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Veterans to remember

McMahon holds memory of father tight

By Brandon LaChance
Amboy News Reporter
AMBOY — Veterans Day brings memories, tears, triumph, and images you can't forget.

World War II photos were printed in history books almost instantly after arguably the most impactful war of our society ended in 1945.

Others have circulated on Google since it was created.

And some loved ones, simply have photos that mean the world to them and their family.

Betty McMahon is one of them.

"My father James R. Michels was a Marine rifleman during World War II. He was part of the crew that raised the first flag on Japanese soil," said McMahon as she shows a copy of an image of her father standing in front of guys placing the flagpole into a hill at Mount Suribachi in Iwo Jima, Japan on Feb. 23, 1945. "In this photo, what was going on down below is unbelievable. The ships, the whistles, the gun fire, it was all happening below. In a large photo, you can see he has happy tears in his eyes.

"After the war, he didn't talk much about anything. He only told us the story of the flag raising and how proud

he was. He always said there was a lot of noise, so much noise, when they were putting the flag up."

Michels made it back from the war.

He met his future wife Victoria, moved to Riverside and raised four girls, including his youngest daughter, Betty.

And although he may not have spoken words about the war, his family knew it was on his mind.

Michels could have been reliving the flag raising moment sitting in a chair watching news and drinking a cup of coffee.

But he'd never let anyone know any feelings or thoughts including when the second flag was raised mere hours after the first. The second becoming famous and the image for the Marine Corps War Memorial.

"Three to four hours later, another crew put up a larger flag because they wanted to save the smaller flag and a larger one would be seen better," said McMahon, who moved from Lockport to Amboy on April 1 with her husband Michael McMahon, who shared the same birthday as her father, Jan. 18. "That's the one the WWII memorial was made from. That was the only one that was seen for a long time, for years and years.

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Veterans Day program returns to high school

AMBOY — There will be a Veteran's Day program at Amboy High School at 10 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 11, in the new gym.

The Amboy American Legion will post the colors under the leadership of Commander Jack Mead. The combined high school and junior high band and chorus will perform, as well as, the Central Elementary School students.

This event is open to the public. All Veterans are encouraged to attend and be recognized.

Immediately following the program, the Amboy American Legion will hold a flag retirement ceremony at Veterans Park. They will also dedicate a box for retired flags in honor of Cecil Harrison who passed away on June 2, 2022. A rifle volley will also be done in honor of the veterans.

Veteran dinner

There will be a Veteran's Day dinner on Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Long Branch Saloon beginning at 6 p.m. Dinner orders will be taken off of the menu and are Dutch Treat. Please make reservations at 815-857-3486. All Veterans and their families are invited to attend. A speaker is to be announced. This event is open to the public.



Amboy school district is going electric

BY BRANDON LACHANCE

Amboy News Reporter

AMBOY — There was a big announcement made by the Environmental Protection Agency on Wednesday, Oct. 26, which included the Amboy school district.

Amboy was approved a grant worth \$790,000.

The bulk of the grant, \$750,000 will be used to purchase two electric buses, while the remaining \$40,000 will be used for the purchase and installation of two charging units.

"I think it's both good for the environment and for the bottom line," Amboy Superintendent Joshua Nichols said. "Diesel is over \$5 a gallon. I actually attended a workshop about a year ago and they were talking about how electric

buses were running in Alaska and all over the country.

"They were getting great results and the ranges were starting to get into 100-to-150 miles. I thought well, once the cost gets down, it'd be worth looking into."

The costs of an electric bus did not go down.

However, with the assistance of a federal aid, there is no cost to the school district for the new additions. Only a couple of agreements.

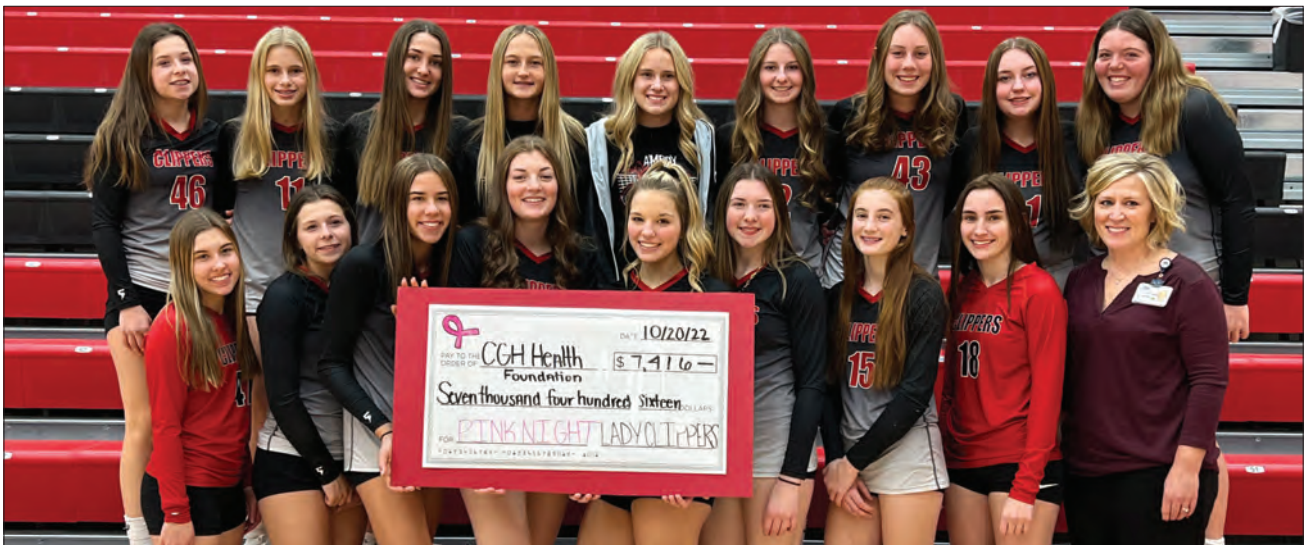
"The costs have not gone down. Electric buses are still about \$150,000 more than a normal bus," Nichols said. "But the grant completely covers both buses. We do have to exchange two of our old buses as part of the EPA grant. The two buses being replaced are a 2011

and a 2012 and have 80,000-to-90,000 miles on them. The other part of the grant is that we have to run the two buses for five years.

"It's exciting because we'll have electric vehicles. It has a lower running cost than a diesel bus, it's just the electric upfront costs are so high. The grant makes it where there is no upfront cost, just the agreements.

"I can't wait to see them show up. They will have air conditioning, which is something we have to move toward because of how hot it's getting. We generally don't have air on our buses. When we get new ones, I'd like for them to have air conditioning."

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Lady Clippers host Pink Night to help community

AMBOY — The Amboy High School Lady Clippers volleyball team hosted a Pink Night on Oct. 4 during their game against Polo's Lady Marcos. The team raised over \$7,400 during the night by hosting a t-shirt sale, bake sale, silent auction and 50/50 raffle. Hector's Cocina, of Oregon, and Sweet Butt's Cotton Candy, of Deer Grove, also contributed to the night's events with their delicious food and treats. All proceeds went to the CGH Health

Foundation Women's Health Program.

Because of their generosity, women living in the Sauk Valley area, who are in need of health services, will be able to receive a screening mammogram with no out-of-pocket costs, regardless of insurance coverage or ability to pay. In addition, if more tests such as diagnostic screenings, ultrasounds, breast biopsies or MRIs are needed, the Foundation will help pay for a portion of these costs.

Proceeds will also provide CGH Medical Center cancer patients with comfort bags. These totes contain gas and meal gift cards, soothing lotions, mint tea, queasy pops, ice packs, a water bottle, puzzle books and other items which can assist patients in their journey. Meals for Oncology patients receiving chemotherapy, scarves, turbans, wigs, camisoles and other items will be provided to patients as needed. Donations are accepted year-

round by calling Amanda at 815-625-0400, ext. 5575 or making a gift online at www.cghmc.com/foundation.

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A Look Back At Amboy's Heroes Who Served During World War II

Editor's note: The Amboy News will be publishing a series of articles on veterans who served during World War II. These heroes are part of Amboy's history and it is our honor to publish these articles so you can learn about their service to our country. This article was researched by Jack Mead and Tom Dempsey, and written by Dempsey.

P.F.C. John Joseph Arrigo

John Joseph Arrigo was born a first generation American in Dixon, to Joseph and Mary Arrigo on Aug. 24, 1922. His father had emigrated to America from Italy while his mother was born in Illinois. John and his older sister Lana

were the only children born to the Arrigo Family in Dixon.

Sometime during the first years of life, John's family moved to Sublette, where Mr. Arrigo operated a confectionery store, selling candy, soda, and other items. It is likely that both Arrigo children attended St. Mary's Catholic School in Sublette, operated by the School Sisters of St. Francis of Milwaukee. As the children grew into their teens during the height of the Great Depression, Lana worked as a sales clerk in this store while John earned money from his paper route.

At age 19, before the attack on Pearl Harbor, John registered for the draft like all young men his age. After the United States entered World War II, John was enlisted in the U.S. Army, eventually achieving the



rank of Private First Class. Following his basic training, he was assigned to the 35th Infantry Regiment, 25th Infantry (nicknamed "Tropic Lightning"), a division that would be destined to fight Japanese forces in the South Pacific Theater.

We do not yet know the details of Private Arrigo's enlistment, training, or battle experiences, but it is clear that the 25th Infantry was continuously engaged in fierce fighting from January 1943 until the end of the Pacific

Campaign. During this time, John's army division saw intense action at Guadalcanal, the New Georgia Islands, New Caledonia, and the battle to liberate Luzon and the Philippine Islands.

Private Arrigo's 25th Division landed at Luzon in the San Fabian area on Jan. 11, 1945 in support of General MacArthur's Sixth Army campaign to free the Philippines from Japanese occupation. Moving through rice paddies to the Caraballo Mountains, John and his unit

encountered fierce resistance as they moved along Highway 5, eventually capturing Santa Fe by May 27th. Until June 30, when the Division was relieved, it carried out "mopping up" activities in the region.

At some point near the end of the Luzon Campaign, P.F.C. Arrigo was stricken with malaria and taken into the care of an Army Field Hospital.

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Sponsors for the event include: 1st National Bank in Amboy, AHS Clippers Football, AHS Lady Clippers Volleyball, AJHS 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th Gr Volleyball, Amanda Blaine Family, Amboy Family Restaurant, Amboy FFA, Asterisk Boutique, Bear's Den, Becker Auto Body, Becker Auto Body, Bonnell's Grocery Store Brad & Firouzel Morris, Centerstage Dance Company, Clipper Backers, Country Insurance- Jeanette Linker, Derrek & Ann Barlow Family, District 272, Doug & Nicole Jones Family, Dr & Dr Klein Family, Erbes Realty, LLC, Freighthouse Kitchen & Bath, Hector's Concina, Jeff's Refs, Jessica Dale, Joyce Schamberger, Kaleel's Clothing & Printing, Katie Montavon, La Fiesta Mexican Restaurant, LaVigna Restaurant, Lilja Tiling, Long Branch Saloon Lori Schultz NPMD Skin Center, Maria's Pizza, Noble Concrete, Outdoor Property Service (OPS) - James Bulfer, Pat & Tanya Bushman/ B&B Farms, Polo Chiropractic, Polo Lady Marcos, Revolution Wellness, Ron & Sofia Rockwood, Ron Morris Septic, Rte 52 Roadhouse, Shamrock Pub, Sublette Collision, Sweet Butt's Cotton Candy, Terri Leffelman & Tasha O'Malley, The Clarida Family, The Last Alarm, Tonya Ketchum, Top Notch Builders, Trevor Vaessen, Two Sister's on Main, Uncommon Reign, Vaessen Brothers Chevrolet, WAHL Clipper, and Warehouse Boutique.

AHS Lady Clippers Volleyball Team and Families would



The Amboy High School Volleyball teams were decked out in pink in October in honor of breast cancer awareness.
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like to give a huge shoutout and thank you to the sponsors and bakers. Without your generosity and support this event

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For the 2022 election, Lee County voters will elect 5 candidates from each County Board district. If you see more than one of the candidates listed above on your ballot, please vote for each one!

LOCAL NEWS

TEEN TURF

Aerobics

We will be having Aerobics on Tuesday and Thursday. Everyone is invited to gather at Teen Turf on Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m. for group chair exercises and walking. They have a great time together.

Afterschool program

Our program has started. Attendance has been tremendous. At this time, we will be having a waiting list. You must call 815-857-4800 to be put on. If you are not registered, please do not send your child without speaking with us.

Halloween Dance and Costume Contest

A full Thank you will be in next week's paper to thank everyone who helped us.

Thanksgiving Community Event

Please save the date- Nov. 19, at 1 p.m. All are welcome to attend, sorry no carry outs. Come for food and comradery. If you would like to help with a dish or a dessert, please call us at 815-857-4800. More details to come.

Thank You's

We are always grateful for those that assist Teen Turf in it's endeavor of helping people: Volunteers-Shannon, Donna, Kathy G., Kathy K, Candy, Chris, Megan, and our high school students. A special thank you to our Teen Turf students: Anthony, Henry, and Chloe for helping those that needed help in math. Thank you to those that donated various items; Ned and Carol Ely for the hot cocoa; Hayden Thomas for the legos; Marsha Henley for the cookies; Donna Wellman for the cookies; Eileen and Irene Ramsdell for the meat, cheese, bread, and Halloween cupcakes; Etnyre for the and condiments; Anonymous monetary donation; and Kathy Kessel for the cookies.

Needs

Fruit Snacks and Granola Bars

Final Word

Prayer for our Children's Wisdom and Learning we come to you Father and pray that our children are knowledgeable and skillful in all wisdom, discernment, and understanding that we know is a gift from You. We pray that they are competent to learn whatever they need to know, and that Your spirit fills them fully in all things. In God's name, we pray Amen.

SUBLETTE NEWS

CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST IN SUBLETTE

Area residents are invited to deck your home with the most TREEmendous decorations for the Sublette Christmas Decorating Contest. Sign up by Dec. 10 for a chance to win a prize. Judging will be Dec. 17. Sign-up sheets are available at Bonnell's General Store, Pioneer State Bank and the Post Office. Everyone is urged to light up the town for the Christmas season.

SUBLETTE BUSINESS MEETING HELD

The Sublette Business Association met on Oct. 25 at the Ellice Dinges Center. The group discussed upcoming events in the village including the annual Christmas in the Village, the Christmas Decorating Contest and Shop Small Stores, which will be held in November. It was also noted that Sublette has several new businesses opening including McGraw Tax and More, Shear Elegance beauty salon and a new travel trailer dealership.

LIGHTED CHRISTMAS PARADE

The Village of Sublette is adding a new feature to its annual Christmas Walk. This year, a lighted Christmas parade will be held at 5:30 p.m., on Sunday, Dec. 4. Cars, trucks, ATVs, tractors are welcome. Line-up will be held at Centennial Park.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department will have Immunization Clinics for Children and Adults by appointment only. Call 815-284-3371 to make an appointment or for information on other services available. You may also visit the website at www.lchd.com for a list of services available.

EAST GROVE TWP-The East Grove Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8, at the East Grove Township Hall.

MAY TWP-The May Township meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the township maintenance building.

AMBOY-The Amboy Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 9, at the township building, 106 S. Prospect.

PAW PAW-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 - 6 p.m., on Thursday, Nov. 10, at Paw Paw Elementary School, 511 Chapman. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood

Donor App.

LEE CENTER TWP-The Lee Center Township meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 10, at the Township Building, 2202 Shaw Rd., Amboy.

AMBOY-The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 1 - 6 p.m., on Friday, Nov. 11, at Amboy Community Building, 280 W. Wasson Rd. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 6 p.m. at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd., on Monday, Nov. 14. Anyone interested in joining or wants more information on the Lions Club is invited to attend.

SUBLETTE-The Sublette Village Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 14 at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St., Sublette.

AMBOY-The Amboy Fire Protection District will meet at 8 a.m. at the Fire Station, 25 N. East Ave., on

Monday, Nov. 14.

DIXON-The Lee County Health Department will hold a flu clinic from 3 - 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 15, at the Lee County Health Department. Walk-ins are welcomed. No appointment necessary. Please bring insurance card or be prepared to pay a fee.

Hi-Dose available for those 65 and older. For more information, please contact 815-284-3371, ext. 2100.

AMBOY-The Amboy CUSD School Board will meet at 7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 15, at Amboy Junior High School.

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Stewart seeks stories of veterans to be showcased at State Capitol

SPRINGFIELD – To pay tribute to veterans and honor their legacies and sacrifices, State Senator Brian Stewart (R-Freeport) is asking constituents to submit photos and stories of their loved ones who served our nation for display on the first floor of the State Capitol.

The "Honoring All Who Served" Veterans Day Display is scheduled to run from Nov. 10 through Nov. 28 as part of a tribute to the brave men and women who served our nation.

Families are asked to submit a photo and written story (max: 250 words) with the following information: name, military branch (Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, National Guard, Navy) and conflict served (Afghanistan, Iraq, September 11, Gulf War, Vietnam, Korea, WWII, WWI, Peacetime, other). Military photos are preferred but not necessary. Please email submissions to veteransday@sgop.ilga.gov by Nov. 10 to be included in the "Honoring All Who Served" Veterans Day Display at the State Capitol. Submissions will be accepted through Nov. 28, and the display will be updated daily to include new entries.

Submissions can also be mailed to Veterans Day Wall, 108 Statehouse, Springfield, IL 62706.

Amboy Police

Operating uninsured motor vehicle

On Oct. 27, at 3 p.m., Thomas A. Daniels, 48, of Amboy, was issued a citation for Operating uninsured motor vehicle and vehicle with expired registration plate. He was given a notice to appear in court.

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Although the buses, which will be on two of Amboy's nine routes, are not being ran by diesel, there will still be gas fumes.

Amboy opted to have diesel heaters on the electric buses because of the northern Illinois climate during a long stretch of the school year. If there were electric heaters, the mile range of the buses would go down.

"The diesel heaters provide a little bit of comfort for people like me who are still a little nervous," Nichols said. "For us, a bus will run its morning route which is about 30-40 miles. It'll sit during the day and then run another 30-40 miles on its after-school route. With a 100-mile range, they can run their route, come back to charge, run their route, and come back and charge.

They will be good to go.

"We can't take them to Galena for a sporting event or somewhere further than 100 miles because there isn't charging ability. But for our routes, this is a good idea for us."

Nichols added Amboy wants to purchase the buses from Lion Electric, which is building a factory in Joliet.

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On Aug. 6, 1945, back in Sublette, Joseph and Lana Arrigo received official word from the War Department that John had died of malaria on June 22, just 10 days before his division was relieved from combat.

In 1945, death on a distant shore during combat brought a military burial close to the area of battle. Today, the remains of Private First Class John Joseph Arrigo

rest at the Manila American Cemetery, in Manila, Luzon, Philippines. On Aug. 14, V.J. Day (Victory Over Japan Day), the citizens of Sublette held a big celebration. The volunteer fire department staged a rally, both churches held thanksgiving services, horns honked and whistles blew. The air must have reverberated with a mixture of joy and the sorrow of forever losing five Sublette boys in

their sacrifice for freedom from tyranny.

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OBITUARIES

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Nobert Brachle

March 16, 1934 - Oct. 28, 2022

AMBOY — Norbert Brachle, 88, of Amboy died on Friday, Oct. 28, 2022 at Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon.

He was born on March 16, 1934 in Mendota, the son of Leo and Naomi (Phillips) Brachle. He had two very special marriages to Sharon Stevens and Barb Goy.

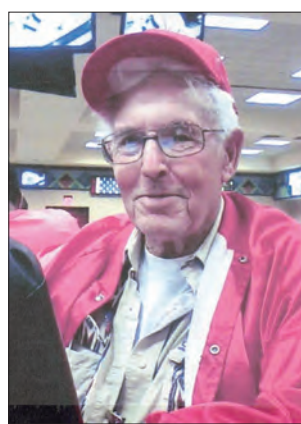
Norb worked for ED Etnyre for 10 years, was a Corn Cob hauler from a very young age, selling to Quaker Oats and others. He also went into the salvage, truck rebuilding and repair business, and also had several restaurants and bars with his wife, Sharon and daughter, Ronda. Norb was a member of the Dixon Elks Club, and also donated cars to the Amboy Fire Department for their extraction school. He was a dedicated friend to the City of Amboy. He loved playing Bingo, going to casinos, playing Keno, trips to Vegas, horse racing, and was

an avid hot rod tractor puller.

He also loved spending time with his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren, and attending their activities. Norb had a generous spirit, giving nature, and will be missed by many.

Norb is preceded in death by his parents and granddaughter Amanda Dawn Justice.

He is survived by his children, Gwenda (Daniel) Justice Sr., of Dixon, Ronda (Dennis Dempsey) Hicks, of Amboy, Sharri (Craig) Miller, of Dixon; seven grandchildren, Daniel (Leia) Justice Jr., Bethany (Nathan) Wright, Tabatha (Eric) Behrens, Jennifer (Bob) Maves, Janda (Anthony) Hicks, Courtney (Bud) Helfrich, Hannah Miller; and 13 great-grandchildren. Norb is also survived by two brothers, Franklin (Gerry) Green, of Earlville, Craig (Christy) Green, of Sterling;



and special friends and caregivers Katie Dickinson, Jamie Zimmerly.

At Norb's request his body has been donated to scientific research and study.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m., on Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, at Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy with Deacon Kevin Prunty officiating. Visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until time of service at 1 p.m., on Sunday, Nov. 6, 2022, at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. The family invites everyone to join them at the Dixon Elks Lodge for a "Hauling Cobs to Heaven" luncheon immediately following the service. Memorial donations can be made to the Dixon Elks Lodge or Serenity Hospice and Home in Oregon.

Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

Condolences can be left at www.thejonesfh.com.

Dolores M. Doden

April 14, 1936 - Oct. 29, 2022

AMBOY — Dolores M. Doden, 86, gained her wings and joined her beloved family on Saturday Oct. 29, 2022.

Dolores Mae Noble was born in Amboy, on April 14, 1936, the daughter of Floyd W. Noble Sr. and Marjorie Violetta Clayton. Delores was an artist and won many awards for her artwork while in school. She graduated from Amboy High School in 1954 and married her high school sweetheart, Frankie Leroy Michael Haley, on Aug. 14, 1954. During their marriage Frankie and "Dee" were in a band called the Mel-O-Dees where she sang and played the guitar. They were the parents of four children.

After Frank's death in 1974, Dee went to work as a legal secretary for a Dixon engineering firm. On Feb. 25, 1977, Delores married Robert Doden, owner of Doden Silos in Mendota, where they made their home until Bob's death in 1996. Due to complications from diabetes Dee entered the Mendota Lutheran Home in 2009 and remained there until they closed, and she moved to the Franklin Grove Nursing Home where her smiles and hugs made her one of the favorites.

Delores was predeceased by her parents; her son, Frank Leroy Haley Jr, on Oct. 29, 2017; her daughter, Janiece "Jan" Marie Schaefer, in 2015; her daughter

Suzanne "Sue" Lynn Ohlendorf in 2018; and her son David "Dave" Allan Haley, in 2019. She is also preceded in death by her sister, Dorothy (Ernest) Jeanblanc; and brothers, Keith (Dorothy) Noble, Donald, (Jeannie) Noble, James (Beverly) Noble, Floyd Noble Jr. Richard (Dorothy) Noble.

She is survived by her daughter-in-law, JoAnn Haley, of Durand; son-in-law, Kerry Schaefer, of Roanoke, Ind., and Jeffrey Ohlendorf, of Amboy; step-daughters, Debra (Michael) Wise and Barbara Diederich; step-brothers, Charles (Charity) Noble, of Atlanta, Ga., and Brian Noble, of Las Vegas, Nevada; grandchildren, Jeremy Haley, of Denver, Colo., Matthew (Serah Elizabeth) Haley, Winston-Salem, N.C., Curtis (Sonia) Haley, of Newark, Illinois, Daniel (Charity), of Freeport, Fla., Nicholas (Andrea) Schaefer, of Mendota, Thomas (Sara Beth) Schaefer, of Mendota, Alicia (Brian) Robbins, of LaSalle, Robert (Carolyn) Ohlendorf, Anthony (Molly) Ohlendorf, both of Mendota, Rachel Zissler, of Pecatonica,



and Kyle Zissler, of Durand; 26 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild; sisters-in-law, Kaye Noble of Mascot, Tenn., and Darlene Hinkle of Shorewood; and many nieces and nephews and a host of loyal friends.

The funeral services will be held at 11 a.m., on Friday, Nov. 4, 2022, at the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Burial will follow at St. Patrick Catholic Cemetery in Amboy. Visitation will be on Friday, Nov. 4, 2022 from 10 a.m. to the time of the service at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy.

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The Amboy News will print DEATH NOTICES (approximately 50 words including name, age, date of death, time/date of services) free of charge. OBITUARIES will be printed at a cost of \$40 to be billed to the arranging funeral home or prepaid with cash, check or credit card. Please submit obituaries or death notices to tgreenfield@amboynews.com.

Thank you!

Mike & I would like to thank each and every one of you for your support over the past 15 ½ years that made Bonnell's General Store, Inc. such a success.

From day one, Mike's dream of owning a grocery/hardware/liquor store in Sublette to serve the Village residents worthy of the Sublette way of life, has been a dream come true. Keeping the store clean, well-stocked, and easily accessible for those last minute needs could not have happened without your loyalty.

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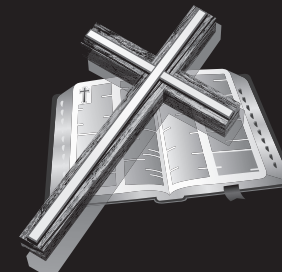
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Rochelle DAR hosts October meeting

ROCHELLE — The Rochelle Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution observed Domestic Violence Awareness month with a presentation by Allison Huntley of the Ogle County State's Attorney's Office. Huntley (shown front row, center with chapter members in the above photo) is responsible for handling domestic violence prosecutions in the office. Her talk also included information on the Strangulation Task Force, of which she is a member.

At their next meeting on Nov. 12, the Rochelle Chapter will host Carol Chandler who will be speaking on "Prisoners of War in Illinois." DAR encourages membership interest by any women aged 18 years or older, who can demonstrate direct lineage to an individual who supported the American cause during the Revolutionary War. Enthusiastic assistance is available to determine eligibility.

More information about the Rochelle Chapter, including contact information, can be found at the chapter's website: <https://ildar.org/chapters/rochelle/>.

Chana UMC announces winter holiday hour for family closet

CHANA — The Chana United Methodist Church is announcing its winter holiday hours for the family closet. This season, we are offering week-day hours by appointment and adding every Saturday morning walk-ins.

The Family Closet is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9 a.m. to noon through appointments only. To make an appointment, please call the church at 815-732-7683 and speak with an employee. Saturday Hours will be every Saturday morning from 9 a.m. through noon. These seasonal hours will be from Nov. 1 through Dec. 17.

Many new and warm clothes are stocked for fall and winter, including coats, boots and accessories. We have brand new shipments of infant through young adult with tags still on them. All clothes are free and everyone is welcome without limitations.

Affordable health screenings coming to Rochelle Nov. 16

ROCHELLE — Residents living in and around the Rochelle area can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes and other chronic, serious conditions with affordable screenings by Life Line Screening. The REC Center will host this community event on Nov. 16. The site is located at 802 Jones Road in Rochelle. Another screening will be held at the Mendota Moose Lodge 714 on Dec. 15. The site is located at 211 E. 12th St in Mendota.

Screenings can check for: The level of plaque buildup in your arteries, related to risk for cardiovascular disease, stroke and overall vascular health, HDL and LDL cholesterol levels, diabetes risk and kidney and thyroid function and more.

Screenings are affordable and convenient. Free parking is also available.

Special package pricing starts at \$159, but consultants will work with you to create a package that is right for you based on your age and risk factors. Call 1-877-237-1287 or visit our website at www.lifelinescreening.com. Pre-registration is required.

Roberts Armory WWII Museum open Nov. 6 for Veterans Day

ROCHELLE — The Roberts Armory World War II Museum will be open from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6. The Higgins Boat will be available for viewing, weather permitting. The museum displays artifacts from WWII, specializing in the history of the 70th Tank Battalion, 10th Mountain Division and local area veterans of WWII. The museum is open to the public three times each year: Memorial Day, the Lincoln Highway Heritage Festival and the Sunday before Veterans Day. There is no admission charge. The museum address is 2090 Brush Grove Road. To find the museum, go to the intersection of Illinois Route 251 and Intermodal Drive in Rochelle (an Army truck is at this intersection.) Just follow the signs, west about three miles to the museum. More information is available at <http://www.robertsarmory.com>

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THE PASTOR'S PEN

JACOB WAS HERE

BY PASTOR JOHN KALEBAUGH
Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Corinthians 15:58.

When I think of this verse, I am reminded of my dear friend Jacob, who went home to be with his Lord 5 years ago at the age of 23. He lived at home with his parents and camped at Mendota Hills and also attended our church (The Refuge) with them. Jacob had that rare personality which brought joy and excitement to everyone just by entering the room. He was fun, sincere, entertaining (and a little mischievous) ... and everyone wanted to be around him. He was also a solid and faithful friend whom many considered their "best friend". Jacob had a love for God and a zeal for life. He loved being a Com-Ed employee who lived and worked in the suburbs. But on Sunday's he helped lead our worship on his guitar. He loved to worship God not only on a stage on Sunday morning, but every

day – whether it was playing his guitar at home or listening to worship music in the car or in a hospital.

Jacob was diagnosed with lymphoma. Though it was scary and heartbreaking, he was able to maintain a positive attitude and faithful witness to his relationship with His savior, Jesus Christ. On one occasion he and his dad visited me at my previous place of employment. We had a wonderful time that day as I showed them around and before they left we wrote on a wall in the cement dust that day "Jacob was here"! This reminds me of the powerful impact he had on my own life. All of us at The Refuge Church had the privilege (and it was a privilege) to walk with Jacob, and his parents as they journeyed together on the path that lay ahead. Jacob was the only person I have ever known - young or old, who said as the Psalmist said, "It is good for me that I have been afflicted, that I may learn Your statutes." Psalm 119:17. You see, Jacob admitted that before his diagnosis he had begun to stray from the Lord, and his trial is what had brought him back.

Jacob's life was not defined by the sickness, but rather by his relationship with the Lord and by how he lived his life to the fullest in the time allotted him by God. He inspired many others to grow in a deeper and stronger relationship with God... because, "Jacob was here!" I just can't help but wonder how many people came to faith because of Jacob. And how many more were strengthened in their faith because of Jacob. Now, five years later, he is still affecting us who knew him as we reflect upon his beautiful life and powerful testimony.

His life serves to confirm, St. Paul's words, "... your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

It is not as much how many days we are given in this life, as it is in how we live the days that we are given. May all of our lives leave a good and godly imprint on the lives of those around us for eternity.

God Bless you!

Pastor John

Rock River Valley Blood Center updates donor guidelines

ROCKFORD – The Rock River Valley Blood Center (RRVBC) announced the Food & Drug Administration (FDA) has updated eligible donor guidelines allowing more people to donate blood and strengthen the nation's blood supply during a critical time. In May, the FDA announced donors who had been permanently deferred for Variant Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease (vCJD) risk factors, are now eligible to donate blood and the permanent deferral has been removed. By following the best available evidence, the FDA is allowing more people to donate blood without risking the safety of our nation's blood supply.

In addition, the FDA announced potential donors who have a geographic risk of possible exposure to bovine spongiform encephalopathy for time spent in the United Kingdom (U.K.) from 1980-1996 and for time spent in France and Ireland from 1980-2001, may begin donating again. Additionally, those who received a blood transfusion in the U.K., France, and Ireland from 1980-present can also now donate blood with no deferrals.

"The updated guidelines come at a critical time for blood centers across the nation, as well as our center locally, as we continue to experience a blood shortage," said Lisa Entrikin, CEO of the Rock River Valley Blood Center. "We urge all individuals and especially those who are now eligible again to please schedule a donation as we need you now more than ever."

Permanent deferrals remain in place for donors who have had a human cadaveric (allogeneic) dura mater transplant and

for donors who volunteer that they suspect having vCJD, CJD or another similar disease; have a blood relative diagnosed with a similar disease; or who received cadaveric pituitary human growth hormone.

For an entire list of the update guidelines, head to <https://www.rrvbc.org/updated-guidelines/>.

Donating blood is simple. After registering, a donor care specialist will take individual's vitals (temperature, blood pressure, pulse, and hemoglobin), and each person must complete an eligibility questionnaire before they can sit back and relax while giving. The donation itself only lasts about 10 minutes. Refreshments await after donating.

First-time donors should bring a photo ID. Individuals can donate a single unit (whole blood donation, the most common type) every 56 days. Students can donate once they turn 16 years of age and must have a signed parental consent.

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VOTE BY MAIL~ signed applications will be accepted through Thursday, November 3, 2022, and is available for properly registered Lee County voters. Applications are available on the website or by contacting the Election Department of her office.

EARLY VOTING~ must be conducted in person Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m. and Saturday, November 5, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. Closed legal holidays.

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Fall weather brings motorists out during harvest; extra precautions needed

The nip in the air of a cool fall morning and crunch of leaves underfoot are hallmark characteristics of autumn weather in Illinois. For many Illinoisans, these indicators prompt a visit to a local pumpkin patch or apple orchard. For farmers, they mean it's time to head to the field down the road for harvest, with hopes that other drivers use caution while navigating around large farm equipment.

With so many people traveling on rural roads this season, it takes every motorist acting responsibly to ensure each of us gets home safely at the end of the day.

If you've never ridden in the cab of a combine or tractor, you may not know how difficult it can be for farmers to see other vehicles while maneuvering from field to field. Limited visibility means that when other drivers on the road get in a hurry and fail to slow down or choose to quickly pass our equipment, situations can become treacherous and, in some cases, deadly.

Guest Column

By Richard Guebert,

Jr.



So how can drivers stay safe around slow-moving vehicles?

Look for the bright orange triangle that indicates a vehicle is slow moving. When traveling behind large equipment, people should immediately slow down and leave the distance of several car lengths between their vehicle and the one in front of them.

Before passing, the driver should always look for a clear signal from the person in the cab of the combine or tractor, only passing when it is safe and legal to do so. Remember that slow-moving vehicles make wide turns, so if you see the driver swinging to the right, do not assume they are moving out of your way; they may be preparing for a left turn.

Be prepared to encounter slow-moving vehicles at all times of the day and night. Many farm families work well into the evenings to harvest their crops and transport them to local storage facilities.

In addition to watching for agriculture equipment on the

road, drivers should also keep a lookout for semitrailers hauling goods.

Truck drivers play a critical role in the supply chain of food, fuel and fiber that each of us depends on. Transporting a large amount of goods means these drivers are often tasked with carrying heavy loads that slow their abilities to pick up speed or come to immediate stops. Giving these drivers room and being aware of their blind spots is essential.

This time of year means long shifts in the field for many Illinois farm families, but it's also a time for agriculture to celebrate a bountiful harvest. As we prepare for upcoming holiday festivities that often include sharing a meal with friends and family, we must all work together to keep the roads safe.

This harvest season, remember to slow down, use caution and take your time traveling around slow-moving vehicles and agriculture equipment. You never know when taking these actions might mean the difference between one or both parties making it home safely.

Richard Guebert, Jr., is the Illinois Farm Bureau President. This story was distributed through a cooperative project between Illinois Farm Bureau and the Illinois Press Association. For more food and farming news, visit FarmWeekNow.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

The words "return to traditional values" invoke warm fuzzy feelings about the way things were. We remember "Leave it to Beaver" and "The Andy Griffith Show." Do our memories also include the way things really were?

Before the 1970s, women couldn't have a credit card in their own name or sign a mortgage without a man. Gays were made to feel inferior and condemned in society. They couldn't marry or raise children. Jews and Muslims were judged and ostracized. Blacks couldn't buy homes in certain areas because of government redlining and couldn't drink from the same fountains or eat at the same diners as whites. Religious organizations hid child abuse.

The phrase may be meant to elicit nostalgia, but the intent

is dangerous. Politicians that use this phrase today to garner your vote want to return to a world where their religious beliefs are superior and legally binding, women can't control their own bodies, and same sex marriages are banned. In their world, false narratives, hate, exclusion, and corporate rule is the norm.

I, for one, do not want to return to the way things were in my childhood. I much prefer a world of acceptance, kindness, inclusion, protection of individuals' rights, and with the many other freedoms and opportunities we currently enjoy. Look past the window dressed words. Vote for candidates that believe in a way of life better than the "traditional values" to which some would have us return.

Denise Burrs

Dear Editor,

The month of October is the perfect time to enjoy sweet treats and a good scare with friends and family. That's why Budweiser and G&M Distributors are encouraging you to have a spook-tacular and safe Halloween season.

From the fun costumes to the scary movies, it's easy to get swept up in Halloween festivities. Before putting on your costume for the big Halloween party, make a plan ahead of time so that you aren't the one driving. Designating a driver or requesting a ride share so you can enjoy Buds with friends is always a great plan. Because you can't drive drunk at the end of the party if you don't drive there.

To help put an end to drunk driving, Anheuser-Busch and G&M are encouraging people to 'Decide to Ride' this Halloween season. Anheuser-Busch has invested more than \$1 billion in responsible drinking marketing efforts for more than 35 years. It's important for all of us to do our part to putting an end to alcohol-related accidents and deaths each year.

So, on October 31st and throughout the Halloween season, don't forget to 'Decide to Ride' because there's nothing scarier than drunk driving.

Cheers,

Mary Adolphson

Corporate Social Responsibility Coordinator

ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY

100 Years Ago Oct. 27, 1922

The weather of the past few weeks resembles the old-fashioned autumn of years ago. Trees have taken on the most beautiful colors no artist could ever imitate. The apple crop is immense and there will be plenty of cider. And grapes—there was no end of them, but we won't say they were all made into wine.

E. Donnelly.

50 Years Ago Nov. 2, 1997

An estimated 500 children participated in the 2nd Annual Halloween Parade.

Coaching staff of the 1972 Amboy Clippers were Don Fritz, James Mahar, Kurt Meisel, Tom Whitney, Ed Dunn, and George Danhaus. Varsity cheerleaders were Jackie Keho, Mary Elliott, Nancy Schultz, Laurie Grasser, Cheryl Noble, and Meg Albee.

Amboy High School cross country team finished their season with 14 wins and one loss. Bruce Wall was the coach.

cultural recently recognized thirty-five Illinois family farms as Centennial Farms. To become a Centennial Farm, an agricultural property must be owned by the same family of lineal decedents for at least 100 years. Among those honored was the George, Doris, and Linda Miller Farm near Compton.

The Three Rivers Athletic Conference has named its 1997 All-Conference football teams. Amboy players receiving TRAC-8 honors were Nick Nauman as 2nd Team running back, Justin Beetz as Honorable Mention running back, Greg Wedekind as Honorable Mention offensive guard, and Dave Paschall as Honorable Mention linebacker.

The Main Flower Shop's 5-6-year-old soccer team won its division's championship on Saturday, Oct. 18. They defeated the Amboy Pharmacy by a score of 5-3.

25 Years Ago Oct. 30, 1997

The Illinois Department of Agri-

75 Years Ago Oct. 30, 1947

City water users will have service interrupted at short intervals while workers replace several defective fire hydrants.

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LOCAL NEWS

BBB Alert: Moving scams

ROCKFORD — The Better Business Bureau says moving scams usually spike in October before the cold weather sets in. Many people also choose to move this time of year because it can be less expensive than the summer months. The complaints from bad moving companies have consumers reporting everything from outright scams, and price spikes to their items being held hostage.

Dennis Horton, director of the Rockford Regional Office of the Better Business Bureau says, "While there are many fine moving companies, people must research to secure the right firm for their needs to avoid a truckload of trouble. Most people hire a mover only a few times during their lives, so finding the right mover may be an unfamiliar process, leaving customers a target for scammers. Don't make a move before you check BBB.org first for company ratings and reviews. BBB is a free referral source to find businesses you can trust."

It's also important for those considering a move to review a company's website. If there is no address or information about a mover's registration or insurance, it's a red flag for customers.

Another red flag is movers showing up in an unmarked or rental truck, rather than a clearly marked company-owned fleet truck.

BBB also advises to be aware of movers who try to gain your trust and persuade you that there is no need for a written contract. Without anything in writing, anything can happen. Verbal agreements are meaningless when problems occur. Shady operators can deny responsibility if something goes wrong during the move, leaving you on the hook for any costs and damages.

BBB tips to avoid moving scams:

- Be wary of unusual requests. If a mover asks for a large down payment or full payment in advance, that may indicate a fraudulent business.
- Get everything in writing. Though most professional movers do give quotes over the phone, it's still a good idea to get written documentation of all the services you are receiving. If an estimate seems too good to be true, it likely is. Get at least two written estimates from different movers. Be sure the estimates are based on weight, not cubic feet, and opt for full-value replacement liability insurance.
- Protect your possessions. Make sure that you have full-value protection insurance for any lost or damaged possessions. Note that expensive items such as a flat-panel television may need additional replacement cost coverage if damaged in transit.

- Take your valuables with you. Cash, coins, jewelry, photographs, and important papers should be taken with you or shipped separately using a shipping service with tracking numbers and insurance.

- Keep an inventory of your belongings. Having an inventory sheet is one of the best ways to keep track of your possessions. Label the boxes your belongings are packed in and what is in each box. Movers are not liable for lost or damaged contents in customer-packed boxes unless there is provable negligence on the mover's part. Photos of the contents before packing are a great way to prove if damages were incurred during the moving process.

- Ask questions. Do not be afraid to ask questions about anything you don't understand. If the moving company either can't or won't answer your questions, look for another company. Trust matters when hiring a moving company. Most professional movers wear uniforms and undergo background checks.

OSF HealthCare revises masking requirements for patients, visitors and employees

MENDOTA — OSF HealthCare has revised masking requirements for patients, visitors, and Mission Partners (employees) in its health care facilities in the wake of changes to State of Illinois requirements and CDC recommendations related to COVID-19.

Patients and visitors are not required to wear a mask unless the community transmission level of the county where the facility is located is high. Patients and visitors will be asked to mask if they have a suspected or confirmed COVID infection; have symptoms of a respiratory infection (e.g., those with runny nose, cough, sneeze); or have had close contact or an exposure to someone with COVID during the past 10 days.

For Mission Partners who are vaccinated for COVID-19, masks are not required unless the community transmission level is high. Unvaccinated Mission

Partners who received exemptions based on religious or medical grounds must continue to wear a mask at all times, regardless of the transmission level.

OSF HealthCare leaders continue to monitor COVID-19 transmission levels throughout the communities it serves and will make adjustments if levels change. Some communities with OSF HealthCare facil-

ities are currently in areas considered with high transmission and will continue to mask as before.

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Visit the OSF HealthCare website for the latest COVID-19 information.

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FATHER

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"I worked at the VA and talked to the veterans. I really enjoyed talking to them and getting to know them. They asked me and others for military history to put on a poster. I made my own poster. On it, I had the photo of the first flag raising. In the middle, there was the exchange of the flags. Then, there was the second flag raising. I really wanted that to be known because my dad was part of it.

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SPORTS

On to the next round

Amboy thumps Blue Ridge 48-0 in first round

By Brandon LaChance
Amboy News Reporter
AMBOY – Celebrations and high-fives were aplenty Saturday in Amboy as the Amboy-LaMoille-Ohio football team won its 8-man first-round playoff game, 48-0, against Blue Ridge.

The No. 5-seeded Clippers (8-2) led 28-0 after the first, 42-0 at halftime and scored once more against the No. 12-seeded Knights in the fourth quarter on a Josh McKendry run.

The celebrations were about each touchdown, advancing to the second round of the playoffs, and the return of senior quarterback Tucker Lindenmeyer.

“We started off a little slow. We had some big plays here and there,” said Lindenmeyer, who has been out since a Week 4 leg injury against Milford/Cissna Park. “Overall, we didn’t do very well in the first quarter. We picked it up in the second quarter and got back to doing what we needed to do.

“I think I started slow. I slowly started to get back in the groove and find the rhythm that I need. Hopefully, it continues for the second playoff game. It was a lot different atmosphere being involved in the game and being a part of the win. It’s nice being back.”

Lindenmeyer will have a chance to settle the score of the 40-30 loss to Milford, the first Clippers’ loss of the season, in the second round of the playoffs as A-L-O takes on the Bearcats at 2 p.m. Saturday at Sam Fanning Stadium in Milford.

“Moving on in the playoffs, we need to stick together as a team. We need a strong mindset overall,” Lindenmeyer said. “We need to learn



Amboy's Brennan Blaine tries to snag a pass while being defended by Farmer City Blue Ridge's Trenton Smith (No. 51) and Corbin Colbert during the first round of the 8-Man Playoffs on Oct. 29 at the AHS field. Blaine was unable to come down with the catch.

Kip Cheek/Amboy News

each other better, flow better, and everything just needs to really come together and stay tight like a puzzle. If we can do that, we'll have success.”

Clippers coach Scott Payne was more than happy to have his lone senior back on the field.

The offense picked up 408 total yards with Lindenmeyer throwing 8-of-12 for 144 yards, two touchdowns and an interception.

Junior Landon Whelchel ran for 110 yards and two touchdowns on 15 carries,

while also returning a kickoff 80-yards to the endzone.

Sophomore Quinn Lefelmann had four carries for 89 yards and a 53-yard touchdown.

“Tucker looked good in his first game back throwing the football. We still made a few mental mistakes. We need to get those cleaned up before the next round. All year long, we were one of the least penalized teams. All of a sudden (Saturday), we seemed like we were holding every other play. We'll work

on that and get it cleaned up before next week.

“Our offensive and defensive line did a great job (Saturday). They controlled the line of scrimmage. We shut down their big fullback, Jamison Berkler, and I think we did a really good job of stopping their inside trap game.”

Amboy had seven penalties for 100 yards while Blue Ridge had three whistles against them for 30 yards.

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Amboy quarterback Tucker Lindenmeyer eludes the tackle try by Farmer City Blue Ridge's Riley Pruitt during the first round of the 8-Man Playoffs on Oct. 29 at the AHS field.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

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Tuesday, Nov. 8

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Wednesday, Nov. 9

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AJHS 5th/6th Boys Basketball (H) Sauk Valley Catholic-6th-5pm/5th-6pm

AJHS 7th/8th Boys Basketball @ St. Mary's, Sterling-8th-5pm/7th-6pm

Thursday, Nov. 10

Central School Drawing Club-Art Room-3:20-4 pm

AJHS 5th/6th Boys Basketball @ Montmorency-6th-5pm/5th-6pm

AJHS 7th/8th Boys Basketball (H) Montmorency-8th-5pm/7th-6pm

Friday, Nov. 11

Veteran's Day Program-AHS Gym-10 am

Early Dismissal-School Improvement Day-AHS/AJHS-11:20; Central-11:25

AJHS 7th Boys Basketball @ Ladd Tournament-TBA

Saturday, Nov. 12

AJHS 7th Boys Basketball @ Ladd Tournament-TBA

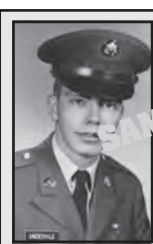
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Amboy's Brody Christoffersen wraps up Farmer City Blue Ridge running back Cole Pemble while Clipper teammate Landon Whelchel moves in for support during the first round of the 8-Man Playoffs on Oct. 29 at the AHS field.

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The Clippers recovered two Knights fumbles and only gave up one interception.

Junior tight end Brennan Blaine took credit for 114 of Lindenmeyer's yards as he had four grabs and two touchdowns.

"It was nice to have Tucker back for this game. We wanted him to play with us in the playoffs," Blaine said. "Eddie Jones (sophomore backup quarterback who started during Lindenmeyer's injury) did good, held it down, and did the best he could, but Tucker is a senior and he's had more experience in the playoffs."

"When we were in our Trips formation, Blue Ridge

did a good job of double teaming me. I don't think I caught one pass out of that formation. I was guarded every time I caught the ball, Tucker just hit me with some nice throws."

Blaine realizes teams have watched film and know what him and Lindenmeyer are capable of doing on the field.

He also knows it doesn't change the game plan.

"We're going to have to play through it. We know it's going to be tough the rest of the way through," Blaine said. "We have Milford next week. They're a great team and we already lost to them once. We hope to see a different outcome this time."

"Whelchel was running well against Blue Ridge. Our line picked up the blocks. Quinn caught a couple of passes. It's nice moving the ball and getting it to other guys. It really helps our offense open up we'll keep it going in the playoffs."

If you ask Payne what the difference of a regular season Week 4 loss and a second-round playoff victory against Milford will be, he doesn't hesitate.

"What's going to be different is we have Tucker Lindenmeyer dressing," Payne said. "That's going to help us out tremendously."

Lady Clippers end season

ANNAWAN – The Amboy Clippers lost to Annawan, 25-14, 17-25, 25-18 in the semifinal-round of the Annawan Class 1A Regional Volleyball Tournament on Oct. 26. The loss ended AHS's season.

Tyrah Vaessen and Kiera Karlson both had nice matches at the net, with Vaessen

picking up five kills and five blocks and Karlson getting three kills and three blocks. Vaessen added nine digs, five assists and three ace serves. Madison O'Malley also had three aces, while Elly Jones had seven assists, Ellie McLaughlin recorded 12 digs and Courtney Ortgiesen collected 10 digs.

Amboy advanced to the semifinals after winning its regional opener against Cambridge, 25-22, 25-22, on Oct. 24.

Hanover River Ridge went on to claim the regional championship with a 25-21, 25-10 triumph over Annawan on Oct. 27.

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Clippers end season at Sectional

OREGON — Amboy's cross country season came to a close at the Oregon Class 1A Sectional on Oct. 29.

The Clippers' Kyler McNinch finished in 22nd-place overall with a time of 17:39.9 and missed out on a trip to the state meet by one place. The first 10 runners to finish that are not on a qualifying team earn a bid to state and McNinch was the 11th runner.

Also running their final meet of the season for the Clippers were Charlie Dickinson (66th, 18:49.2), Atticus Horner (68th, 18:50.3),

Garrett Pertell (85th, 19:19.8) and Jaden Haley (121st, 21:05.2).

Tommy Murray of Port Byron Riverdale was the overall sectional champion with a time of 16:07.3.

The top six teams advancing to state include Port Byron Riverdale (33), Rockford Christian (112), Pontiac (151), Sandwich (174), Mercer County (199) and Sterling Newman (204). The Clippers finished 11th in the team standings with 313 points.

Red Cross: Turn your clocks back, test your smoke alarms this weekend to help stay safe from home fires

LEE COUNTY — As daylight saving time ends on Nov. 6, the American Red Cross encourages everyone to test their smoke alarms as they turn their clocks back to help stay safe from home fires.

When turning your clocks back this weekend, test your smoke alarms and replace the batteries if needed. Visit redcross.org/fire for more information, including an escape plan to create and practice with your family, or download the free Red Cross Emergency app by searching "American Red Cross" in app stores.

- Install smoke alarms on every level of your home, including inside and outside bedrooms and sleeping areas.

- Replace smoke alarms that are 10 years or older. Components such as sensors can become less sensitive over time. Follow your alarm's manufacturer instructions.

- Practice your two-minute home fire escape plan. Make sure everyone in your household can get out in less than two minutes — the amount of time you may have to escape a burning home before it's too late.

- Include at least two ways to get out of every room and select a meeting spot at a safe distance away from your home, such as your

neighbor's home or landmark like a specific tree in your front yard, where everyone can meet.

HOME FIRE RESPONSE American Red Cross volunteers responded to 3 home fires in Lyndon, South Beloit, and Dixon in the past week and provided assistance to 87 individuals, including 24 children, through supplying them with basic items to meet immediate needs after a fire, and additional support in the form of health and mental health services and one-on-one support. Volunteers responded to fires in Whiteside, Winnebago, and Lee counties.

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ILLINOIS 8-MAN FOOTBALL PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

[Upper Bracket-First Round]

#1 Decatur Lutheran 86, #16 Martinsville 54

#8 Champaign St. Thomas More 52, #9 Pawnee 8

#4 Milford-Cissna Park 70, #13 Ashton-Franklin Center 24

#5 Amboy-LaMoille-Ohio 48, #12 Farmer City Blue Ridge 0

[Lower Bracket-First Round]

#2 Biggsville West Central 72, #15 South Beloit 16

#7 Milledgeville 52, #10 Sciota West Prairie 3

#3 Cambridge Ridgewood 58, #14 South Fork 26

#6 Polo 40, #11 Kirkland Hiawatha 8

[Quarterfinals]

Champaign St. Thomas More (7-3) at Decatur Lutheran (10-0)

Amboy-LaMoille-Ohio (8-2) at Milford Cissna Park (8-2), Saturday, Nov. 5, 2 p.m.

Milledgeville (7-3) at Biggsville West Central (10-0)

Polo (8-2) at Cambridge Ridgewood (9-1), Saturday, Nov. 5, 1 p.m.

Illinois COVID-related mortgage assistance program to reopen Nov. 1

BY JERRY NOWICKI

Capitol News Illinois

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SPRINGFIELD — The state will reopen a mortgage assistance program for pandemic-impacted homeowners on Nov. 1.

The Illinois Homeowner Assistance Fund, run through the Illinois Housing Development Authority, provides up to \$30,000 in assistance to homeowners through payments made directly to mortgage servicers, taxing bodies or other approved entities.

The program is funded through an appropriation from the federal American Rescue Plan Act and can be used for past-due mortgage payments and up to three months of future payments. The funding can also be used for delinquent property taxes, homeowner's insurance, condominium or homeowner association fees, and mobile home lot rent.

Funds received do not need to be repaid. More information is available at illnoishousinghelp.org/ilhaf, and the application portal will be open from Nov. 1 through the end of January 2023.

"The state of Illinois is committed to ensuring that homeowners who are struggling due to this terrible pandemic can stay in their home," IHDA Executive Director Kristin Faust said in a news release. "We designed the ILHAF program to ensure the most vulnerable households are prioritized in order

to stave off foreclosure to ensure they are given the opportunity to become current on their monthly housing expenses."

To qualify, Illinois homeowners must:

Have experienced a financial hardship due to the COVID-19 pandemic after Jan. 21, 2020, or a hardship that began before that date and continued afterward.

Currently own and occupy the home in the state as their primary residence. Be at least 30 days late on their monthly housing payment. Have a household income at or below 150 percent of the area median income. Be able to demonstrate they have either communicated with their mortgage provider about their inability to pay or sought counseling with a federally approved counseling organization. Individuals who participated in a previous round of mortgage assistance may apply again in the upcoming round, but the maximum amount a person can receive is \$30,000 cumulatively.

As of Sept. 22, the state had approved \$20.5 million in assistance through the program with 1,840 approved applications, according to IHDA. The average assistance amounted to \$12,732 per household. Another 3,721 applications had been submitted to the servicer, 1,485 were under review, and 6,948 had been denied.

Information can also be obtained by contacting the ILHAF hotline at 1-866-454-3571.

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LOCAL NEWS

Bird flu cases add to food price inflation

By DANIEL GRANT
FarmWeek

The outbreak of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) spread its wings across a much larger portion of the U.S. in the past year compared to the previous outbreak in 2015. And it continues to drive up food price inflation, which recently soared to 11.4% — the largest 12-month increase since the period ending in May 1979.

“It appears the disease is now far more widespread than in the past, with a very large number of bird species affected,” authors of the CME Group’s Daily Livestock Report noted.

Cases of HPAI have been confirmed from Florida to Alaska. The turkey industry alone lost more than 5 million birds, prior to a recent outbreak in California. USDA also reported an outbreak of HPAI affecting 175,000 turkeys in Minnesota this month, which was the first confirmed case in the Midwest since May.

“We sit at 418 confirmed detections in 48 states that impacted about 40.5 million birds in the U.S.,” said Bernt Nelson, American Farm Bureau Federation economist. “When we find a case, those birds are isolated and the flock is depopulated.”

Consumers will be able to find turkeys for the upcoming holiday season, according to Nelson. But they should prepare for high

prices.

“The reduction in (turkey) supply is largely responsible for the increase in prices,” said Nelson, who recently discussed the situation on CBS News MoneyWatch. “Will HPAI have a further impact on supply? We could see prices climbing higher.”

The weekly average price for an 8- to 16-pound turkey was \$1.85 per pound on Sept. 3, 27% higher than the same time last year. Breast cuts are leading the surge with an average price of \$6.65 per pound on Sept. 3 compared to \$3.13 at the same time last year, Nelson noted.

Meanwhile, the loss of chickens to HPAI led to egg prices nearly tripling in the past year.

It’s one of the numerous contributors to the historic run-up in food prices. Other key factors include ongoing supply chain issues, escalating costs for shipping, packaging and fuel, a labor shortage and widespread drought in the western U.S. impacting food output.

Meanwhile, food demand remains strong around the world. U.S. beef exports were valued at \$6.45 billion from January through July, up 29% from the same time last year.

Tight supplies and higher prices rationed U.S. pork exports, though, which were valued at \$3.56 billion the first half of the year, 15.9% lower than a year ago, according to the Daily Livestock Report.



Poultry owners, managers or veterinarians should report any potential outbreaks of the highly pathogenic avian influenza in domestic poultry flocks to the Illinois Department of Agriculture at 217-782-4944 or the United States Department of Agriculture at 866-536-7593. (FarmWeek file photo)

Overall, there doesn’t appear to be much relief from inflationary pressure any time soon. USDA expects food prices to grow more slowly in 2023 compared to 2022, but still above the historic average rate.

Nationwide, inflation of all goods measured remained at an historic high in August

(8.3%), although it decelerated slightly compared to the previous month.

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- There will be an on site pre-bid meeting 11/9/22 at 10:00 AM. It is advised that all bidders attend this meeting.

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Work is scheduled to start the winter of 2022. This project is a prevailing wage enforced project.

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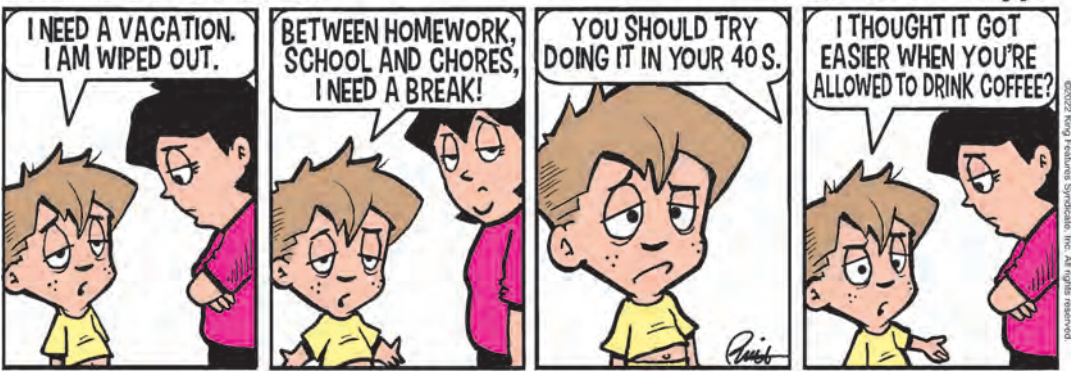
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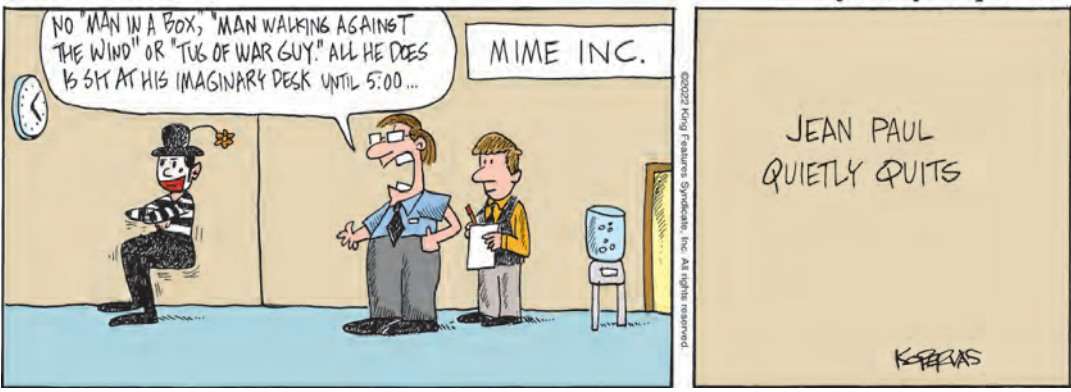


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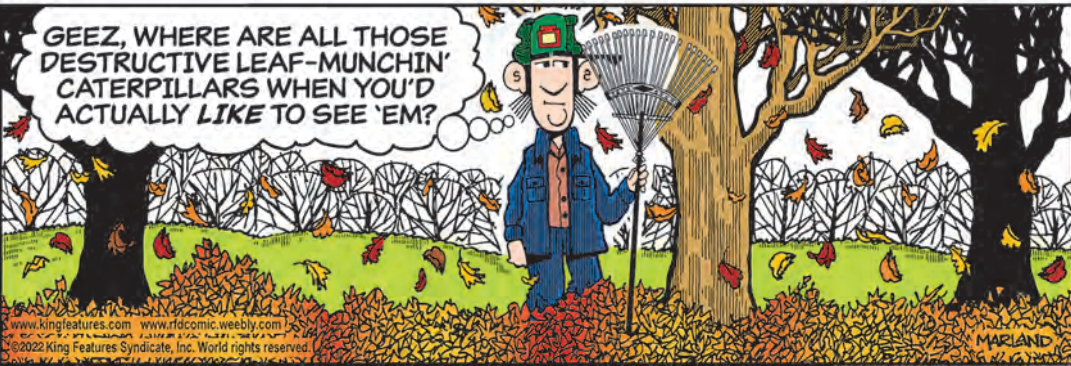
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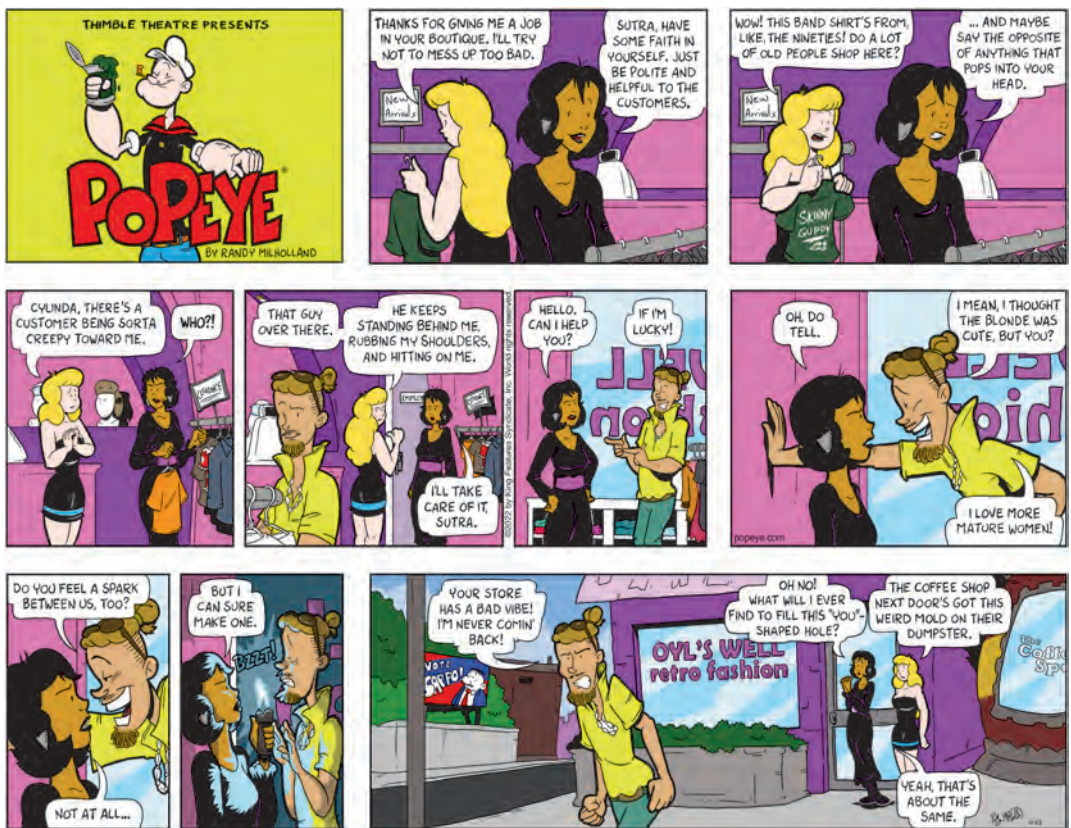
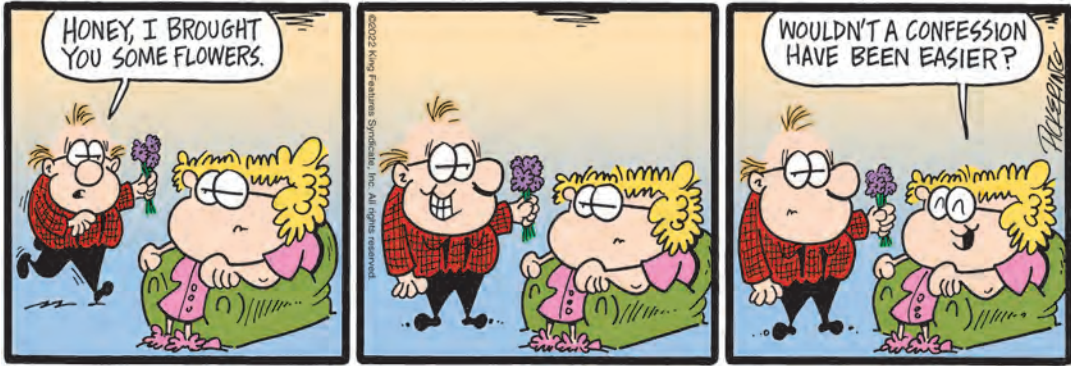
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- 8 Last write-up
- 12 Jazz singer James
- 13 Punk rock off-shoot
- 14 Indy event
- 15 Meander
- 16 Has a portion (of)
- 18 Seeming contradiction
- 20 Small earrings
- 21 Allow
- 22 — Paulo
- 23 Social worker's load
- 26 Talkative birds
- 30 Half of bi-
- 31 Levy
- 32 French article
- 33 Layered dessert
- 36 Media barage
- 38 Dog tags, e.g.
- 39 Sheep call
- 40 Acid in proteins
- 43 Lets off
- 47 Sunshades
- 49 "Phooey!"
- 50 Earth Day subj.
- 51 "A mouse!"
- 52 Outside (Pref.)
- 53 Painter

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- 10 On the rocks
- 11 Hardy heroine
- 17 Despot
- 19 — Moines
- 22 Swing band instrument
- 23 Drink holder
- 24 Santa — winds
- 25 Knight's address
- 26 Bit of butter
- 27 Gigi's "yes"
- 28 Stick with a kick
- 29 — who?"
- 31 Poetic contraction
- 34 Closing number
- 35 Big fusses
- 36 Saloon
- 37 Firetruck necessity
- 39 Soaks up the sun
- 40 Unoriginal one
- 41 Spiked club
- 42 Pressing need
- 43 Entreaty
- 44 Killer whale
- 45 D.C. baseball team
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- 48 British ref. work

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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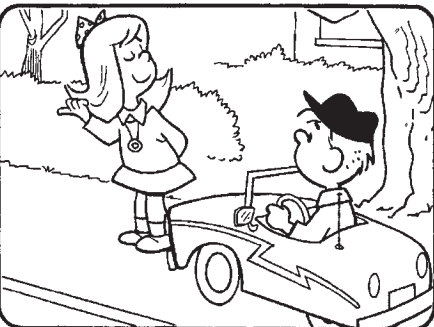
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6. MOVIES: Which book is the 1922 silent film "Nosferatu" based upon?
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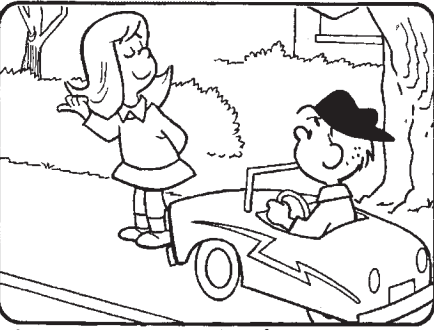
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HOCUS-FOCUS

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Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Bow is missing. 2. Locket is missing. 3. Stripe is missing. 4. Mirror is missing. 5. Cap is reversed. 6. Antenna is missing.

HANDSOME

Today's Word

3. Search; 4. Mangle

1. Scarce 2. Beyond

solution

SCRAMBLERS

CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: H equals L

JGOE LGO XHOQ RQUBOL
CXXOUOW XUOO HCJ-ZTQHSLI
QZTQUSTRK, Q GTDO KSDE
KQSW "LQEBK XCU ECLGSED!"

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King Crossword

Answers

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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

When the flea market

offered tree (low-quality)

aquariums, a huge sign

said "Thanks for nothing!"

answer