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OCFB's Kern: Farmers 'pleasantly surprised' so far with harvest yields following drought

'I think we're going to amazingly have an average yield'

BY JEFF HELFRICH
MANAGING EDITOR

OGLE COUNTY — Ogle County farmers have wrapped up their 2023 bean harvest and are between halfway and fully done with corn, Ogle County Farm Bureau Manager Ron Kern said Oct. 31.

Farmers saw rain during the month of October following a drought over the summer that made them concerned for the state of their crops. Those rains haven't hampered harvest much, Kern said.

"Amazingly we couldn't buy rain to save our souls all summer and of course now we get to harvest season and we can't seem to shut it off," Kern said. "We have had a wet October. That's good and bad. With as dry as we were, we'll need some moisture headed into next spring. Because it's been so dry, most of the rain we've gotten has gone into the ground pretty quickly. It hasn't really caused too many issues with being able to carry the equipment in the fields. Other than basically the days that it's rained, for the most part we



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could get back out into the field on days that it wasn't raining. I think that the rain probably hasn't slowed us down as much as some folks may think."

Kern said the drought has caused "strange" results with variable yields in different parts of the same fields.

"I would talk to someone who had their yield monitor on beans saying it was 84 bushels an acre in one spot in the field and it was 24 bushels an acre in the next spot," Kern said.

"But amazingly, when it was all said and done, they were right about at average and where they should have been for a yield."

The same kinds of results have been seen in corn yields so far, Kern said, and he believes early-planted corn is going to perform better than late-planted corn this year. After talking with farmers following the drought year, he believes Ogle County will "amazingly have an average yield."

"Don't get me wrong,

there are going to be some places where that isn't the case, but other places may actually be a little better than average," Kern said. "You have to remember with us being dry this summer, there were some spotty rains here and there that some got and others didn't. I think most of the farmers I talk to are kind of pleasantly surprised. You do this for a living because you grow a crop. And of course you want to grow the best crop you can. Of course you're always at the mercy of the

weather. I think most of the farmers would tell you they're probably happy with it, considering the way the summer went."

During most years, farmers have the goal of wrapping up harvest by Thanksgiving before snow and frozen soil in December. Kern said that with drier weather and a few sunny days and normal temperatures, harvest is on pace to be finished in Ogle County by Thanksgiving.

When crops have higher-than-ideal moisture levels, farmers dry them down with gas-powered dryers, which can be costly for them to run during harvest. Kern said not much dryer use was seen this year with beans, but he has seen them being used for corn to some extent.

"A lot of the guys I talked to weren't really able to get into the fields until that corn was down into the low 20s on moisture percentage or even high 10s," Kern said. "I don't think they're having to dry those bushels as much before they put them away."

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End of an era as Sam's Drive-In of Byron closes its doors

'I want to thank the community for all of their support and friendships over the years'

BY GEORGE HOWE
CORRESPONDENT

BYRON — There are institutions in neighborhoods that define a community, providing comfort growing up along with nostalgic walks down memory lane. Sam's Drive-In in Byron has been such a place since it was first opened by original owner Sam Morrison in 1966, first as a Dog n' Suds and later Sam's Drive-In in 1975.

Come into town driving, biking or walking in either direction on Illinois Route 2, Sam's was an instant eye catcher with its 50s-style drive-in restaurant com-

plete with car-hop speaker stations for placing orders, and a classic 1957 Chevy Bel Air perched high above on a 30-foot pole outside. The car hop stations were in regular use up until COVID-19 hit and everything moved inside.

For the last 18 years the business has been owned and operated by Shirlee Aldrich and family. On Oct. 8 they closed the doors for the last time, which wasn't an easy decision for Aldrich. "Generations of families have come in over the years first as kids and now with their families," Aldrich said. "It was absolutely special to create those

friendships. I will definitely miss my regulars that came in daily or weekly. It was the hardest part about being done this season." Shirlee, her brother Keith, and sister Nancy first got involved in the restaurant business as young kids helping out their parents who owned Bings, a very successful drive up in Rockford. "As soon as we could walk and talk, we worked learning the business," Aldrich said. "We helped the car hops and worked full-time every summer."

The Aldrich siblings tried unsuccessfully to buy back Bings in 2004, which their parents had originally



sold in 1988.

"About a year later, my sister Nancy who was living in Byron found out that Sam's was for sale," Aldrich said. "We bought

the business on contract in early April of 2005 and along with our spouses that's how it started."

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LOCAL NEWS



HARVEST: Need normal precipitation in winter to catch up for spring

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As farmers have gotten crops pulled out of fields, Kern said he's already started to see tractors and chisel plows in fields getting fall tillage work done to prepare for the spring. He believes that if weather stays "relatively warm" for a few weeks before the ground freezes, farmers will be able to get whatever fall tillage they desire done.

With harvest in its closing week, Kern has started to look at forecasts for the winter months and how it will impact Ogle County farmers in the spring.

"From what I've seen, they say we're supposed to be, because of El Niño, warmer than normal and precipitation is supposed to be around normal," Kern said. "This is what the experts are saying. Of course, an old friend told me once, 'If a weatherman ever gets to heaven, we all got a chance.' That's what I'm hearing and that's what they're saying. I'm not a meteorologist, so I can't say that they'll be wrong. That normal precipitation would be beneficial. We've had a wet October, but we're still behind for the year. We're going to need at least normal precipitation here in the winter, whether that's in the form of snow or rain, to kind of get caught back up for next spring."

SAM: Long hours, rising product costs lead to decision

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If you were a first-time visitor, a few unique items that were customer favorites on the menu included Tex Burgers (first started by Sam) Grandma's homemade coleslaw recipe, delicious root beer creations like shakes and floats and 24 flavors of ice cream that no one else in the area carried. Neighborhood kids knew of the special treats and looked forward to every visit.

"I lived about a mile from Sam's growing up," Kerri Fry said. "When I was little, we would meet our team there after every t-ball or soccer game and they would give our coaches gallons of their homemade root beer. As I grew up, my friends and I would go there every day to have ice cream. My favorite was Oreo Flurry. It was a reward for tackling a hard job or getting a good grade in school. Wonderful memories."

Aldrich shared that her father was a very good businessperson and had a profound effect on her business sense.

"I always wanted to be like my dad because of the way he did things, and I got my strong work ethic from him," Aldrich said. "He was a great mentor to many kids for many years and helped them out when need be. Word of mouth providing a good product was his advertising."



Aldrich wanted to emulate her father's ways of giving and over the years sponsored many sports teams, gave donations for countless events and benefits while hiring local kids.

"I'm proud to say that we did well trying to give back to the community," Aldrich said. "Also, 90-95 percent of my employees from the ages of 14 to 18 were high school kids. They were all great and hard workers."

A typical workday normally started at 7 a.m. for Aldrich and she would turn off the lights and lock up most nights between 10 and 11 p.m. seven days a week. Years later, they were closed on Mondays in order to catch up with orders and paperwork.

"You live and breathe the restaurant business with no such thing as a day off," Aldrich said.

I asked her where do you find time to be a normal person and she said "you

don't" with a laugh.

A combination of the long hours, continued rising costs of products and wages and trying to get good help to run this kind of business contributed to her decision to close. There are several interested parties in buying the business with no guarantees that they will operate it the same way.

According to Byron Mayor John Rickard, it's an end of an era.

"Sam's has been a staple here for a long time and it's certainly a loss for the community, Rickard said. "My family and I have eaten there quite a few times and the grandkids always liked going there for ice cream. My son worked there, and we have a long connection with Shirlee. They will be missed."

Aldrich doesn't plan on retiring just yet, but once the business sells the plan is to move to Texas possibly over the winter and come back in the summer.

"I'd like to get my feet under me and figure out what I will do next," Aldrich said.

As Aldrich sat in one of the indoor booths and reflected on the years, she shared one final thought.

"I want to thank the community for all of their support and friendships over the years," Aldrich said. "We couldn't have done it without them. We had a good run."



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LOCAL NEWS

Birkey's apprenticeship program secures over \$200,000 grant for future service technicians

Tuition and additional costs for freshman students covered by grant

CHAMPAIGN – Birkey's Farm Store proudly announces a grant awarded to Birkey's CNH Service Technician Apprenticeship Program at Parkland College. The grant, supported by East Central Illinois Workforce Board with Champaign County Regional Planning Commission funding, will cover tuition and other additional costs for freshman students.

"This grant is key to providing continued education to future service technicians in our surrounding communities. It is remarkable for these students to be able to attend college without the financial burden of tuition," Travis McClure, Birkey's Education and Recruitment specialist, said.

The grant funding for the apprenticeship program totals over \$200,000 and will be dispersed over the next three semesters. The grant was a one-time, competitive grant awarded to the East Central Illinois Workforce Board by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity. The grant is managed by Champaign County Regional Planning Commission.

"This was a great opportunity for us to expand our support for apprentices in



Apprenticeship students, representatives of Birkey's, ECI Workforce Board, RPC, and Parkland College gathered on Monday, October 30th for a celebratory luncheon at Parkland College.

the agriculture industry. We are excited to help these students focus more on their education and less on taking out loans or accruing debt," said Cassandra Dunham, talent development specialist at Champaign County Regional Planning Commission, a partner organization at East Central Illinois workNet.

Birkey's CNH Service Technician Apprenticeship Program provides over \$6,000 in tools for students to achieve an Associate in Applied Science degree while completing a hands-on, paid apprenticeship alongside skilled Birkey's technicians.

"It's encouraging to see so many people partner together to invest in my

future. This grant and the assistance from Birkey's are making my career goals possible," Dane Shrimplin, a freshman in the apprenticeship program, said.

Birkey's is excited for this partnership with East Central Illinois Workforce Board and Champaign County Regional Planning Commission, and Parkland College to open more opportunities to those pursuing a career as a service technician.

East Central Illinois workNet is the local consortium of public workforce development programs. You can learn more about local workforce development at www.ECIWork.net.

MJHS invites veterans to its Veterans Day assembly

STILLMAN VALLEY — Meridian Junior High School in Stillman Valley will have its annual Veterans Day assembly on Thursday, Nov. 9 starting at 8 a.m. Veterans will be recognized; the band and chorus will perform, and local Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts will also assist during the assembly. The assembly will conclude at 8:45 a.m. Veterans are asked to arrive at MJHS at 7:50 a.m.

We welcome your presence at this event. If you have any questions or to RSVP, please contact Kelly Gale by phone 815.645.2230, ext 4215 or email kgale@mail.meridian223.org. When RSVPing, if you know a student at MJHS, please be sure to let Kelly know.



Allen donates van to Polo School District

On Oct. 6, the Polo Community Unit School District received a generous donation of a 2017 Chrysler Pacifica from Mr. Harry Allen, a member of the PCHS Class of 1948. The district and its staff would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to Mr. Allen for his support of the district and its students. Through his generosity, the vehicle will have a considerable impact on the district, providing additional transportation for student events and activities. Pictured are Allen and PCHS Principal Andy Faivre.

Farmer Appreciation Lunch is Nov. 11 in Leaf River

LEAF RIVER — The Farm Ministry at Leaf River Baptist Church will honor area farmers, farm families and agribusiness professionals by serving lunch, having family-friendly activities, and door prizes at their inaugural Farmer Appreciation After Harvest Party.

This year's fall event will take place from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11 at Leaf River Baptist Church, 6941 N. Mt. Morris Road, Leaf River, IL 61047. There is no cost for lunch; show up to enjoy a meal with area farmers and agribusiness professionals as the Farm Ministry's way of saying thank you to these hard-working men and women. RSVP is greatly appreciated. Please text 'farm' to 888-309-0482 to RSVP. To-go boxes are available for those still working hard in the fields and can be picked up at the church. Please text Tara Hagemann at 815-238-5778 with how many meals you need and your pickup time.

"I felt a need to support agriculture and invited my church family to support our rural community in and around Leaf River, Byron, Mt. Morris and Forreston," Hagemann, farm ministry program coordinator, said. "We show our support by praying for farmers, farm families, and agribusiness professionals, by handing

out blessing bags full of goodies like beef sticks, water, treats and fun things to read or listen to while in the tractor or combine during spring planting and fall harvest seasons. The After Harvest Party will be a culmination and highlight of a full season's worth of work for area farmers before they prepare for winter or take care of livestock through the winter."

The event will feature pork smoked by an award-winning church member, Marcus Wood, who credits @Gman2430Bbq. Not only is he using award-winning rubs, but he is also using his award-winning barbecue sauce. He will use a Gman2430 smoker, which has extra special meaning because Recteq Grills sent it in memory of his son, who passed away in our commu-

nity of Leaf River in November 2017. All beef hot dogs sponsored by Johnson's Processing and Hagemann All Natural Beef will also be cooked on Recteq Grills, and a selection of side dish salads and desserts will be available.

The Forreton FFA will make sure kids have activities and games, along with fun prizes for kids to win, a coloring area, and special door prize drawings just for kids.

A very special thank you to the event sponsors: Dekalb Implement Company, Forreton FFA, German American State Bank, Hagemann All Natural Beef, Johnson's Processing, Muddy Boots & Whiskers, PolAgri Insurance and Sterling Federal Bank.

If your business would like to participate by provid-

ing a door prize for the adult or kids' drawing or an appreciation gift bag item, please get in touch with Hagemann at 815-238-5778 or farm@leafriverbaptist.org. Every family will receive an appreciation gift bag, as well as a chance to enter their ticket into the door prize drawing of their choice. Winners do not need to be present.

For the latest information about the Farmer Appreciation After Harvest Party, please visit their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/LEAFRIVERBC> or contact Tara Hagemann at 815-238-5778 or farm@leafriverbaptist.org.

Happy 60th Anniversary!

Ken & Bev Colloton are celebrating 60 years together November 17th. Help them celebrate by sending cards & well wishes to: 510 N. State St., Apt# 124, Franklin Grove, IL, 61031.

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Notice of Proposed Property Tax Increase for Byron Park District

I. A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for Byron Park District, Ogle County, Illinois, for 2023 will be held on November 20, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. at the the Park District Conference Room, 500 N. Colfax Street, Byron, Illinois 61010

Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Paul Zepezauer, Executive Director, 500 North Colfax Street, Door #55, Byron, Illinois 61010, (815) 234-6277.

II. The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2022 were \$499,317.

The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2023 are \$564,700. This represents a 13% increase over the previous year.

III. The property taxes extended for debt service and public building commission leases for 2022 were \$536,895.

The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service and public building commission leases for 2023 are \$548,600. This represents a 2% increase over the previous year.

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LOCAL NEWS

Obituaries

Thomas R. Brown

OREGON — Thomas R. Brown, age 73, was born Feb. 24, 1950 in Spirit Lake, Iowa, to Roland and Esther Helen (Bisbee) Brown. Tom graduated from Spirit Lake High School in Spirit Lake, Iowa, obtained his B.A. Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Iowa State University, and his MBA from the University of Iowa.



Tom married the love of his life Lori (Michael) on June 9, 1972 in Slater, Iowa. That same year he started working as an engineering intern at JICase in Burlington, IA, and later transferred to their facility in Hinsdale, IL. In 1990 he moved to Oregon, IL, to work for E.D. Etnyre & Co. He spent the next 25 years at Etnyre, culminating as president and CEO of the company before retiring in 2015.

Tom's love for nature and the water could be seen at an early age as he enjoyed swimming, sailing, and skiing on Lake Okoboji. This continued during his days in Burlington as he enjoyed competitive sailing on the Mississippi River. He spent countless hours driving the boat on the lake with his children and grandchildren. He loved being outside working on his property, going on little red car rides, and going on the Kubota with his wife and dogs.

Tom enjoyed building and maintaining things. He had an affinity for antique

tractors and was a member of the Living History Antique Equipment Association of Franklin Grove, IL. He enjoyed wood-working in his shop, and utilized his many skills to help complete various 4-H or Scout projects throughout the years with his children and grandchildren. He also was a certified pilot, making several annual trips to the Oshkosh Air Show.

He was predeceased by his parents Roland and Esther Helen Brown and his sister Nancy Younie. He is survived by his wife Lori Brown of Oregon, IL; three daughters: Theresa (Jason) Hickman of Byron, IL; Sharon (Jonathan) Waugh of Ithaca, MI; and Kimberly (Adam) Vanous of Ames, IA; seven grandchildren: Jacob, Andrew, and Lauren Hickman; Roland, Milan, Mallory, and Britta Waugh.

A funeral service will be held 11:00AM, Thursday, November 2, 2023 at the Oregon Church of God, 860 W. Oregon Trail Road, Oregon, IL, with the Associate Pastor Nathan Massie officiating. Visitation will be Wednesday evening from 5-7 PM at Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, 110 S. 7th Street in Oregon, IL. Burial will take place at the Daysville Cemetery.

A memorial fund is established in Tom's name and may be directed to his family. Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence or memory of Tom.

Thomas M. Miller

OREGON — Tom peacefully passed away on September 20, 2023 at Serenity Home & Hospice in Oregon, IL.

He was the son of Harold and Angela (McLennan) Miller and was born in Elmhurst, IL on October 31st, 1944.

Tom graduated from Mt. Morris High School (Class of '63) where he loved being on the football, basketball, and track and field teams. Tom liked to warmly say, "Once a Mounder, always a Mounder!"

After Tom graduated High School he went on to become an active community member of the City of Oregon. He proudly served 13 years with the Oregon volunteer Fire Department. He was an auxiliary Police Officer from 1974-1976. He became the first Oregon officer to attend and graduate from the University of Illinois Police Training Academy in Springfield while working as a fulltime Police Officer for the City of Oregon. He was promoted to Sergeant in 1982, and to Chief of Police in 1985 where he proudly served the community until his retirement in June of 2005. During his years of service as a Police Chief, he was elected President of the Illinois Northwest Chief of Police Association in 1986.

Before serving two consecutive terms as Oregon City Councilman from Jan-

uary 2007 through December 2014, he was awarded Citizen of the Year in 2006.

Tom is survived by the love of his life, wife Janie (Wieberg), their adoring "puppy" Bella, loving children Ann (Kevin) Collins of Chapel Hill, NC; Sharri (Paul) Miller-Regan of Portland, OR; Dawn-Marie Manser of Mt. Morris, IL; J.J. (Megan) Willis Hanover TWI, PA; Chad (Ann) Willis of Huntley, IL; 6 grandchildren; Haleigh, Kevin, Colton, Hope, Branden, and Beck. Dedicated brothers; James (Carol) of Stillman Valley, IL; Stephen (Susan) of Saldo, TX and many nieces and nephews.

Tom was preceded in death by his beloved parents; Harold and Angela (McLennan), devoted sister Angela Leary, brother in law Don Leary, brother David as well as numerous aunts and uncles.

A memorial mass will be held November 11th, 2023 on what would have been Tom and Janie's 37th wedding anniversary. Mass will begin at 11:00am at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Oregon. Father Joseph Nail will be officiating. The burial will follow at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery on West Pines Road in Oregon.

In lieu of flowers memorials to be determined.

Steven Lee Greenfield

FORRESTON — Steven Lee Greenfield, 73, of Forreton, IL, died suddenly at his home on October, 26, 2023. Steven was born May 27, 1950 in Freeport, IL, to Kenneth O. Greenfield and Wilma J. (Duncan) Greenfield. He graduated from Forreton High School in 1968. After graduation he worked at Harper Elevator, then started his career in farming. He married Pamela Bawinkel on September 15, 1973 at German Valley Methodist Church. They just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. Steve was a lifelong member of Forreton Grove Church where he served as Trustee for many years. He served on the Forreton Valley School Board for 12 years and was currently serving as the Forreton Township Supervisor and a Polo Co-op board member. Steve loved farming, John Deere tractors, and his cowboy boots. He farmed with his dad and then his son and grandsons. He enjoyed collecting toy tractors and antique tractors, going to farm sales, tractor pulls, and most of all watching his grandchildren's sporting events and activities. He didn't miss many games. He always enjoyed time with his family



for a night of pizza and conversation after a day in the field.

He is survived by his wife, Pamela of Forreton; sons, Jeffrey (Erin) Greenfield of German Valley, Daryl (Erika) Greenfield of Forreton; and daughter, Tammy (Matthew) Madura of College Grove, TN. Known as Ba-Bam to his 7 grandchildren, Ethan, Dylan, Owen, Jenna, Darin Greenfield, Mia and Harper Madura. Survived by brothers, Lyle Greenfield, Mike (Jan) Greenfield, and Dennis Greenfield. Also survived by brother-in-law, Gary (Leigh) Bawinkel; brother-in-law, Larry Wert, along with many nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by his infant son, Steven; parents; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Russell and Norma Bawinkel; sister, Gail Wert; sister-in-law, Jeannie Greenfield; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Alan Bawinkel and Bonnie Bawinkel.

Funeral services will be 10:30 am Tuesday October 31, 2023 at Forreton Grove Church. Rev. Lyle Greenfield will officiate. Visitation is 4:00 pm - 7:00 pm Monday October 30, 2023 at Burke Tubbs Funeral Home, Freeport. Burial will be in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens.

Denis R. Hildebrand

STILLMAN VALLEY — Denis R. Hildebrand, 68, of Stillman Valley, passed away on Tuesday, October 31, 2023. Born November 15, 1954, in DeKalb, the son of Charles and Betty (Bright) Hildebrand. Graduate of Jefferson High School. Denis married Patricia Stark on September 26, 1975.



his animals.

Survived by his wife, Patricia; son, Brian (Tamara) Hildebrand; grandchildren, Mya Sky, Ava, Oliver, Rome, Alliya, and Autumn; sister, Diane (Gene) Archer; and nieces and nephews. Predeceased by his parents; son, Bradley C. Hildebrand (2007); and brother, Keith Hildebrand (2004).

A Celebration of Life will be held at a future date. To share a memory or online condolence, visit olsonfh.com

Benny's Corner Market and ExxonMobil support Meridian CUSD

STILLMAN VALLEY — Meridian C.U.S.D. #223 is pleased to announce the receipt of a generous grant from Laura Thomas, site manager for Benny's Corner Market in collaboration with ExxonMobil.

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"We are fortunate to partner with ExxonMobil along with our local Ben-

ny's Corner Market and the outstanding employees in our community. We are so thankful for the generous donation to SVHS," Leslie Showers, principal at Stillman Valley High School, said.



Leaf River Busy Beavers 4-H Club holds October meeting

The Leaf River Busy Beavers met on Oct. 9 for their monthly meeting. Members learned about Dia de Muertos, or Day of the Dead, a holiday celebrated in Mexico. They had fun creating individual skull masks as they learned about the celebration.

Report policy

Any arrests listed in this paper are merely charges and the defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Please note that all police reports received from the Oregon Police, Byron Police, Polo Police, Mt. Morris

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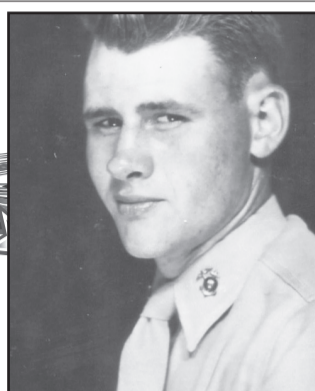
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LOCAL NEWS

No election in Ogle County in November 2023

OGLE COUNTY — The Ogle County Clerk and Recorder's Office confirmed Oct. 30 that there will not be an election in November 2023 in the county.

The next election will be the Primary General Election on March 19, 2024.

BPD's Operation Santa enters 33rd year

BYRON — The Byron Police Department's Operation Santa has been making Christmas a little brighter for the less-fortunate children in the Byron community for the past 33 years. Byron Kiwanis has been partnering with the police department for 15 years, hosting Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus where all toy and monetary donations benefit Operation Santa.

Byron Kiwanis is once again offering Breakfast with Santa and Mrs. Claus! This year's event will be held in the cafeteria at Mary Morgan Elementary school on Saturday, Dec. 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Breakfast will consist of pancakes, sausage, applesauce, juice, milk and coffee. Breakfast is free. However, a donation of a new, unwrapped gift would be appreciated. Our greatest need is gifts for children ages 7-10 and 11-14. In lieu of a gift, monetary donations will be gratefully accepted.

If you are unable to make it to the breakfast and would like to contribute, checks payable to Operation Santa can be dropped off at or mailed to the Byron Police Department, PO Box 923, Byron IL 61010. These donations will be used to purchase gifts for specific age groups that will be distributed through People Helping People.

Operation Santa continues to succeed through dedicated volunteers and thrives on the generosity of our community members. Through this program, over 5,000 children have received gifts at Christmas.

Parents or guardians of children (up to age 14) who would benefit from the Operation Santa program are asked to call the Byron Police Department, 815-234-5000. Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to register. Parents will be asked to provide the children's names, ages and gender. Names must be submitted no later than Wednesday, Nov. 15.

OREGON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Rockford man arrested for operating vehicle when registration suspended

Oct. 23

At 1:10 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Darryl P. Dlouhy, 37, Rockford, for operation of motor vehicle when registration is suspended for no insurance, no valid driver's license and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Dlouhy was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was processed and released with a notice to appear. These violations occurred in the 600 block of North 4th Street.

Oct. 27

At 12:45 p.m., Oregon Police issued Ronald J. Boyden, 39, Oregon, a citation for operating a vehicle with an expired registration. This violation occurred in the 200 block of West Washington Street.

At 9:42 p.m., Oregon Police issued Sanjuana Montengro-Ochoa, 25, Rockford, citations for speeding, 44 miles per hour in a 30 miles per hour zone and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. These violations occurred in the 500 block of North 4th Street.

At 11:10 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Kelli J. Scruggs, 42, Oregon, for driving under the influence of alcohol. Citations for speeding 41 miles per hour in a 30 miles per hour zone, and improper lane usage were also issued to Scruggs. Scruggs was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was processed and released with a notice to appear. These violations occurred in the 500 block of North 4th Street.

Oct. 28

At 7:38 p.m., Oregon Police issued Alexis A. McKeown, 57, Princeton a citation for operating a motor vehicle when registration is suspended for non-insurance. This violation occurred in the 400 block of 10th Street.

Three parking citations and two verbal warnings were issued during the week of Oct. 23-29.

Please note: Any arrests listed below are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

POLO POLICE DEPARTMENT

Man cited for unlawful use of cellphone

On Oct. 27 at 5:53 p.m. Allen L. Davis, 40, Dixon, was cited for unlawful use of a cell phone while driving and issued a written warning for no driver's license on person. Davis was released on a notice to appear.

On Oct. 29 at 6:01 p.m. Kastiel C. Raine, 24, Polo, was cited for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended vehicle registration and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Raine was released on a notice to appear.

General calls for service for the weeks for Oct. 16-29 - Citizen complaints/assists: 15. Juvenile: One. Animal complaints: Two. Disturbance/domestics: Five. Fire/medical assists: Four. Alarm/open doors: Four. Lock outs: One. 911 hang ups: two. Traffic stops: 27. County assists: Three.

BYRON POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ramirez cited for no proof of valid insurance, operating vehicle while registration suspended

BYRON — On Oct. 17, Emerita A. Ramirez, 28, of Sterling was issued citations for operating a vehicle with no proof of valid insurance and operating a vehicle while registration is suspended. Ramirez was arrested on a Lee Country warrant, she was transferred to Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

On Oct. 17, Aspen N. Goza, 33, of Rockford was issued a citation for speeding.

On Oct. 17, Rebecca A. Adams, 56, of Byron was issued a citation for speeding.

On Oct. 20, Shaquille H. Campbell, 30, of Oregon was issued citations for operating a vehicle with no proof of valid insurance, operating a vehicle while license is suspended and operating a vehicle while registration is suspended. Campbell was transported to Ogle County Jail.

On Oct. 22, Jennifer R. Burciaga, 44, of Rockford was issued a citation for disregarding an official traffic control device.

On Oct. 22, a 14-year-old male from Byron was arrested for domestic battery.

On Oct. 22, Alma V. Neri Soto, 36,

of Rockford was issued a citation for operating a vehicle while registration is suspended.

On Oct. 22, Mathew J. Perkins, 44, of Byron was issued a citation for speeding.

On Oct. 22, Timothy S. Peterson, 40, of Rockford was issued a citation for operating a vehicle while registration is expired.

On Oct. 22, Nathan T.J. Witt, 21, Byron, was issued a citation for operating a vehicle while registration is suspended.

On Oct. 22, Mohammad S. Sangani, 33, of Schiller Park, Illinois was issued a citation for disobeying a no passing zone.

On Oct. 23, Jessica N. Mazcika, 29, of Leaf River was issued a citation for disobeying a traffic control device.

On Oct. 23, Daniel R. Wiegman, 58, of Byron was issued a citation for operating a vehicle with suspended registration.

On Oct. 25, Amanda E. Meeker, 43, of Byron, was issued citations for operating a vehicle without proof of insurance and operating a vehicle while registration is suspended.

On Oct. 25, Tristian SA Buck-

nell, 19, of Byron was arrested for an in-state warrant. Bucknell was transported to Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

On Oct. 25, Karla J. Krull, 65, of Oregon was issued a citation for speeding.

On Oct. 25, Tamyia Vaultonburg, 23, of Byron was issued a citation for operating a vehicle with expired registration.

On Oct. 26, David M. Coffey, 44, of Byron was issued a citation for operating a vehicle without proof of insurance.

On Oct. 26, Gregory C. Corkran Jr., 34, of Byron was issued citations for operating a vehicle without proof of insurance and operating a vehicle while registration is expired.

On Oct. 28, Berkeley J. Taylor, 48, of Byron was issued a citation for speeding.

On Oct. 29, Kaylie S. Jeffers, 26, of Winnebago, was issued citations for improper lane usage and operating a vehicle without proof of insurance.

Any arrests listed below are merely accusations and the defendant is presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

MT. MORRIS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Woman arrested on failure to appear warrant

MT. MORRIS — On Oct. 11 at approximately 10:29 a.m. Mt. Morris Police contacted Jovana V. Danielowski, 33, Mt. Morris, in the 100 block of West Lincoln Street. Danielowski was wanted on an Ogle County warrant for failure to appear on a traffic offense. Danielowski was transported to the Ogle County Jail where she was held in lieu of bond.

On Oct. 11 at approximately 12:45 p.m. Mt. Morris Police responded to the 500 block of South Reynolds for the report of a theft. After an investigation, Aza Dauti, 77, Sterling, was charged with theft \$500 and under. Dauti was given a notice to appear.

On Oct. 12 at approx-

imately 3:30 p.m. Mt. Morris Police conducted a traffic stop in the 400 block of North McKendrie Avenue. The driver, Ernest J. Munyon, 32, Mt. Morris, was arrested on an Ogle County warrant for criminal damage to property. Munyon was taken into custody and transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

On Oct. 17 at approximately 11 a.m. Mt. Morris Police conducted a traffic stop in the 100 block of East Illinois Route 64. The driver, George C. Malone, 44, DeKalb, was arrested and charged with driving while license is suspended. Malone was also issued a citation for operating a vehicle with suspended

registration. Malone was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was given a notice to appear.

On Oct. 21 at approximately 10:20 p.m. Mt. Morris Police were sent to the area of the 100 block of South Wesley Avenue for a disturbance. After an investigation, Timothy J. Cox, 64, Mt. Morris, was issued an ordinance citation for battery, and he was released on scene.

On Oct. 22 at approximately 12:55 a.m. Mt. Morris Police were sent to the 10 block of West Center Street for the report of a disturbance. After an investigation, Ernest J. Munyon, 32, Mt. Morris, was arrested and charged with disorderly conduct.

Munyon was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released with a notice to appear.

On Oct. 22 at approximately 5:50 p.m. Mt. Morris Police were sent to the 100 block of West Center Street for the report of a domestic disturbance. After an investigation, Rick L. Avery, 54, Mt. Morris, was arrested and charged with aggravated domestic battery and violation of FOIA Act/revoked FOIA. Avery was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was held in lieu of bond.

These charges are merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent unless proven guilty.

OGLE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

Driver, passenger transported to hospital following accident

OREGON — On Oct. 25 at approximately 5:33 a.m. deputies with the assistance of the Stillman Valley Fire Department responded to Meridian Road and Kishwaukee Road for a reported one-vehicle accident with injuries. After a brief investigation, it was determined that a Nissan Rogue driven by Florije Zeqiri, 47, of Rockford, failed to negotiate the curve and left the roadway. The vehicle struck an embankment before becoming airborne. Zeqiri and 19-year-old passenger Besiana Zeqiri of Rockford were transported to the Swedish American Hospital for apparent minor injuries. Florije Zeqiri was cited for improper lane usage.

On Oct. 25 at approximately 6:15 p.m. deputies responded to the 6,000 block of North Freeport Road for a two-vehicle crash. A preliminary investigation revealed a vehicle being driven by Rafael Santos, 41, of Freeport, was traveling northbound when it crossed the center line and collided with a southbound vehicle being driven by Gabriel Goldsmith, 43, of Freeport. Goldsmith sustained fatal injuries as a result of the crash. Santos sustained serious injuries and was transported to Freeport Memorial Hospital, where he was later transferred to OSF Saint Anthony Hospital in Rockford. Santos was issued citations for no valid driver's license, improper lane usage and driving under the influence of alcohol. Deputies were assisted at the scene by Forrester Fire/EMS, Polo Fire/EMS, and the Ogle County Coroner's Office. The crash remains under investigation with future charges pending.

On Oct. 26 at 3:31 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop at Shell Gas Station in Grand Detour. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested, Christopher Rasmussen, 46, of Grand Detour, for driving while license revoked. Rasmussen was transported to the Ogle County Jail and released with a notice to appear. Rasmussen was also issued a citation for a seatbelt violation.

On Oct. 27 at 7:13 p.m. deputies were dispatched to North Illinois Route 26 and West Coffman Road for a two-vehicle accident with injuries. After an investigation, it was determined that a white 2000 Chevrolet Camaro was northbound, had crossed the center line, striking a silver 2022 Acura MDX head on. The occupants of both vehicles were treated and released by Forrester Fire/EMS. The driver of the white Chevrolet Camaro, Christopher M. Forney, 28, of Forrester, was arrested for aggravated driving under the influence (while license revoked), DUI, and driving while license revoked. Forney was additionally issued citations for improper display of registration, improper lane usage, operating a vehicle with expired registration, operating an uninsured motor vehicle and driving without lights when required. Forney was transported to the Ogle County Jail before being released with a notice to appear. Deputies were assisted on scene by the Forrester Police Department, Stephenson County Sheriff's Office K9, and the Forrester Fire Department.

On Oct. 27 at approximately 10:47 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop at the intersection of Illinois Route 251 and Bethel Road. After investigation, deputies placed Ebabacha Esale, 31, of Rockford under arrest of driving while license suspended. Esale was additionally issued a citation for driving with a suspended registration and operating an uninsured vehicle. Esale was later released on a notice to appear at the scene.

On Oct. 27 at approximately 7 a.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on a 2007 Chevrolet Malibu at the intersection of Illinois Route 64 and Moore Road. After conducting an investigation, Camilo Ibarra Jr., 56, of Rochelle, was arrested and cited for no valid license. Ibarra was also issued a citation for disobeying a stop sign. Ibarra was given a notice to appear

and released from the scene.

On Oct. 28 at approximately 5:48 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop on North Freeport Road, near the intersection of Canada Road. After a brief investigation, deputies arrested John T. Ceazer, 32, of Madison, Wisconsin, for driving while license suspended. Barber was additionally issued citations for operating an uninsured motor vehicle and expired registration. Ceazer was issued a notice to appear and released on scene.

On Oct. 29 at approximately 6:44 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 6,000 block of North Illinois Route 251. After investigation, deputies placed Jhonny Alexis Jaimes-Valero, 38, of Elgin, under arrest for no valid driver's license. Jaimes-Valero was additionally issued citations for driving with a suspended registration and operating an uninsured vehicle. Jaimes-Valero was transported to the Ogle County Jail where he was released on a notice to appear.

On Oct. 30 at approximately 10:47 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop at the intersection of 2nd Street and 8th Avenue in Rochelle. After investigation, deputies placed Joe Murray, 39, of Franklin Grove under arrest for driving while license suspended. Murray was additionally issued a citation for no valid registration. Murray was released on a notice to appear at the scene and given a future court date.

On Oct. 30 at approximately 7:22 p.m. deputies conducted a traffic stop in the 6,000 block of N. River Road. After investigation, deputies placed Jose Ramirez Vazquez, 39, of Elgin, under arrest for no valid Illinois driver's license. Ramirez Vazquez was additionally issued a citation for operating an uninsured vehicle. Ramirez Vazquez was released on a notice to appear at the scene and given a future court date.

All individuals are considered innocent until proven guilty.

LOCAL NEWS



Get creative and have some holiday fun The Serenity Shed!

OREGON — The Serenity Shed at 113 N. 3rd St., Oregon, is offering fun holiday classes, including a Christmas Vase Pouring and Winter Screen Painting. Christmas Vase Pouring will take place on Wednesday, Nov. 8, from 4-6 p.m. and Tuesday, Nov. 14, from 1-3 p.m. For only \$15, participants get the opportunity to create their very own Christmas vases. Vases will need to be left to dry overnight. The Winter Screen Painting class will take place on Friday, Nov. 10 at 6 p.m. This program costs \$40. Participants do not need artistic skills, as they can trace designs and customize them with paint. To register, call 815-732-2499 and ask for Cathy or Denise. As always, all proceeds benefit the impactful mission of Serenity Hospice and Home, an organization that provides high-quality, compassionate end-of-life care as well as free, ongoing bereavement services that are open to the public.



100 Women Who Care of Ogle County donates to Believe in the Children

FORRESTON — On Oct. 19, 100 Women Who Care of Ogle County voted to give a donation of \$7,700 to Believe in the Children of Forreston. Believe in the Children is a not-for-profit organization which aims to support families in crisis. Their main goal is to keep families together by providing necessary resources and services. One of the things they provide is a place for family members to meet and find support. They also provide foster care in order to keep siblings together and give children support and needed stability. This is the second time 100 Women Who Care has donated to this organization. At that time the money was going toward completing the renovations of a Sibling Home and Youth Enrichment Center at 220 S. First Ave. in Forreston. This facility provides

much-needed space to accomplish their goals. You can request more information by phone (815-837-1500) or by email, info@believeinthechildren.org. They are also on Facebook. 100 Women Who Care is a group of local women who join together to donate to local charities in Ogle County. Meetings are held on a quarterly basis and a 501c3 is nominated and voted on to receive \$100 from each member. Membership is growing steadily and they are now over 75 women. The goal is to reach 100 and truly be 100 Women Who Care. If you are interested in becoming a member or learning more about how their donation process works contact Deanna Forrest at forrestdede5@gmail.com or find them on Facebook www.facebook.com/oglegives.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Nov. 7
Serenity Hospice & Home's Young Widows will meet from 6-7 p.m. at The Serenity Home 1658 S. Illinois Route 2, Oregon. This group is for ages 55 and under. To register please call 815-732-4111 by noon.

Nov. 9
Serenity Hospice & Home's Lunch Group will meet at the Spring Valley Restaurant, 300 E. Washington St., Oregon, at 11:30 a.m. To register please call 815-732-4111 by 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 8.

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High School band and choir will perform. In addition, there will be a flag-folding ceremony with an explanation of the 13 folds of the American Flag and a special guest speaker. The entire program should last about 45 minutes. Please use the main circle drive entrance to the high school. Refreshments for the veterans will be served in the Commons after the program.

Nov. 9
Business Employment Skills Team, Inc. (BEST, Inc.) will be hosting a Veterans Open House on Thursday, Nov. 9 from 1-3 p.m. at the Oregon BEST Office located at inside the Rock River Center at 810 S. 10th St., Oregon, Illinois 61061. Jack Kromer, IDES Veteran's Career Coach (VCC), will be on hand to speak to veterans. The VCC and BEST, Inc. work together with our partners and community resources to help eligible veterans obtain meaningful careers. There will also be information from the Goodwill Veteran Career Resources Program and other resources for Veterans at this event.

Nov. 10
Serenity Hospice & Home's C.A.F.E. will meet from 9-10 a.m. at The Serenity Home 1658 S. Illinois Route 2, Oregon. To register please call 815-732-4111 by 4 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 9.

Nov. 10
Byron High School is celebrating Veterans Day with an all-school assembly on Friday, Nov. 10 at 10 a.m. and all are welcome to attend. Students and staff are planning a special program to honor all our local veterans. We cordially invite our veterans and community members to attend. During the event, we will recognize all veterans in attendance, the Byron

Nov. 11
Oregon VFW Post 8739 and Oregon Post 97 American Legion will hold a Veterans Day Service at the Veterans Memorial at the Old Court House. Service will start at 10:45 a.m. with Post 8739 Commander Brian Beckman speaking. At 11 a.m. there will be a rifle salute to honor veterans which will be followed by Taps. At 11:30 a.m. the VFW Post will provide a pot luck lunch. The post will provide pulled pork, mac and cheese, coffee and lemonade. Help us out and bring a dish to pass. God bless all our veterans.

Nov. 12
A hymn sing will take place on Sunday, Nov. 12 at Valley Covenant Church, 4:30 p.m. A soup supper and dessert auction will follow, with donations to support the church's youth ministries.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Nov. 20, 1998, the first module of the International Space Station, Zarya ("Dawn"), was launched. Russian-built and American-owned, its name signified the concept of a new era of international space cooperation.

* On Nov. 21, 1931, the horror film "Frankenstein" was released, starring Boris Karloff as the monster created from corpses. Based on Mary Shelley's 1818 novel "Frankenstein; or, The Modern Prometheus," it was a commercial success and is still widely considered one of the greatest movies of all time.

* On Nov. 22, 1718, the infamous pirate Blackbeard was killed off the coast of North Carolina by British naval lieutenant Robert Maynard, who'd been dispatched by Virginia's Lieutenant Governor Alexander Spotswood to track him down. As a warning to others who might be pondering a career in piracy, Spotswood had the buccaneer's head mounted on a pike at the mouth of the Hampton River.

* On Nov. 23, 1976, 49-year-old Frenchman Jacques Mayol, sometimes known as "Dolphin Man," became the first person to dive 100 meters into the sea without the use of breathing equipment. Seven years later, he broke his record with a dive of 105 meters.

* On Nov. 24, 2012, a fire in the Tazreen Fashion clothing factory in Dhaka, Bangladesh, killed over 110 people and injured another 200. The tragedy shed light on poor working conditions for employees who made export clothing in the country and led to major labor reforms in Bangladesh and the fashion world, which promised to take steps to ethically source its products.

* On Nov. 25, 1834, Delmonico's, one of New York's finest restaurants, offered its customers a meal of soup, steak, coffee and half a pie for 12 cents. Even as we sigh for the "good old days," however, we should remember that this meal would also cost an unskilled laborer about an hour's wage.

* On Nov. 26, 1865, "Alice's Adventures in Wonderland" by Lewis Carroll (born Charles Lutwidge Dodgson), a mathematics don at Oxford University, was published in the U.S. The beloved children's classic, which has never gone out of print, has been translated into 174 languages and adapted for the cinema, art, ballet, opera, musicals, theme parks, board games and video games.

* On Nov. 18, 1883, American and Canadian railroads begin using four continental time zones to end the confusion of dealing with thousands of local times. Most Americans and Canadians quickly embraced their new time zones, however, it was not until 1918 that Congress officially adopted the railroad time zones.

* On Nov. 19, 1915, British airman Richard Bell Davies performs a daring rescue, swooping down in his plane to whisk a downed fellow pilot from behind the Turkish lines. The British government awarded him the Victoria Cross.

* On Nov. 21, 1934, teenager Ella Fitzgerald wins Amateur Night at Harlem's Apollo Theater. Putting her name in the hat on a bet, she'd originally planned a dance number. History was made when she changed her mind and sang "The Object of My Affection."

* On Nov. 20, 1947, Princess Elizabeth marries distant cousin Philip Mountbatten, former prince of Greece and Denmark, who renounced his titles to marry the English princess. Mountbatten was made the duke of Edinburgh.

* On Nov. 16, 1959, the smash musical "The Sound of Music" opens on Broadway to the consternation of the real Maria von Trapp and her stepchildren. Nearly all of the particulars she related in her 1949 book, "The Story of the Trapp Family Singers," were ignored by the creators of the musical.

* On Nov. 17, 1973, in the midst of the Watergate scandal that eventually ended his presidency, President Richard Nixon tells a group of newspaper editors that he is "not a crook."

* On Nov. 22, 1988, the Northrop B-2 "stealth" bomber is shown publicly for the first time at Air Force Plant 42 in Palmdale, California. Although the aircraft had a wingspan of nearly half a football field, its radar signal was as negligible as that of a bird. The B-2 also successfully evaded infrared, sound detectors and the visible eye.

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My favorite football quotes

EVEN with winter quickly approaching it's still football season. The high school play-offs have started. In college most of the pretenders for the championship have been weeded out. And we are about halfway through the NFL season.

So for the heck of it; and because I can't come up with an original thought for this column let's have a chuckle or two over some of my favorite football quotes.

"The reason women don't play football is because 11 of them would never wear the same outfit in public." -Phyllis Diller

"I don't know whether I prefer AstroTurf to grass. I never smoked AstroTurf." -Joe Namath

"I have 2 weapons; my arms, my legs and my brain." -Michael Vick

"Football is, after all, a wonderful way to get rid of your aggressions without going to jail." Woody Hayes

"Football isn't a contact sport; it's a collision sport. Dancing is a contact sport." -Vince Lombardi

"Thanksgiving dinners take 18 hours to prepare. They are consumed in 12 minutes. Half times take 12 minutes. This is not coincidence." -Erma Bombeck

"Nobody in football should be called a genius. A genius is a guy like Norman Einstein."

-Joe Theismann

"If my mother put on a helmet and shoulder pads and a uniform that wasn't the same as the one I was wearing, I'd run over her if she was in my way. And I love my mother." -Bo Jackson

"Pro football is like nuclear warfare. There are no winners, only survivors." -Frank Gifford

"Baseball players are smarter than football players. How often do you see a baseball team penalized for too many men on the field?" -Jim Bouton

"Sure, luck means a lot in football. Not having a good quarterback is bad luck." -Don Shula

"Most football players are temperamental. That's 90 percent temper and 10 percent mental." -Doug Plank

"Sharks are as tough as those football fans who take their shirts off during games in Chicago in January, only more intelligent." -Dave Barry

"We can't run. We can't pass. We can't stop the run. We can't stop the pass. We can't kick. Other than that, we're just not a very good football team right now." -Bruce Coslet

"When I went to Catholic high school in Philadelphia, we just had one coach for football and basketball. He took all of us who turned out and had us run through a forest. The ones who ran into the trees were on the football team." -George Raveling

"If you're mad at your kid, you can either raise him to be a

nose tackle or send him out to play on the freeway. It's about the same." -Bob Golic

"Football combines the two worst things about America: it is violence punctuated by committee meetings." -George Will

"I have seen women walk right past a TV set with a football game on and - this always amazes me - not stop to watch, even if the TV is showing replays of what we call a 'good hit,' which is a tackle that causes at least one major internal organ to actually fly out of a player's body." -Dave Barry

"American football makes rugby look like a Tupperware party." -Sue Lawley

"Motivation is simple. You eliminate those who are not motivated." -Lou Holtz

"If a man watches three football games in a row, he should be declared legally dead." -Erma Bombeck

"I never graduated from Iowa, but I was only there for two terms - Truman's and Eisenhower's." -Alex Karras

"Football: A sport that bears the same relation to education that bullfighting does to agriculture." -Elbert Hubbard

"You guys line up alphabetically by height." -Bill Peterson

"The Rose Bowl is the only bowl I've ever seen that I didn't have to clean." -Erma Bombeck

"You guys pair up in groups of three, then line up in a circle." -Bill Peterson

Ron Kern is the manager of the Ogle County Farm Bureau.



Ron Kern

Hopes and fears about ending cash bail

THE rest of the nation will be watching Illinois in the months and years ahead. We are now, with the passage of the Pretrial Fairness Act, the first state to completely do away with cash bail. A lot is riding on how this turns out.

People accused of criminal offenses have until now found themselves in one of two categories. Those who could post a cash bond walked free until their trials. Those who couldn't sat in jail for weeks or months.

Basing freedom on the ability to pay raises obvious red flags about fairness and equality before the law. ACLU of Illinois (aclu-il.org: "End Money Bond"), reports that, under the old system, two-thirds of pretrial detainees were in jail simply because they couldn't afford bail, often with disastrous results.

"While some charged with violent crimes like domestic battery were able to buy their way out of jail under the old system," says NPR correspondent Hanna Meisel (nprillinois.org: Sept. 15, 2023), "Others were left sitting in jail for weeks or months because they can't afford bail, sometimes for low-level offenses. This cost some their jobs, homes or even parental rights in the process."

An article from the Brookings Institute (brookings.edu: Authors Lattimore,

Spohn, and DeMichele), describes how this desperate predicament can distort the pursuit of justice.

"Pretrial detention results in a greater likelihood that individuals (irrespective of guilt) will plead guilty, a greater likelihood of being sentenced to incarceration, and longer sentences."

The cash bail system denies to these people a basic right, called the presumption of innocence. It means that the government can't punish someone for a crime before it has proved his/her guilt. The ACLU and other reformers argue that it also violates the 14th Amendment to the Constitution, which says that everyone must be treated the same regardless of their place in society.

The pressure is on for reform across the nation. The federal government eliminated cash bail in federal trials almost 40 years ago. New Jersey, Alaska, New York, Washington D.C., New Mexico, California, and Cook County, Illinois have all restricted its use. It seems likely that Illinois won't be the last state to completely do away with it.

Ending such a deeply-rooted institution is nevertheless bound to arouse misgiving, opposition and legitimate concerns. The strains that the new

system may place on the resources of police and court systems is one of them.

The claim that criminals will now roam at large and commit more crimes is another. It's true that people who aren't charged with violent crimes will in most cases walk free until

their trials. But when CNN correspondents Holmes Lybrand and Tara Subramaniam, (cnn.com, Sept. 7, 2021) examined that issue by looking at jurisdictions that had restricted or eliminated cash bail up to that time, they found "no clear evidence" of a resulting increase in crime, citing four out of five studies. Pretrialfairness.org ("Get the Facts") similarly revealed no increase in crime or in failures to show up for trial in five such jurisdictions, including Cook County.

When it comes to violent crimes, the new law in fact gives judges greater authority than before to keep defendants in jail, regardless of their wealth or lack of it. Jerry Nowicki (jnowicki@capitolnews-illinois.com: Nov. 4, 2022) explains that the judge in these cases must ask him-herself two basic questions: Is this defendant likely to fail to show up for trial? And does he/she pose a danger to victims or other people in the community? If the answer is yes to either

question, the judge must detain the defendant, even if he can afford an extravagant bail bond.

It's important to note in this regard that victims of domestic abuse and sexual violence will now have protections that weren't offered under the old system. They include the opportunity to participate in detention decisions and a requirement for officials to prosecute abusers when they violate protective orders. The new law also establishes restriction that didn't exist before on making traumatized victims testify in court.

These are big changes, and the Devil is always in the details. Some will find the rules for release to be too lenient, for example, while others will find them too restrictive, an issue that we also had under the old system. We're likely to be making adjustments in the months and years ahead.

How well we respond to these challenges will shape the future of the movement to end cash bail — and the injustices that it has for so long visited upon so many.

Lowell Harp is a retired school psychologist who served school districts in Ogle County. His column runs monthly in The Ogle County Life. For previous articles, you can follow him on Facebook at <http://fb.me/lowellharp>.



Lowell Harp

LOCAL NEWS



Meridian Junior High School names September 2023 Student Leaders of the Month

Meridian Junior High School recently congratulated its September Student Leaders of the Month. The students above were nominated and voted on by MJHS staff and peers for the September trait – Responsible and also Leader in Me Habit one - Be proactive. Congrats to the following (from left to right): Adam Mendoza (eighth grade), Connor Waugh (seventh grade), Josephine Rosko (seventh grade), Aaron Spangler (sixth grade), Meghan Mannix (eighth grade) and Hynlee Hanna (sixth grade).

Locals awarded UW-Whitewater scholarships for 2023-2024

WHITEWATER, Wis. — The following local students are among the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater scholarship recipients receiving financial awards for the 2023-24 academic year.

Stillman Valley - Norah DeRosso, who is studying communication, won the following scholarship(s): Chancellor Scholars.

Oregon - Evan Vache, who is studying finance, won the following scholarship(s): Chancellor Scholars.

Polo - Laura Wright, who is studying environmental science, won the following scholarship(s): Chancellor Scholars.

“On behalf of the UW-Whitewater Foundation Board of Directors, we send

our deepest congratulations to this year’s scholarship winners,” said Katie Kuznacic, president of the UW-Whitewater Foundation. “Since 1962, thousands of individuals, families, friends, and organizations have donated funds to make these important financial awards a reality. Their kindness and generosity have contributed to UW-Whitewater’s alumni success and economic impact, and their impact is resoundingly felt each year via critical scholarship disbursements. We are so grateful to all donors for private support to the UW-Whitewater Foundation.”

The UW-Whitewater Foundation awarded more than \$2.5 million in scholarships to students. More information can be found at uw.edu/scholarships.

Rochelle man found guilty of attempted aggravated arson after Aug. 2022 downtown incident

ROCHELLE — A Rochelle man was found guilty of attempted aggravated arson and possession of an explosive device stemming from an August 2022 incident on Cherry Avenue involving a molotov cocktail, an Oct. 26 Ogle County State’s Attorney press release said.

On Oct. 26, Adam K. Bergeron, 25, of Rochelle was found guilty of those charges by the Honorable Judge John B. Roe after a bench trial.

On Aug. 7, 2022, the Rochelle Police Department responded to the 400 block of Cherry Avenue in regards to a Molotov cocktail that was

thrown at the building located at 406 Cherry Avenue. During the investigation, the defendant was developed as a suspect. The case was reviewed by the Ogle County State’s Attorney’s Office and charges were authorized.

Bergeron is scheduled to be sentenced on Dec. 14 at 3 p.m.

County holiday light recycling starts Nov. 17

OGLE COUNTY — Autumn is upon Ogle County, and it seems folks are getting an early start on holiday decorating. Some of those light strands from previous years may not be working anymore and can be recycled very easily here in Ogle County.

The Ogle County Solid Waste Management Department (OCSWMD) is again partnering with local fire departments and villages to again offer several convenient drop-off boxes so those frustrating, nonfunctional holiday light strands can be recycled and kept out of the landfill.

Starting Nov. 17, drop-off boxes will be available at the following fire departments: Rochelle, Byron, Stillman Valley and Mt. Morris. They will be located at the village halls in Polo,

Forreston, Davis Junction and Creston. Light strands are also accepted at the Ogle County courthouse and at the OCSWMD office at 909 Pines Road in Oregon. Boxes will remain at these locations until Jan. 19, 2024.

Accepted light strands include Italian mini-lights, traditional lights, LED lights, and other holiday light strands. Extension cords are also accepted. Material not accepted include rope lights, wreaths, garland, metal stakes or silhouettes, live greens, plastic decorations, timers, and light packaging, plastic bags, or cardboard boxes. Placing just the light strands and cords into the bins increases material value and makes the recycling process more efficient for the processor.

Lights and cords will be shipped to Dynamic Lifecycle Innovations in Onalaska, Wisconsin to be recycled. In 2022-2023, 1,300 pounds of material was recycled through this program. This resulted in a \$528 donation to the local United Way to support local charities.

So as we prepare to untangle, test, and put out those holiday lights this season, remember you can help the environment and recycle all those strands of lights, which have brightened our homes in the past but now refuse to light up anymore. If you have any questions about this program, or wish to learn about other recycling opportunities in Ogle County, call the OCSWMD at 815-732-4020 or visit www.oglecountyil.gov.

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Rochelle Women's Recovery Group now meeting on Tuesdays

ROCHELLE — Rochelle Women's Recovery Group is now meeting every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. The group is a safe place for women supporting women in recovery. The meetings are held at Rochelle Recovery Center, 242 May Mart Drive, Rochelle, IL 61068. For more information, call 779-707-0151.

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Byron High School's September 2023 Students of the Month named

Byron High School Students of the Month for September 2023 were recently named. Pictured from left to right are: BHS Principal Andrew Donaldson, Emma Franchi (ninth grade), Dariel Rivera (10th grade), Nick Cassens (11th grade), Nova Rakowski (12th grade), and Stillman Bank Retail Office Manager Renae Stevens. Each of the students received a gift card for their achievement.



Forreton HS Class of 1957 holds reunion

The Forreton High School Class of 1957 held a reunion on Sept. 26. Back row: Glenn Schneiderman, Gordon Poppen, Dennis Wubbena, Roger DeVries, Richard Cornelius, Dale DeWall and Donald Engelkens. Front row: Barbara Vietmeier, Geneva Duitsman and Ethel Timm.

Holiday Train to stop in Byron on Nov. 26

BYRON — People Helping People, the food pantry in Byron, is pleased to announce the Canadian Pacific/Kansas City Southern Railroad's, Holiday Train, will be stopping in Byron on Sunday, Nov. 26. The Holiday Train's purpose is to raise money, food, and awareness for people struggling with food insecurity while simultaneously spreading festive cheer. The train will arrive at 11:45 a.m. and present and awesome, 30-minute concert of holiday music by the duo of Tom Jordan and Mitch Thompson known as Seaforth and Canadian performer Kiesza.

"The Holiday Train program is close to the hearts of our CPKC family. Our railroaders take great joy in joining communities across our network as they come together in the giving spirit of the holidays," CPKC President and CEO Keith Creel said. "We are proud to support local food banks as we fight food insecurity by collecting food and raising money and awareness. I am grateful to all the railroaders and community members who have supported the Holiday Train over the past quarter century and made it such a success." Live music is essential to the CPKC Holiday

Train experience. The performance is designed to get you into the holiday spirit of giving. Although the Holiday Train shows are free to attend, CPKC asks attendees to bring healthy non-perishable food items or a monetary donation if they're able. Fruits, cereals, jelly, tuna and other canned meats, pasta, pasta sauce and crackers are all in high demand. The monetary donations are used to buy meats and other perishables. People Helping People will have a truck across from the performance to accept your donations, all of which will stay with the pantry to help those in need in the local



community. Since the Holiday Train program launched in 1999, the CPKC has raised more than \$22.5 million and collected in excess of five million pounds of food for community food pantries across North America. So, grab your kids, grandparents, friends and neighbors and come out to see the train, enjoy the show and help the local food pantry, People Helping People, fill their shelves for the holidays!

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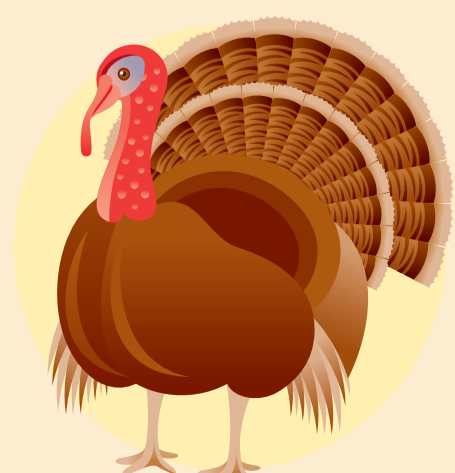
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Farm bureau crop marketing program is Nov. 15

ROCK FALLS — The Lee, Carroll, Ogle and Whiteside County Farm Bureaus along with COUNTRY Financial will host a crop marketing outlook on the evening of Nov. 15; at the Days Inn, Rock Falls. "Beyond Supply & Demand: Crop Market Price Outlook & Strategies" is a two-hour seminar designed specifically for producers to help them manage risk asso-

ciated with the current commodity markets and identify market conditions to capture profit margins through this year into next. During the two-hour program producers will examine the following topics: Global Supply/Demand & Crop Price Outlook, Estimating '24 Crop Input Costs, Utilizing Futures Price & Crop Insurance, Global Geo-Political Issues &

Recession, Implementing a '24-'25 Marketing Plan, and Implications of US Dollar Value, Debt & Interest Rates. This presentation will assist producers in designing and implementing a marketing plan that is specific to their own operation. It will present producers with various options they can effectively utilize to capture market profits, manage market risks in this vol-

atile market, minimize cost increases and make informed decisions on input pricing, storage options and position their marketing plan for profit protection. Market, global and recent economic factors will be examined and producers will learn to identify where profit opportunities and pitfalls lie for their farm operations. Pre-registration is required. To register for the

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Oregon Avalanche teams wrap up successful fall season

OREGON—Oregon Avalanche finished their fall softball season in late October with records showcasing their playing abilities, both as individual players and as a team.

The 10U team had a remarkable season and finished with a 6-1-1 record avenging their only loss by sweeping the Wasco Warriors from St. Charles, at their final doubleheader. Mem-

bers of the team were Lillian Anderson, Jess Bartel, Averie Dettman, Autumn Drew, Sophia Ebert, Harper Johnson, Hattie Johnson, Cara Kalnins, Audrey Leach, Kiera Nelson, Alyssa Rowe, Teagan Strohecker, Lenah Venezia and Emilia Wallace. The team was coached by Chuck Cain, Nate Rogers, Tim Strohecker and Lynn Kalnins.

The 12U team,

coached by Lynn Kalnins and Gary and Makayla Young, worked diligently through the fall season to continue to strengthen their skills and focus on continual improvements. Members of the team were Lyndee Anderson, Kendall Boyle, Tessa Bruns, Gabby Burke, Izzy Burke, Kendra Ege, Emma Flanagan, Macauley Heuerman, Abi Kalnins, Neveah Rivers, Madeline Rogers

and Avery Young.

The 14U team played strong and steady all season, ending it with a record of 8-7. Their final season tournament was executed and played well. The team played threeback-to-back games against teams from the Chicagoland and won them. There were six teams in the tournament and based on a points sys-

tem, Avalanche placed second. Members of the team were Isabelle Berg, Kendall Boyle, Grace Carreno, Sam Gray, Macauley Heuerman, Abi Kalnins, Liz Messenger, Chloe Mitchell, Lola Schwarz and Addison Truitt. The team was coached by Cari Berg, with Dave Berg assisting.

Avalanche teams are

volunteering at the Oregon Candlelight Walk on Nov. 25. In addition, the team partnered with Ogle County 4-H to sponsor a winter gear drive through Nov. 15. Donations will stay local and can be dropped off at the Ogle County Extension office, 421 W Pines Road in Oregon.

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The Oregon Avalanche 12U team included Lyndee Anderson, Kendall Boyle, Tessa Bruns, Gabby Burke, Izzy Burke, Kendra Ege, Emma Flanagan, Macauley Heuerman, Abi Kalnins, Neveah Rivers, Madeline Rogers and Avery Young. The team was coached by Lynn Kalnins and Gary and Makayla Young.



The Oregon Avalanche 10U team included Lillian Anderson, Jess Bartel, Averie Dettman, Autumn Drew, Sophia Ebert, Harper Johnson, Hattie Johnson, Cara Kalnins, Audrey Leach, Kiera Nelson, Alyssa Rowe, Teagan Strohecker, Lenah Venezia and Emilia Wallace. The team was coached by Chuck Cain, Nate Rogers, Tim Strohecker and Lynn Kalnins.

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SPORTS NEWS

SEASON: Avalanche teams finish season

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Oregon Avalanche is a nonprofit organization that recruits and coaches girls 8-14 years-old in fastpitch softball. It is an all-Oregon Community Unit School District program helping players reach their potential in both the sport and community growth.

The Oregon Avalanche 14U team included Isabelle Berg, Kendall Boyle, Grace Carreno, Sam Gray, Macauley Heuerman, Abi Kalnins, Liz Messenger, Chloe Mitchell, Lola Schwarz and Addison Truitt. The team was coached by Cari Berg, with Dave Berg assisting.



AREA SPORTS

Oregon football falls to Du-Pec in playoffs

On Saturday, Oct. 28 in the first round of the IHSA state football playoffs, Oregon fell on the road to Durand-Pecatonica 34-0. The Hawks trailed 7-0 after one half of football and surrendered 27 unanswered points in the second half. The trip to the playoffs was Oregon's first since 2014. Logan Weems ran 30 times for 100 yards for the Hawks. Oregon quarterback Jack Washburn went 6-20 through the air for 40 yards and one interception. Austin Edgyd caught four balls for 29 yards for Oregon.

Byron football wins first round matchup 72-0

On Saturday, Oct. 28 in the first round of the IHSA state football playoffs, Byron defeated Chicago Noble 72-0 at home. The Tigers raced out to a 35-0 lead in the first quarter and the second quarter saw a running clock and second-half quarters were shortened. Caden Considine scored two rushing touchdowns for Byron and forced a safety as well.



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SPORTS NEWS

Forreston defeats Ottawa Marquette in first round of IHSA playoffs

20-7 win: 'When we get the ball, we don't stop running'

BY ANDY COLBERT
CORRESPONDENT

FORRESTON—After a 20-7 win over Ottawa Marquette in the 1A playoffs, Forreston coach Keynon Janicke breathed a sigh of relief.

"He told me he was glad he didn't have to play us again," Marquette coach Tom Jobst said. "We moved the ball and played great defense."

Other than a 3-and-out on its opening possession, Marquette (7-3) was effective in moving the ball the entire game, but turnovers proved costly.

Three times, promising drives were snuffed out by fumbled snaps, something that hadn't been a problem in the warmer weather of the regular season.

"We didn't even cause them," Janicke said. "They were giveaways."

Micah Nelson sealed the win for the Cardinals (8-2) with an interception on Marquette's final drive to make it a 4-0 edge in turnovers.

"You can't play like that and expect to win," Jobst said. "The ball was cold, hard and slipping. But, that's not an excuse. They had the same situation and didn't fumble."

The other major drawback came on defense for the Crusaders. On two of Forreston's touchdowns, Kaleb Sanders and Micah Nelson were stacked up at the line of scrimmage, but broke free and scored on long runs.

"Give their backs credit," Jobst said. "In the scrum, they'd squat down and find the soft spot."

On Forreston's first possession, Sanders snuck up the middle

on a 37-yard score to cap off a 7-play, 61-yard drive. He had 97 yards rushing, but finished behind 118 yards by Owen Mulder and 101 by Nelson. Surprisingly, it was the first time all season the Cardinals have had a 100-yard rusher in any game.

"I don't care about (not getting 100)," Sanders said. "Maybe I will get it next week. When we get the ball, we don't stop running."

Marquette pulled within 8-7 on a fourth-and-goal pass from Anthony Couch to Pete McGrath. It culminated a 15-play, 65-yard drive, greatly aided by a Forreston horse-collar penalty on an incomplete pass on third-and-14. Sam Mitre kicked the extra point.

In an oddity, Mitre was penalized two consecutive times on the ensuing kickoff for not waiting until the whistle was blown to kick. The Cardinals ended up with the ball at Marquette's 48-yard line following the return.

However, Stefen Swords and Mullen stuffed Sanders for a loss, leading to a fourth-and-3 situation. With Marquette knowing Forreston would be going for it and it would be a run, the Crusaders were in perfect position to make a stop at the line of scrimmage.

Instead, Nelson broke free from a gang tackle, kept his balance and ran 41 yards the rest of the way untouched for a score to make it 14-7.

Marquette came right back in an up tempo attack and a wide-open Charlie Mullen nearly had a long touchdown reception, but the ball fell away from his fingertips. Six plays later, Devin Bratty recovered a fumbled snap for Forreston.

Marquette did get the ball back after stopping Mulder on a fourth down at the 16-yard line, with a Henry McGrath TFL

being the key defensive play of the series for the Crusaders.

Taking over with 3:20 left in the first half, Couch connected with Keaton Davis, Mullen and Payton Gutierrez on long passes to move deep into Forreston territory.

Lineman Zach Shuman, who came up with several key defensive stops for Forreston, recovered another fumbled snap to stop the drive and prevent the Crusaders from tying the game.

"Without a doubt, the determining factor in the game were turnovers," Marquette running back Jacob Smith said.

Coming out after halftime, it only took two plays for Forreston to up its lead to 20-7. Mulder ran up the gut for 31 yards and Sanders had a 35-yard touchdown, on a play identical to Nelson's score off the scrum.

"Those three running backs have put their time in all four years and are leaders," Janicke said.

The Crusader defense made a fourth-down stop to get the ball at the 18-yard line, but once again, it was a fumbled snap that killed a drive, with Ethan Bocker recovering.

"We had a bend, but don't break defense tonight," Janicke said.

With 9:23 left in the game, Marquette made its third stop on a Cardinal fourth down and were on the move again, helped by two 15-yard Forreston penalties. That's when Mullen intercepted Couch.

"In a two-score game, that was a huge play for us," Janicke said.

Starting with a thrilling 35-34 overtime win over Marquette in 2012, this was Forreston's fourth straight playoff win over the Crusaders.

"It was a physical game," Bocker said.

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SPORTS NEWS

Round 1 of the IHSA football playoffs

WHAT did we learn in the first week of the IHSA football playoffs?

The NUIC was impressive in two wins over the BNC. The kingpin of the BNC, Byron, was so dominant against Chicago Noble Hansberry that a running clock was started in the second quarter and the third and fourth quarters were cut to nine minutes.

As a 7-2 team, Rochelle got an absolutely brutal draw against a team loaded with college prospects, losing 45-14. Meanwhile, in the 5A game opposite them, 4-5 Sterling had the good fortune of drawing No. 1 seed and 9-0 Chicago Payton and whipped them 50-0.

That's a good place to start, with the question being – what is the Chicago Public League doing in the playoffs?

Of the 26 CPL teams in the playoffs, only two of them won games and those were against fellow CPL opponents. In games against non-Chicago Public League teams, they went 0-22 and were outscored 1,079-63.

That ridiculous. It had to be like watching a car wreck at Byron on Saturday. What's the point of even playing the game?

On another note, Byron does not run up scores. Substitutes see more than enough playing time, as demonstrated by 20 different backs getting varsity carries.

It is also imperative that the starting unit gets sufficient playing time to remain sharp.

Just because the other team can't offer resistance, doesn't mean Byron is obligated to sit out starters after a specific time or score.

The closest any CPL team came to winning was Noble Johnson, losing to Stillman Valley 21-20.

There are 17 high schools in Chicago with the Noble moniker, which basically signifies an open-enrollment charter school. It's been around a couple decades and earmarked for minorities and low-income students.

Credit to Noble Johnson for overcoming the odds and giving SV everything they could handle.

I really thought it would have been Oregon matching up with Stillman instead of Durand-Pecatonica. After watching the Hawks against Dixon and Stillman in the regular season, I saw real improvement.

Against Du-Pec, they looked like a different team. Other than their quarterback, Du-Pec wasn't 34 more points talented than Oregon.

The difference was the Rivermen have a competitive culture instilled and Oregon is still seeking to develop that type of mental fortitude. It's tough when that hasn't been

the norm for several years.

Compared to Friday Night Lights, it was a listless atmosphere Saturday at Pec, both before and during the game. I think Oregon would have been more jacked up to play Friday instead of Saturday.

Before putting the season to bed for Oregon, credit to them for making the playoffs and putting in a lot of work in the off season. Also, much has been made of the underclassmen, but let's not forget about a senior class that made valuable contributions.

Another surprising BNC loss was No. 10 Monmouth Roseville taking it to No. 7 North Boone, 35-14. But, they may speak more to the weakness of the league than anything else.

On a personal note to me, NB defensive coordinator Lenny Doetch is stepping down after coaching both his son and grandsons, the last one being star player Chris Doetch this year.

Little did I know back in 1978 when him and I shared a wild drive together from Kishwaukee College to Champaign to pole vault at the junior college state track & field meet, that we would meet again many years later on the sidelines of North Boone-Oregon football games.

The only thing I

remember about our road trip 45 years ago was taking his vehicle to a car wash late at night after ending up in a muddy farm field somewhere in central Illinois. I don't think either of us had a particularly good meet the next day, but there is something special about a couple of teenagers bonding over an adventuresome road trip.

On Friday, it was a much shorter trip for me, to Forreton, site of the Ottawa Marquette 1A playoff game. In covering three of the four playoff games between these two evenly-matched opponents, I've come to the conclusion that Forreton wins each time because of superior execution.

On my way to Forreton, I drove by the Polo football field to check out the vibe there. With a 20 minutes to kickoff, I didn't many fans around.

Was it the cold weather or the fact that Polo was destined to blow out its foe that contributed to the small crowd? There should be a large throng at Milledgeville for the Battle of the Blacktop, though.

Andy Colbert is a longtime Ogle County resident with years of experience covering sports and more for multiple area publications.



Andy Colbert

Depot Museum presentation Nov. 18 to feature MLB umpire Larry Young

OREGON — The November "Those Were the Days" presentation at the Oregon Depot Museum will feature a 1972 Oregon High School graduate, Larry Young. The presentation will be held on Saturday, Nov. 18 at 3 p.m. This will be the third Saturday instead of the last Saturday and at 3 p.m. instead of 10 a.m.

Young umpired Major League Baseball games for 24 years and he is now entering his 16th year as a supervisor of umpires. His umpiring career started at the age of 13 on the sandlots of his hometown, Oregon. He then progressed to officiating in the Big Ten and the Alaskan League. He turned professional in 1978 and after a five-year stint in the minor leagues, he was promoted to the American League in 1985. When the two leagues combined in 1999, he was promoted again to crew chief, a position he held until an injury forced his retirement in 2007. During his MLB career he umpired two All Star games, six Division series, three league championships and the 1996 and 2003 World Series. Young became an umpire supervisor in 2008. He is an advisor to the World Baseball and Softball Confederation and is the umpire coordinator for the World Baseball Classic. He has conducted clinics for the US Marines, US Air Force, Wounded Warrior Umpire Academy and has instructed in Nicaragua, Ireland, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Venezuela, Japan, South Africa, Panama, Taiwan, Germany, Spain, Australia, the Czech Republic, the Netherlands, Canada, United States, Mexico, Korea, Italy, England, Cuba, Peru, China, India and Aruba.

Young is a proud recipient of the National Association of Sports Officials Gold Whistle award for community service presented in 2002. Larry was integral in helping establish the Village of Progress, a private not-for-profit corporation that was founded in 1969 to meet the training needs of adults with disabilities. Since 2011, he has served on the VOP board. Since the year 2000, Young co-hosts the annual John Herrmann Golf Outing which has raised over \$200,000 for the Village of Progress Foundation. Young also established his own charitable organization, Larry Young and Friends Charities, Inc. He was named Volunteer of the Year by the Special Olympics of Illinois in 1994. He was also the recipient of the JC Penney Golden Rule Award for outstanding community volunteerism, and the Goodwill Abilities Center Distinguished Service Award.

Young has been married to fellow OHS classmate Joan Schmidt Young for 46 years. The couple have two daughters, Jessica and Darcy, and grandsons, Bo and Gus. Larry is a pancreatic cancer survivor and is an advocate for those fighting the disease. Young is a published author of a children's book entitled "The Ump is a Grump" and proceeds from this book go to UmpsCare Charities.

For more information about this program or other programs, please contact Roger Cain 815-757-9715, Chris Martin 815-742-8471 or Otto Dick 815-440-0639.

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LOCAL NEWS

Coliseum Museum events in November set

OREGON – The Coliseum Museum in downtown Oregon offers several interesting activities and events this November with new artists on display, an artist reception, author book fair and full program for the annual Candlelight Walk.

Dick Cholke of Pecatonica will be the featured artist during November with his display of watercolor paintings. Instructor and oil painter Stuart Roddy from Coleta will display his work in the Lowden Gallery, Nov. 1-Dec. 31.

On Friday, Nov. 10, CMAAA will highlight these exhibits and others with an Artist Reception from 6-8 p.m. with music by Dixon-based Acoustic Circus. The band plays electrical/acoustic rock in the vein of jam and festival music with solid rhythm, impressive leads and great vocals.

More than 20 authors from across northern Illinois as well as Wisconsin and Kansas will be offering a wide variety of books for sale at the CMAAA Book Fair on Saturday, Nov. 18, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

On Nov. 25, the Coliseum Museum will present a special program including performances by the Byron Dance Academy, Oregon High School Jazz Band and Oregon High School Madrigals.

The CMAAA mission is to present Art, Antiques, Americana and history through permanent and rotating exhibits, workshops, music, theater and more. Additional information can be found on the website, www.cmaaa.org and Facebook page, www.facebook.com/ColiseumMuseum/



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BYRON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Hours

In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, the Byron Public Library will be open 9 am – 5:00 pm on Wednesday, Nov. 22, and closed Thursday, Nov. 23 through Friday, Nov. 24. We will be open for our regular hours on Saturday, Nov. 25. We wish all of our patrons a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

Creative Studio Open

Our Creative Studio is now open on Sunday afternoons and two evenings a week, so stop by for monthly crafts and to use our maker space equipment! Crafts out on the tables are free of charge, while some other projects will incur a cost depending on materials. Middle school and high school youth can use some of the materials while with an adult, or during Teen Time. Creative Studio hours: Sunday 1 - 5:00 pm, Monday 9:00 am-1:00 pm & 5 - 8:00 pm, Tuesday 9 am - 1:00 pm & 5 - 8:00 pm, Wednesday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, Friday & Saturday closed.

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Artist Kyle White gave an amazing Sketchbook and Nature Journal Workshop earlier this month, on the teen students' day off school. They made a pledge to stop, look and listen every day for the next two weeks as they sketch what they see in their journals.

local history collection located in the conference room. You can also visit <https://www.byronlibrary.org/services/local-history/> at any time to peruse our digital collection, including an online archive of Byron newspapers and Byron High School yearbooks!

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BYRON

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624 Luther Drive, Byron IL 61010 815-234-5277
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 Pastor: Rev. Tyler Spellicious
 Youth Ministry Coordinator: Richard Simpson
 Sunday Schedule & Worship opportunities:
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 Adult Sunday School Hour: 9am
 Kids Sunday School: (for ages 3 thru 5th grade) 9:30 -10:15am
 Coffee & fellowship time: 9:30am - 10:30am
 Main Worship: 10:30am
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 Service Times: Sundays at 10AM; Wednesday night Faith-Lift at 6:30PM
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 815-393-4500 • office@immanuel-lindenwood.org
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 Sunday School and Adult Bible Study @ 10:30am
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 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Rosebrock
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OREGON

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YOUTH PROGRAMS Stories with Stacey

Thursdays at 10:00 AM Join Miss Stacey for fun stories for your toddlers and preschoolers!

ADULT PROGRAMS November Book of the Month

Still Life by Louise Penny: It's Thanksgiving weekend and a body is found in Three Trees. Chief Inspector Armand Gamache is called in to find the killer in this quiet town that doesn't have its own police force. Pick up a copy at the circulation desk to find out who did it.

November Take & Make Craft

Stop by the circulation desk and pick up the material needed to make an ear of corn. Available while supplies last.

Create-a-Card

We will formally resume in the spring, but supplies will be available year round for independent access.

Plastic Recycling

We ask that you make sure plastic is clean with no debris in the donation. *No animal feed bags are allowed* Also please remove any ziploc-type seals and paper/sticker labels. Thank you for your cooperation.

NEW RELEASES:

Adult Books

Hemlock Island by Kelley Armstrong
The Exchange by John Grisham

Chapter Book

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: No Brainer by Jeff Kinney

Picture Book

The Little Snowplow by Lora Koehler

DVD

Air

OREGON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Oregon Public Library is a Toys for Tots location!

Story Time

(18 months-6 yrs.) Mondays, 10 am. Story Time is on Mondays, through December 18, with stories, activities, and fun! Go online or call to register for this session.

Book Clubs

The 2WBC Book Club meets November 8, at 12:30 pm to discuss Hatchet by Gary Paulsen. Cocktails & Crimes will meet Sunday, November 12 at 2 pm; come by the Library to find out what and where! The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, November 15 at 1 pm to discuss All the Broken Places by John Boyne. Books on Tap Book Club meets Thursday, November 30 at 6 pm at Cork & Tap to discuss The House in the Pines by Ana Reyes. Is This Just Fantasy? Book Club will meet November 20 at 7 pm at the Library to discuss Kings of the Wyld by Nicholas Eames

Yoga

Wednesdays, 9:30 am Functional Yin-Yasa - This class is a hybrid of yang (active yoga) with yin (passive yoga). We will use fundamental yoga postures combined with functional movements to build strength and warmth followed by passive, long held poses to help with flexibility and mobility of the joints and soft tissues. A yoga mat and blocks will be useful props for this class! All levels welcome." Oregon Library Patrons only. Registration required, this class fills quickly. Please call (815) 732-2724 or visit www.oregonpubliclibrary.com.

A Taste of Love with Maya-Camille Broussard of Justice of the Pies

Wednesday, November 8th at 7:00pm. Join Maya Ca-

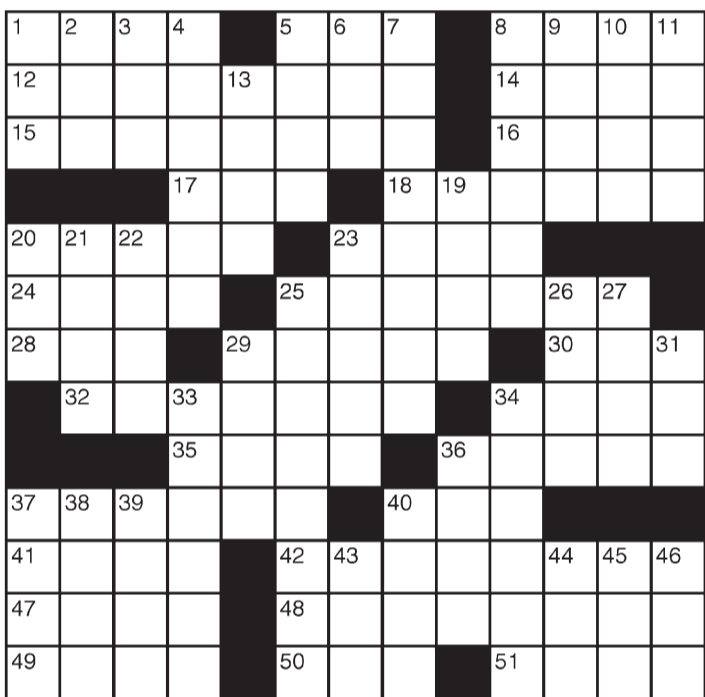
mille Broussard, star of Netflix's Bake Squad, owner of Chicago based Justice of the Pies, and cookbook author, for a demo from her kitchen. Just in time for Thanksgiving, Chef Maya-Camille will share her love of pie, stories of those that inspired her, and tips and tricks to help you make the perfect pie. Broussard uses her love of food to have a positive impact on the local community. She offers an "I Knead Love" workshop several times each year for children from lower-income communities to learn basic cooking skills, healthy eating habits, and nutrition. She founded Justice of the Pies in 2014, to honor her late father, The Pie Master. The bakery with a social mission has partnered with many Chicago area charities to provide meals for communities on the South and West sides and with Frontline Foods, to provide food from restaurants for front-line workers during the COVID pandemic. Her first book, Justice of the Pies: Sweet and Savory Pies, Quiches and Tarts Plus Inspirational Stories from Exceptional People, was published in 2022. In the summer of 2023, Broussard opened her first Justice of the Pies storefront on the South Side of Chicago to rave reviews. Being hearing impaired, Broussard works hard to set an example for young bakers by telling the story of her struggles and success, and works to celebrate the atypical through her baking. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering premier events. ILP is funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). ILP is committed to inclusion and accessibility. Registration required (815) 732-2724 or www.oregonpubliclibrary.com.

Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Angelic ring
- 5 Little rascal
- 8 Burlap fiber
- 12 Switchboard worker
- 14 Barak of Israel
- 15 Longtime CBS News anchor Walter
- 16 Chinese secret society
- 17 Aachen article
- 18 Glide
- 20 Long
- 23 Pack of cards
- 24 Wan
- 25 Wood eater
- 28 1959 Kingston Trio hit
- 29 Relinquish
- 30 Flamenco cheer
- 32 "Charlotte's Web" author
- 34 Boring
- 35 Unctuous
- 36 Test versions
- 37 Catch some Z's
- 40 Flow out
- 41 Young cow
- 42 Almost
- 47 Leer at
- 48 Acts altruistically



- 10 Casserole base
- 11 Jittery
- 13 Related
- 19 Summit
- 20 Orange veggie
- 21 Noble Italian family
- 22 Pequod captain
- 23 God
- 25 Hindmost parts
- 26 Talk up
- 27 First lady of scat
- 29 Brainiac
- 31 Golfer Ernie
- 33 Stereo component
- 34 Fixes, as software
- 36 Cookouts, briefly
- 37 Highlander
- 38 Kvetches
- 39 Stewpot
- 40 Summers in Paris
- 43 Tic-tac-toe win
- 44 Debtor's note
- 45 Heavy weight
- 46 Mag. staff

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MAGIC MAZE

SLEEP, GLORIOUS SLEEP

Z P M N J H E B Y V T Q S O L
I G D D O O W G N I W A S B Y
W T R P M I K I C F C D D B Y
W U S Q O E T M A K R E K I F
D B Z X W S N A T U A K S F R
Q A O N M O A I N L S N F Z E
J H T A F P M D A R H O C Z B
A Y E S W E D V P T E C S Z M
Q R P N E R N L K Z D B I Z U
D H F E C I A F O R T Y I Z L
B E Z O O N S D E Y E T U H S

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: A NUMBER OF WINKS

- Catnap
- Conked
- Crashed
- Doze off
- Dreams
- Hibernation
- Repose
- Sack time
- Sandman
- Sawing wood
- Shut-eye
- Siesta
- Slumber
- Snooze
- ZZZZZ

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

3	4			5		2		
	6			2				1
		7	3			9	4	
7				4				8
		9	1					6
	8			6	5			
5				7	2			
2	1		6					7
		3		4	8			9

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

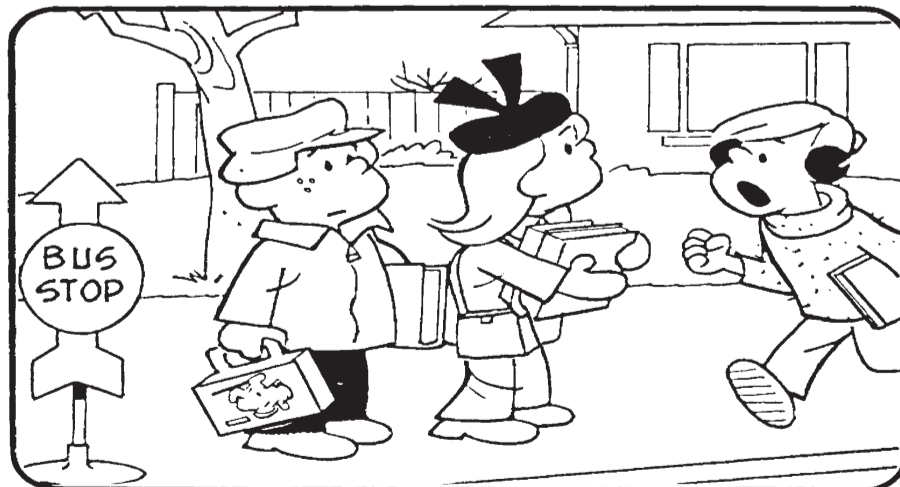
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

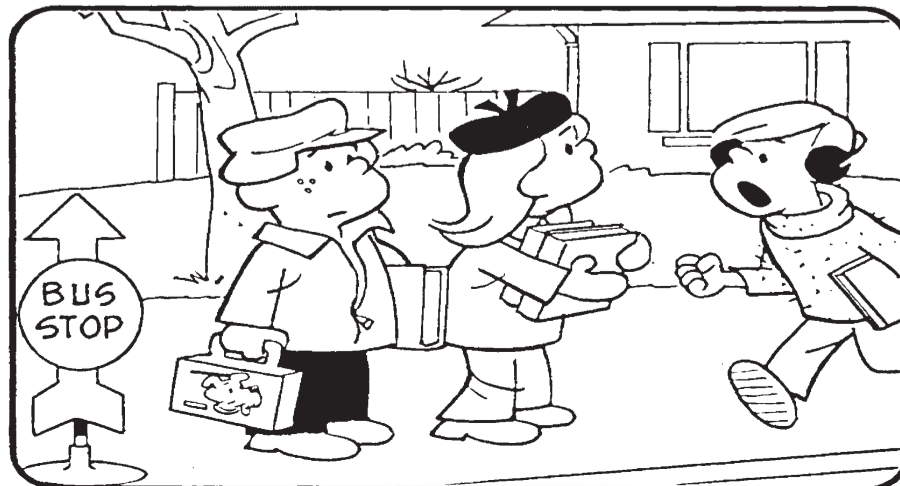
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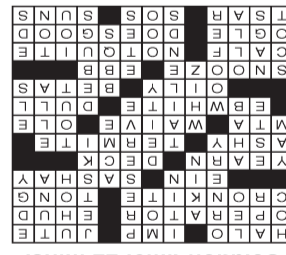
BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.

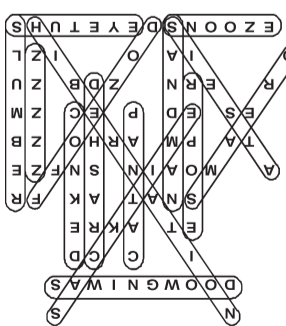


Differences: 1. Sign is shorter. 2. Lunchbox is moved. 3. Jacket is opened. 4. Hat bow is smaller. 5. Purse is missing. 6. Arm is lower.



Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers



SLEEP, GLORIOUS SLEEP

3	4	1	9	8	5	6	2	7
9	6	5	4	2	1	7	3	8
2	1	8	6	5	9	4	7	3
5	9	4	7	8	3	2	1	6
1	8	2	7	9	6	5	3	4
4	5	6	1	3	8	7	6	2
7	3	6	5	4	2	1	9	8
8	2	7	3	6	1	9	4	5
9	6	5	4	2	7	3	8	1
3	4	1	9	8	5	6	2	7

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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101 LEGAL NOTICE

ANNUAL STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS SUMMARY FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2023

The summary must be published in the local newspaper.

Copies of the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023 will be available for public inspection in the school district/joint agreement administrative office by November 30 annually.

Individuals wanting to review this form should contact:

Table with school district information: Polo CUSD 222, 100 S Union Ave Polo, IL 61064 1724, 815-946-3815, 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Also by January 15 annually the detailed Annual Statement of Affairs for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2023

will be posted on the Illinois State Board of Education's website at www.isbe.net.

SUMMARY: The following is the Annual Statement of Affairs Summary that is required to be published by the school district/joint agreement for the past fiscal year.

Statement of Operations as of June 30, 2023

Financial statement table with columns: Educational, Operations & Maintenance, Debt Services, Transportation, Municipal Retirement/Social Security, Capital Projects, Working Cash, Tort, Fire Prevention & Safety.

SALARY SCHEDULE OF GROSS PAYMENTS FOR CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL AND NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

This listing must be published in the local newspaper.

Table listing personnel names categorized by salary ranges: Less Than \$25,000, \$25,000 - \$39,999, \$40,000 - \$59,999, \$60,000 - \$89,999, \$90,000 and Over.

GROSS PAYMENT FOR NON-CERTIFIED PERSONNEL

Table listing non-certified personnel names categorized by salary ranges: Less Than \$25,000, \$25,000 - \$39,999, \$40,000 - \$59,999, \$60,000 and Over.

PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OVER \$2,500 EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES

If no payments were made, put "None" in "Person..." column and "0" in "Aggregate" column.

Summary box for Polo CUSD 222: District, Phone (815-946-3815), Office Hours (7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.).

This listing must be published in the local newspaper.

Table listing payments to person, firm, or corporation over \$2,500, including ACE HARDWARE, AEP ENERGY, AGRI PARTS EDUCATION, etc.

Table listing payments to person, firm, or corporation over \$2,500, including FOUR SEASONS FUNDRAISING, GORDON FOOD SERVICE, GREAT WESTERN SUPPLY, etc.

Table listing payments to person, firm, or corporation over \$2,500, including IHSA, ILLINOIS ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS, ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, etc.

OGLE CO. EDUC. COOP	498,894
OLD FASHION CANDY CO.	3,896
PAPER 101	5,978
PEPSI	11,672
POLO CUSD#22	64,174
POLO COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT	6,438
POLO COOPERATIVE ASSN.	41,828
POLO HIGH SCHOOL	11,015
POLO SCHOOL DISTRICT	5,531
POOLE FARMS	5,293
PRAIRIE FARMS ROCKFORD	21,656
PRECISION SPORTS TRAINING, LLC	2,675
QUENTECH, INC	3,368
RIDDELL	23,364
ROGERS ATHLETIC CO	3,618
RRCA ACCOUNTS MANAGEMENT, INC	2,839
SAUK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	2,875
SCHULTZ	4,173
SCREENCASTIFY, LLC	2,800
SELMIS	2,786
SHERATON INDIANAPOLIS HOTEL AT KEYSTON	13,446
SHERMAN WILLIAMS	6,826

SKYWARD	13,467
SOUND DESIGN	43,098
STALKER SPORTS FLOORS	3,350
STERLING BUSINESS MACHINE	52,273
STERLING CUSD #5	23,085
SYMMETRY ENERGY SOLUTIONS	31,383
SYNDEO NETWORKS	7,168
SYSCO FOOD OF BARABOO, LLC	14,797
TEACHER RETIREMENT SYSTEM	274,807
TEACHERS' HEALTH SYSTEM	46,717
THE HARTFORD	38,372
THE MATH LEARNING CENTER	22,611
TRI COUNTY GUN CLUB	2,877
TRIPLE P BBQ	2,520
TRS NC 3PERCENT	17,305
UMB BANK	608,982
VERIZON	3,403
VOYA INSTITUTIONAL TRUST COMPANY	8,280
WARD MURRAY PACE AND JOHNSON	4,724
WELLS, CHRISTAN	2,638
WETZEL, ALEC	3,978
WHITE PINES LODGE	3,149

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
WIERSEMA CHARTER SERVICES	4,515
WIPFLI LLP	28,317
ZEIGLER, REBEKAH	3,500

PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OF \$1,000 TO \$2,500 EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES
If no payments were made, put "None" in "Person..." column and "0" in "Aggregate" column.

Polo CUSD 222 District

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
AED PROFESSIONALS	1,539
ALDI	2,247
ALMASY, TEAH	1,000
BADON, JASMINE	1,000
BIRKEY'S	1,311
BLAKE, JILL	1,330
BOTTOM LINE TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC	2,122
BUSHMAN'S SERVICE	1,351
CARROLL CO. LOCKER	1,185
CHEESEMAN COACHERS, INC	1,160
CIMINO'S	1,149
CISKETTI, BREANNA	1,500
COLE, JIM	1,350
CONSERV	1,998
CORNERSTONE	1,147
CORRECT MONITORING SERVICES	1,200
COUNTRY INVESTORS	1,200
COY, ELIZABETH	1,013
CPO-CENTENNIAL SCHOOL	1,739
CYTRYCH, ALLY	2,500
DUBUGUE FIRE EQUIPMENT	1,279

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
EDMENTUM	1,000
ED PUZZLE	1,866
EMS LINQ INC	1,000
FIRE SYSTEMS	1,889
FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC	1,912
FRONTIER BAG, INC	2,103
FRONTLINE TECHNOLOGIES	2,436
FSB SHANNON POLO	1,500
GARRETT, ALICIA	1,091
GRANNY ROSE ANIMAL SHELTER	1,000
HEY TREE SERVICE	1,428
HOMETOWN TROPHIES	1,290
JONES, CARSON	1,000
JONES, KELSI	1,110
JOURNEYED.COM, INC	1,970
K& T GREENHOUSE	1,272
KACZMARSKI, OLIVER	1,000
KATNER, BEN	2,000
KNESS, CARLEY	1,000
LAKESHORE LEARNING MAT LS	1,498
LENA STATE BANK -H.S.A. CHECK	1,000

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
MAKERBOT	1,888
MANDRELL, KELLY	2,202
MCANALLY, DEREK	1,338
MCGRAW HILL LLC	1,210
MIDWEST BUS SALES	2,437
MIDWEST TRANSIT EQUIPMENT	1,063
MILLER, BETTY J	1,063
MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM	1,101
NATIONAL FFA ORGANIZATION	2,049
NATIONAL FINANCIAL EDUCATORS COUNCIL	1,995
NEFF	2,346
NELCO	10,532
NELSON, NATALIE	1,750
NIXON INSURANCE AGENCY	1,816
NORA KATE PAINTS, LLC	1,500
OPEN UP RESOURCES	2,138
PEST CONTROL CONSULTANTS	2,119
PHYSICIANS IMMEDIATE CARE	2,323
POLO FRESH MARKET	1,335
POLO HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA	1,292
POLO SCHOOL FOUNDATION	1,500

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
RAYNOR DOOR AUTHORITY	2,447
SANDERS, JULIE	1,068
SCHOOL BUS TOOLS	2,295
SCHULTZ, BRENDEN	2,100
SHANK, BROGAN	1,000
STERLING COMMERCIAL ROOF	1,205
STERLING HIGH SCHOOL	1,150
STOCKTON, KAMRYN	1,500
STREAMWOOD BEHAVIORAL HLT	1,015
TEACHING STRATEGIES, INC	1,440
THOMPSON TRUCK AND TRAILER	1,322
VALIC	1,036
VOLCANO FALLS ADVENTURE PARK	1,640
WAL-MART COMMUNITY	1,351
WITT, SHARON	1,511
WOLBER, BRADY	2,500
WRIGHT, LAURA	1,000
ZELL, TARYN	1,000

PAYMENTS TO PERSON, FIRM, OR CORPORATION OF \$500 TO \$999 EXCLUDING WAGES AND SALARIES
If no payments were made, put "None" in "Person..." column and "0" in "Aggregate" column.

Polo CUSD 222 District

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
A&A AIR COND& REFRIGERATION INC	740
ADTEC	510
AHEAD OF OUR TIME PUBLISHING	500
ALL AROUND PUMPING SERVICES	650
ALPHA CONTROLS AND SERVICES	566
ALWAYS MECHANICAL LLC	732
AMBOY HIGH SCHOOL	545
AMERICAN SPECIALTY INS	605
AXA EQUITABLE	720
BAUMAN, BRAD	840
BERGY'S AUTOMOTIVE	539
BEST BUY	641
BILL DORAN COMPANY	938
BILL MART T'S	582
BLICK ART MATERIALS	981
BOELEN, KAYLAH	500
BOELEN, NICOLE	500
BOWLIN, ANGELA	699
BRADFORD SUPPLY COMPANY	826
BUSKOHL, CODY	500
CAVANAUGH, KATHERINE	500

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
COLE, JAMES	680
COMCAST	507
COUNTRY MEATS	826
DEMCO	649
DIEHL, LINDY	978
DITZLER, EMILY	917
DIXON NAPA AUTO PART	697
DYER'S AUTOMOTIVE	980
EMBRACE EDUCATION	877
ENERLIGHT	545
EWER'S GARAGE	691
FAVRE, ANDREW	720
FFA GREENHOUSE BANK	559
FP MAILING SOLUTIONS	600
FUTURE STARS	900
GORZNY, JOSHUA	865
GRAPHIC EDGE DBA GAME ONE	584
HILLISON, CARISSA	600
HINCKLEY SPRINGS	765
HUDL	549
IESA	645

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
IHLS-OCLC	739
ILLINOIS PRINCIPAL ASSOCIATION	819
JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PRO	688
JOSTENS	629
KIDDER MUSIC	527
KLEIN, TIM	620
KNIE'S APPLIANCE	648
LENNON, JULIE	547
LUDEWIG, JASMYN	500
MEINERT, SEAN	678
MID-WEST TRUCKERS	770
MILLER, AARON	515
MILLER, TEBURDERN	500
MOORE TIRES	960
MOORE TIRES, INC	798
NATIONAL SCHOOL FORMS	583
NIIPC-MICHELINE PIERKARSKI	600
OGLE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT	630
OGLE COUNTY LIFE	673
OREGON SCHOOL DISTRICT #220	650
PINNEY PRINTING COMPANY	500

Person, Firm, or Corporation	Aggregate Amount
POPER, LINDEE	500
PRAIRIE CAT	933
PRAIRIE STATE TRACTOR, LLC	832
REECE, DONALD	703
ROCKFORD STEAM BOILERS	810
RUCKER, DEVIN	500
SAUK VALLEY MEDIA	916
SAUK VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE	875
SCHOLASTIC INC	873
SCHOOL HEALTH CORPORATION	546
SCHOOL SPECIALTY, INC	623
SENSORY PATH	580
STAMM, ANNALISE	500
TEACHER DIRECT	600
TYPETASTIC	555
URBAN AIR ADVENTURE PARK	750
WEBSTER, CAYDEN	500
WHITE, NATHAN	699
WOODIN, MATTHEW	530
ZIER'S TEST LANE, INC	642

The schedule below (Items 1-4) must be completed for contracts exceeding \$25,000.
If school district/pair agreement does not have any contracts exceeding \$25,000, please add zeros (0) to cells "D24"-D29".

ITEM 1. - Count only contracts where the consideration exceeds \$25,000 over the life of the contract and that were awarded during FY2023 and record the number below in the space provided. Do not include: (1) multi-year contracts awarded prior to FY2023 ; (2) collective bargaining agreements with district employee groups; and (3) personal services contracts with individual district employees.

ITEM 2. - Aggregate the value of consideration of all contracts included in item 1 and record the dollar amount below in the space provided.

ITEM 3. - Count only contracts where the consideration exceeds \$25,000 over the life of the contract that were awarded during FY2023 to minority, female, disabled or local contractors and record the number below in the space provided. Do not include: (1) multi-year contracts awarded prior to FY2022 ; (2) collective bargaining agreements with district employee groups; and (3) personal services contracts with individual district employees.

ITEM 4. - Aggregate the value of consideration of all contracts included in item 3 and record the dollar amount below in the space provided.

1. Total number of all contracts awarded by the school district:	2
2. Total value of all contracts awarded:	\$1,761,080.00
3. Total number of contracts awarded to minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, businesses owned by persons with disabilities, and locally owned businesses:	0
4. Total value of contracts awarded to minority owned businesses, female owned businesses, businesses owned by person with disabilities, and locally owned businesses:	\$0.00

No. 1103
(Nov. 6, 2023)



101 LEGAL NOTICE
Mount Morris Storage Solutions
4225 W Rt 64
Mount Morris, IL 61054
Dated October 10, 2023
Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk
No. 1029
(Oct. 23, 30 and Nov. 6, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on October 10, 2023, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as:

In the Matter of the Estate of:
DONALD P. WERNER, Deceased.
IN PROBATE No. 2023 PR 57

CLAIM NOTICE
NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of DONALD P. WERNER of Mt. Morris, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on September 27, 2023, to PAUL SILVIUS of Milledgeville, Illinois as Independent Executor, whose attorney is

NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF OGLE

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Jennifer L. Birkholz of SMITH, BIRKHOLZ & MORROW, P.C. at 129 S. Fourth Street, P. O. Box 10, Oregon, Illinois, 61061.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the clerk, or with the representative, or both, on or before April 23, 2024, or within 3 months from date of mailing or delivery of notice to creditors, if required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act of 1975, as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.

Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to the attorney within 10 days after the claim has been filed.

Paul Silvius, Independent Executor

Jennifer L. Birkholz SMITH, BIRKHOLZ & MORROW, P.C. 129 S. Fourth Street, P.O. Box 10 Oregon, IL 61061 (815) 732-6124 No. 1030 (Oct. 23, 30, and Nov. 6, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE

K & P Self Storage
1563 Kysor Dr.
Byron, IL 61010

Pursuant to the Landlord's Lien Provision, in paragraph #11 in the rental agreement between KCH Enterprises DBA K & P Self Storage, Landlord, and Kristen Fredrickson - unit #47. These items will be held in possession for ten (10) days, at which time they will be disposed of unless tenant pays the landlord in full, in accordance with the Self Storage Facilities Act. Must be paid in full by November 3rd. No. 1032 (Oct. 23 and 30, 2023)

NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF OGLE IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF:

WANDA L. HOLLEWELL, deceased. NO. 2023-PR-56

CLAIM NOTICE

NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of WANDA L. HOLLEWELL of Oregon, Illinois. Letters of office were issued on October 10, 2023, to TIFFANY ANN PULLIAM of Speedwell, Tennessee, whose attorney is David A. Smith, of Smith, Birkholz & Morrow, P.C. at 129 South Fourth Street, P. O. Box 10, Oregon, Illinois, 61061-0010.

Claims against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Judicial Center, 106 South 5th Street, Oregon, Illinois, 61061, or with the representative, or both, within 6 months from the first publication of this Notice, or within three months from the date of mailing or delivery of Notice to creditors, if mailing or delivery is required by Section 18-3 of the Illinois Probate Act, 1975, as amended, whichever date is later. Any claim not filed within that period is barred.

Copies of claims filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the estate legal representative and to the attorney within 10 days after the claim has been filed.

Independent Executor

Tiffany Ann Pulliam Attorney David A. Smith SMITH, BIRKHOLZ & MORROW, P.C. 129 South Fourth Street P. O. Box 10 Oregon, IL 61061-0010 (815)732-6124 No.1034 (Oct. 23 and Nov. 6, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Oct. 19,

2023 a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Jaime Heating & Cooling Systems, LLC 3747 W IL Route 64 Lot 2 Mt. Morris, IL 61054 Dated Oct. 19, 2023 Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk No. 1041 (Oct. 30, Nov. 6 and 13, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on Oct. 19, 2023 a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Straydog 11726 N. Woodburn Rd. Byron, IL 61010 Dated Oct. 19, 2023 Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk No. 1042 (Oct. 30, Nov. 6 and 13, 2023)

BY ORDER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

NATALIE PHELPS FINNIE, DIRECTOR SEQ CHAPTER V R 1 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE OF REALTY & CAPITAL PLANNING DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE SERVICES & CONSULTATION NOTICE OF SEALED BIDS FOR FARM LEASING

Sealed bids for farm leasing will be accepted by the Department of Natural Resources for one agriculture lease, one agriculture lease, consisting of approximately 80 acres of agricultural farm ground. The acreage is located near the Lowden Miller State Forest in Ogle County. Bid forms and related information will be discussed at a Non-Mandatory Vendor Conference to be conducted by the Department of Natural Resources on November 14, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. via Webex. Prospective tenants can phone into the non-mandatory conference by calling (415)-655-0002 or (312) 535-8110, meeting number (access code) 2632-546-0421. Currently, all bidders must register with Bid-Buy to be eligible to enter a contract with the State. To register, please go to the following link: HYPERLINK "https://www.bidbuy.illinois.gov/bso" https://www.bidbuy.illinois.gov/bso/.

Prospective bidders will need to download and print the necessary forms from the Bid-Buy Website at www.bidbuy.illinois.gov prior to the vendor conference. Those wanting to attend in person, please plan to arrive early at the Lowden Miller State Forest site office located at 1365 W. Castle Road, Oregon, IL 61061. Please contact Frederick Murphy at (217) 782-5707 for assistance in registering with Bid-Buy online.

Bids and supporting documents for are due on December 6, 2023, by 2:00 p.m. to: Department of Natural Resources, Attn: Frederick Murphy, Fiscal/Procurement, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield IL 62702, or by submitting all required documents in Bid-Buy under bid Lease number B-39252 Bids will be opened on December 6, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. via Webex. The farm lease shall

be awarded to the responsive, responsible, qualified bidder with the highest price.

In accordance with state and federal law, the State of Illinois does not discriminate based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, physical or mental disability, sexual orientation or any other protected category in employment, contracts, or any other activity.

The Department of Natural Resources reserves the right to reject any or all proposals. For more information visit HYPERLINK "https://dnr.illinois.gov/clm.html" https://dnr.illinois.gov/clm.html No. 1043 (Oct. 30, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on October 20, 2023 a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: ALK Jewelry Plus 1121 McCall Court Rochelle, IL 61068 Dated October 20, 2023 Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk No. 1044 (Oct. 30, Nov. 6 and 13, 2023)

NOTICE STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

In the Matter of the Estate of TERRY A. ZEIGLER, Deceased. 2023PR0059

PUBLICATION NOTICE TO CREDITORS and CLAIMANTS

Notice is given of the death of TERRY A. ZEIGLER, who died on July 16, 2022, a resident of 4958 E. Ashelford Drive, Byron, Ogle County, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on October 12, 2023, and the Representative for the estate is JANICE R. ZEIGLER, 4958 E. Ashelford Drive, Byron, IL 61010. The attorney for the estate is Amanda J. Martinez, 5732 E. Riverside Blvd., #201, Loves Park, IL 61111. Claims against the estate may be filed on or before April 30, 2024, that date being at least six (6) months from the date of the first publication. Claims against the estate may be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, 106 S. 5th Street, Oregon, IL 61061, or with the Representative, or both. Any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the Representative and to the attorney within ten (10) days after it has been filed.

Attorney Amanda J. Martinez ARDC#: 6287970

The Law Office of Amanda Adams Martinez LLC 5732 E. Riverside Blvd., #201, Loves Park, IL 61111 815-491-8065 amartinez@adamsmartinezlaw.com No. 1046 (Oct. 30, Nov. 6 and 13, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Village of Monroe Center Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing to consider the following: Ordinance Amending Findings of facts for variances as required by Section 70-224 of the zoning code, Finding of facts for special use permits as required by Section 70-104 of the zoning code. PUBLIC HEARING Day: Monday Date: November 20,

2022 Time: 7:00 PM Place: Village of Monroe Center Village Hall 300 Pacific Street Monroe Center, IL No. 1048 (Oct. 30 and Nov. 6, 2023)

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF AUDIT REPORT OF THE VILLAGE OF STILLMAN VALLEY

Village of Stillman Valley hereby provides public notice that an audit of funds for the period of May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2023 has been made by S-kich LLP and that a report of such audit dated October 30, 2023 has been filed with the County Clerk of Ogle County, in accordance with 20 ILCS 15/0.1 et seq. The full report of the audit is available for public inspection at Village Hall 120 N Walnut Street Stillman Valley during regular business hours 7:00 am to 3:30 pm Monday through Friday except for holidays. No. 1102 (Nov. 6, 2023)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that on October 30, 2023 a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: Daisy Jane 11726 W Woodburn Rd Byron, IL 61010 Dated October 30, 2023 Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk No. 1107 (Nov. 6, 13 and 20, 2023)

NOTICE

STATE OF ILLINOIS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY OF OGLE

IN RE THE ADOPTION OF ANGELA LYN CURTIS, a minor. KRYSTAL JO SHENBERGER and ROBERT CARL SHENBERGER, Petitioners, vs. CHRISTIAN ALLEN CURTIS, Defendant.))) Case No. 2023 AD 7 ADOPTION NOTICE STATE OF ILLINOIS))) COUNTY OF OGLE

In the matter of the Petition for the Adoption of ANGELA LYN CURTIS, a female child. Adoption No. 2023 AD 7. To: CHRISTIAN ALLEN CURTIS Take notice that a Petition was filed in the Circuit Court of Ogle County, Illinois, for the adoption of a child named ANGELA LYN CURTIS.

Now, therefore, unless you CHRISTIAN ALLEN CURTIS, and all whom it may concern, file your answer to the Petition in the action or otherwise file your appearance therein, in the said Circuit Court of Ogle County, Circuit Clerk's Office, 106 S. 5th Street, Suite 300, Oregon, Illinois on or before the 6th day of December, 2023, a default order may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Petition. Dated: 10/24/2023

Kimberly A. Stahl, Clerk of the Circuit Court, 15th Judicial Circuit Deborah S Maas, Attorney for Petitioners MAAS LEGAL LLC P.O. Box 277 Stillman Valley, Illinois 61084 815-751-1809 efile@debmaaslegal.com No. 1108 (Nov. 6, 13 & 20, 2023)

“EVERY MORNING MY HUMAN SHAVES OFF HIS FACE FUR, HE'S FUNNY LIKE THAT.”

-TUCK adopted 05-04-11



101 LEGAL NOTICE

This publication does not knowingly accept fraudulent or deceptive advertising. Readers are cautioned to thoroughly investigate all ads, especially those asking for money in advance.



103 AUCTIONS

PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION HELEN WALES ESTATE 2794 S. UNION ROAD, POLO, IL 61064 Thursday, November 9th 8AM to Sunday, November 12th 5pm

This is an Online Sale ONLY. Please visit https://aandtauctionservices.hibid.com/ for full sale viewing beginning 11/8/2023. Pictures will be uploaded prior to that date as they are available.

Personal Property: Household items; furniture—antique & modern; glassware—including china dishware and fenton glass items; jewelry—costume, silver, & gold; collectibles, including animal figurines and more; appliances—washer/dryer combo, refrigerator, freezer, and more; vintage toys & games; kitchenware & kitchen items; VHS & cassette tapes; grandfather clock; Outdoor, garage, & farm items; Simplicity Lawn Mower; Fishing boat; and much, much more! Too much to list!

Item Viewing: Items will be available for online viewing beginning @ 8am on 11/8/23. If you wish for more information on an item or an appointment to view an item, please contact A & T Auction Services directly.

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Terms & Conditions: This is an absolute sale. There will be a 10% Buyer's Premium added to all items sold. Items can be purchased with cash, GOOD check, or credit card. There will be a 3.5% fee added to any credit card transaction.

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103 AUCTIONS

ONLINE ONLY AUCTION hacksauction.hibid.com Ann Tillman Antiques & Quality Household Auction

BIDDING OPENS: FRI., NOV. 3rd @ 8 A.M. 12134 Old River Rd., Rockton, IL 61072 Wonderful Carved & Ornate Antique Furniture 1860-1900. Vict. Triple Bookcase-Cyl. Bookcase Desk-Marble Top BR Set-Gentleman Chest-Sofa & Settees-Chairs-Sofa Desk-Stands, Relief Carved Hunt Board Cabinet. Framed Artwork; Silver; China; Lighting; C. I. Stove; Quality Modern Furniture-BR Sets, Dining Suite, Rec Room Sofas, Chairs; Decorative; Patio Set; Garage & Outdoor; Tools & Equip.; New Home Products; Commercial Metal Shelf Units; Nice Office Furniture; Curt Tillman Racing Memorabilia; Penn International Brass Reels; Fishing Gear; More! NOTE: Many Large Furniture Items. Buyers Must Come Prepared w/Personnel To Move From Home & Load.

ONLINE ONLY AUCTION Matchbox & Hot Wheels Collection Auction

BIDDING OPENS: FRI., NOV. 17th @ 8 A.M. Hacks Auction Antique Center II 440 W. Third St., Pecatonica, IL 61063 Great Selection of Hot Wheels & Matchbox Cars! 1970's thru 2000's - Red Lines, Classics, Series, Street Rods, Superfast, 100% Hot Wheels, Premiere Series, Nascar, Batman, Barbie, Action Packs, Autorama, Ltd. Ed. Many in Original Bubble Packs; Classic Carry Cases; Johnny Lightning; Custom Racing Slot Cars; Banks; Die Cast; More! Over 1500 Examples!

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Hack's Auction & Realty Service Greg & Swan Hachmeister, Auctioneers Pecatonica, IL 815-239-1436 www.hacksauction.com I.A.F.L.#44000128

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113 FINANCIAL

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119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

FURMAN'S Lawn Care and Tree Work. Mowing, bushes, spring clean up, weeding and much more. Call Jeremy Furman 815-761-9619. Please leave a message will return call ASAP. Fully insured, in business since 1999. Servicing Rochelle and surrounding areas.

201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

NO INDIVIDUAL, unless licensed or holding a permit as a childcare facility, may cause to be published any advertisement soliciting a child care service. A childcare facility that is licensed or operating under a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services may publish advertisements of the services for which it is specifically licensed or issued a permit. Your Hometown Newspaper strongly urges any parent or guardian to verify the validity of the license of any facility before placing a child in its care.

203 HELP WANTED

81 Year old Man and his 54 year old daughter need some help on a small farm, live in. 779-251-0161. Please send resumes to PO Box 46, Drawer 2, Rochelle, IL 61068.

301 ANTIQUES

WANTED TO BUY: Vintage Metal and Wood Signs, Milk Bottles & Local Advertising, Oak Icebox, Iron Door Stop and Antique Lighting... Call Dick Harms at 815-562-2928 or email dickharms@hotmail.com

ANTIQUES WANTED:

I pay cash for antiques; furniture, glassware, pottery & crocks, tin & iron toys, sterling silver, decoys. If it's antique, I'm interested in looking! Call 815-562-2928 or email dickharms@hotmail.com

305 GARAGE SALES

FRANKLIN GROVE - Presbyterian Church Basement, 106 S. Walnut Street. Fri 10/20 8AM - 4PM. Sat 10/21 8AM - 1PM or Later. 4+ Racks of Men's and Women's Name Brand Clothing (Many are New with Tags), Baby

107 CARDS OF THANKS



307 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

NEW MILFORD REFRIGERATION

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- Refrigerators • Freezers
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We also carry a large selection of refurbished appliances with a warranty.

6331 11th Street, Rockford 815-262-3900

305 GARAGE/ESTATE SALES

CHANA AUCTION

Sundays • 10:30am

SALE

Hey all! We are going to have a sale the next 4 Sundays in a row!! Getting ready for winter time to sell it all!!

11/5* • 11/12 • 11/19* (last sale of the season!)

* Please note: animals will only be sold on 11/5 and 11/19

620 S. Stone Hill Rd., Chana, IL 61015 | 815-830-3898

Jolly Estate Sales Farmhouse Estate Sale

Fridge, Washer/Dryer, Chest freezers, Lumber, Stihl, Apollo meat processing saw, Antiques, Furniture, Tonka/Nylint metal toys, vintage toys & games, LaZBoy, Christmas, Cast iron, Pyrex, Kitchenware, Canning jars, Concrete mixer, milk cans, Knickknacks and much more!

279 N. Rocky Hollow Rd. Oregon, IL 61061

Fri Nov. 10th 9-4
Sat Nov. 11th 9-2

FIRM SALE HOURS- No Presales

Find JOLLY ESTATE SALES on google for photos & additional information.

Find us in Chana IL Nov. 17/18

Clothing & Other Items, Coats, Boots, Shoes, Books, Crafts, Small Kitchen Appliances, 6 Sturdy Chairs, Holiday Decor & Much More. Don't miss this one! Unlike the stores, our prices haven't gone up! (RNL10182023)

307 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

BUNDLED Newspaper -\$3 per Bundle. End Roll- Cost Depends on Weight of Roll. Available Monday-Friday 815-562-4171 (8AM-NOON ONLY) Rochelle News Leader.

SPLIT Firewood For Sale. Contact 779-251-0254 (103023OCL)

405 HOUSES FOR SALE

ALL REAL ESTATE advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitation or discrimination. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis

203 HELP WANTED

Byron School Transportation Open Positions

- Bus Drivers

Call Barb at x 4400
815-234-5491 or apply online:
www.byron226.org
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501 APARTMENT FOR RENT

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Nov. - Dec.

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ACT NOW

to Advertise in Our Small Business and Shop Local Sections for November and December!

Advertising Deadline: Wednesday, November 15

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LOCAL NEWS

ROCK RIVER CENTER ACTIVITIES

Rock River Center is a resource center located at 810 S. 10th Street, Oregon. Our activities and trips are open to all ages. Call our office @ 815-732-3252 for assistance with Benefit Access Application for a license plate discount, Medicare, housing, home-maker service, heating assistance or other things. Visit us at www.rockrivercenter.org and like us on Facebook.

Looking for the Funny Side: The Value of Humor

On Monday, November 6 from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m., Kara Schweitzer, Family Life Educator from University of Illinois Extension, will be at Rock River Center to discuss The Value of Humor in our daily lives. When was the last time you laughed really hard – a hearty sidesplitting belly laugh? Humor can be good for you. Bringing humor into your life can provide both physical and psychological benefits. Do you look for humor in your everyday life? You don't have to be a comedian to have a sense of humor. This program will help participants look at ways humor can help them deal with stress and change their lives. Benefits of humor will be identified. Advance registration requested. Call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending.

Harvest Dance

Wed., Nov. 8, 2023. Fall is upon us. Relax and dance to the music of the crooners such as Frank Sinatra, Dean Martin and more performed by Denny Svehla, aka Denny Diamond. Refreshments will be served. Bring your cell phones. Staff will be available to take photos for you.

Where: Rock River Center, 810 S. 10th St, Oregon. Time: 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$5.00 Suggested Donation (payable at the door). Advance Reservation Requested: so we can be prepared. For information or to make reservations call the Center at 815-732-3252.

RRC Holiday Hours – November 10

Rock River Center will close on Friday November 10, in recognition of Veteran's Day. No activities or transportation will take place during this time. Please plan accordingly.

Thurs., Nov. 9 - MS 2016 Excel Refresher

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (Instructor: Deb Julian). This is a refresher of the basic functions of Microsoft 2016 Excel. We will

cover tasks such as opening existing workbooks, creating new workbooks, setting up a spreadsheet, formatting, formulas, saving and printing. Experience using a mouse is required. Handouts will be provided. All scheduled classes are free to attend and open to the public. Space may be limited. Advance registration requested. Call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending.

Veteran's Day Program

We are pleased to welcome Debbie Fuehrer, Veteran and Veterans' Service Officer as our Veteran's Day speaker on Monday, November 13, 2023 at 12:00 noon.

Debbie will share her experience as a Veteran as well as how she transitioned into her current role. In addition, she will discuss the many benefits Veterans receive for serving our country.

Everyone is welcome to attend our Veteran's Day Program to honor all U.S. Military Personnel. This is a free program open to the public. Honor our Veterans and share your stories and memories with others. Bring photos of active, inactive or retired Veterans you would like to display at our Center. Call 815-732-3252 to sign up.

American Classic Tours Fall Preview

We invite you to attend a Tour Preview highlighting their Upcoming Tour Schedule. Join us on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Rock River Center.

Joe Conroy, President of American Classic Tours, Inc. will provide information program schedules complete with beautiful images of these destinations.

American Classic Tours, Inc. of Grayslake, IL offers deluxe, well-paced, all-inclusive tours throughout North America. Come and learn about their unique, top-quality itineraries. American Classic Tours, Inc. has been a proud partner of the Rock River Center for many years. To register to attend, call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 by Mon., November 13.

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Meets: 3RD Tuesday of month. Time: 10:00 – 11:30 a.m.

DIABETIC SUPPORT GROUP

Meets: 1st Wednesday of the month. Time: 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

LOW VISION GROUP

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesday of month. Time: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. For more information on any of our Support Groups, call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252

The 2024 From The Heart Cash Calendars are NOW AVAILABLE!!

The proceeds of the sale of the calendars benefit our From The Heart recipients: Pegasus Special Riders, Rochelle Christian Food Pantry, HOPE, Focus House, Shining Star Children's Advocacy Center, CASA, Rochelle Area Community Foundation, Hub City Senior Center & Rochelle Rotary.



OUR CHARITIES NEED OUR SUPPORT NOW MORE THAN EVER!

For Just \$20 you have a chance to be one of 365 DAILY WINNERS TOTAL CASH PRIZES \$18,250 PLUS Each Calendar Has VALUABLE LOCAL COUPONS

Here are 3 Ways to Purchase Your 2024 From The Heart Cash Calendar!

• **ONLINE:** Go to <http://fromtheheartrochelle.org> and click on **CASH CALENDARS**. Once the calendar is purchased we will mail it out to you! Shipping and processing fees will be added to cost.

• **IN PERSON:** You can pick up a 2024 From The Heart Cash Calendar **TODAY** at the following locations:
In Rochelle at: First State Bank, Stillman Bank, HOPE Chest, Colonial Flower Shoppe and Hub City Senior Center
In Oregon at: Merlin's
In Dixon at: Shining Star
In Mendota at: The Mendota Reporter/Amboy News office

• **BY MAIL:** Fill out the form below and send it in to us and we will mail a 2024 From The Heart Cash Calendar to you! Shipping fees are added to cost.

YES! Send me my 2024 From The Heart Cash Calendar!

(Please Print)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

NUMBER OF CALENDARS: _____

Clip and mail this form along with \$23 (\$20 per calendar plus \$3 per calendar postage) to:
 Rotary Calendar, PO BOX 372, Rochelle, IL 61068

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