.

A qualified community will have the well-trained staff, equipment, on-site therapy services and infrastructure, to monitor

and care for your loved one, while helping them maintain their independence. In most cases, they are much better equipped to handle the demands of caregiving, than someone without training, providing care at home.

By allowing professionals to take on primary caregiving responsibilities, the caregiver can return to their role as family or friend, focusing on the aspects of the relationship they enjoy.

If you have any questions, please contact us at 618-651-6311 or stop by San Gabriel Memory Care, 2509 Frank Watson Pakwy, Highland IL. - [www.sangabrielmemorycare.com](http://www.sangabrielmemorycare.com)



**VFW Trunk or Treat**  
The Pioneer/Bill Napper  
Madilynn and Miranda Williams of Troy are all smiles as they visit the Trunk or Treat held at the Highland Veterans of Foreign Wars Post # 5694 Sunday afternoon. It was a beautiful day and everyone enjoyed food, games and a wagon ride behind the VFW.

## Lewis and Clark Events Calendar

11/2 – Violin Recital, Featuring Students of Sister Marie-Therese Swiezynski: 10 a.m., Ringhausen Music Building, Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey. (618) 468-4731.

11/1 – NJCAA DI Region 24 Men's Soccer Tournament Final: 1 p.m., Glazebrook Park, 1401 Stamper Ln., Godfrey. (618) 468-6211.

11/2 – ASO Concerto Competition: 1-3 p.m., Ringhausen Music Building, Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey. (618) 468-4731.

11/5 – Trailblazers Men's Basketball vs. Principia: 6 p.m., George C. Terry River Bend Arena, Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd. Godfrey. (618) 468-6290.

11/7 – Native American History Presentation: 11 a.m., Ann Whitney Olin Theatre, Hathaway Cultural Center, Lewis and Clark Community College, 5800 Godfrey Rd., Godfrey. (618) 468-6400.

11/8 – NJCAA DI Midwest District Men's Soccer Semi-Finals: 1 and 4 p.m., Glazebrook Park, 1401 Stamper Ln., Godfrey. (618) 468-6211.



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# HPD Awarded IDOT Traffic Enforcement Grant

HIGHLAND — The Highland Police Department announced today it has been awarded a Federal Fiscal Year 2024 Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant to conduct additional traffic safety enforcement efforts. The STEP program focuses on high-visibility enforcement and strategies aimed at saving lives and preventing Injuries by reducing traffic crashes.

“We’re pleased to receive this grant to step up our road safety efforts with the goal of saving lives,” said Chief Carole Widman. “Our mission is to make travel safer through directed, proactive patrols and to stop, cite and arrest

those who choose to violate traffic laws.

During the STEP grant year, which runs from Oct. 1 through Sept. 30, 2025, the Highland Police Department will conduct additional enforcement efforts to supplement mandatory and optional campaign enforcement dates scheduled during some of the deadliest times of the year.

The additional efforts will focus on the leading contributory causes of crashes: speeding, impaired driving, electronic device use, failure to yield and disobeying traffic control signals as well as occupant restraint violations.

The STEP grant is funded by federal highway safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

**Holiday Lineup Includes Ed-Glen Chamber’s Halloween Parade, Party in the Park, Trick-or-Treating**

EDWARDSVILLE - Halloween is creeping up quickly in Edwardsville and there’s a fun holiday lineup, including the ever-popular downtown Halloween parade, City Parks & Recreation events and community trick-or-treating, through Thursday, October 31. The City has gathered details on what you need to know to safely enjoy the fun.

The Edwardsville Parks & Recreation Department will kick off the Halloween festivities early, with community events on Friday and Saturday, October 25-26.

The R.P. Lumber Center, 6289 Tiger Drive, will host a “Spooky Skate” night from 6:30-8 p.m. Friday, October 25. It will include an ice skating performance, costume contest, crafts and games, candy, photo opportunities and skating. Normal skate session fees apply.

On Saturday, October 26, the Parks & Recreation Department’s Halloween Party in the Park will feature a Community Candy Walk from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and the Halloween Costume Contest for multiple ages, pets and groups from noon to 1:30 p.m. Party in the Park activities take place in City Park, 101 S. Buchanan Street. That afternoon, downtown trick-or-treating will be offered by participating businesses on Main Street and Vandalia Street from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Community trick-or-treating is allowed on Wednesday, October 30, and Thursday, October 31, from noon to 9 p.m. Historically, trick-or-treating has taken place in Edwardsville on October 30 from about 5-8 p.m. Please be alert and use caution whether you are driving or walking through neighborhoods, and only visit residences that have their porch or yard lights illuminated.

The season’s premiere event gets underway at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, October 31, when the Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce hosts its long-running Halloween Parade in downtown Edwardsville. It will include scores of floats, bands, businesses, organizations and more; this year’s theme is “In My Favorite Era.”

The parade will follow its traditional route, kicking off in the Lincoln Middle School parking lot, heading north onto West Street and then east on St. Louis Street to Vandalia Street. The parade then will veer to the north on Main Street, and disband past the Wildey Theatre

You are invited to attend the

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**Lineup from Page 6**

at High Street.

Affected roads will close to traffic about 6 p.m. the day of the parade, according to the Edwardsville Police Department. There will be no parking along the route beginning at 4:30 p.m., and any remaining vehicles will be subject to towing. Signs will be posted to remind drivers of the parking and traffic restrictions. Detours also will be posted ahead of the closures. Drivers are advised to use Schwarz Street, Buchanan Street and Union Street to bypass the affected roads in and around downtown.

The Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce includes a map of the parade route, suggested parking areas, bathroom availability and other essential information at: [www.edglenchamber.com](http://www.edglenchamber.com). The Wildey Theatre lobby also will be open, with popcorn available while supplies last. Those who cannot attend can watch a livestream of the parade on the City's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/thecityofedwardsville/>

Police drones could be used at the parade for real-time monitoring of the event for participant safety.

**Trick or Treat**

Don Augustin and Sharon Dillow dressed as the Blues Brothers along with the children dressed in their Halloween costumes bring the downtown to life during the Halloween season on Saturday evening. Everyone enjoyed looking at the vintage cars and trucks at the Rusty Rodz car cruise on the square as well.

(Photos by Bill Napper)



**Thanksgiving Day**  
**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28TH**  
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**Where:** Finish Line

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NOVEMBER

**New inductees to the Hall of Fame**

The Highland Illinois Area Schools Alumni Association (HIASAA) inducted four new individuals to the Hall of Fame.

Pictured are Daniel Michael, son of Guy Michael; awardee Glenn Monken; Betty Steiner, wife of Earl Steiner; and Steve Rogers, representing Adolph Bandelier.

The HIASAA was established in 2006 to provide students, faculty, and staff a means to maintain a connection with their alma mater and the community of Highland. HIASAA is a local organization and covers all the schools in the Highland Community Unit District No 5, including St. Paul, Alhambra, Grantfork, and Pierron. Membership is open to all with an annual membership of \$10.00 per year or \$100.00 for a lifetime membership. HIASAA is governed by a 12 member Board of Directors.

The Hall of Fame was established to honor alumni and employees who have earned recognition for their achievements and contributions to their field of endeavor. Nominees for the Hall of Fame are made by the public. An independent panel of judges reviews the biographies of each of the nominees and selects an inductee for each of the four categories: Public Service, Business, Sports, and Arts & Sciences. For more information about HIASAA and see a list of previous awardees, or to join this group, please visit the website at [www.HIASAA.org](http://www.HIASAA.org). For additional information or questions, please contact Mary Frey, Secretary at [mfreyz@yahoo.com](mailto:mfreyz@yahoo.com) or Peggy Bellm, President at (310) 874-4218 or [bellmp@mac.com](mailto:bellmp@mac.com).



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# Trick or Treaters Turn Out



## Treats on The Street

Highland's Square and the downtown streets were turned into a sea of trick or treaters fueled by candy on Friday afternoon. The line at the library was steady as the little ones were all smiles. The winners of the library raffle are: Hollie Helton-Lollipop Lab, Colton Driscoll-Hoverboard, Everett Anderson-Telescope, Kayce Emig- Sno Cone, Ayden Judo- Twister, Liam Goldman-Battleship, and Bennett Vonhatten-Uno Attack, Levi Koelker-Uno, Maria Marsh-Hoverboard, Julie Connelly-air rockets. Children also visited the Lory Theater, Highland Fire Department, and many other Halloween stops.

*The Pioneer Newspaper/ By Bill Napper*



# t For Treats on The Street





# Veterans Awarded Quilts of Valor



Area Veterans are honored by the Highland Quilt Boxers. The program was held at Michael’s Restaurant in Highland. - Contributed photos- The Pioneer Newspaper

By Bill Napper

**HIGHLAND** - Veterans across the country have stepped up to defend the nation. Many times they aren’t thanked for their service, but it is never too late to pay the respect and honor each deserves.

But several local veterans were thanked and received a Quilt of Valor here at a recent ceremony held at Michael’s Restaurant.

At the recent program, Julie LaFrance welcomed everyone and then gave a history of the Quilt Boxers as well as as the history of the Quilts of Valor.

The Highland Quilt Boxers held two programs this year due to the number of recipients. The first program was on Tuesday, October 15 and the second one was on Tuesday, October 22.

The Highland Quilt Boxers make all of the quilts and coordinates the gifting of the quilts. Jan Copeland is the area representative for the Quilts of Valor. The quilts are handmade and awarded to a service member or veteran who has served the nation during war time.

The organization thanks Michael’s Restaurant in Highland for hosting the event as well as the Highland Area Community Foundation, Highland American Legion, Highland VFW and the quilters for financial support and manpower!

As the meeting wrapped up everyone was invited to enjoy refreshments and cookies.

2024 Highland Quilt Boxers  
Quilts of Valor Program

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

History of Quilt Boxers

History of Quilts of Valor

Presentation of Quilts

Donald Augustine

Keith Brendel

Terry Bryant

Ed Campbell

Don Carnley

Joe Dapkus

Fred Donini

Herb Durbin

Elmer Eilers

Larry Essenpreis

Chris Fink

Leonard Hoffman

Slyvester Holzinger

Ken Kapp

Delmar Knebel

Keith Koch

All

Julie LaFrance

Julie LaFrance

Jan Copeland

Tom Korte

Mike Kuhl

Leonard Landmann

Bob Langhauser

Tricia Leodler

Ron Linenfelser

Lew Lux

Howard Matthews

Michael McCoy

Guy McWhorter

Maurice Niehaus

Lew Peters

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Dave Rakers

Vernon Rakers

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Steve Safford

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Henry Shannon

Armin Stein

Kenneth Stork, Jr.

Pete Trame

Mike Voegelé

Ed Welch

Paul West

Kay Whitecotton

Larry Widman

Hal Winter

Lou Workman

Terry Zeisset

Closing

Refreshments & Fellowship

Cookies made by the Highland Quilt Boxers.

Coffee, lemonade, tea, soda and water provided by the Highland Quilt Boxers. Cash bar available.





The Bulldogs will play Marion, Friday at 7 p.m. at Bulldog Stadium

Dogs run over St. Teresa on Senior Night

By Don Gunter  
Pioneer Sports Report

HIGHLAND - If you like old school football then you would have loved to watch the Bulldogs game Friday as HHS rushed for 463 yards on just 29 carries, demolishing St. Teresa (5-4) from Decatur. The Bulldogs scored an impressive 55 - 7 victory.

With the win, Highland finishes the year with a 6 - 3 regular season record and now awaits the IHSA announcement to see who they will play in the first round of the playoffs.

It was evident what Highland wanted to do early on though their first drive stalled out in St. Teresa territory as the Dogs turned the ball over on downs.

The Bulldogs scored on 8 of their 11 possessions. HHS stayed with the ground and pound game most of the evening.

Quarterback Blake Gelly only attempted 12 passes on the evening completing 6 of them for 124 yards and 1 touchdown.

Head Coach Jimmy Warnecke had to like what he was seeing with the ground game with Tyson Rakers rushing 8 times for 107 yards. Gelly having 10 carries for 90 yards and with Carter Harris chipping in with 137 yards on just 8 carries.

Senior Jonathon Prott had one carry for 57 yards and Isaiah Gruenenfelder rounded out the strong ground game with two carries for 72 yards.

Coach Warnecke has his boys rolling as they move into the playoffs and look like a well-oiled machine. They have put up eye-popping numbers on offense scoring 118 points in the last two weeks.

While the offense was doing their job, the HHS defense led by Trent Stock 10 tackles, Wyatt Rinderer 11 tackles and Dalton Balint's 10 tackles helped make life miserable for the visitors from Decatur.

The front line of Ashton Zobrist (5 tackles) and Nick Judge along with Caden Funderburke and Riley Walsh just made the night very long for St. Teresa.

HHS was dominant across the defensive front line, and HHS forced a fumble and an interception.

The scoring got out of hand quickly as Highland led 28-0 at the half.

The second half was just about a carbon copy of the first after HHS stuffed St. Teresa's opening drive, Gelly rambled in from 16 yard to put HHS out to a commanding 35-0 lead and the route was on.

The Bulldogs from St. Teresa, however, did come down to

score at the 6:30 mark of the 3rd quarter to pull within 35-7.

Freshman Carter Harris put any thoughts of a comeback away as he ran 51 yards on the first play from scrimmage to find the end zone making the score HHS 42 -7.

Highland put the running clock

into motion as Harris scored the next two touchdowns giving the freshman three scores on the night.

Highland had great balance on the night running the ball with Rakers scoring three touchdowns on the night on HHS 2nd, 3rd, and 4th possession.

Gelly had the other two scores on the ground as the offensive line just opened gaping holes all night long.

Whoever HHS draws in the playoffs it will be an exciting week. Keep in tune to the IHSA website for the Brackets and

times and location of the games.

Congratulations to Coach Warnecke and his staff for another fine regular season, and let's root the boys on as they make another playoff push. The Bulldogs will play Marion, Friday at 7 p.m. at Bulldog Stadium.



**Block His Defender**  
Senior Nick Judge looks to block his defender to help open up a hole for HHS. Highland moved their record to 6-3 on the season with a resounding 55-7 win over St. Teresa.

The Pioneer/ photo by Emily Warnecke



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**HIGHLAND****Gary J. Kimberlin**

Gary J. Kimberlin, age 64 of Highland, IL, died Thursday, October 17, 2024, at HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL. He was born on Wednesday, September 14, 1960, in Highland, IL, the son of Dale and Dorothy (nee Korte) Kimberlin.



On Saturday, September 12, 1992, he married Elisa A. Kimberlin nee Brockmeier at Grantfork, IL, who survives.

He was a member of the NRA; HVAC; Knights of Columbus Council 1580; Highland Pistol & Rifle Club.

Gary was born and raised in Lakeland Terrace Subdivision, Highland. He graduated from St. Paul High School in 1979. During high school he worked at Neubauer's Meat Market. He later worked for Broadway Battery and Tire and Korte Construction of Highland, as well as Whirlpool (appliances) of St. Louis. He later worked for Envisioneering (Medical Equipment) in St. Louis, subsequently commuting between St. Louis and their facilities Pittsburg. His hobbies were camping, trout fishing, hunting, generally loved nature and collecting baseball cards. He enjoyed traveling: honeymooning in Hawaii, spending time in Florida, fishing trip in Canada, sightseeing in Alaska, and most often, camping in Montauk State Park, MO. Many enjoyable weekends were spent at Grafton, IL, with family and friends. Gary was a diligent, hard worker, and as his wife said, "He could fix anything for anybody anytime." He played softball all his life, even the over 40 league, was a big St. Louis Blues hockey fan and loved dogs. Gary was witty, funny, had a great sense of humor with a big heart. He was a member of RSES.

Survivors include: Wife - Elisa A. Kimberlin, nee Brockmeier, Highland, IL; Siblings - Jeff C. (Barb) Kimberlin, Rushville, IL; Kim M. (Alan Winkler) Kimberlin, Highland, IL; Sara J. (Randy) Stein, Highland, IL; Patty A. Kimberlin, Loudon, TN; Becky L. Kimberlin, Austin, TX; Nephews and Nieces - Ryan M. (Stacey) Kampwerth, St. Rose, IL; Brett W. (Jordan) Kampwerth, Dallas, TX; Lindsey M. Kampwerth, Highland, IL; Brittney R. (John) Becker, Breese, IL; Troy C. (Niki) Kimberlin, Dubai; Victor R. Kimberlin, Fulton, IL; Claire Schaffer, St. Louis, MO; Sam Schaffer, Austin, TX; Uncle - Marcellus W. "Popeye" (Agnes) Korte, Breese, IL; Father-In-Law - Earl E. Brockmeier, Highland,

IL; Sister-In-Law - Maura (Scott) Schaffer, Austin, TX; Uncle-In-Law Merle (Joan) Schrumpf, Highland, IL; Uncle-In-Law George (Christine) Lanstrum, Greenville, SC.

He was preceded in death by: Father - Dale C. Kimberlin - Died 4/04/2000; Mother - Dorothy "Dot" M. Kimberlin, nee Korte - Died 5/09/2021; Uncles - Joseph G. Korte - Died 1/04/2010; Eugene B. "Gene" Korte - Died 1/28/2015; Gerald G. "Jerry" Korte - Died 1/10/2016; Sgt. Jerome A. Korte, US Air Force - Died 12/07/1944; Alfred H. Korte - Died 7/17/1998; Aunts - Magdalen M. "Madge" Haenny - Died 11/11/2006; Lenore "Toots" Windsor - Died 11/02/2020; Mother-In-Law - Muriel Y. Brockmeier, nee Schrumpf - Died 10/24/2019.

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM on Saturday, November 2, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Memorial Service will be at 12:00 PM on Saturday, November 2, 2024, at Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to Got Your Six Support Dogs, Siteman Cancer Center or Madison County Humane Society.

**OLD RIPLEY****Lorena I. Gray**

Lorena I. Gray, age 80 of Old Ripley, IL, died Saturday, October 19, 2024, at her home.

She was born on Saturday, January 1, 1944, in Dayton, OH, the daughter of Raymond and Geraldine (nee Edingfield) Shanks.

On Tuesday, December 18, 1979, at Urasoe City, Okinawa, Japan, she married Irving L. Gray, who survives.

She was a member of Salem United Church of Christ, Alhambra, IL, and Bond County Farm Bureau.



Lorena, grew up in Xenia, Ohio and attended Xenia schools. Following graduation she earned a business degree from Miami Jacobs College. She worked at the Air Force Logistics Command Headquarters at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Fairborn, Ohio, eventually becoming a member of the Commanders staff, planning trips, conferences and distinguished visitor meetings. While in this job she earned a master's degree in Logistics Management and Supervision from Central Michigan University. In 1979, she left Wright Patterson to go to Okinawa, and married Irving. At the end of their tour in Japan the Gray's moved to Scott AFB, IL. While there Lorena achieved a dream, unable to bear children, Lorena and Irving adopted three children from the same family. She also achieved a second dream by buying a farm. The Gray's subsequently moved to New Jersey, South Carolina, and back to Wright Patterson AFB where Irving retired. They returned to their farm in Illinois where they eventually built their own house. They raised calves until a storm with straight line winds destroyed their outbuildings. In her youth, Lorena was active in 4-H. Lorena is an accomplished seamstress, cook and could milk a cow.

Survivors include:

Husband - Irving L. Gray, Old Ripley, IL

Son - Jason (Alana) Gray, Keller, TX

Son - Brian (Sarah) Gray, Chesapeake, VA

Son - Jonathon (Coleen) Gray, Dickson, TN

Daughter - Jodi (Tony Renta) Busch, Dickson, TN

Grandchildren - Six

Sister - Nancy E. (Joe Brohas) Hess, Centerville, OH

Sister - Kathy D. (John) Mixon, Riverside, OH.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a sister Pamela A. Bright.

Arrangements are being handled by Dauderman Mortuary in Alhambra, IL.

Visitation will be Thursday, October 31, 2024, from 10:00 AM to 10:30 AM at McColough

Funeral Home, Xenia, Ohio.

Memorial Service will be Thursday, October 31, 2024 at 10:30 AM at McColough Funeral Home, Xenia, Ohio.

Interment will be at Woodland Cemetery in Xenia, OH.

Memorial contributions may be made to Highland Lions Club or Salem United Church of Christ.

**Lucky Winner**

Sue Darr (left) of Breese was the lucky winner of the 42-inch by 52-inch farm-themed baby quilt on the Sept. 21 raffle sponsored by the Auxiliary of HSHS St. Joseph's Hospital in Breese. Presenting the quilt was Auxiliary member Janice Suhl (right), also of Breese. The second winner on the Fall Quilt Raffle was Walter Rud of Trenton (not pictured) who won the 97.5-inch by 102-inch Handkerchief quilt. Tickets at \$1 each or six for \$5 are now available in the hospital Gift Shop for the Auxiliary's Winter Quilt Raffle. Featured on the Saturday, Dec. 21, raffle is a 94-inch by 108-inch holiday quilt in red, green and white and a 44-inch by 55-inch baby quilt with stitched unicorns. The organization is also offering a 25-quilt raffle with the drawing Saturday, Dec. 7. Tickets for the "Keeping Us In Stitches" multi-quilt drawing are \$25 each and only 400 tickets will be sold. The Gift Shop is open from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and until 1 p.m. Fridays. The shop stocks quilts and throws in a variety of colors and sizes, hip and shoulder assistive devices and fall décor. Items can be delivered to inpatient and Women and Infants Center rooms by calling and using a credit card. For details, contact (618) 526-5351 or Christine.gebke@hshs.org.

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# Troy Senior Center Weekly News

**Sweats for Vets**  
During the month of November the center will be collecting "Sweats for Vets." Donations of NEW sweat pants and tops will be collected for Veterans at Jefferson Barracks. Any size and color are welcome, however larger sizes are preferred. Large, X-large 2-3 X large. Name brand items aren't necessary. Items can be dropped off at any event, or at the center office at 409 Collinsville Rd. WE are open Mon. Wed. Thurs. from 9AM till 2 PM.



Wanda Todoroff

**Monthly Luncheon**  
Our next monthly luncheon is Nov. 7 at the Wiesemeyer building at 410 Wickcliffe in Troy. We have the Scott Air Force Mid America Airlifter Brass Band entertaining. We will salute veterans from all branches of service! We are serving, turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole, a dinner roll and dessert. \$10 at the door for the meal, RSVP is a must! LAST DATE to RSVP FRIDAY NOV. 1.

**Monday Bingo**  
Bingo is every Monday at 12:30 at the Wiesemeyer Building. A snack is provided, and no RSVP required. Free! Cash Prizes!

**Sit N Get Fit**  
Sit N Get Fit meets every Wednesday at 10 AM at 409 Collinsville Rd. in Troy. This is an easy seated class to improve strength and range of motion. Call 618.667.2022 for more information.



**Bunco**  
Bunco is held the last Thursday of each month from 1 PM until about 3 PM. In October we'll play on Thursday the 31st at 1 PM. We play at 409 Collinsville Rd. We are always looking for players and subs. \$5 to play, cash prizes! Please call the center at 618.667.2022 if you are interested in getting on the list.

**Food and Friends**  
The Food and Friends Dinner Club will get together Wednesday the 30th of October at 4 PM. Dinner will be at Coltons Steakhouse. This is a great opportunity to get out, enjoy an easy meal, and shoot the breeze with friends.


Separate checks as always, RSVP is a must due to limited space at most restaurants. Call the center at 618.667.2022. Please call Wanda at the center 618.667.2022 with questions or to RSVP for an event.



**Well Care**  
(The Pioneer/ By Bill Napper)  
Well Care in Highland held a Trunk or Treat on Friday evening for all of the little ones. Though this is the first year for the event, it was a great time for staff, friends and the little ones!




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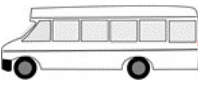

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472 Jane Rosen  
192 Dennis Brueggemann  
192 Terry Moore  
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Troy Morton 678  
**9-24-2024**  
Anna Aldrich 214  
Matt Stille 257  
Anna Aldrich 521  
Brad Leitschuh 668  
**9-25-2024**  
Laura Fleming 257  
Linda Weiler 257  
Paul Bickline 275  
Linda Weiler 618  
Steve Hagler 649  
**9-30-2024**  
Jeff Voss 259  
Troy Morton 769  
**10-01-2024**  
Lori Whitmore 236  
Brad Leitschuh 248  
Lori Whitmore 673  
Kyle Bohnenstiehl 636  
**10-02-2024**  
Laura Fleming 242  
Brent Knebel 258  
Laura Fleming 654  
Brent Knebel 637

**POPLAR JUNCTION LANES**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20**  
279 Randy Holzinger  
737 Randy Holzinger  
216 Dena Davis  
563 Katie Schaefer  
**MONDAY, OCTOBER 21**  
245 Alvin Noll  
694 Adam Noll  
252 Kayla Monroe  
734 Kayla Monroe  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22**  
267 Shawn Winter  
733 Nicholas Korte  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24**  
239 Lisa Klaus  
604 Lisa Klaus  
**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25**  
258 Garrett Spencer  
747 Matthew Langendorf

# National FFA Convention 2024 Has Come To Close



**Honored with Golden Key**  
National FFA Convention 2024 has come to a close! This marked the 4th and final day of convention with the American Degree ceremony. Nicholas James, Kyle Hess, Katrina Korsmeyer, Kylie Ketcham, and Shayden Hogg were all bestowed the honor of the golden key which is awarded to less then 1% of members across the United States. Over the course of their time being Highland FFA members, these individuals put an insurmountable effort into becoming the leaders they are today. Combined, these five individuals have worked more than 10,000 hours, productively invested/earned more than \$90,000, and served over 450 hours on community service projects. The chapter is grateful to have these role models joining the alumni status, and we are all beyond proud of the hard work and dedication they have shown to this organization. (Photo by Voegle Photography Studio)



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**Eagle Scout**  
Highland Music School received a very special donation recently. A chair cart and two music stand carts were hand made by Boy Scout Bailey Hanks, for his Eagle Scout project. He used wood donated by Knotty by Nature in Grafton. The school sends a huge “Thank You” to them, Bailey and his scout leader, Jim Hesse! These carts will be used frequently by the students of Highland Youth Orchestra for years to come!

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