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QUINCY  
**Registration now open for Polar Plunge**

Online registration has opened for the 2016 Law Enforcement Torch Run Polar Plunge to benefit Special Olympics Illinois. The event will be held at 12:15 p.m. Feb. 27 at Moorman Lake in Upper Moorman Park. Individuals and teams can register at [plungeillinois.com](http://plungeillinois.com), or specifically for the Quincy event by calling Heather Davis at 217-322-7451. The Polar Plunge is one of the premier fundraising events for the Law Enforcement Torch Run and Special Olympics Illinois. In 2015, more than \$2.25 million was raised by 7,666 plungers statewide. In 17 years, \$14.5 million has been raised by more than 54,000 Plungers. The event has grown from one location in 1999 to 21 locations across the state this year.

The Polar Plunge season will kicked off with a Super Plunge last week when participants raised a minimum of \$2,500 and plunged into Lake Michigan at the Clark Street Beach in Evanston once an hour every hour for 24 hours.

Each plunger must collect a minimum of \$100 in donations to support Special Olympics programs in Illinois.

Plungers are encouraged to form teams. Each team member must raise the minimum of \$100 in donations, and all team members' individual fundraising totals will be merged to form a combined team total. Teams are placed into divisions based on size and are awarded prizes for the most money raised. All plungers will receive gifts, compete for prizes, and enjoy food and camaraderie with other participants. For every \$500 raised, a plunger will get an entry into the drawing for a grand prize.

HANNIBAL, MO.  
**Hannibal Parks and Recreation to host Snowball Toss**

As part of the Victorian Festival of Christmas, the Hannibal Parks and Recreation Department will hold a Snowball Toss from noon to 2 p.m. Saturday at the Y Men's Pavilion, 105 Hill St.

There will be a big holiday wreath hanging from the middle of the stage. Participants may toss Styrofoam "snowballs" into the wreath and win a prize.

Other events Saturday that are part of Victorian Festival of Christmas include horse and carriage rides, strolling carolers and visits with Santa Claus. More information is available at [victorianchristmasinhannibal.com](http://victorianchristmasinhannibal.com).

The Christmas parade will be 6 p.m., starting at Sixth and Broadway. The parade entry fee is one new, unwrapped toy donation to Toys for Tots. Santa will also accept donated toys.

QUINCY  
**Health Department announces food handler training**

The Adams County Health Department has announced its 2016 schedule for food handler training.

Classes will be offered from 8 to 10:30 a.m. Jan. 11, Feb. 1, March 7, April 4, May 2, June 13, July 11, Aug. 1, Sept. 12, Oct. 3, Nov. 7 and Dec. 5.

The class takes about two hours, followed by a 24-question quiz. Certificates are valid for three years.

The training offers food handler training required of all restaurant employees who work with unpackaged food, food equipment and utensils or food-contact surfaces. This requirement includes dishwashers and wait staff that prepares any food and/or wraps utensils. The Health Department also offers a food service sanitation



Performing a dance during halftime of Monday's Clark County High School girls basketball game in Kahoka, Mo., are, from left, kindergartners Autumn Ott, Jenna Rodgers and Avaya Eddleman. The Clark County High School dance team, the Spearettes, held a dance camp for kids in kindergarten through fifth grade, and Monday was their big night to show off what they had learned. | H-W Photo/Michael Kiple

management class for supervisors and managers, but anyone can take this course.

The course requires eight hours of training, followed by a 90-question exam. Once students pass the exam, they will be ServSafe Certified, and they will qualify for the Illinois Food Service Sanitation Manager Certification. The certificates are valid for five years.

Classes in 2016 will be offered in two-day increments, meeting from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on the first day and 9:30 a.m. to noon on the second day. Classes are scheduled Jan. 19 and 26, March 1 and March 8, April 5 and 12, May 3 and 10, June 16 and 23, July 5 and 12, Aug. 2 and 9, Sept. 6 and 13, Oct. 4 and 11, and Nov. 1 and 8.

Registration for the classes is required. For more information, call 217-222-8508.

QUINCY  
**Baldwin School's Winter Concert takes place Sunday**

More than 500 students from Baldwin Intermediate School will present their annual Winter Concert at 2 p.m. Sunday in Blue Devil gymnasium.

The concert will feature holiday selections performed by the Intermediate Band, Intermediate Orchestra, Advanced Band and Advanced Orchestra. Beginning string, brass, woodwind and percussion instrumentalists will perform for the first time during the one-hour concert.

The bands and orchestras are directed by Debbie Johnson, Gayle Tenhouse, Matt Gabriel, Chad Ensinger, Jill Steinkamp, Christopher Gass, Joshua Wunderlich and Les Fonza. Doors will open at 1:15 p.m.

Admission for the concert is \$2 for adults.

QUINCY  
**Adams County now accepting property tax prepayments**

The Adams County treasurer's office will accept real estate property tax prepayments now through Dec. 31 for taxes payable in 2016. Prepayments will bear a receipt date in 2015.

The treasurer's office will accept prepayments either in person or by mail. If paying in person, enter the courthouse through the Fifth Street entrance. Prepayments sent by mail must be postmarked no later than Dec. 31, 2015.

Taxpayers may prepay taxes up to the whole dollar amount of the previous tax bill. For example, a taxpayer may prepay up to \$798 if their previous tax amount was \$798.77. If paying on multiple parcels, provide the parcel number and amount paid

for each parcel. Treasurer's office hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. The office will be closed Thursday, Dec. 24, and Friday, Dec. 25. Call 217-277-2245 for more information.

MARK TWAIN LAKE, MO.  
**Visitor center sets hours for winter**

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has announced new winter hours of operation for the M.W. Boudreaux Memorial Visitor Center at Mark Twain Lake.

The visitor center will be open weekdays only from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through the winter, but will be closed from Dec. 19 through Jan. 3. The center will also be closed on winter federal holidays and potential snow days.

Any updates will be posted

to the visitor center's Facebook page.

The center's Community Room is available during the day on weekdays for groups and people to reserve for training, corporate meetings and special

events. The reservation fee during business hours is \$25 and includes tables and chairs for up to 75 people.

For more information call 573-565-2112 or email [marktmaininfo@usace.army.mil](mailto:marktmaininfo@usace.army.mil).

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