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CLIPPERS HEAD TO STATE

Left, the Amboy High School Band led the Amboy-LaMoille-Ohio football team through Central Elementary, Amboy Junior High, and AHS for a state send off before the Clippers played in the Illinois 8-Man Football Championship Friday at Monmouth College. Pictured above, the Amboy cheerleaders pump up the large crowd of Clipper supporters before the start of the 8-Man Football state championship game. See Section B for coverage of the state championship.

Kip Cheek and Brandon LaChance/Amboy News

COOKING FOR THE KIDS

Shell Express Lane in Amboy hosted a Thanksgiving Meal to Help Raise Money for the Lee County Shop With A Sheriff Program on Friday, Nov. 18. All proceeds and donation will go to benefit the Shop With A Sheriff Program. Pictured above, Shell Express Lane employees Tabitha, Sonya, Breanna, Renee and Danielle show off the meal.

Arrive safely this Thanksgiving: Sheriff says to buckle up

LEE COUNTY - As millions of motorists hit the road to celebrate Thanksgiving, Illinois law enforcement will be working around the clock to make sure holiday travelers are buckled up and driving safely. The Lee County Sheriff's Office is joining the Illinois Department of Transportation and the Illinois State Police to remind motorists to "Click

The goal of this high-visibility effort is to reduce motor vehicle crashes and the resulting injuries and fatalities. Correct seat-belt use is the most effective way to protect vehicle occupants. According to IDOT, the statewide seat-belt usage rate is at 93%. "Wearing your seat belt is second nature for most," said Sgt. Derek Ranken. "We're looking for the 7% of Illinois motorists who skip this lifesaving step.'

Drivers and passengers can expect a ticket from the Sheriff's Office if they are spotted without a seat belt. Stepped-up patrols and seat belt enforcement zones will be seen throughout Lee County and the state Nov. 18-28. If you'll be celebrating with alcohol or other impairing substances, please remember:

See THANKSGIVING page A7

Amboy High School student council helps run blood drive

BY BRANDON LACHANCE

Amboy News Reporter

AMBOY — What do you know about the Amboy High School Student Council? It's a group of high school kids elected by their peers. It kind of reflects on a governmen-

and the other titles. Members of the Amboy High School Student Council joined to learn how a structured organization works and runs, and to be active

tal system with a president, vice president,

in the community. The AHS Student Council helped run an American Red Cross blood drive on Friday, Nov. 11 for the second time this school year. There will be two more as one is planned for

January and April. "It's a thing that we do every year. I just like to help out when they do the blood drives," said AHS sophomore Grace Royer, who was part of the registration process when a donor came to the Amboy Community Building. "We do a few blood drives and we do a

canned food drive throughout the year. I try to participate as much as I can. I can't donate blood yet because I'm not 16, but once I am, I plan to donate blood.

"I think it's really cool that people show up and are here to help out and give what they can.'

Royer added she enjoys helping the community and wants to continue to help where she can as she gets older.

Alainie Wittenauer joined her classmate and friend at the registration table.

She took a second to think about what she would be doing if she wasn't helping a good cause and being part of something.

"Because I'm not in sports I feel I have a lot more time to be giving back to my community." Wittenauer said. "If I didn't do Student Council or FFA (Future Farmers of America), I'd probably just be sitting around my house doing nothing. I'm using my time wisely and not just sitting around on my butt.

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Addison Shaw (back table) is drawing blood during the Nov. 11 American Red Cross blood drive at the Amboy Community Building, while her sister Marie is being prepared for her donation. The blood drive was the second of four assisted by the Amboy Student Council throughout the school year. Brandon LaChance/

Amboy News

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. Marvin Eugene Frank

arvin E. Frank was born in ▲ Milledgeville, on Dec. 18, 1925 to Christian and Marie Zemke Frank. Both parents were German immigrants, who had settled in northern Illinois to pursue their dream of establishing a family farm. Eight children



would be born to this couple, and four of them would join the U.S. Army to fight against Hitler's Germany in the years

Marvin attended grade school in Amboy, completing his education at Lee Center High School. After his 18th birthday, he registered for the military draft, and on Feb. 22, 1944, he enlisted in the U.S. Army, receiving his initial training at Athens, Pennsylvania. With the rank



of Private First Class, Marvin was assigned to the 379th Infantry Regiment, 95th Infantry Division (nicknamed "Victory Division"), and in July of 1944 he was sent to England in preparation for combat in France.

On Sept. 15, the 95th Division landed at Omaha Beach, and proceeded southeast to Norroy-le-Sec, close to the borders of Luxembourg and Germany where they would remain during early October. In order to cross into Germa-

ny, General Patton's army

would first have to attack the city of Metz, France, then occupied by Nazi forces, and this would require house by house close-range urban combat, promising high casualty rates.

In early November, the 95th Division crossed the Moselle River, attacking forts outside the city, and capturing the City of Metz on Nov. 22 and later a key bridge over the Saar River.

As U.S. troops moved toward

Saarlautern, Germany, they

encountered fierce resistance

taking heavy casualties. By Dec. 19, the bridgehead was secured allowing the 95th and other divisions to move further into Germany. In early January of 1945, Chris and Marie Frank of Amboy received news from the War Department that their son Marvin had been killed in action while fighting with the 95th Infantry Division.

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Diesel supply tight, but it won't run out

BY DANIEL GRANT FarmWeek

The supply of diesel fuel has become uncomfortably tight this fall, drumming up concerns about future availability.

The U.S. started the month with about a 25-day supply



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of diesel in storage.

But that doesn't mean the tanks will run dry in that amount of time, according to Tim Abel, GROWMARK refined fuels, supply and trading manager.

"We do have tight supplies," Abel told the RFD Radio Network. "This time of year, maybe 32 days supply or 34 days supply would be more applicable.

"But I think it (the 25-day supply) has been overplayed in the media," he said. "We're not going to run out (of diesel) in 25 days. It just means we're extremely low – it's just another metric for measuring what we have."

The amount of diesel measured as "days of supply" factors the current demand divided into the availability of inventory, according to Abel.



The situation certainly continues to pressure prices, though. Average diesel prices started the month at \$5.31 per gallon nationwide, up \$1.59 compared to last year, and \$5.32 in the Midwest \$1.68 higher than last year.

Midwest, \$1.68 higher than last year.

"From a U.S. and world perspective, heating oil, diesel fuel and jet fuel supplies have been extremely tight," Abel said.

"A lot of dynamics have gotten us to where we are today."

The refined fuels expert traces the start of the rise in diesel prices back to 2019 when the International Maritime Organization implemented lower sulfur content standards for its fuel. That was followed by demand destruction from the COVID pandemic in 2020-21 followed by the industry trying to adjust to a rebound in fuel demand this year amid the ongoing war in Ukraine.

"The EU is trying to wean itself off Russian fuel," Abel said. "When you look at the different supply disruptions, that's why we're at where we are today."

During recent years, some refining capacity was taken offline amid the chaos and market uncertainty. And some companies are now unsure how much to invest in production with mixed signals about the future use of carbon-based fuels. "Global refining capacity is down 3 million barrels per

day from where we were in 2019 and here in the U.S. it's

down about 1 million barrels," Abel said. "Overall, the view on carbon-based fuel has changed. As companies look how to spend money, we've seen a retraction of carbon-based fuel." Meanwhile, fuel supplies for ag purposes typically tighten this time of year following peak harvest activity. The question

this time of year following peak narvest activity. The question this year is how quickly will fuel storage tanks be replenished. "It's not unusual for the (diesel) supply to be tight in the fall. We go through peaks and valleys," Abel said. "It's also

normal to a see a rebuild in the non-peak season."

The rebuild process could be slowed in the weeks ahead, though. With diesel prices still at historic highs, many mid-sized fuel suppliers may opt to keep a "just-in-time" inventory on hand in anticipation of lower prices this winter, according to Abel.

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Sublette Christmas in the Village Sunday, Dec. 4

The Village of Sublette will ring in the holidays during its annual Christ-

mas Walk, "Christmas in the Village," from 3 - 6 p.m., on Sunday, Dec. 4. This year's event will be

held on Sunday afternoon.

A craft and vendor show will be held at 6 p.m. at the Ellice Dinges Center. There will be a large variety of vendors that can fulfill your holiday shopping needs.

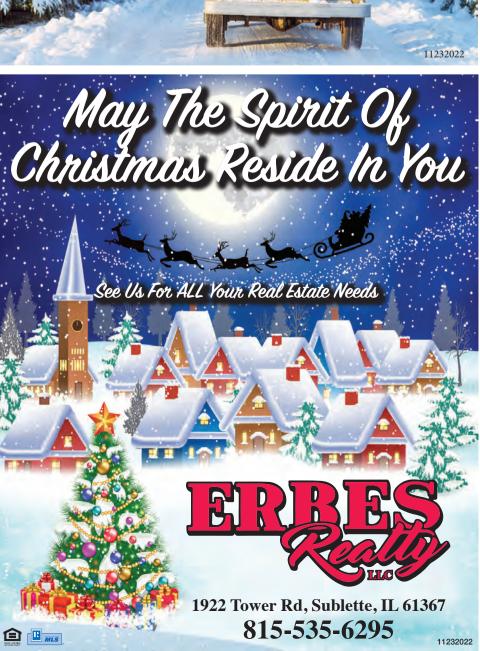
New this year will be the Lighted Christmas Parade at 5:30 p.m. Cars, Trucks, ATVs, Tractors are welcome. Line up is at Centennial Park. Following the lighted parade will be the official lighting of the village Christmas tree at 6 p.m., by Santa Claus. Line up will be at Centennial Park

Downtown Sublette businesses will be open for all your shopping and refreshment needs. "Christmas in the Village" is always the highlight of the Christmas season in Sublette. Families are invited to come and enjoy a festive day.

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 Sublette General Store, Pioneer State Bank and the Post Office. Everyone is urged to light up the town for the Christmas season.











TEEN TURF

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

You must call 815-857-4800 to be put on. If you are not registered, please do not send your child without speaking

Free Thanksgiving Community Event Thank you's A full Thank you will be in next week's paper

Thank You's

We are always grateful for those that assist Teen Turf in it's endeavor of helping people: Deb and Art Albee for the bags, Martha Henley for the cookies: Anonymous donation of books; Eileen and Irene Ramsdell for the sandwich meat, cheese, bread, and Thanksgiving cupcakes; Cookies from Honor Flight delivered by Jim Travi; Carol Ely and family for food; Kathy Mekeel and family for the food; Char and Larry Beaumont for the hams; Angela Bowman for the pants; Colleen and Glenn Robison for the cookies; Santa Claus for the granola bars; Family of Ron Senn for the monetary donation; Ron Singleton for the lemonade packets; Barb and George Spataro for the summer items and school supplies and Melissa and Lane Eisenberg for the treats.

Needs

Paper plates and Kleenex

Final Word

"Dear God, Thank you for your amazing power and work in our lives, thank you for Your goodness and for Your blessings over us. Thank you for your great love and care. Thank you for your sacrifice so that we might have freedom and life. Forgive us for when we don't thank you enough, for who you are, for all that you do, for all that you've given. Help us to set our eyes and our hearts on you afresh. Renew our spirits, fill us with Your peace and joy. We love you and we need you, this day and every day. We give you praise and thanks, for you alone are worthy. In Jesus' Name, Amen."

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

AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 6 p.m. at the Community Center, 280 W. Wasson Rd., on Monday, Nov. 28. Anyone interested in joining or wants more information on the Lions Club is invited to attend.

DIXON- The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive from 12:30 - 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, Nov. 29, at Knights of Columbus Hall, 506 West Third, Dixon. Call the Red Cross at 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood. org to make an appointment to donate. Download the Blood Donor App.

SUBELTTE-The Village

of Sublette will ring in the holidays during its annual Christmas Walk, "Christmas in the Village," from 3 - 6 p.m., on Sunday, Dec. 4. This year's event will be held on Sunday afternoon. The Christmas Walk committee promises something for the whole family.

LEE CENTER TWP-The Lee Center Township meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 8, at

the Township Building, 2202 Shaw Rd., Amboy. AMBOY-The Amboy Lions Club will meet at 6 p.m. at the Community Center, 280

W. Wasson Rd., on Monday,

Dec. 12. 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, Dec. 12,

at the Ellice Dinges Center, 202 S. West St., Sublette.

EAST GROVE TWP-

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SVCC recognized as a 2022 ALL IN most engaged campuses for college student voting

DIXON —Sauk Valley Community College has been recognized by the ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge (ALL IN) as a 2022 ALL IN Most Engaged Campuses for College Student Voting. The ALL IN Most Engaged Campuses for College Student Voting recognizes colleges and universities for making intentional efforts to increase student voter participation. SVCC is recognized by ALLIN for completing these four actions:

- Democracy Challenge
- Shared 2020 NSLVE Reports with campus voting data with ALL IN
- Developed and submitted a 2022 democratic engagement action plan with ALL IN
- Have a current signatory to ALLIN's Higher Education Presidents' Commitment to Full Student Voter Participation.

"We are excited to be part of the All-In Campus Democracy Challenge and honored to be recognized as one of the most engaged campuses. At SVCC we believe we teach not only curriculum, but also social and civic responsibility," said Dr. Jon Mandrell, Vice President of Academics and Student Services.

The ALL IN Campus Democracy

Challenge empowers colleges and universities to achieve excellence in nonpartisan student democratic engagement. Campuses that join the ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge complete a set of action items, with the support of ALL IN Challenge staff, to institutionalize nonpartisan civic learning, political engagement, and

voter participation on their campus. The ALL IN Campus Democracy Challenge currently engages over 9 million students from more than 950 institutions in all 50 states and the District of Columbia.

or friend's parents, play their part by get a pizza party and a really, really giant box of candy that I have. Central

> and the junior high both do something fun like that.

"On the last day, the student council gets up extra early and we take all of the non-perishable food items to the fire department. We spend the day at the fire department packing boxes, which are then sent to families in the community that are in need."

room collected over 200 non-perishable food items.

collection side of the drive.

The food drive started the week of

Nov. 7 and will continue until Dec. 8.

"There's the saying, 'It takes a village to raise a child," Arellano said. "But the village needs to be there for each other. It's not a community unless we're all supporting each other in one

• Participate in the ALL IN Campus

COUNCIL continued from page A1 -"I think it's awesome that people are willing to help out people that they don't even know. They're willing to give what they have to the community. I really enjoy having opportunities like this because I want to be more involved

with my community. It's a little bit harder for me because I don't live in Amboy. I live in Sublette. I like being in Student Council because I know about the opportunities that I have to be more involved. "I think it's a great thing for everyone

to be in student council and to help the community." Jessica Arellano has led the Amboy Student Council during the blood drives

and other events for the last two years as the council's advisor. For her, it's fun to see the excitement and pride she sees in the students as they're doing something so simple as

writing a donor's name on a name tag. They also get a kick out of seeing their parents, teachers, coaches, AHS seniors, people who may have graduated from school in the last few years, donating blood. "Ithink it's really cool to see kids who

want to give back to their community. It's not always easy growing up in a small town," Arellano said. "You might feel like your time is boring or you want to leave. It's cool that these kids are willing to step up and pour back into their community. They might not realize how much their community is giving them, so it's cool to see them give back by helping with events like this." The Amboy Student Council is also

participating in another drive.

Arellano's group and the Amboy Fire Department have partnered on a canned food drive for Christmas.

"Students are welcome to bring canned food items and non-perishable food items to their school. Central, the junior high and the high school all do something a little different. For the most part, it's a classroom competition," Arellano said. "At the high school, the home room that collects the most will

Last year, the winning AHS home-

The Student Council organizes the

way or another."

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As with most soldiers who died in World War II. Marvin's remains would be given a temporary burial at a military cemetery near the battle site before being returned to his family back home several years later. On Aug. 19, 1948, P.F.C. Marvin Eugene Frank was honored and laid to rest in a service

conducted by the Pastor of the Union Church in Sublette, of which he was a member. The Amboy American Legion led gravesite military honors, with burial at Oak Knoll Memorial Park north of Sterling.

According to Private Frank's obituary, he was awarded the Bronze Star on Dec. 18, 1944 at the end of one of the bloodiest infantry battles in World War II. His courage helped bring American forces across the German border bringing an end to fighting in Europe just five months after his death. His valor is honored and remembered by a grateful community and nation.

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The East Grove Township Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at the East Grove Township Hall.

AMBOY-The Amboy Township meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at the township building, 106 S. Prospect.

MAY TWP-The May Township meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14, at the township maintenance building.

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

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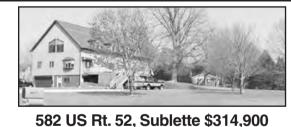
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Delores L. White Dec. 17, 1949 - Nov. 14, 2022

ROCHELLE—Delores LaVonne White, 72, of Rochelle, passed away on Nov. 14, 2022. Delores was born on Dec. 17, 1949 in Oregon, IL to Harold Harmon and Zada (Ware) Hitchcock.

She had a lifelong passion in supporting special needs and disadvantaged children, working as a social worker and employed by Franklin Center School District, Lutheran Social Services at Nachusa, and Focus House prior to her retirement. Her hobbies included gardening and decorative home crafts.

Delores is survived by her children, Jay (Carolyn) Vivian, of Shawnee, Kansas, John Vivian, of Alexandra, Virg., and Jennifer Vivian of Ashton; grandchildren, Jacob (Ashley) Kaecker, Colin Kaecker, Andrew Vivian, Hope Kaecker, Claire Vivian, Grace Vivian, Mark Vivian, and Adam Vivian; Siblings, Ailce (LeRoy) Dukes, of Amboy, Jamie Hawk Harmon of Rockford, Charlie Harmon of Chicago; half-sisters, Zada (Gary) Bailey of Mt. Morris and Cathy Bemus of Oregon; as well as a foster brother, John (Diane) Nicholson, of Franklin Grove. She is preceded in death

by her parents, Harold and Zada; brothers, George and Harold Harmon and Jack Hitchcock, Jr.; foster parents, Fred (Bud) and Barbara



Nicholson; foster brother, Mike Greeves; foster sister, Betty Evans.

In lieu of flowers, memorials in Delores' name may be made to Foundation for Focus House, Rochelle.

A celebration of life will be scheduled at a later date.

New Mendota wheat mill ramps up supply in northern Illinois

BY DANIEL GRANT FarmWeek

The addition of the largest, newly built wheat mill in the U.S. three years ago near Mendota certainly added

to demand for the crop in northern Illinois and other regions of the country.

And farmers responded to increased demand and strong global prices for wheat,

according to Joe Greene of Archer Daniels
Midland Co. in Decatur.

Greene serves as the commercial director
of milling and baking solutions for ADM

of milling and baking solutions for ADM Carbohydrate Solutions. He discussed the market and ADM's state-of-the-art wheat mill in Mendota during a recent interview and private tour of the facility.

"Since we came to Mendota, we've truly

seen an increase in wheat acres in the area.
We expected that to happen and it's following through for sure," Greene said.
"Global prices are helping to continue

to support that increase in acres," he said.

"We're very well situated to continue to provide farmers a fantastic outlet for locally grown wheat."

ADM's massive wheat mill in Mendota essentially replaced a much older facility in Chicago. The new mill has the capacity to

produce a whopping 3 million pounds of flour

per day, equivalent to 60 semi truckloads.

The mill maintains ADM's markets for flour from the Chicagoland area and northwest Indiana to northwest Ohio, southern Wisconsin and northeast Iowa.

The fully automated mill also features a loop track system to unload 110-car unit trains. Wheat unloaded from the trains moves on underground conveyors into the mill for testing and processing.

Nearly all the soft red wheat processed at the mill is sourced from northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin. The mill's multifaceted logistical capabilities also allow for the sourcing of hard red wheat, mostly from Kansas and Nebraska, along with spring wheat from the Dakotas and Minnesota.

"We're supporting local farmers with about one-third of our production here on a daily basis and we continue to support other areas," Greene said.

"Mendota is well situated in northern Illinois to have access to local soft red wheat crops as well as our unit train unloader that allows us to bring in shuttles of wheat from the Southern Plains on the hard red wheat side and from the Northern Plains on the spring wheat side."

What is all the flour from the ADM mill used for across the upper Midwest? It depends on the wheat class and protein levels of each crop.

Flour from soft red wheat is typically used

flour from soft red wheat is typically used to bake items such as cakes and cookies. Flour from hard red wheat is used for breads and bagels while different blends of wheat flour are used for batterings, breadings, tortillas and frozen pizza among other items.

"It's all about how each flour performs in the oven," Greene said.

The mill provides farmers with other key opportunities. It produces about 22% mill feed, which goes into local markets for livestock feed.

And the unit trains which bring wheat to LaSalle County are reloaded with corn, which is shipped from northern Illinois to feed yards in destinations such as Texas and California.

"This helps maintain successful farming operations going forward," Greene said.

Since opening the Mendota mill in 2019, ADM Milling also achieved carbon neutral status, which it passes on to consumers and farmers though sustainability programs that offer payments per acre for locally- grown crops.

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Kish College recognized for excellence in financial reporting

MALTA — Kishwaukee College was awarded the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada (GFOA) for the College's comprehensive financial report for the Fiscal Year 2021.

The achievement is the highest form of recognition in the area of governmental accounting and financial reporting, and its attainment represents a significant accomplishment by Kishwaukee College and its management, according to GFOA.

tator tots, pineapple

Jill Hansen, Kishwaukee College Chief Financial Officer, and the Kishwaukee College Business Office were cited for their work compiling the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR). Each year, Kish submits its ACFR to GFOA for review and evaluation by an impartial panel to meet the high standards of the program, which includes demonstrating a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate Kish's financial story and motivate potential users and user groups to read the report.

"The ACFR allows the

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November 28-30

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Tuesday – Country meatballs, mashed potatos and gravy,

Wednesday - Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans,

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public to assess the economic condition of Kishwaukee College with full transparency because the report goes well beyond minimum financial reporting requirements," Hansen said.

Kish has earned the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting every year since first submitting an ACFR in 2012.

"This recognition showcases the fiscal stability and transparency Kishwaukee College offers to the community it serves," said Bob Johnson, Kishwaukee College Board Chair.

GFOA provides best practices, professional development, resources and practical research for more than 21,000 members working in federal, state and local finances.

To learn more about Kishwaukee College, visit kish.edu.

Lawrence to perform in Rockford

ROCKFORD – Tracy Lawrence is one of country music's truest traditionalists and this year he is celebrating his 30th anniversary in the Country music industry. He will be performing at the Coronado Performing Arts Center in Rockford on Feb. 16, 2023.

His impressive catalog of timeless music has made

Lawrence a mainstay in the genre selling more than 13 million albums and charting 18 No. 1 songs. He has garnered numerous CMA and ACM awards and nominations, as well as a Grammy nomination. Commemorating his three-decade career in 2021, Lawrence is releasing three new albums which include all new music along with some of his favorite career hits.

Ticket are now on sale. Tickets can be purchased via phone by calling 815-968-5222, in-person at the Coronado Performing Arts Center and BMO Center Box Offices, or Ticketmaster. com. Visit coronadopac.org for details.

Inaddition to his chart-topping success, Lawrence hosts the Award-Nominated

nationally syndicated radio show "Honky Tonkin' With Tracy Lawrence," for which he has received two ACM nominations for National On-Air Personality of the Year. The show features music from the 80's, 90's and 2000's and is heard on more than 115 affiliates. Tracy is also the co-creator of STORMING HEAVEN: THE MUSICAL, a production based on the novel Storming Heaven. Tracy, along with others, helped to develop the storyline of the musical and composed songs for the drama. He was honored by the Nashville chapter of AFP (Association of Fundraising Professionals) with "Philanthropist of The Year" for his nationally recognized annual MISSION: POSSIBLE Turkey Fry and



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SOCIAL NEWS





"Here in our groves and beside our streams they built their lodges, hunted and fished, fought, loved and died." – Quote from Recollections of the Pioneers of Lee County, 1893. Image courtesy of the Library of Congress

Our earliest settlers

During National American Indian Heritage Month, we honor the people who once thrived here...

Long

n the days before the **L**Europeans arrived in America, the Illini Indians lived an almost idealistic lifestyle. In the spring the men and women planted the large village garden; they planted corn and squash, watermelon, tobacco,

and other plants. Even the garden sunflower was planted

for its edible seeds. Everything was fertilized with dead fish; it must have required considerable effort to catch enough fish for the entire garden. They were probably suckers that ran up every stream by the millions every spring. There was no such thing as weed control to worry about. All summer long the garden would remain almost weed free.

After the garden was planted, the tribe packed up and prepared to leave. The very old and crippled were left behind, a few people staying behind to look after them while the village residents were gone. There was no concern for their safety or for the village and garden. For hundreds of years no neighboring Indians would molest the village or enter the garden. This was a religious code that was only broken by the Europeans, then later by the Indians.

The whole village would then move to a certain area of the buffalo range out west and live off that animal all summer. Their harvest of buffalo had little effect upon the millions of the animals in the West.

The women gathered in groups and searched the prairie for edible plants. They knew all the birds, animals and plants. The little deer mice were busy all summer gathering tubers from sunflowers and beans from the hog-peanut. The mice always had considerable stores of these products and the Indian women knew how to

find their storage vaults. Sunflower tubers were an important food for the American Indians. A species of Psoralea produced a potato-like root that was much liked. Astrogalus Jim "Mazie" produced beans that were gathered in quantity. There

> meat for the winter, but large amounts were carried back to the village in the fall.

was no hurry to dry

When they returned to the village, the garden plants were ripe and ready for harvest. That first watermelon must have tasted good.

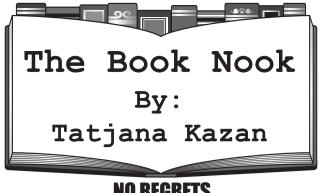
While the population was gone out West, the entire country surrounding the village area had an unmolested increase of deer and other animals, and a similar increase of edible wild plants; a food supply that was only harvested if needed. These Native-Americans had a way of life that was superior to many another.

Editor's Note: James Brady Long was born in Amboy on June 12, 1926. Known by many as "Mazie", he grew up in Amboy, served in the army during World War II, then studied forestry at the Michigan College of Mining and Technology. His studies in botany and forest protection continued as he ventured into farming here. A beloved story-teller, his farm became a place of learning and adventure for relatives and friends. In his later years, he contributed a series of local nature articles to The Amboy News. Upon his death in 2000, his many hand-written drafts were gathered and initially curated by Brenda Boyle. The present, renewed series draws from those drafts, both unpublished and previously published.

Resources:

Pioneers of Lee County bit.ly/3U35YzH Illinois MuseumLink bit.ly/3N5YyJH





NO REGRETS

ne of our most durable cultural fantasies is the idea of having a second chance at life where mistakes and bad choices are redressed and we emerge better and wiser human beings. Matt Haig's "The Midnight Library" is an imaginative addition to this age-old tradition. His heroine is 35-year-old Nora Seed who embarks upon both grand and humble adventures the very moment she chooses to kill herself around midnight. That day, her cat Voltaire dies, she is fired from her job at a musical equipment store, her brother Joe has abandoned her, and her only friend Izzy in Australia does not bother to answer her messages. In wretched despair, Nora swallows her depression meds, and promptly ends up in limbo.

Neither dead nor alive, Nora finds herself in a massive library where an infinite number of books in various shades of green are housed. There is a librarian who happens to be Mrs. Elm from Nora's old high school. Mrs. Elm was always kind to Nora (perhaps the names Seed and Elm are bit too pointed) and Nora in turn spent time playing chess with her. Mrs. Elm tells her that each book contains a version of Nora's life where she made different choices, and those

Mrs. Elm urges Nora to look into the heaviest of the books, the one that contains Nora's regrets. She further assures Nora that if she is not satisfied with a new life, she will instantly find herself back in the Midnight Library to continue her quest. But if she dies while living one of her lives, she will be dead. Nora is not ordinary. She is a talented swimmer who could have tried out for the Olympics; educated in philosophy, she explains the theory of multiverses, quotes Thoreau: "It's not what you look at that matters, it's what you see." And from German philosophy, the idea that it is our brain that patterns the world for us, or as Nora puts it, "To be human was to continually dumb the world down into an understandable story that keeps things simple.'

In her first adventure, Nora picks her biggest regret, not having married her boyfriend. He turns out to be an obnoxious alcoholic cheater. On a more positive track, she enters lives where she has become a famous Olympic gold medalist; a phenomenal rock star; a glaciologist on a mission to the North Pole where she stares down a hungry polar bear; a care giver of stray dogs; and an adored wife and mother. In the end, Nora realizes, "It is not the lives we regret not living that is the real problem. It is the regret itself. It is the regret that makes us shrivel and wither, and feel like our own and other people's worst enemy.'

Prairie Preservation Society of Ogle County to begin selling Christmas trees

OREGON — It's time for your family to go on the big hunt.

The hunt for the perfect Christmas tree. On the Friday after Thanksgiving, Nov. 25, the Prairie Preservation Society of Ogle County (PPSOC), a nonprofit organization, will begin sales of trees at 10 a.m. Sales will continue through Dec. 3 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., on Saturdays and Sundays at the Cut-It-Yourself Sand Ridge Tree Farm on 2879 S. Daysville Rd. Tree prices are: Fir: \$65; 12 feet and over: \$80; White pine and spruce: \$50.

Families come with the expectation of hunting something less dangerous than big game, but just as satisfying.

Find the perfect tree for your family's holiday celebrations and leave Sand Ridge with the sense of satisfaction that only a successful hunt can create.

Trees, left by the former Sinnissippi

Tree Farm purchased by the PPSOC. trimmed to beautiful shapes, will be sold to pay for restoration and maintenance of the site which contains the highest quality prairie remnants in this part of PPSOC has donated trees to the

Oregon Chamber of Commerce for the Courthouse and to the Oregon Park District for years. Sand Ridge is a great place to visit

even without the bonus of the Christmas trees. With hills of waving prairie grasses and forbs (wild flowers), stands of spruce, fir and pine, it provides a quiet beauty and sense of peace to those fortunate enough to stop there. The sound of the breezes in the evergreens and their invigorating scent provide a moment transported to the north woods.

Surrounded by towering white pines which block the sight of cornfields and houses, it is a place set apart - a peaceful sanctuary from the everyday.

Visit, enjoy, and take the feeling

Penguin Project teams with Woodlawn Arts Academy to present Musical Revue

STERLING — The first "Shining Stars Musical Revue" will be presented the weekend of Dec. 10 at Centennial Auditorium, Sterling High School. Tickets go on sale Nov. 28 for the production featuring a variety of popular Broadway

The production features 10 adults with special needs from Sterling, Rock Falls, Morrison and Prophetstown directed by Brandi Spreeman and Natalie Gordon. The performers will be joined on stage by peer mentors. Performances are scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 10 and 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 11 at Centennial Auditorium. Tickets are \$8 each, plus fees, and available beginning Nov. 28 online at centennialauditorium.org, or at the Centennial Auditorium box office, which is open 3-6 p.m. Monday-Friday. Tickets will also be available at the door prior to performances.

"Watching the performers come each week excited to be a part of this program is pure joy," Gordon said.

"I am impressed by how quickly they are picking up on their music," Spreeman added. "They are eager to learn and have a positive attitude."

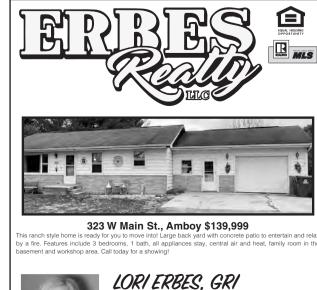
SVCC to offer selfguided Chicago bus trip Dec. 10

DIXON — Sauk Valley Community College invites the public on a self-guided Chicago Bus Trip on Saturday, Dec. 10. The bus will depart the SVCC North parking lot at 8 a.m. and return at 8 p.m.

Travel with SVCC in person to enjoy the sights and sounds of Chicago. Explore the city's museums, shops and eateries. This self-guided trip allows attendees to enjoy the city without bothersome schedules, stressful driving, and parking hassles. The bus will arrive at Water Tower Place at 10:30 a.m. and will depart Chicago at 5 p.m. The trip is \$40 per person. All ages are welcome.

For more information, or to register, call 815-835-6212. To register online, visit svcc.edu/trips.

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The Penguin Project of the Sauk Valley is part of the

national Penguin Project. The Penguin Project is a unique

we could not do this!" Arndt is volunteering as a mentor for The "Shining Stars Musical Revue" is supported in part by a grant to Woodlawn Arts Academy from the National

Endowment for the Arts. Proceeds from ticket sales will support future Penguin Project productions. Woodlawn Arts Academy is a proud partner of the Penguin Project of the Sauk Valley," said Christy Zepezauer, executive director for Woodlawn. "The Academy is always

striving to expand programming. When a grant opportunity with the National Endowment for the Arts was presented to us, we knew this was the perfect time to offer the 'Shining Stars Musical Revue' for adults ages 23 and up with special needs. This program has been in discussion for a couple of years now. Thanks to the funding from the NEA and the collaboration with the directors at the Penguin Project of the Sauk Valley, we are thrilled to see this opportunity come to fruition.'

Woodlawn Arts Academy is a partner agency of United Way of Whiteside and Lee counties, and programs are partially supported by a grant from the Illinois Arts Council Agency.

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Why do politicians run for office?

f you followed this year's elections, at some point the question probably oc-Lcurred to you: Why do people do this? The endless campaign events, the constant By Lee Hamilton scrutiny... and increasingly, the very real and alarming threat of political violence. What drives someone to put up with it all?

I suspect that if you asked a roomful of politicians, you'd get a roomful of answers. For many people, there's no single motivation, and in all my years of talking to other politicians, I've never found one reason that predominates.

But I have found some common threads. For one thing, it's hard to find a more challenging job. The range and complexity of the problems an elected official faces are astounding; I've never met a politician with a short to-do list. Politics is as intellectually challenging as any occupation I

can imagine, and when you succeed at somehow changing your community or state or country for the better, it's also as satisfying. One thing I can certainly say: I've encountered plenty of accomplished people in other professions who've told me that, after a certain point in their careers, they got a bit bored. Not once have I heard a politician say that he or she was bored. Stretched for time, certainly. Frustrated, often. But bored? Never.

I suspect part of the reason is that few other professions

put you in touch with as many people of different viewpoints, lifestyles, backgrounds, and convictions. If you're really serious as a politician in the United States, you engage with conservatives, liberals, voters of every station in life, people of deep faith, people of no faith, and every possible ethnic identity. It's one of the great attractions of the job: the chance to meet an unforgettable array of citizens. In recent years, it's sometimes seemed to

me that more people each election are getting involved because they're angry: They're motivated by something the Supreme Court did, or they believe the people in power are taking their towns or states or the US in the wrong direction. But then I remember that negative feelings have always been a strong

motivator—after all, we have a United States because people rose up against policies imposed on them by the king and British politicians. Over my time watching politics, I've met plenty of people who were motivated to get involved because something happened at some level of government that angered them.

At the same time, though, I've also met plenty of people who were motivated by idealism. I was one of them: I first ran for office because I wanted to make a contribution to my country. It was nothing fancier than that. That is still true of

Though as anyone who's run for office knows, it is a bit more complicated than that. For one thing, it takes money. It's not like you're handed a check by the government to run for elective office. It's been many decades since this happened, but I still remember that, when I decided to run for Congress in the early 1960s, I went to visit a community leader in a part of southern Indiana. At the end, he wished me luck and gave me a check for \$100. It was a splendid moment. I later told him how crucial that had been-giving someone who had nothing to spend on a campaign some funds. His act of generosity gave me hope that I might be able to pull it off.

Then, too, I think many people who run for office—and certainly those who get elected—are driven by a search for power. From afar, you can see what holding elected office allows: the chance to change things. But once you're in office, you come to recognize that progress is measured in inches: You might be able to get a new bridge or library built, but just as often, obstacles stand in the way that make it impossible.

Yet somehow, people keep running. In the end, I think it's because they understand a simple thing: There's no United States without democracy, no democracy without politics, and no politics without people willing to become politicians.

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Guest Column



100 Years Ago Nov. 17. 1922

Harold Leake, who has been attending Brown's Business College in Sterling, is through with his studies and has accepted a position with the Amboy Gas and Oil Company.

An ad for the Amboy Hotel – Mrs. T. Gibson, proprietor, Under New Management. All outside rooms. Hot water heat. Modern conveniences. Rooms 50 cents and 75 cents. Rooms with or without meals. By the day or week.

75 Years Ago Nov. 20, 1947

L.T. Douvier, veteran Illinois Central railroad engineer of this city, suffered painful burns on the right side of his face Monday in a train/truck collision

"Poems of Human Interest," the book recently published by Mrs. Lillian Rapp of Sublette, is now ready for the public and has been placed in circulation. The attractive volume contains 220 pages and eight pictures.

A grand opening was held in Sublette at Glaser's Grocery. Having purchased Peter Kuehna's grocery store, the new owners are Wilfed, Frances, and Francis

50 Years Ago Nov. 23. 1972

Dennis Eisenberg of Amboy appeared on Channel 8 TV when the Illinois Education Association presented a program on "The Politics of Learning."

To Open Soon – Full Service Barber Shop, owned by Terry Kelly.

Word was received from Dublin, Ireland of the death of Canon Charles Troy, brother of the late Fr. Robert Troy, who was pastor of St. Patrick's Parish in Amboy for many years. He was the last member of the Troy family.

25 Years Ago Nov. 20. 1997

At its regular monthly meeting Monday night, the Amboy City Council heard a report from Councilmen Tom Nauman and Jim Powers that street paving work for 1997 has been completed. The council also discussed the problem of semi-trucks parking overnight on city streets. It was noted that the main problem seems to be in the area around Palmer School on East Avenue.

Jamie Blaine and Andrew Full attended a drug awareness program "Kids Talk" on Saturday, November 8 in Decatur. The two Amboy High School students represented Amboy High School and the Sublette Moose Lodge #2469 at the conference sponsored by Moose International.

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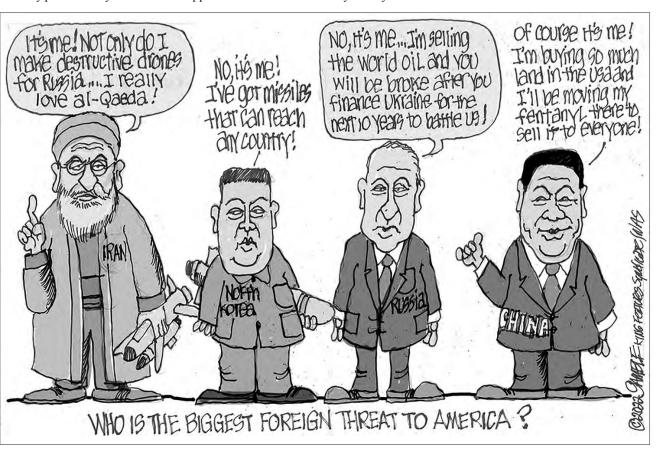
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Virtual bank robbers sending victims fake banking notices

ROCKFORD – Have you ever wondered why you are getting texts, emails, or even voicemails from a bank you don't even do business with. Scammers use a shotgun approach to push impostor emails and texts from banks trying to rob personal identity and drain victim accounts.

The Better Business Bureau says that one of scammers' favorite tactics is impersonating a person or organization you know and trust.

"That's the premise of this new text message scam, which has been popping up in recent BBB Scam Tracker reports," says Dennis Horton, director of the Rockford Regional Office of BBB. "This time, con artists are impersonating your bank."

Horton says, "The scam works when victims receive a text message that looks like a fraud alert from their bank. It claims there is some unusual activity in your account. It may read: "Bank Fraud Alert – Did you approve a transaction for \$1,000? Reply YES or NO." If you reply to the text, the scammer now knows they have an active number – and a person to scam."

The scam doesn't end there. The scammer will call you to follow up, and the number will appear in the caller ID as coming from your bank. When you answer, the caller claims to be a bank representative who can help stop the fraudulent charges. To do so, you need to send money to yourself using Zelle or another digital wallet app. The caller walks you through the process of connecting the app to your bank account. Then, they ask you to verify the connection by sharing the code your bank sent.

Don't do it. If you give the scammer your verification code, the scammer can set up an account with your phone number and email – but their bank account information. If that happens, when you send money to "yourself," you're actually sending money to the scammer.

Disputing the charges will be difficult because the scammer has tricked you into approving the transaction. Sending money through a digital wallet app is like using cash, making it very hard to get your money back.

One consumer reported this experience to BBB Scam Tracker: "I received two texts stating it was the Wells Fargo Fraud Department wanting to know if I had made a Zelle transfer... I responded no and immediately got another text stating, 'Thank you, no further action is needed, a representative will call you from 800-869-3556.' Within a few minutes, I got a call from an individual stating they were with the Wells Fargo fraud department. The caller ID on my phone said Wells Fargo, and the person said they could reverse the transaction if I sign into my online account and open the Zelle app. I did this and the caller asked if I saw my name. I told him I saw my name in two places. It looked like I would be sending money to myself. The caller said everything was fine and the money would come back to my account. After the call ended, I got two texts stating funds for \$2,500 and \$1,000 would be deposited in my Wells Fargo account. I went back into my account and there was no evidence of any deposits. What I did see was \$3,500 taken out of my account and a zero account balance.

How to avoid bank fraud scams

• Don't reply to suspicious texts. Ignore any instructions to reply "yes" or "no" if you receive an unsolicited, suspicious text message. If you reply to a scammer, they could save your number as "active" and target you with future scam.

 Understand your bank's policies. Know that your bank will never ask you to send money to yourself. If someone tries to convince you otherwise, it's a scam.

• Watch out for fake caller IDs. Scammers can spoof caller ID names and numbers to make you think you are receiving a call from a reputable source. If you weren't expecting to be contacted by your bank, it's best to avoid answering. Instead, call the number on the back of your ATM card to confirm that there is an issue.

• Never share one-time passcodes. Scammers can use one-time passcodes from your bank or any other company to access your accounts and change information. Don't share them with anyone, no exceptions.

• Contact your bank if you suspect a scam. If you receive an unsolicited call, text, or email that you suspect is a scam, contact your bank immediately and let them know.

For more information If you've spotted a scam (whether or not you've lost money), report it to BBB ScamTracker. Visit BBB.org or follow us @ChicagoBBB on social media. Look for the BBB seal, the sign of a better business.

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Snow and ice mean it's time for "Winter Weather – Get it Together"

SPRINGFIELD – With snow and ice touching much of the state this week, the Illinois Department of Transportation, Illinois State Police and Illinois Tollway are reminding the public that it's time for "Winter Weather – Get it Together." Because of the nationwide shortage of commercial vehicle drivers impacting staffing levels on winter operations teams throughout Illinois and the Midwest, planning and preparation, as well as patience and understanding, will be needed more than ever from motorists this winter.

"Keeping roads clear and safe takes a great deal of work before, during and after major winter weather events. It's something we prepare for the entire year," said Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman. "The dedicated men and women at IDOT who battle the wintry elements to keep Illinois moving are ready at all times. However, we can't do it alone. It is imperative that you do your part as well. Be prepared to reduce speeds, stay patient and increase driving distance between vehicles at all times. And please share the roads – don't crowd the plow."

In the coming months, motorists should practice basic winter driving skills and build extra time into their schedules, even when roads appear to be clear. As part of the "Winter Weather – Get it Together" campaign, travelers are encouraged to follow these simple guidelines:

• Bookmark GettingAroundIllinois.com to check travel conditions 24/7 before heading out.

• Do not travel during bad weather unless absolutely necessary. If you do have to drive, check the forecast and make sure someone is aware of your route. Familiarize yourself with public transportation and ridesharing options.

• Give yourself plenty of extra time. Slow down and increase the distance between other vehicles.

 Watch out for black ice. A road may appear clear but can be treacherous.

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• Plan for a sober ride home before you go out.

• If you've been drinking or using marijuana or other drugs,

call a taxi, or call a family member to get you home safely.If you see a drunk driver, pull over safely and call 911.

• Make sure everyone in your vehicle wears their seat belt.

It is the best defense against an impaired driver.

The Thanksgiving enforcement effort is made possible by federal traffic and the definition of the Hillingian

by federal traffic safety funds administered by the Illinois Department of Transportation.

• Be especially careful when approaching intersections, ramps, bridges and shaded areas that are prone to icing and can become extremely slick.

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"Winter weather can change driving conditions quickly, especially when temperatures fall rapidly, turning even a dusting of snow into a sheet of ice," said ISP Director Brendan F. Kelly. "When you see snow, drive slow. Make sure to give yourself extra time to get where you're going, slow down, and keep more distance between you and other drivers."

The public is advised that snow-and-ice response times

could be impacted due to an industry-wide shortage of workers with a commercial driver's license, resulting in challenges in filling plow driver positions. While hiring at IDOT continues for both temporary and permanent positions, staffing levels for the winter response team are down approximately 10% to 15% from the same time a year ago. For information on job postings throughout the state, visit https://illinois.jobs2web.com.

For the upcoming winter, IDOT will have over 1,800 trucks available for deployment to plow more than 17,000

trucks available for deployment to plow more than 17,000 centerline miles of roads statewide, the equivalent of driving back and forth between New York City to Los Angeles three times. Last winter, IDOT crews spread more than 437,100 tons of salt statewide. This winter, salt domes throughout the state are close to capacity, with more than 460,350 tons on hand, a little more than twice the weight of the Willis Tower.

The Illinois Tollway deploys a fleet of 196 snowplows during winter storms to clear its 294 miles of roads and has stockpiled 89,000 tons of salt to help ensure its 1.5 million daily drivers can safely reach their destinations even during stormy winter weather.



LETTERS TO SAIUTA

Santa Claus is coming to town so The Amboy News has made special arrangements with the North Pole to publish letters to Santa in our December 21st issue.

Letters may be dropped off until noon, on Tuesday, Dec. 13, 2022 at the Amboy News office. After we publish the letters, we will send them directly to Santa Claus at the North Pole in plenty of time for Christmas.

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SPORTS

No reason to hang their heads

Clippers fall in 8-man state title

BY BRANDON LACHANCE Amboy News Reporter

MONMOUTH – The football Gods were obviously in attendance at the Illinois 8-Man Football Championship Friday at Monmouth College

The snowy, cold, blistery weather conditions made the state title feel important. Real. Fans screaming, cheering from both the Amboy-LaMoille-Ohio and West Central

sidelines and bleachers gave the support

and amplified every yard gained on the field.

Playing hard was an understatement as every player on the field felt the history they were making and showed everyone under the lights and watching on live streams.

For the Clippers, they have no reason to upset about falling in the state championship, 44-36, to the Heat.

"They don't have any reason to hang their heads. They played a phenomenal game. I'm proud of them," ALO coach Scott Payne said. "Those two turnovers (an interception returned for a touchdown and a red zone fumble) in the second quarter is what hurt us. In Week 9, they beat us 68-30 and we only lost by eight (Friday). It shows the resiliency of these kids. I'm so proud of them.

"I think the reason it was a closer game was the situation of this game. This was a state championship. The kids got up more for it. They wanted it so bad. I feel bad for them, but they still had a great season and I'm still proud of them. I'm at a loss for words."

The Clippers took the Week 9 loss to West Central as motivation into the championship. At first, West Central tried to extinguish

The Heat scored at the 6:28 mark in the first quarter on a 46-yard run from all-state running back Kaiden Droste.

the extra fire quickly.

After West Central captured an onside kick, Droste scored again at 4:03 on an 11-yard run to give the Heat a 16-0 lead after the first frame.

The Clippers turned its score of zero to an eight at 8:13 in the second quarter when senior quarterback Tucker Lindenmeyer found all-state receiver (for the second consecutive year), Brennan Blaine, for a 6-yard touchdown reception before Lindemeyer ran in the two-point conversion.

"Tucker played a great game. This was his last high school football game," said Payne of his only senior who was 5-of-10 for 91 yards, two touchdowns, and an interception. "I told him before the game, 'This is your last high school game that you're ever going to play. Lay it all on the line.' And he did.

"He went out there and played his butt off. He did some really great things for us. He's really going to be missed."

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Amboy tight end Brennan Blaine twists his body in an attempt to avoid the tackle of West Central's Parker Meldrum during the 8-Man Football state championship contest on Nov. 18 at Monmouth College.

Kip Cheek/Amboy News



West Central quarterback Mason Carnes puts his head down and plows ahead for yardage as Amboy's Tucker Lindenmeyer (No. 3) takes a swipe at his leg while Clipper teammate Austin Heath (No. 53) moves in for assistance during the 8-Man Football state championship game on Nov. 18 at Monmouth College.

Kip Cheek/Amboy News



Amboy running back Landon Whelchel, right, gets a block from teammate Ian Sundberg and looks for more yardage during the 8-Man Football state championship game on Nov. 18 at Monmouth College.

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Amboy quarterback Tucker Lindenmeyer lowers his head and crosses the goal line for a touchdown during the state championship game of the 8-Man Football playoffs on Nov. 18 at Monmouth College.

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SPORTS

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After Droste scored his third of four touchdowns in the game on an 8-yard gainer, Lindenmeyer ran in a 7-yard score to cut the Heat lead to

The Clippers touchdown was followed by an onside kick recovery. However, the first play of the drive saw Droste intercept Lindenmeyer and return it 63 yards to make the score 28-16 at

ALO made some defensive adjustments at halftime and limited the West Central rushing attack.

"Defensively, we moved the line around a little bit. We tried to slow down their trap game and their option

game," Payne said. "We started blitzing some linebackers some more. The kids stepped up and started making some plays. That's what we needed The Heat scored first in

the third quarter at the 10:37 mark on a 1-yard quarterback keeper by senior Mason Carnes to make the score 36-16. Then the Clippers started

to sail as they scored the next two touchdowns to cut the Heat lead to 36-30. First, Lindenmeyer found

Blaine (who had five catches for 91 yards in the game) for a 23-yard touchdown (junior Landon Whelchel ran in the two-point conversion) and sophomore Quinn Leffelman (had 59 yards on 15 carries in the game) found the end zone on a 4-yard carry.

With a 36-30 deficit heading into the fourth quarter, the Clippers defense continued to tighten at the line, but the Heat were able to claw away at first downs with three or four yards a carry.

At the 9:18 mark in the final quarter, Carnes capped off a 12-play drive that started in the third quarter with another 1-yard rushing touchdown to take a 44-30 advantage over the Clippers.

But the Clippers weren't done turning the lights on the scoreboard as Whelchel (finished with 15 carries for

68 yards) crossed the end zone at 2:52 in the fourth on a 7-yard carry to cut the deficit to 44-36.

West Central called three plays, picked up a first down, and then took three knees to end the Clippers season. Although a state title

wasn't won, Payne and the Clippers know the type of season they just added to the already thick history books. Having all players on the roster except one returning,

they know they have the potential to return to the state championship next season. "I know they'll put in the

work," Payne said. "One of the assistant coaches told them, 'Remember this feeling. Remember this feeling when you don't want to lift weights in the weight room. Remember this feeling when

you don't want to run.' It was a great message to send to the kids.'



Amboy football coaches talk to the team after the 8-Man Football state championship game on Nov. 18 at Monmouth College. The Clippers fell to West Central, 44-36, to conclude the season with a 10-3 record.

Kip Cheek/Amboy News



Lindenmeyer after the conclusion of the Clippers' 44-36 loss to West Central in the 8-Man Football state championship game on Nov. 18 at Monmouth College. Lindenmeyer was the lone senior on this year's team.

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Amboy fullback Quinn Leffelman powers his way for more yardage as West Central defenders Parker Meldrum, left, and Landon Winters attempt to bring him down during action from the 8-Man Football state championship game on Nov. 18 at Monmouth College Kip Cheek/Amboy News

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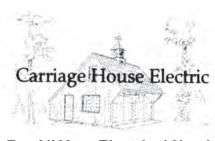
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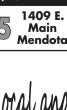
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HOLIDAY TOURNEY

Maeve Larson lines up a shot against Lena Winslow at the Oregon High School Tip Off Classic Thursday November 17. Below, Elly Jones-drives past a swarm of Lena Winslow defenders. The Lady Clippers won their opening games last Wednesday night Nov. 16, defeating Genoa Kingston 49-35. They dropped their second round game to Winslow 44-36.





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Walter "Ted" Fredenhagen, Jr. Feb. 28, 1925 - Nov. 16, 2022

AMBOY — Walter Fredenhagen, Jr., better known to friends as "Ted," passed away in peace on Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2022, at his home in Amboy, at the age of 97 after battling COPD and Covid.

Ted was born Feb. 28, 1925, in Naperville, son of Walter and Grace Fredenhagen. He grew up in Naperville, and attended North Central College after serving in the Marine Corp for 3 years during World War II.

Ted was preceded in death by his parents, an infant brother, James Dean Fredenhagen; his sister Jeanne Moen; and sister, Rita Harvard.

He is survived by son James Scott Fredenhagen of Anchorage, Alaska; daughter, Laura Jean Schaefer, of Amboy; son, Gary Robert Fredenhagen of Boulder Junction, Wis.; daughter, Jane Ann Herron of Newburg, Mo.; daughter, Debra Sue Zellhofer, of Amboy; 10 grandchildren, and 22 great-grandchildren.

From the time he was a youngster, Ted loved music. His mother, Grace, was an outstanding musician, serving as accompanist for the Marshall Field Choir in Chicago, and Grace United Methodist Church in Naperville. At his mother's request, young Ted would sing in her church choir to offset the older, out-of-tune gentlemen. When he was in junior high, Ted took up trumpet playing and never stopped. With two friends he formed "The Men of Swing," a trio that played once a week on the radio in

Aurora and wherever they could find a gig.

After high school, Ted joined the Marine Corp. In 1944, in California, he served as a drill instructor, sighted aircraft armament, and played in the Marine Band. As his unit was preparing to ship abroad, Ted was "pulled out" in order to continue playing in the Marine Band. Later in life, Ted was honored to serve as bugler with the Amboy Honor Guard at funerals for many local veterans.

After his Military Service, Ted married Mary Alice Godshalk and together they raised five children: Jim, Lonnie, Gary, Jane, and Debbie. Ted attended North Central College for two years, majoring in Business. He was an outstanding athlete, competing in football and track.

Ted worked with his father, Walter, in the family business, Prince Castle Ice Cream Corporation. The business was started in 1931 and was the "first" in what later became known as the Fast Food Industry. In 1955 Walter and Ted expanded and renamed the business "Cock Robin." There were 25 stores in the suburban Chicago area. The stores were sold in 1991. Ted and Walter reorganized over time and relocated to Amboy.

His career and family kept him busy, but Ted would occasionally hold jam sessions in his home. During the 90's, his Naperville High School Class Reunion committee asked him to have his high



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school band trio come together to play. Ted named them "Class Act." They began to meet regularly and grew in number. Ted eventually reformed the Band to operate out of Amboy, using musicians primarily from the local region. Class Act expanded to include nineteen members and was a true Big Band. Each year Ted would host a "Barn Bash" at his farm for Class Act and friends. For over 30 years, Class Act Big Band has performed throughout northern Illinois for those who love to listen and dance to the classic music

of the Swing Era. Ted Fredenhagen has held many friends and family members close over the years. His spirit of love and generosity is his legacy, and he will never be forgotten.

A Visitation will be held from 1 - 3 p.m. followed by the Funeral service at Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy, on Dec. 10, 2022. A Celebration of Life will follow at a later date.

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Monday, Nov. 28

AHS Girls Basketball (H) Pearl City-6 pm

Tuesday, Nov. 29

AHS Boys Basketball (H) Serena-6 pm AHS Wrestling @ Rock Falls w/Durand-Pec-5:30 pm AJHS Art Club-Art Room-3:15-4 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 30

AHS Art Club-Room 210-3:30-4:30 pm AHS Boys Basketball (H) Indian Creek-5:30 pm

Thursday, Dec. 1 AHS Wrestling (H) Newman/PC-Hall-5:30 pm

AJHS 5th/6th Boys Basketball @ St. Andrew's, Rock Falls-6th-5pm/5th-6pm AJHS 7th/8th Boys Basketball (H) Sauk Valley Catholic-8th-5pm/7th-6pm Central School Drawing Club-Art Room-3:20-4 pm

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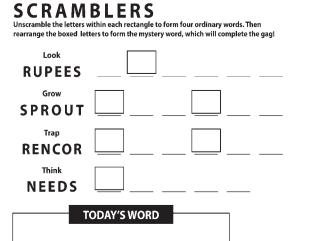








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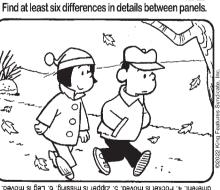
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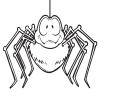
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