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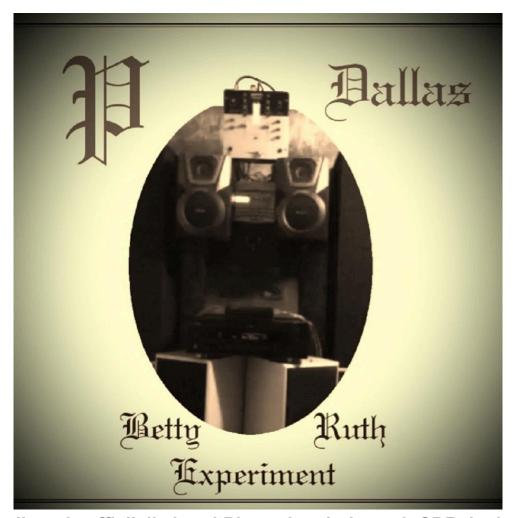
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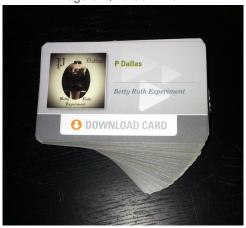
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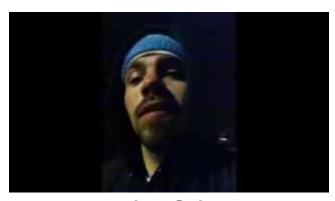
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For \$100 I will record you a short song or musical dedication and send you a copy of it.

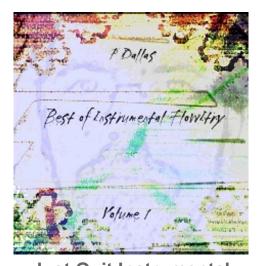
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FROM THE ASSISTANT EDITOR

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SARAH JANSSEN ASSISTANT EDITOR

The four months since I started as the assistant editor for The Mokena Messenger have flown by but have afforded me a glimpse into this small, suburban town. And as much as I've enjoyed my time in Mokena, I will be leaving my position to take over as editor of The New Lenox Patriot, a sister paper of The Messenger. While I'm thrilled to take on this new challenge, I'm also sad to be leaving Mokena after such a short time. It's hard to get to know an entire village in just four months, but preparing for the transition has given me time to reflect on some of the great stories I've had a chance to work on while reporting in Mokena.

1. Right before Thanks-

giving, I attended a feast at Mokena Intermediate School with general and special education students. I also watched as general education students crafted, played games and feasted side by side with special education students, many of whom are autistic. It was probably the longest time I've spent in any Mokena school, and it provided an opportunity to see the teachers and paraprofessionals in action and the passion they have for the work they do.

2. A couple weeks ago I interviewed Mokena resident Patrick Dallas about the release of his solo album. We spoke for quite awhile, and I learned more about some of the health problems he's experienced and how he drew inspiration from his challenges to complete the project. It was inspiring to talk with Dallas, and the story reminded me to be thankful to have good health and to continue to stay motivated working toward my goals. The story will be featured in an

upcoming edition.

3. When I first came to The Messenger, I covered the village's beautification awards. I thought the awards were a great way to encourage residents to showcase and recognize them for the pride they take in their yards and homes. I won't soon forget Donna Gucfa's amazing backyard

4. In the previous edition of The Messenger, our cover story was one particular labor of love. When looking through the state's public school report cards, I noticed that Mokena School District 159 has seen a 13 percentage point increase in the number of low-income students over the past five years. This was one story I thought was important to bring to the community, especially to acknowledge the work the district has done to support all its students, including those who are considered low income.

5. This last one I didn't write, but it still makes the list as a favorite. After tornadoes ripped through the central part of the state, numerous organizations and residents in the Mokena community stepped up to help. Editor Will O'Brien wrote about Matt and Yvette Hodges, a local couple that coordinated a collection for their hometown of Washington, and put together a list of others who held collections and delivered donations to those in the affected areas. The story was a tribute to the giving spirit of the community and really showed what Mokena is made of.

I hope you've enjoyed some of the stories I've written for The Messenger as much as I've enjoyed covering the village and telling the stories of the people who call this town home.

The Mokena Messenger

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SARAH JANSSEN, Contributing Editor

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Pictured is the album cover art for Mokena resident Patrick Dallas' new, 30-track record, "P Dallas-Betty Ruth Experiment."

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TO LEARN MORE ...

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Betty Ruth Experiment Free Downloads:

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PS. I am having a Facebook "Best Fan Contest" during the voting period, earn points for tagging me in the screenshot of your vote, every share, and each screenshot you and I are tagged in from your friends that voted because of you.

Everyone that tags me in their screenshot will be automatically entered into a raffle held at Hard Rock Cafe Chicago along with a dinner party for the album release. Everyone who voted can then check in at Hard Rock Cafe Chicago to turn their one vote into three!

Find out all the details tomorrow at https://www.facebook.com/PDallasMusic

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