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Pegasus suffers wind damage

Nonprofit sustains storm damage for the second time this year

By Jeff Helfrich
Rochelle News-Leader

OREGON – The facilities at Pegasus Special Riders sustained storm damage on Aug. 28 for the second time this year, PSR Board President Donna Fellows said Tuesday.

The nonprofit, located at 6668 S. Carthage Road near Oregon, has been operating since 1997. It's a therapeutic riding program for children and adults with special needs. Volunteers perform all of the required duties, such as working with the riders, caring for the horses and facilities,

raising funds and providing the necessary administrative support.

The damage on Aug. 28 included the facility's loafing shed for its horses and severe damage to a storage building. Back on March 5 of this year, a windstorm severely damaged the main arena building. High winds tore off about 120 feet of canopy, twisted the steel frame and the large front door was blown off and landed inside of the arena.

Pegasus Special Riders has been unable to perform any rides this year due to the original storm, and the recent damage set recov-



ery efforts back. The nonprofit is still working with its insurance provider for the March 5 storm.

Dave Diveley, the property manager at Pegasus Special Riders, said the damage in

March was over \$300,000. The cost of the most recent damages that he knows of so far includes \$6,500 and around \$8,000 for two structures.

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Straw sculpting winners named

MOUNT MORRIS – The Seventh Annual U.S. National Straw Sculpting Competition, closed out the final weekend with Straw Fest Saturday, Aug. 27th on Mt. Morris Campus.

Four new 2022 "Fine Art in Straw" sculptures, along with 16 additional sculptures from past years, will remain on display for all to enjoy sunrise to sunset through Sept. 11th.

Winners for the annual event were determined by Public and Artists Voting.

* "Sunday Bath" by Steve Lentz of Montello, Wis., 1st Place People's and 1st Place Artist's Choice,

* "The Catch" by Juan Zelaya, Hoffman Estates, Ill., 2nd Place People's and 2nd Place

Artist's Choice,

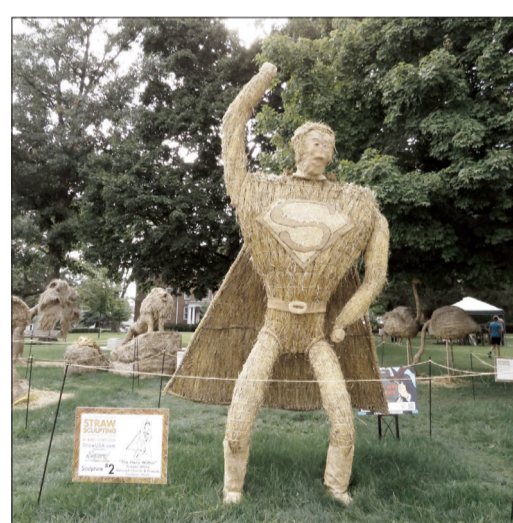
* "The Hero Within" by Doreen White & Friends, Foreston, 3rd Place People's Choice

* "Die Schneckle" by Chris & Cecilia Mann, Rockford, 3rd Place Artist's Choice

The annual 'Straw Bale Races in the Street' had eight, two-person teams rolling round bales 75 feet for time. Each team rolled a preliminary round to establish a bracket for the quarter finals, semi-finals and final race, the team of Tyler Willman and Levi Schuler, both of Pine Creek, won the event. They also had the fastest roll of the day with a blistering 8.91 seconds in the semi-final round.

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"Sunday Bath" by Steve Lentz of Montello, Wis., (left) was the top winner at the recent U.S. National Straw Sculpting Competition in Mount Morris. "The Hero Within" (below) by Doreen White & Friends of Foreston took third place. (Brad Jennings photos)



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PEGASUS: Accepting donations, help with repairing damage

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Pegasus Special Riders has a contractor set up for repairs and is waiting on insurance funds, which will likely start to be disbursed soon from the March 5 storm.

“Our contractor needs 20-25 percent down to order the parts,” Diveley said. “Without the insurance money, we don’t have the funds to do that.”

Fellows said the nonprofit plans to rebuild and start rides and lessons as soon as reconstruction allows.

“We will go forward,” Fellows said. “We’ve lost a whole year of lessons. And that isn’t where we get any money. We get 99 percent of our money from donations. We’ll somehow make it work. We always have. This is our 25th year of business.

And this is what we had. No business. We haven’t been able to do any rides or anything. The bad part is, this is like a ghost town. Usually we have volunteers out here. And because of the damage, we were afraid to have anyone in the buildings because you never know what’s going to happen. We’re out of commission. Hopefully if we can get everything organized, we can start in the spring. That’s our goal. But that depends on the weather for reconstruction.”

Throughout its years when possible, PSR has held two annual fundraisers. Its family picnic is held in June or July and riders show their relatives and friends what they can do on a horse. On July 23 of this year it was held for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic, but no demonstration was able to be

held due to the storm damage. Pegasus Special Riders also holds an annual fundraiser in October called the Mane Event, but that will have to be put off this year due to the storm recovery.

PSR is accepting donations to help with the storm recovery and they can be made at <https://pegasusspecialriders.org/>. Fellows said if knowledgeable and capable members of the community want to help with the cleanup and reconstruction as volunteers, they can reach out as well.

Before the March 5 damage, Pegasus Special Riders conducted its lessons inside the arena. It planned on doing some outside lessons this year, but due to the recent damage, that can’t happen.

“Every time we’ve thought we had a handle on things moving forward, something like this



happens and we’re pushed two steps back,” Diveley said. “The work will be ongoing through the winter. Work will have to be done on construction of the new building and things that have been exposed to the weather will have to be replaced.”

In years past, PSR has served riders from Rockford, Rochelle, Dixon, Rock Falls, Sterling,

Belvidere and other area communities. Fellows is excited to see them again after reconstruction.

“Our riders and families have been without a place to go,” Fellows said. “I still get calls and have to tell people because they don’t know we’re not up and running this year. I have them on a waiting list for when we know we can do it.”

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Mt. Morris Senior Center sets activities

High Community College Fitness Class - Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday the Walk and Stretch Fitness Class meets at 9 a.m. This class helps with balance, strength and more. The cost is \$40 for 10 weeks (30 classes). To try the class out stop by 9 East Front Street or call 815-734-6335

Breakfast with the Mayor - Mt. Morris Village President, Phil Labash, will be at the Mt. Morris Senior Center for breakfast and conversation on Wednesday, September 7th 8-10 a.m. All are welcome to join us for biscuits and gravy and pancakes. Call 815-734-6335 for more information.

Cookbook Club - The Mt. Morris Senior Center and the Mt. Morris Public Library are working together to bring back the Cookbook Club! This club will meet at the Mt. Morris Senior Center (9 East Front Street) on the second Tuesday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Here what you need to do to join this group...stop by the Library (105 South McKendrie) during open hours to check out our cookbook of the month, choose a recipe and have

a copy made, then make your dish, and bring it to the club. We will all be able to try all of the dishes and collect all of the recipes! If you have any questions, call the Library at 815-734-4927 or the Senior Center at 815-734-6335. See you on September 13th at 5:30 p.m.

Help us choose the best - The Mt. Morris Senior Center is looking for the best in Ogle County. We are rating each restaurant we go to and finding the best of the best! To join us meet at the Senior Center at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 14th to head over to Jay’s in Oregon together. Do they have the best burger in Ogle County? Let’s find out together.

Trivia and Tacos - Play some trivia and eat some Tacos at the Mt. Morris Senior Center (9 East Front Street) on Thursday, September 15th at 6 p.m. We will play 5 rounds of trivia with 10 questions each. All are welcome! Please join us!

Make a Kraft with Kerri - Join Kerri from Liberty Village in Rochelle to make a fun craft together on Friday, September 16th at 11 a.m. This is a completely free activity and all are welcome!

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STRAW: Next year’s event is already scheduled

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Shell. Straw Fest also included Blacksmith Demos, Wild Bulls - Mechanical Bull Riding, Rustic Ridge - Ax Throwing, a new Crafter’s Market, Straw Sculpting Awards and more. ‘Brass From The Past’, a Classic Rock and Soul band from Chicago, wrapped up the evening with a standing ovation performance on the Band

The Eighth Annual U.S. National Straw Sculpting Competition will be Aug. 11-27th, 2023 with Straw Fest on Saturday, Aug. 26th on the Mt. Morris Campus. ENCORE! Mt. Morris, a cultural initiative of Mt. Morris Economic Development Corp, is funded by public donations. Learn more at EncoreMtMorris.com.



LOCAL NEWS



Park District is hosting community input event Sept. 8

OREGON – The Oregon Park District would like to invite the community to a community input meeting on Thursday, Sept. 8, at Oregon Park East, inland shelter, beginning at 6 p.m.

Park District staff and their consultants have developed a proposed schematic design for future improvements to Park East. The park district completed a comprehensive plan in 2017 and is looking to upgrade existing infrastructure at each park site.

During the planning phase of the comprehensive plan, Park East was discussed and many ideas evolved around what the future will hold. Programs, amenities and other items were vetted to maximize use of Park East.

The next step is gathering input from the community and begin to put our ideas in play. Please take advantage of this change to make your voice count for future improvements at Park East. For more information contact Oregon Park District at 815-732-3101.

To the Electors of the State of Illinois:

The Illinois Constitution establishes a structure of government and laws for the State of Illinois. There are three ways to initiate change to the Illinois Constitution: (1) a constitutional convention may propose changes to any part; (2) the General Assembly may propose changes to any part; or (3) a petition initiative may propose amendments limited to structural and procedural subjects contained in the Legislative Article. The people of Illinois must approve any changes to the Illinois Constitution before they become effective. The purpose of this document is to inform you of proposed changes to the Illinois Constitution and to provide you with a brief explanation and a summary of the arguments in favor of and in opposition to the proposed amendment.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ADD SECTION 25 TO ARTICLE I OF THE ILLINOIS CONSTITUTION ARTICLE I – BILL OF RIGHTS

SECTION 25. WORKERS' RIGHTS

(a) Employees shall have the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing for the purpose of negotiating wages, hours, and working conditions, and to protect their economic welfare and safety at work. No law shall be passed that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and work place safety, including any law or ordinance that prohibits the execution or application of agreements between employers and labor organizations that represent employees requiring membership in an organization as a condition of employment.

(b) The provisions of this Section are controlling over those of Section 6 of Article VII.

EXPLANATION

The proposed amendment, which takes effect upon approval by the voters, adds Section 25 to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution. The new section will guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate safety conditions, wages, hours, working conditions, and economic welfare. The amendment prohibits the passage of any new law within the State that restricts or prohibits workers from engaging in collective bargaining with their employer over wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment, like safety protocols or training.

Arguments In Favor of the Proposed Amendment

This amendment will protect workers' and others' safety. That includes guaranteeing nurses' right to put patient care ahead of profit and making sure construction workers can speak up when there's a safety issue. It will protect workers from being silenced when they call attention to food safety threats, shoddy construction, and other problems that could harm Illinoisans. This amendment protects firefighters and EMTs who put their lives on the line to protect Illinoisans. It means they get the training and safety equipment they need to do their jobs, and can speak out when they see a problem without fear of retaliation. This amendment will help our economy by putting more money in workers' pockets who join together and get raises. That will mean more money going into our communities and small businesses as people join the middle class with good-paying jobs.

Arguments Against the Proposed Amendment

A fundamental right provided to all citizens under the First Amendment of the United States Constitution is the right to free speech and freedom of association. This amendment prohibits any law or ordinance that allows union workers to choose whether they wish to be a member of the union or not. Under the 2018 United States Supreme Court decision Janus v. Illinois AFSCME, non-union government workers cannot be required to pay union dues as a condition of working in the public sector. Approval of this constitutional amendment will deny that protection to private sector workers. The amendment also states that lawmakers could never "interfere with, negate, or diminish" certain rights. These terms are broad and undefined and leave lawmakers without the ability to clarify through legislation. Our Illinois Constitution provides such protection to public employees. The result of that protection has been to squash efforts by state lawmakers and voters to address Illinois' pension fund deficits.

FORM OF BALLOT

Proposed Amendment to the 1970 Illinois Constitution

Explanation of Amendment

The proposed amendment would add a new section to the Bill of Rights Article of the Illinois Constitution that would guarantee workers the fundamental right to organize and to bargain collectively and to negotiate wages, hours, and working conditions, and to promote their economic welfare and safety at work. The new amendment would also prohibit from being passed any new law that interferes with, negates, or diminishes the right of employees to organize and bargain collectively over their wages, hours, and other terms and conditions of employment and workplace safety. At the general election to be held on November 8, 2022, you will be called upon to decide whether the proposed amendment should become part of the Illinois Constitution.

 YES _____ For the proposed addition of Section 25 to Article I of the Illinois Constitution.
 NO _____

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I, Jesse White, Secretary of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Proposed Amendment, the Explanation of the Proposed Amendment, Arguments in Favor of the Amendment and Arguments Against the Amendment and a true copy of the Form of Ballot for this call as the regularly scheduled general election on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, as set forth in compliance with the Illinois Constitutional Amendment Act.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affix the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, Done in the City of Springfield, this sixth day of September, 2022.

Jesse White
 Jesse White
 Secretary of State

The link below has information about a proposed constitutional amendment that will be considered at the November 8, 2022 general election.

以下连结提供将在2022年11月8日大选中提出拟议的宪法修正案相关信息。

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Poniższy link zawiera informacje na temat proponowanej zmiany konstytucyjnej, która zostanie rozpatrzona w wyborach powszechnych w dniu 8 listopada 2022 r.

El siguiente enlace contiene información sobre una propuesta de enmienda constitucional que se considerará en las elecciones generales del 8 de noviembre de 2022.

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LOCAL NEWS

Obituaries

Catherine Holland

After a long battle with chronic illness complicated by cancer, Catherine "Cathy" Holland passed away at her home surrounded by love on Sunday morning Aug. 28, 2022. Born Aug. 27, 1952 in Rockford to Paul and Elizabeth Holland.



into her work at CSHI for well over a decade until a dream job presented itself.

Cathy left her beloved community in Rockford to become the executive director at the Stone-Hayes Center for Independent Living in Galesburg. She worked tirelessly to build strong programs and services for the western part of Central Illinois. Cathy was a fierce advocate for people with disabilities espousing her rock-solid beliefs in inclusivity and independence. Unfortunately, she developed chronic illness and her own disabilities making early retirement necessary. Cathy spent her remaining years traveling as often as she could and adoring her five grandchildren as their Gram.

Cathy is survived by her dedicated finance, John Pulliam, her siblings Betsy (Gary Hollinger)

Potnack, Randy (Shelia) Holland of Oregon, Bill Holland of Madison, Wis., Mary (Neal) Patterson of St. Louis, Mo., Joe (Julie) Holland of Paris, Tenn., and Laura (Mike) Davenport of Mundelein, Ill., her children, Rachel Prince of Chicago, Rebecca (Nate Shoemaker) Prince of Hanover Park, Ill., and David Prince of Rockford, and her grandchildren, Michael, Liam, Sebastian, David, and Lilah.

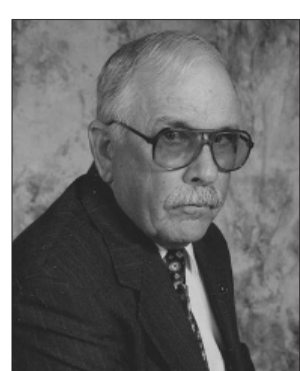
She is preceded in death by both of her parents.

"Death leaves a heartache no one can heal. Love leaves memories no one can steal." We love you, Mom.

A Visitation for Cathy was held on Thursday, Sept. 1, 2022 from 2-3:30 p.m. at the Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, 110 S. 7th Street in Oregon. A 3:30 p.m. Rosary was held following the visitation. A Memorial Service was held at 4 p.m. at the funeral home with the Pastor David Rogula and family members leading the service. A memorial fund is established in Cathy's name. Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence or memory of Cathy.

Lowell Hayes

KINGS – Lowell Lathrop Hayes, 93, of Kings, passed away peacefully at home on Aug. 30, 2022. Born in Kings on June 18, 1929, he was the son of Earl Hayes and Amy (Lathrop) Hayes and brother to Adelaide (Pablo) Chavez, Emery (Jeanne Tegner) Hayes, and LaVonne (Earl) Huebner.



Lowell graduated with a BA from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in Economics and was one of a select few students who worked The Morrow Plots. He often reflected on his time hitchhiking from Kings to Champaign, as well as his time as a dishwasher for one of the sororities on campus as his way to pay for school. His fondness of the University was always present as he was often seen sporting his Fighting Illini gear and watching their football games.

One of the most impactful parts of Lowell's life was his patriotism and love of country. He served in the United States Army from 1951 to 1954 as combat infantry during the Korean War (October 1952 to July 1953) in the 7th Infantry Division, 32nd Regiment, Companies A and D. Lowell was the machine gun section leader on Old Baldy, Iron Triangle, and Pork Chop Hill and received two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star with a V device for Valor. In 2013, Lowell and his wife, along with his son and daughter-in-law, traveled to Seoul, South Korea to participate in The Revisit Korea Program put on by the Re-

public of Korea (ROK) government as a means to say thank you to all UN veterans of the Korean War and their family members. Lowell was quite surprised when he was welcomed into ROK and constantly given thanks for his service.

As a life-long farmer, Lowell always believed hard work and dedication will take you far. He began farming with his father from a very young age, raising oats, corn, hay, and beef cattle. Lowell then went on as an adult to farm Hayes and Hayes Farms with his son, Mark, where the tradition of hard work and dedication continued to the next generation, farming corn and soybeans and raising hogs, eventually focusing on no-till crops and ground conservation.

Lowell continued his education throughout his years as an avid reader and researcher of economics, farming, politics, and history. In addition to being a farmer, he was the patriarch of the Hayes clan, raising two generations of kids with his wife, Jeanne, and instilled the importance of family and taking care of one another in each of his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Lowell and Jeanne volunteered for many

years at Iron Mountain Hospital where they would take other veterans to physical therapy and bring them lunch; he would spend much of that time talking with the veteran patients who often had no one else to talk to, a cause to which he was deeply committed.

Lowell is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Jeanne (Lasher, Hubbard) Hayes, his son, Mark (Danette) Hayes, and daughters, Jodi Appel and Viki (Larry) Bigelow, his grandchildren, Amanda (Isaac) Rudolph, Laura (Richard) Hines, Nicholas (Michelle Brackey) Fry, Thomas (Alma) Bigelow, and Amy (Jason) Bigelow-Rybacki, and his many beloved great-grandchildren. Lowell was also a mentor to many local "kids" in the community, including his "second son" Lynn Blackmore, always sharing his life, experiences, and strength with them.

Lowell would always tell people, "I'm just an old soldier; I try to serve where I can." He may have thought of himself as "just an old soldier," but to his family, friends, and community, he was a true hero.

The visitation will be from 4-7:30 p.m., Friday, Sept. 9, 2022 at the Unger-Horner Funeral Home, 400 N. 6th St. Rochelle. A service will be held at a future time with interment following in Arlington National Cemetery. Memorials may be made to OSF St. Anthony Hospital in Lowell's memory. Visit www.ungerhorner.com to sign the online guest book.

William Griswold

William "Bill" Vincent Clark Griswold, 84, of Winnebago, died Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022 at Medina Nursing Center in Durand. He was born Oct. 3, 1937 in Rockford the son of James Edgar and Ruth (Clark) Griswold.



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Bill married Shirley Lou Hayenga on March 19, 1961 in Rockford. He graduated Phi Theta Kappa from Rock Valley College in Rockford with an Associate in Applied Science in Quality Assurance Technology on May 15, 1986. Bill was a member of the Oregon Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 8739, Oregon American Legion Post 97, Durand American Legion Gold Star Post 676 and Winnebago Masonic Lodge 745 A.F. & A.M.

Bill is survived by his

daughter, Dawn (Mike) Collins; son, Dan (Staci) Griswold; granddaughters, Samantha Griswold, D'elaine Bejgier; great-grandson, Gatlin Griswold; sister, Viola Garver; several nephews and nieces.

Bill is predeceased by his wife of 53 years, Shirley Griswold; brother, Edward Griswold.

Visitation was 10 a.m., followed by Masonic Rites at 11 a.m. and then a Funeral Service all on Saturday, Sept. 3, 2022, at Genandt Funeral Home, 602 N. Elida St., Winnebago, with Pastor Tim Spickler of New Life Bible Church officiating.

Interment at Winnebago Cemetery with Navy funeral honors. In lieu of flowers a memorial will be established for the Winnebago Public Library. For an online obituary and tributes go to www.genandtfuneralhome.com.

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Richard Messer

BYRON – Richard "Arnie" Messer, 88, of Byron died Thursday, Aug. 25, 2022 in Swedish-American Hospital, Rockford. He was born Oct. 1, 1933 the son of Kenneth and Mildred (Pettinger) Messer. He married Betty Houpt in Mt. Morris on June 1, 1962.

Arnie worked in the printing industry for Kable Printing, Rockford Morning Star Newspaper, and CCS in Oregon. He enjoyed camping and playing cards and attended many high school sporting

events.

Arnie is survived by his wife Betty, son, Ron (Paul Williams) Messer of McKinney, Texas, daughter-in-law, Brandie Messer, grandchildren, Brett (Emily Lund) Messer and Devan (Seth) Kuss all of Stillman Valley, one great grandbaby due any day, and sister, Linda (Clarence) Bechtold of Mt. Morris and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by 2 sons, Kevin and Steven and 8 brothers, Gene, Glenn, Bill, Darrell, Charles, Jim,

Doug, and Tom.

Visitation was held Sunday, Aug. 28, 2022 at Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home, 506 W. Merchant St., Byron beginning at 2 p.m. and concluding with the funeral service at 4 p.m. with Rev. Randy Snider officiating. Burial in Oakwood Cemetery in Mt. Morris on Monday at 11 a.m. Memorials may be directed to Village of Progress Special Olympics, Oregon.

To leave an online condolence, please visit www.farrellhollandgale.com

Polo Senior Center has activities planned

Exercise with Ronna Tuesdays at 9-10:15 a.m. and Thursdays at 11 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.

Line dancing Sept. 6 and Sept. 20 at 12:30 p.m.

Sept. 9 – Birthday Bingo 10 a.m.

Sept. 14 – Cooking Demo 11:30 a.m., Italian Bistecca Sandwich

Sept. 12 – Breakfast Club Meet at Parkway restaurant in Sterling 9:30 a.m.

Sept. 16 – Lunch Theatre at White Pines, those who signed up meet at the Pines at 11:20 a.m.

Sept. 19 – Movie Monday 11 a.m.; Troop Zero starring Jim Gaffigan, Allison Janney and Viola Davis. Heartwarming family movie, set in rural Georgia 1977, misfit girl dreams of life in outer space.

Sept. 21 – 11 a.m. Crafts, The Petal Pushers, Autumn Craft with dried pressed flowers

Sept. 23 – 11 a.m. PASS Luncheon - Pork Chops, Sweet potatoes with apple, Program TBA

Sept. 26 – 2 p.m. Caregiver Support group for families caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's/Dementia

Seniors welcome to Byron event on Sept. 12

Byron Seniors will meet Sept. 12 at noon at the Forest Preserve District in Byron.

Call Linda Stevens at 847-529-2439 if you have any questions. All seniors are welcome.

LOCAL NEWS



Farmer's market

Denise Heller, Pecatonica, makes and sells knitted dish cloths, Teddy Bears and assorted crocheted items. Stop by Byron Hairy Cow Farmer's Market on Saturday mornings from 8 am to noon next to the Hairy Cow Brewery. Last week we had 30 vendors. For information, contact Taryn Bradley at 815-985-6042 or at pchicksinstructor@gmail.com or contact the Byron Hairy Cow Farmer's Market Facebook page.

Church hosting block party Sept. 18

MOUNT MORRIS – Trinity Lutheran Church in Mt. Morris is hosting a free block party for the greater Mt. Morris community on Sunday, Sept. 18, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

It will be held on their lawn at the intersection of Brayton Road and Ogle Street in Mt. Morris, weather permitting.

There will be fun and food for all ages including a bounce house, obstacle course, corn-hole tournament, and piñata. The Mt. Morris Fire Department will have a fire truck onsite for a closer look at their big equipment and to talk to fire personnel. Hope of Ogle County will

information explaining their services. Walking tacos, cookies and drinks will be served.

The Fiesta Block Party is a free event offered by Trinity Lutheran Church, 308 E. Brayton Road in Mt. Morris. Their mission, "Believing in Christ, we are called to grow and sent to serve" is lived through local and global service projects that run the gamut from creating health kits and quilts for world relief programs to providing free pajamas to area families at Christmas. Other ministries include a free Summer Lunch Program, and Strong Girls 2 Wom-

en (#SG2W), a program for preteen girls that teaches self-respect and empowerment (#iame-nough). Worship services are in-person Saturday evenings and Sunday mornings, and available online on their website, YouTube channel and FaceBook page. Weekly podcasts from Pastor Josh Ehrlar are on buzzsprout.com and iTunes.

For more information about Trinity's mission, ministries and programs call 815-734-6354, email trinitymmooffice@gmail.com, visit www.trinitymil.net, or follow them on FaceBook, YouTube and Instagram.

Student council's Doggy Dash to help homeless pets

POLO – Grab your leash and strut your mutt at Doggy Dash 2022, a fundraiser for Granny Rose Animal Shelter in Dixon.

The Dash is scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 10, from 8 a.m.-noon at Polo High School. Dogs and their owners will team up to run a 3-mile race or .6-mile fun walk to raise funds for Granny Rose Animal Shelter.

To add to the fun, a pet/owner costume contest is also scheduled. No dog? No problem. Register to participate in either course as a pet lover or simply register to donate.

Register online at doggy-dash.cheddarup.com. Register today to participate in PCHS Student Council's Doggy Dash as paws hit the path to help homeless pets.

Vintage Christmas item sale Sept. 23-25

BYRON – There will be a Vintage Christmas item sale Sept. 23 and Sept. 24, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sept. 25 from 9 a.m.-noon at St. Mary's, 226 E. 2nd St. Byron.

Proceeds go to the St. Vincent de Paul Society, helping those struggling in the area. Trees, garlands, lights, decorations, cook-books, crafts, candles, figurines, tableware, linens (maybe even an ugly sweater!) For more information contact Kathy Connors at 815-520-6147, cubst-time1@yahoo.com.

Deadline for all items is 3 p.m. Wednesday

Come join us on **Sunday, September 11th** at **Faith Lutheran Church** at the corner of 2nd and Birch Streets in Forreton, IL, from **1:00-5:00 p.m.**

Help us celebrate **Carol Lynch's 80th Birthday** with food, fellowship, and fun!

Thank You

The family of Leona Groenhagen would like to sincerely thank all of our relatives, friends, and neighbors for their words of comfort, cards, food, flowers, memorial donations, and support during our loss. Your outpouring of love was so very much appreciated and of such great comfort to our family.

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We are truly blessed to have so many wonderful people in our lives.

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VOP banquet returns Oct. 19

OREGON – After a three-year pause, the Village of Progress' Annual Awards Banquet is back!

Join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of those who attend the Village and the many volunteers who donate their time and talent.

It's a great evening to spotlight our Ogle County men and women with

developmental disabilities. They value your support, and so do we.

The annual dinner will be held at St. Mary's Leaning Center, Oregon on Wednesday, Oct. 19. Dinner begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased by calling 815-732-2126. The cost is \$15 for adults, \$5 for ages 5 to 12, and free for those age 4 and under.

Mt. Morris church has new ministry

MOUNT MORRIS – A new ministry for kids – and their families – begins Sunday, Sept. 11 at the Evangelical Free Church of Mt. Morris.

Kingdom Kids will launch during the 10 a.m. worship service.

"Kingdom Kids is a Sunday morning church program designed especially for children," said director Jody Rozanas. "Boys and girls, ages 4-9, will learn about God's love for the world, including us, through music and song, engaging lessons, and fun activities."

She said EFCMM has completely remodeled a room in its Christian Education Center to be used specifically as a children's ministry space.

The bright, colorful room includes multi-media capabilities for lessons and activities, and provides a welcoming atmosphere for the students.

The program is intended to benefit not only the youngsters who attend but also their parents.

"Kingdom Kids is a good thing for families," said Rozanas, who is an elementary school teacher. "For children, it provides a safe and wholesome environment for them to learn about and worship God, along with other kids."

"For parents, it allows them to attend church without distraction and the concern that their little ones may not be able to sit through an entire service. At the EFCMM, we have a passion for strengthening families and connecting with our community. We believe the Kingdom Kids program helps us to do this."

The church is located at 102 S. Seminary Ave., Mt. Morris, and the Christian Education Center is directly across the street.

Worship services are held each Sunday at 10 a.m. preceded by Sunday School for all ages at 8:30 a.m. Child care is available for children younger than 4 years old.

Scholarship applications being accepted

OREGON – The Oregon Rotary Club Foundation is happy to be able to offer the annual College Scholarship opportunity.

Application résumés can be accepted via email to the Scholarship Chairperson, Hollie Guist, Jr. at hguistjr@gmail.com or mailed to the Guist Agency at P.O. Box 296, Oregon, IL 61061 from now until Sept. 15.

Please keep in mind

that the financial need or status of candidate will not be a factor. Make sure to include an email address and phone number somewhere on your application.

Applicants must be residents of the Oregon Community Unit School District. Applicants must also have completed at least one year at a college or university or one semester at a trade school.

Applicant must submit a résumé application including:

- * name and contact information of student
- * name of school
- * major area of study
- * class standing (sophomore, junior, senior)
- * cumulative grade point average
- * extracurricular activities while in college
- * other information the student feels relevant

Annual Tootsie Roll sale now underway

The 53rd annual Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll drive in Oregon and Mt. Morris will be held Sept. 9 and 10.

Last year we raised \$5,600 with help of a few businesses and from Knight families and friends. The funds that were raised help to support the Knights of Columbus programs in Illinois, such as Special Olympics and homes for some intellectually disabled. Local organizations who also split \$4,740 were: Village of Progress, Oregon School district special education program, and Stouffer Terrace.

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LOCAL NEWS

Celebrating Labor Day

Tips for Labor Day getaways and more

Labor Day marks the unofficial end of summer. Even though summer officially ends a few weeks after Labor Day, a new school year begins for most students by Labor Day, and the lazy, hazy days spent on the beach give way to a new school year.

It's no wonder that so many people want to capture the last of the summer magic before it's gone for another year; Labor Day getaways help people hold on to summer just a little longer. Explore these tips to make Labor Day trips a bit more safe and convenient.

Leave extra time

Roadways are bound to be busy with other Labor Day weekend travelers, particularly for those headed to seaside locales or campgrounds. One way to avoid some of the traffic is to depart from home in the wee hours of the morning or late at night. Leave plenty of time to get to your destination so you won't be tempted to speed or drive erratically. Utilize GPS and mobile phone mapping apps to identify routes that can help you avoid traffic.

Be cautious of the weather

Extreme temperatures can be a concern even this late in the season. The American Red Cross urges travelers to remain hydrated by drinking plenty of fluids while en route to destinations or while engaging in Labor Day fun. Avoid strenuous exercise during the hottest part



of the day. Strong storms can blow through in an instant, so keep track of weather alerts and find shelter if a thunderstorm approaches while on the beach or in other areas where lightning strikes occur more readily.

Plan ahead

Labor Day vacationers number in the millions. Hotels and motels will be in demand, driving up rates, and airfare prices could soar. Book early to secure the best prices available and to guarantee you have accommo-

dations.

Consider a bundled vacation Package deals at destinations can save you a considerable amount of money. Fly.com allows users to search the site for destination-appropriate packages that can combine airfare with hotel and car rentals to save money.

Look for lifeguards

If the plan is to swim in a lake, river or the ocean, select areas that have lifeguards available.

Always swim sober and with a buddy. Even strong swimmers can be caught off guard by the power of water, which can include rip currents or rushing rapids.

Watch alcohol intake

Never drink alcohol while operating a vehicle en route to and from Labor Day festivities. Have a designated driver available if need be. Also, vacationers must recognize that alcohol can contribute to dehydration. Choose non-alcoholic and decaffeinated

beverages to stay hydrated in warm weather.

Consider smaller airports

It may seem more convenient to utilize larger airport hubs for travel, but driving a little further to smaller, regional airports can help you save money on fares. Plus, these airports may be less crowded, helping to calm stress and make the overall trip a little easier.

Labor Day travel is about to heat up, and a few tips can make plans go more smoothly.

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Rock River Center has upcoming classes, activities set

Rock River Center is a resource center located at 810 S. 10th Street, Oregon. Do you need help with Benefit Access Application for a license plate discount, Medicare, housing, homemaker service, heating assistance or other things? Our Information & Assistance Specialists are available at various locations throughout Ogle County. Our activities and trips are open to all ages. Call our office at 815-732-3252 with any questions. Visit us on the web at www.rockrivercenter.org and like us on Facebook. Registration is requested if you plan to attend a scheduled program or class. Just give us call 815-732-3252. Thank you for your support in this matter.

September 2022 Yoga for all ages
Jennifer Pierce EdD, leads movement and exercises using yoga and mindfulness concepts.

Incorporating these techniques into your lifestyle can enhance health, increase strength, improve balance & flexibility, and reduce depression and anxiety. Class is Friday, from 10-11 a.m. Sept. 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. The cost is \$5 per class. Advance registration and payment required.

All participants should arrive 5-10 minutes before the class starts; bring a yoga mat, water bottle, and wear loose-fitting clothing. Contact Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 to sign up.

Save the date
Friday, Oct. 14, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
Health & Wellness Fair at Rock River Center. Ogle County Health Department will hold a flu shot clinic.

September Croquet
We have a fun outdoor activity planned on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month through Sept. 28. All skill

levels welcome.
Game Time is 10-11:30 a.m. on Sept. 14 and 28 at Lions Park, 10th and Webster. Registration at 815-732-3252 – register for Sept. 14, by Sept. 12 and register for Sept. 28, by Sept. 26
Players should meet and park at Lions Park at 10 am on game day. Call the Center if weather is questionable. This is a free event open to all ages.

Five Keys to Retiring Fearlessly
Are you wondering if you will be ready for retirement?

Mr. Shawn Blobaum, Financial Consultant at Thrivent Financial will be at Rock River Center on Wednesday, September 7 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. He will discuss the five key items to consider when preparing for your retirement.

Advance registration requested by Sept. 5 to accommodate seating. Please call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending.

Sept. 8 Outing
Hike at the Bald Hill Prairie Preserve. \$5 Trans/Activity Fee payable at RRC before departure
Registration deadline is Sept. 6. Lunch (on your own) afterward.

Property Tax Freeze
This exemption “freezes” your assessed value at a certain level and base year, depending on what year you originally applied. Your future real estate tax bills are calculated at this “frozen” assessed value, thereby slowing the increase of your property taxes. You must re-apply for this exemption every year. Although your assessed value is frozen under this exemption, tax bills can continue to increase if spending by any of the local units of government (like schools, cities, parks, etc) goes up. Also, please

be aware that you may, later in the year, receive a “change of assessment notice” if the township assessor has re-evaluated your property. This will in *no way* affect your status under this senior assessment freeze exemption. Real estate taxes are calculated on your “frozen” assessed value.

To qualify, you must meet guidelines as follows:

You must be 65 or older, own and use the property as your principle residence
Your total income, and the income of any other individuals using the property as their principle residence, must be less than \$65,000.

Benefit Access Program
The Benefit Access Program allows you to get a discount on your license plate sticker. The cost of your sticker could be as low as \$24.00.

To qualify, you must meet income guidelines as follows:

- * You must be 65 years of age or older by December 31 of the current year; or
- * You must be 16 years of age or older and totally disabled before January 1 of this year

Your 2021 annual income must be less than:
* \$33,562 for a 1 person household
* \$44,533 for a 2 person household
* \$55,500 for a 3 person household
You must live in Illinois at the time you file your application.

2022 Heating Assistance LIHEAP
Colder weather is just around the corner and we all will be experiencing higher utility bills as we need to turn on the heat in our homes. There are two programs that help those with low income pay for their heating utility bills.

The LIHEAP program continues to

accept applications for assistance with paying heating bills.

Tri County Opportunities Council is the agency that processes those applications and is available in Ogle County as listed below, by appointment only.

The Oregon Tri-County Office is located inside the Rock River Center, 810 S 10th Street.

Appointments are available on Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Call 815-732-2907 for an appointment in Oregon.

Please have copies made of all of your documentation before your appointment. You can call their Rock Falls office for more details at 800-323-5434.

In order to qualify, your household must meet the following income guidelines, no more than 200% of the poverty level. For a 1-person household the 30-day income limit is \$2,265; 2-person household is \$3,052, 3-person household is \$3,838, etc.

Support groups
Cancer Support Group
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Time: 2-3 p.m.

Caregiver Support Group
Meets: 1ST and 3RD Tuesday of each month
Time: 10-11 a.m.

Diabetic Support Group
Meets: 1st Wednesday of each month
Time: 11 a.m.-noon

Low Vision Group
Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month
Time: Noon-1:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tues., Sept. 6
Young Widows group will meet from 6-7 p.m. at The Serenity Home, 1658 S IL RT 2, Oregon. This group is for ages 55 and under. To register please call 815-732-4111 by noon.

Book club at the Mount Morris Senior Center, 11 a.m. This month our book club is reading *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* by Deborah Moggach. We will discuss the book at 11 a.m. and then we will have lunch and watch the movie together. To sign up call 815-734-6335.

Thurs., Sept. 8
Lunch Group will meet at 11:30. We will meet at Nava Family Restaurant, 4449 IL 64, in Mt. Morris. This group is for anyone in the community. To register please call 815-732-4111 by 10 a.m.

Fri., Sept. 9
C.A.F.E. will meet from 9-10 a.m. at The Serenity Home, 1658 S IL RT 2, Oregon, IL. This group is open to all adult bereaved in the community. To register please call 815-732-4111

by 4 p.m. on Sept. 8.
Diamond Art will meet at The Serenity Shed from 9-11 a.m. To register please call 815-732-4111 by 4 p.m. on Sept. 8.

The New Beginnings Al-Anon Family Group meets each Friday morning at 10 a.m. at the KSB Medical Clinic, 1107 S. Division (Route 52), in Polo. The meeting is also on Zoom; information for that option may be acquired by calling 815-732-7616.

Sat., Sept. 10
Byron's Hairy Cow Farm-

er's Market is 8 a.m. to noon, Sunshine Park, IL Route 2 and Peru St, Byron. Featuring local seasonal produce, plants, baked goods, area crafters and more. For information, contact Taryn Bradley at 815-985-6042 or at pchicksinstructor@gmail.com or the Byron Hairy Cow Farmer's Market Facebook page.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Sept. 12, 1846, Elizabeth Barrett elopes with Robert Browning. Despite her father's dislike of Browning, calling him an unreliable fortune hunter, Elizabeth and Robert conducted a secret courtship. After a secret wedding at St. Marylebone Parish Church, the two moved to Italy, where Elizabeth's former weak health improved dramatically.

* On Sept. 14, 1901, U.S. President William McKinley dies after being shot in Buffalo, New York. When McKinley was operated on, doctors had failed to find the bullet, and gangrene soon spread throughout his body.

* On Sept. 15, 1935, German Jews are stripped of their citizenship, reducing them to "subjects" of the state. German Jews were excluded from high-profile vocations, from public office to journalism and teaching, even farming. Jews found it difficult even to buy food.

* On Sept. 16, 1940, the first peacetime draft in the history of the United States is imposed on men between the ages of 21 and 36. There were 20 million eligible young men; 50% were rejected the very first year for health reasons or illiteracy.

* On Sept. 13, 1963, Texas-born entrepreneur Mary Kay Ash launches a cosmetic company in Dallas. Mary Kay Inc. would become a cosmetic empire with revenue of more than \$3.5 billion and salespeople in dozens of countries. Mary Kay became renowned for an award system designed for women, including mink coats, diamond rings and pink Cadillacs.

* On Sept. 17, 1976, NASA publicly unveils its first space shuttle, the Enterprise, during a ceremony in California. In 1977, the Enterprise became the first space shuttle to fly freely when it was lifted to a height of 25,000 feet by a Boeing 747 airplane and then released, gliding back to Edwards Air Force Base on its own accord.

* On Sept. 18, 1981, the 20,000-car parking lot at Canada's West Edmonton Mall makes the Guinness World Records as the largest parking lot in the world. However, Dubai was said at the time to be building a 40,000-space parking lot at their mall, but it only has 14,500 slots today.

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Many young couples not kid friendly

I still remember the day both of my children were old enough to start school. It was like getting the biggest raise ever.

Why? Daycare. We had two kids going to daycare and it cost hundreds a week, even in the mid-90s. That was a ton of money for a journalist and a teacher to afford.

And it has only gotten worse. The cost of childcare has actually risen quickly over the last couple of years. Some families, I have read, are paying more than 20 percent of their household income on childcare.

I don't care who you are, that is expensive.

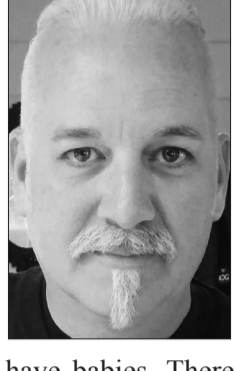
That is one reason why many younger people, Generation Z and Millennials, are choosing to not have children. I, for one, can't blame them.

In 2020, the birth rate fell 4 percent, which was the largest single-year decrease in nearly 50 years. That might not seem like a lot, but over the years it is a lot fewer babies being born.

There will always be people who want to have babies and a lot of them. Often, the reason is religious. Or people just want

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



to have babies. There is nothing wrong with that.

But there is also nothing wrong with not wanting to have children, and the number choosing not to is growing steadily. Even people who are choosing to have children are not having as many, maybe just one or two.

Childcare costs are just one part of the reason many are choosing to not have children. Many younger couples are both professionals who are career oriented and a kid just doesn't fit in with their plans. That is something we have seen in society for years.

But something that many people mention in the materials I have read

is the current state of the world. Who would want to bring a child into a world of raging anger and violence? Seriously, look at the signs some people have displayed at their homes. Do you want your impressionable children exposed to that? Do you want the rantings and ravings of people everywhere from social media to the grocery store to be in your kid's face daily?

Many people don't, and it is hard to blame them. Our country is a cesspool of division right now, and I can only see it getting worse.

There is also the planet itself, which we are slowly killing. Man has done a lot of damage to the planet and environment. And with climate change, the future is simply not looking that great. Heat, yes, but also more storms and floods. There are a lot of unknowns, so why risk bringing a child into it, some might ask.

And if that child gets sick? Well, get ready for the bills to pile up. As we know, the healthcare system in the U.S. is difficult to navigate and very, very expensive. A struggling young family might not

be able to afford simple medications.

Most developed countries in the world have universal healthcare, but we do not. We do it the old-fashioned way—make people broke trying to stay healthy. Even those with good medical insurance take to social media for GoFundMe money. It is pathetic we have to do that in this country.

Finally, some people just don't like kids. And that number also seems to be growing. Look, I love my kids (especially now that they are adults), but they can be gross little things. That is fine for most people, me included, but not for everyone.

Let's face it, kids can be whiny, needy little balls of difficulty. Not everyone wants to deal with that. I get it.

We are in no danger of people stopping having children all together, of course. But a slowdown will be felt at schools, in taxes collected and fewer screaming kids at local restaurants to ruin your meal.

Hey, I think I just found the silver lining.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.

Taking a closer look at student loan forgiveness

When I first met my wife 21 years ago, her mother wasn't so sure about me.

After all, I was a decade older than her daughter and we were engaged to be married within five weeks of meeting. So, she tried to come up with things that might scare me off.

"Has Joan mentioned that she has \$85,000 in student loan debt?" she said to me one day. I replied, "Yes, she has; I still want to marry her."

For those economists reading this column, that's \$142,000 in today's dollars. Add interest paid on top of that and you are talking about really big bucks.

But the debt is now paid off. And now we have three daughters who will soon be leaving for college themselves.

President Joe Biden's recent announcement that he will unilaterally forgive \$500 billion in student loan debt sounds magnanimous until you figure out it really means folks who either didn't go to college or who have already paid for college will end up footing the bill for someone else's college education.

After all, these are federal loans that are underwritten by the American taxpayer.

The predicament we are now in is not all that different than the housing crisis in 2008.

Back then bank presidents were giving loans to homebuyers who would not likely be able to pay the

loan off. Why would a banker do such a thing? Because they could immediately sell off those loans to the federally sponsored organizations Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac and leave the taxpayers on the hook if the borrower defaulted.

University presidents are doing the same thing today. They are admitting students into degree programs where there is little chance individuals will earn enough to pay for the cost of their education.

Why would a college president do this? Because students are able to borrow federally-backed student loans, and if they can't pay it back, again, the taxpayer is responsible.

The current student loan system contributes to the tuition hyper-inflation we are now experiencing in higher education.

Colleges raise tuition because they know students will cover the cost with borrowed money. Students borrow more money because tuition has been raised. And the self-perpetuating cycle continues.

Now President Biden says the debt should be forgiven.

The Washington Post noted in an Aug. 24 editorial, "Widely canceling student loan debt is regressive. It takes money from the broader tax base, mostly made up of workers who did not go to college, to subsidize the education debt of people with valuable degrees. Though Mr. Biden's plan includes an income cap, the threshold does not reflect need or earnings potential, meaning white-collar professionals with

high future salaries stand to benefit. Student loans, moreover, are a poor proxy for household income: An analysis by policy researcher Jason D. Delisle found that, in 2016, students from high-income and low-income families were just as likely to take on debt for their first year in an undergraduate program – and students from high-income families borrowed the largest amounts."

So how do we reform the system? The most obvious way is to have student loans underwritten by the college the student is attending rather than the federal government. This would force university administrators to ask tough questions like can someone earning an art degree pay off a \$100,000 debt?

Another option would be for the government to treat colleges the way Biden wants to deal with big pharmaceutical corporations. Since taxpayers foot the bill for medicine purchased through Medicare, he wants to use that clout to negotiate down the price of prescriptions for all of us. Good for him.

But he ought to be doing the same with colleges and universities. If they want their students to be eligible for federally-backed student loans and grants, they need to lower the cost of a college education.

Scott Reeder, an Illinois Times staff writer, can be reached at sreeder@illinoistimes.com.

Fossil fuels main cause for climate problems

Dear Editor,

As someone who follows local and national news reports, I must tell you I am worried about the recent extreme heat and wildfires raging across the country. I feel for people who lose their lives and livelihoods to extreme weather, and I'm scared that it's only a matter of time until it directly hits me and my community.

Seeing headlines in local news outlets covering these climate disasters made me realize that most news stories show no connection between them and their main cause: fossil fuels. This is dangerous, because many people

will continue to refuse to see that longer, hotter, and deadlier summers are caused and perpetuated by the disastrous coal, oil, and gas projects - and the fossil fuel industry.

The science is clear – the longer we allow coal, oil, and gas companies to dig and burn, the worse the impacts of the climate crisis will be. With every fraction of a degree of warming, we'll see and suffer more extreme heat, droughts, floods, wildfires, and hurricanes. But the fossil fuel industry continues to ignore these alerts and undermine our chances for a safer future, and CO2 emissions keep

rising. We all know this is causing global heating, and resulting in extreme weather events, yet they keep digging, burning, and profiting, with zero accountability.

Climate impacts - like the recent heatwaves and wildfires - disproportionately affect people and communities who are already marginalized and disadvantaged. People who did the least to cause the climate crisis suffer the worst from its impacts – they lose livelihoods, hope, and worse: their lives – while oil companies continue to hit record profits. This is wrong on so many levels.

Local, regional, and national media have an important role to play - and a moral obligation to tell the whole truth. It's time to make one thing about extreme weather very clear: it's not a "crisis" that just happens to us - it's a crime, and the fossil fuel industry is to blame. And saying it once isn't enough. Media has an important job to do to turn the tide of public opinion, and help the world avoid the worst of the climate impacts.

Please tell the REAL story about the climate crisis.

Sincerely,
Frances Schoonhoven Forrester

LOCAL NEWS

Chana School Museum sign refreshed, repainted



OREGON – The 19-year-old sign at the Chana School Museum was recently cleaned, refreshed and repainted by volunteer artist John Barnhart.

This museum sign was originally hand-painted by Barnhart back in 2003 when the Chana School Museum was first restored and opened to the public. After years of exposure to the sun and storms the decorative lettering had become faded.

The Chana School Museum is located at 201 North River Road at Oregon Park East. This unique V-shaped, two room schoolhouse was built in 1883 and restored to its original splendor thanks to thousands of hours of volunteer labor. The museum is used by numerous area school groups for living history field trips and is the site for vintage baseball games hosted by the Oregon Ganymedes Base Ball Club during the summer months.

The Chana School Museum is operated and maintained by the all-volunteer Chana School Foundation. The historic building will be open for free tours on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. during this year's Autumn on Parade Festival.

LSSI has programs ready for new school year in Ogle County

As they wrapped up the summer, the Lutheran Social Services of Illinois (LSSI) Prevention Team within Ogle County spent time serving in many outreach services and attended several local fairs and parades, and committed to educating the community on how and why we believe Prevention is so important with youth in our community.

As we head back into the school year, our Prevention programs, Youth WORKS (Wellness, Opportunities and Resources for Key Services), and Project LEAD (Leader Encouraging Abstinence from Drugs) are eager to continue serving at-risk youth within the Ogle County Community.

The 2022-23 school year is an exciting one for both Youth WORKS and Project LEAD of Ogle County. Both of these prevention programs are part LSSI and are grant-funded through the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS). Youth WORKS is designed to reduce delinquency and violence among youth and Project LEAD is geared towards reducing substance use and lowering the perception of drugs and alcohol misuse with youth, both within Ogle County.

This year will look a little different than the past years because LSSI received notice by DHS during the summer that Substance Abuse Prevention would be seen in a new lens, and we would be able to expand our services to lower grade levels. We've found the perfect fit for our team and the newest addition to Project LEAD, Rose Gleiter, who will be implementing Youth Prevention Education to 4th and 5th graders within Ogle County.

Gleiter, is eager to fine-tune her prevention and substance use education for the programs, and will be spending some time attending Prevention First education courses and trainings.

She'll also get out into the community to start networking with local elementary schools and hopefully start teaching the "Too Good for Drugs" curriculum as soon as she is ready.

"Too Good for Drugs" is an evidence-based curriculum that focuses on social and emotional teaching on the prevention of substance use, with fun and interactive lessons, that build the self-confidence young people need to make healthy choices and achieve lifelong success.

Danielle Horst, Youth WORKS prevention specialist for Ogle County is eager for this upcoming school year, returning to some of the schools with which she has gained a strong relationship.

She'll teach an evidence-based curriculum called "Too Good for Violence." Danielle and the Youth WORKS program is dedicated to working with at-risk youth to reduce adolescent dating violence, abuse, crime, and bullying by teaching youth social emotional skills and better decision making so they can reach their full potential.

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LOCAL NEWS

4-H Fair winners

Sheep Department

Breeding classes

Champion Southdown Senior Ewe Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Southdown Junior Ewe Lamb – Samantha Koper, Oregon
Reserve Champion Southdown Junior Ewe Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Southdown Yearling Ewe – Samantha Koper, Oregon
Reserve Champion Southdown Yearling Ewe – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Pair of Southdown Lambs – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Suffolk Junior Ewe Lamb – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley

Champion Suffolk Yearling Ewe – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley
Reserve Champion Suffolk Yearling Ewe – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley

Champion Suffolk Ram Lamb – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley
Reserve Champion Suffolk Ram Lamb – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley

Champion Pair of Suffolk Lambs – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley

Champion Other Purebred Yearling Ewe – Meat Breed – Aubrey Janoski, Davis Junction

Champion Other Purebred Ram Lamb – Meat Breed – Brooke Ewald, Byron
Reserve Champion Other Purebred Ram Lamb – Meat Breed – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Pair of Other Purebred Lambs – Meat Breed – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Other Purebred Junior Ewe Lamb – Wool Breed – Aubrey Janoski, Davis Junction

Champion Other Purebred Yearling Ewe – Wool Breed – Samantha Koper, Oregon

Champion Other Purebred Ram Lamb – Wool Breed – Aubrey Janoski, Davis Junction

Grand Champion Ewe Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron
Reserve Grand Champion Ewe Lamb – Samantha Koper, Oregon

Grand Champion Yearling Ewe – Samantha Koper, Oregon
Reserve Grand Champion Yearling Ewe – Samantha Koper, Oregon

Grand Champion Ram Lamb – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley
Reserve Grand Champion Ram Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Grand Champion Pair of Lambs – Brooke Ewald, Byron
Reserve Grand Champion Pair of Lambs – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley

Grand Champion Overall Female – Brooke Ewald, Byron
Reserve Grand Champion Overall Female – Samantha Koper, Oregon

Combined Breeding Classes

Champion Black-Face Breeds Young Flock – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley

Grand Champion Young Flock – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley

Commercial Classes

Champion Commercial Senior Ewe Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Commercial Junior Ewe Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron
Reserve Champion Commercial Junior Ewe Lamb – Samantha Koper, Oregon

Champion Commercial Yearling Ewe – Samantha Koper, Oregon

Champion Pair of Commercial Lambs – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Grand Champion Commercial Ewe – Samantha Koper, Oregon
Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Ewe – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Market Lamb Classes

Champion Light Weight Southdown Market Lamb – Blakelynn Swanson, Stillman Valley
Reserve Champion Light Weight Southdown Market Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Heavy Weight Southdown Market Lamb – Samantha Koper, Oregon
Reserve Champion Heavy Weight Southdown Market Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Hampshire Market Lamb – Blakelynn Swanson, Stillman Valley
Reserve Champion Hampshire Market Lamb – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Whiteface Market Lamb – Blakelynn Swanson, Stillman Valley
Reserve Champion Whiteface Market Lamb – Samantha Koper, Oregon

Champion Blackface Market Lamb – Blakelynn Swanson, Stillman Valley
Reserve Champion Blackface Market Lamb – Ty Horn, Kings

Champion Heavy Weight Crossbred Market Lamb – Ty Horn, Kings
Reserve Champion Heavy Weight Crossbred Market Lamb – Blakelynn Swanson, Stillman Valley

Grand Champion Overall Market Lamb – Blakelynn Swanson, Stillman Valley
Reserve Grand Champion Overall Market Lamb – Ty Horn, Kings

Champion Pair of White-Face Market Lambs – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Champion Pair of Black-Face Market Lambs – Ty Horn, Kings
Reserve Champion Pair of Black-Face Market Lambs – Blakelynn Swanson, Stillman Valley

Grand Champion Pair of Market Lambs – Ty Horn, Kings
Reserve Grand Champion Pair of Market Lambs – Brooke Ewald, Byron

Showmanship

Champion Junior Showmanship – Kaitlyn Adams, Stillman Valley

Champion Intermediate Showmanship – Aubrey Janoski, Stillman Valley

Champion Senior Showmanship – Samantha Koper, Oregon

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Forreston receives new weight room racks in honor of Brian Haijenga



FORRESTON – Forreston High School has recently received a generous donation from the Brian Haijenga Memorial with the arrival of three new weight room racks.

Haijenga, a Forreston alum, tragically passed away in February 2021. He was a multi-sport athlete who played significant roles on the Cardinals' 1987-1988 state basketball team and 1988 quarterfinalist football team. Along with being an avid fan for his nieces and nephews, Haijenga remained a passionate supporter for all Forreston Athletics, and he would be proud to know his memorial will be utilized by all male and female student-athletes.

The weight room program has played a vital part of the athletic success achieved at Forreston, and Forreston High School is appreciative of this tremendous gift from the family of Brian Haijenga and the impact it will have throughout their sports community.

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NEW LISTING



5 W. 1st Street, Mt. Morris
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SPORTS/LOCAL NEWS

Stillman Valley beats Byron in overtime

It took overtime for the Stillman Valley High School football team to take down Byron 15-7 on Aug. 26. Stillman Valley got on the board first with a 5-yard run in the second quarter. Byron answered in the fourth with a 3-yard run by Caden Considine. Considine had 29 yards for the game. Byron was led on the ground by Kye Aken, who had 47 yards on 14 rushes. Stillman Valley won the game in OT with a 3-yard run and 2-point conversion.

Oregon football drops opener to Dixon

Dixon jumped out to a 14-6 lead in the first quarter and ended up dominating Oregon High School 34-6 in a varsity football game on Aug. 26. Oregon scored in the first quarter on a Jack Washburn 5-yard pass to Austin Egyed, but did not score again. Washburn finished the game 23 for 37 and 170 yards. He had no interceptions. On the ground, Gabe Eckerd had 14 yards on 8 carries for the Hawks, while Tyler Burkhart added 14 yards on 3 carries. For the game, Oregon had 195 yards, while Dixon had 380.

Scores

Boys Varsity Soccer

Aug. 29
Stillman Valley 1, Genoa-Kingston 8

Oregon 1, Byron 0

Aug. 27
Stillman Valley 2, Rochelle 7

Aug. 26
Stillman Valley 0, Roanoke-Benson 1

Girls Varsity Golf

Aug. 27
(Oregon Girls Varsity Golf Tournament)
Oregon (runner up) 417, Rockford Boylan 342

Aug. 30
Stillman Valley 211, Genoa-Kingston 202

Boys Varsity Golf

Aug. 30
Stillman Valley 173, Genoa-Kingston 192

Boys Varsity Football

Aug. 26
Stillman Valley 15, Byron 7

Oregon 6, Dixon 34

Girls Varsity Volleyball

Aug. 25
Oregon 17-25, Dakota 25-27

Stillman Valley 2, Ashton-Franklin 0

Aug. 30
Oregon 20-25, Rochelle 25-27

Stillman Valley 0, Sycamore 2

Waitkoss named Forreston Volleyball coach

FORRESTON – On Wednesday, Aug. 17th Forreston Valley C.U.S.D. #221 formally approved the hiring of Paul Waitkoss for Special Education Teacher at FJSHS and their head varsity softball coaching position after the stepping down of former head coach and teacher Kim Snider. Waitkoss is a 20-plus year veteran teacher and high school coach, including softball, baseball, and basketball.

“Coach Waitkoss has been a long-time head coach within other school districts and has shown he has a strong set of expectations for himself and his

players,” said Forreston Assistant Principal/Athletic Director Kyle Zick. “I look forward to seeing him coach this year in his new role as softball head coach at Forreston Junior/Senior High School and even better, I look forward to him doing magnificent work with our students in the classroom. He is the exact person we need to continue the strong tradition of success on and off the field for Forreston Softball.”

“We are grateful Coach Waitkoss is stepping into the head coaching role at Forreston Junior/Senior High School and play an instrumental part in our

girls’ athletic programs,” said Superintendent Sheri Smith. “He is coming with experience, passion, and excitement for both the classroom and athletics. We look forward to another great season for our Lady Cardinals.”

Waitkoss will take over a strong softball program that finished 3rd in the state in the 1A IHSA state playoffs this previous spring.

The cardinals graduated only two players and look forward to continued successes under Waitkoss’s direction. The Cardinals start the practice season on Feb. 27th this spring.

Julia Hull Library News

Storytime at the Library!

Join us at the library for songs, stories and crafts! Ages 2-5. Wednesdays at 10 a.m. Space is limited: call the library to register: 815-645-8611.

Stem Lab: Kids’ Fall Science

Join us at 10 a.m. on Saturday, September 10 as we embrace the season with some cool crisp science experiments. Kids will get to hypothesize and investigate fall favorites: pumpkins, apples and more! Ages 5-9. Registration required. 815-645-8611

Toddler Time: Lego Duplo

Indulge your little one’s curiosity with a hands-on event just for them. Join us for some play with the classic an ingenious Lego Duplo. Friday, September 16, at 10 a.m. Ages 1-4. Registration required: 815-645-8611

Young Critics Book Club

Join us at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, September 20, for a hands-on craft/activity and book discussion of Chris Riddell’s, “Ottoline.” Stop by the library to register for this in-person program and pick-up your copy of the reading. Ages 7-9. Registration required.

The Essential Great Chicago Fire

This October marks the 151st anniversary of the Great Chicago Fire that burned for two days and destroyed over 17,000 buildings. Chicago native and award-winning storyteller, William Pack, weaves together technical details of the fire with vivid firsthand accounts from those who lived through the conflagration of 1871, bringing alive all the excitement and terror in a multi-media storytelling event that will not soon be forgotten. Thursday, September 22, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Call to register: 815-645-8611.

Teen: Caramel Apple Nachos

Stop by the library after school, Thursday September 29, for the perfect snack: apple nachos! You’ll create your own with all the best fall toppings: caramel, peanut butter, candy and more! 3-4 p.m. Ages 13-18. Registration required. 815-645-8611

Labor Day Closure

The library will be closed Saturday, September 3 and Monday, September 5 for Labor Day weekend.

Locals graduate from Augustana College

ROCK ISLAND – Augustana College, Rock Island, held its commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 22. U.S. Senator Dick Durbin delivered the address.

Those graduating were given advice by Senator Durbin, who reflected on the resilience and hard work of this year’s graduates and commended Augustana’s commitment to preparing the next

generation of peacemakers and problem solvers.

Among the graduates who participated in the ceremony:

Marissa Gorseigner from Oregon was recognized with a major(s) in Biology.

Brooklynn Schelling from Oregon was recognized with a major(s) in Communication Sciences and Disorders and Spanish for Profes-

sional Use.

Known for sparking passionate curiosity, Augustana College is an empowering home to explore over 90 areas of study. Augustana’s innovative program, Augie Choice, transforms students into global citizens, thinkers and doers with a \$2,000 grant to explore the world, complete an internship or conduct research with a professor.

Illinois Wesleyan University’s Dean’s List announced

BLOOMINGTON – Illinois Wesleyan University’s Dean’s List for the spring semester of the 2021-22 academic year consisted of 743 students from 30 states and 17 countries.

To qualify for the Dean’s List, students must earn a GPA of 3.50 or better during the semester, based on 4.0 for straight As.

Jadyn Bothe, of Oregon, a first-year majoring in Neuroscience.

Cole Faivre, of Polo, a first-year majoring in Environmental Studies.

Valeria Viteri-Pflucker, of Polo, a senior majoring in Physics.

Founded in 1850, Illinois Wesleyan is a nationally recognized, highly selective liberal arts university. The University is exclu-

sively undergraduate and enrolls approximately 1,700 students from across the nation and around the globe. Illinois Wesleyan prides itself on producing graduates who are well-rounded, broadly educated individuals with a spirit of inquiry who can successfully adapt to the demands of a rapidly changing, complex world.

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LOCAL NEWS

Byron Library News

Special Hours
The Byron Public Library will be closed Monday, September 5 in observance of Labor Day. We will re-open for our regular hours on Tuesday, September 6. We wish all of our patrons a safe and happy Labor Day!

Byron Public Library Accepting Construction Bids

The Byron Public Library District will begin accepting sealed bids for the interior renovation of the Byron Public Library. A pre-bid meeting will be held on September 14, 2022, at 10:00 am to review bidding procedures, the project scope, and to tour the building. Bids for "All Work/Turn Key" will be received no later than 1 p.m. on September 28, 2022. Beginning of this project is approximately November 1, 2022, but actual construction will not begin until most materials are available and ready to be installed.

Curbside Delivery

The library is open for browsing, but patrons can still use our curbside service! Place your holds online at byronlibrary.org or call us at 815-234-5107. Not sure what you want? Call us for help! We will call or email you with a confirmation when your holds are ready to be picked up. Call us when you arrive at the library, and we will bring your items out to you, already checked out. A receipt with your due dates will be included with your items.

StoryWalks at the Byron Forest Preserve

A new StoryWalk® is up at the Byron Forest Preserve! Stroll the 1/2-mile Indigo Trail while reading "Pigeon Has to Go to School" by Mo Willems. The StoryWalk® is a joint project of the Byron Public Library and the Byron Forest Preserve. The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. StoryWalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.

Egypt Travelogue

Friday, Sept. 9
1-2 p.m.

Egypt was the first large organized society in human history, and still exerts influence on us today. Learn a little history and see photos of some incredible monuments while hearing about the speaker's travels through the country. Pyramids, temples, tombs, obelisks, the Sphinx and the Nile: you'll see it all! Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

DIY Chalkboard Flowerpots

Thursday, Sept. 15
6-7:30 p.m.

Ever wonder what you can do with extra flower pots around the house? Why not put them to good use by adding a special crafty touch. Come join us as we repurpose terracotta flower pots by painting them with chalkboard paint & cute stencils. All supplies will be provided. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Henna Artist Julie Engh

Tuesday, Sept. 20
5:30-7:30 p.m.

Julie Engh from Prairie Henna has been a favorite for teen programs. Adults have been asking for the library to host her for an adult program. So, Julie will be here and provide a short presentation on the history, science and modern usage of henna. She will provide hands on guided instruction on the basic henna application. Participants, who are interested, will be treated a small henna design by Julie. All supplies will be provided. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/signup to register.

DIY Book Safe

Thursday, Sept. 29
6-7 p.m.

Come join us as we make a secret book safe to hide all your valuables in. All supplies will be provided. Please visit Byron.evanced.info/signup or call 815-234-5107 to register.

Visit the Byron Library Facebook page to keep up to date on library news and virtual programs! Be sure to also check out the Byron Library and Byron Library Teen Instagram pages!

Forreton Library News

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays at 10 a.m., beginning September 13th

Bring your favorite toddler or preschooler for a time of stories, songs, crafts, and fun! This relaxed program is a great way for little ones to meet new friends and discover the joy of reading. Please call the library to register or if you have any questions.

Card Sign-up Month

September is National Library Card Sign-up Month! A library card not only gives you access to books, ebooks, dvds, and magazines here in Forreton, but also allows you to check out materials from area libraries and request items from anywhere in the country! Resident cards are free to anyone who lives or owns property within the village limits. Nonresident cards are \$50 per year. Stop in today and sign up for yours!

Read for a Lifetime

Forreton High School students are encouraged to sign up for the "Read for a Lifetime" program. Participants who read a minimum of four books from the Secretary of State's annual list by April 5th receive a certificate and are eligible to win a gift card from the library. Stop in to register and pick up a copy of the 2022-2023 booklist

We Want Your Input

Oregon Park District Community Input Meeting on Improvements to Park East:
Thursday, September 8
6 p.m. - Oregon Park East, Inland Shelter
For more information contact Oregon Park District at 815-732-3101

and make reading a habit that will last a lifetime!

Snow Removal Bids

The library is currently seeking bids for snow removal from our sidewalks, ramp, and front steps/porch. Following an overnight snowfall, snow will need to be removed by 8:00 am and some daytime removal may also be necessary. Please submit your written proposal to the library in person or by email to forretonpubliclibrary@gmail.com. Bids must be received by Monday, October 10th. For more information, contact


Julie at 815-938-2624.

Community Room

Looking for a place to hold your event? Our community room (with a small kitchenette) is available for meetings, parties, showers, family reunions, and more. Please call the library at (815)938-2624 for additional information.

Plastic Recycling

We are collecting film-type plastic for recycling. This includes plastic bags, zipper type baggies (with the zip portion removed), cereal/snack bags, bubble wrap, and other soft plastic.



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Bertolet Library News

Drop Box:

Our drop box is closed until further notice due to water leaks. Please return library materials during business hours. You may also return materials to other local libraries, and they will send them to us via our interlibrary loan system. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Closed: Monday, Sept. 5th

We will be closed on Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day.

Story Time: Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Stop in with your Toddlers and Pre-K littles for Story Time each Thursday with Miss Jana. She will have a couple stories and an activity for the kids. Fall session starts September 8th!

Family Night BINGO: Monday, Sept. 19th, 5 p.m.

Bring the kids for a fun evening with great prizes!

Big Kids, Big Art: Tuesday, Sept. 20th, 4-5:30 p.m.

Calling all 1st through 5th Graders! Miss Jana has a great beginner art program just for you. Each month will focus on a different element of art. Join her on the 3rd Tuesday of each month!

Simple Wills, POA for Health Care or Property: Saturday, Sept. 24th 10 a.m.

Do you know how to write a simple will or a health care or property power of attorney? Learn about these important documents and what is necessary to get your affairs, or the affairs of someone you love, in order. (Insightful information; does not take the place of legal counsel.) Registration required: 815-738-2742

Adult Book of the Month:

The August book of the month is Killers of the Flower Moon by David Grann. This is a non-fiction account of the mysterious deaths of members of the Osage Indian Nation in Oklahoma during the 1920's. Investigators disappeared after looking into the deaths. The FBI was newly formed and corrupt and made errors. Help was called in and an undercover team was sent in to solve the horrendous crime. Stop by the circulation desk and pick up your copy today.

LEGO Club: 1st Monday of the month, 5 p.m.

Create with us on the 1st Monday of each month. We will have the LEGOs waiting for you!

Craft Kits for Adults:

The September craft celebrates the transition of seasons from summer to fall with this cute sunflower. Stop by the circulation desk to pick up your kit today.

Create-a-Card: Saturday, Sept. 17th, 9:30 a.m.

Design an encouraging note for your bestie, your child's teacher, or your secret sister. You can even create a work of art to lift your own spirits! All materials are provided.

Plastic Recycling:

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

New Releases:

Adult Books

Quicksand by Janet Dailey
Tick Tock by Fern Michaels
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Juvenile Books

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LOCAL NEWS

Mount Morris Library News

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The Giving Pump

Stop by Shell to help support Children's Programming at the Mount Morris Library. Our local gas station has generously chosen to donate a portion of the proceeds from their Giving Pump toward our library. This pump will be wrapped and available through October, just look for the purple Giving Pump signs on pump 1 or 2! We would like to thank Shell for their support of community programming! Thank You!

Sleepy Story Time!

Come have a restful time as we learn about sleep this Wednesday, 9/7. It will be a dreamy time for all! Stop by with your little ones to enjoy stories and a craft at the Mount Morris Library! Wednesdays at 11:15 a.m.

Cookbook Club!

Join us as we reconvene The Cookbook Club! This is a wonderful club where a different cookbook is chosen each month, you stop by to choose your recipe, then bring the dish to pass at our next meeting! This month we are using "Rachel Ray's Book of 10"! Stop by to choose your recipe and join us on Tuesday, September 13th at The Senior Center

for an exciting meal!

Lego Club!

Our next Lego night on Thursday, September 15, from 6-6:45 p.m. Bring a friend and build some fun with Lego bricks! All children and parents are invited. Children under 8 need to bring a parent with them.

Adult Book Club

The August book is *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson. Everyone is welcome to join this book club group! Copies of the book are available at the library. This group will meet in-person at the library on Monday, September 26th at 3:30 PM.

Display Case Showings

Stop in to see our new display for September! Local artist, Rhonda Cheek, will showcase her personal art creations. They are beautiful pieces of artwork that will make you appreciate and contemplate the beauty! Stop by to admire these beautiful pieces of artwork! We are always looking for collectors or artists who are willing to share their treasures in our display cases. If you are interested, please call, 815-734-4927.

Newspaper Available!

We will now be receiving the Dixon

Telegraph daily! We receive the Ogle County Life, Sauk Valley, and Mt. Morris Times. If you want to keep up with the local news-stop on by!

Explore More Illinois-Anderson Japanese Gardens Offer

Explore More Illinois is a cultural pass program that provides discounts at museums, visual and performing arts centers, park districts, and more around the state. Use Explore More Illinois to find fun and educational places to go on a free afternoon or for a little getaway. Explore More Illinois is easy to use with your library card. Visit the library's website to browse attractions. You can find the information on our website, www.mtmorris-il.org under the resources page.

Rock River Center

The Rock River Center has a representative in our library the second Thursday of every month. Services provided by Rock River Center are designed to enable older and disabled persons to remain independent, thereby avoiding costly long-term care. No appointment necessary but, if you want to make an appointment with the Rock River Center you may call 815-732-3252.

Adult Programming

We are trying to get back into the

swing of offering monthly programs for adults. We would love to hear from you. Do evenings or weekends work better? Do you have any program ideas? Do you have a program you would like to share? Contact Mary Cheatwood at the library through email at mmllib@mtmorris-il.org or call 815-734-4927.

Curbside Service is available!

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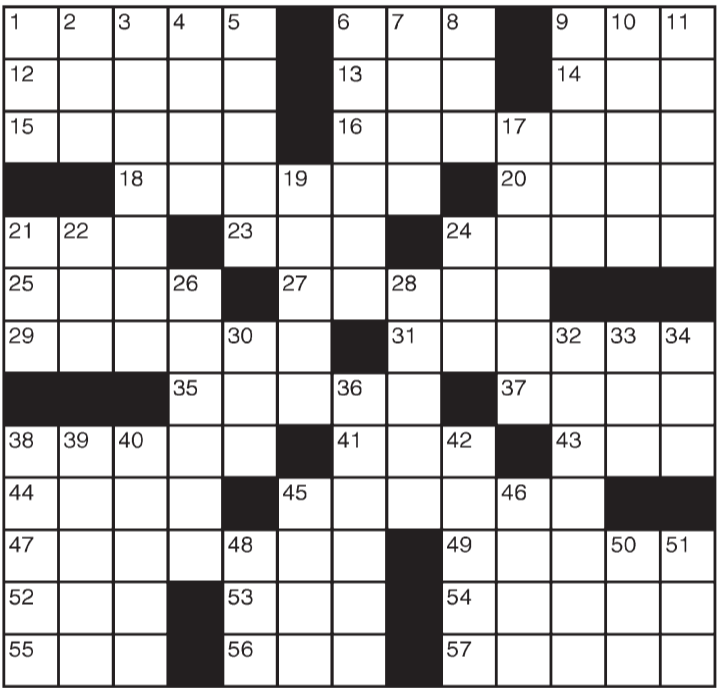
Monthly board meetings are the third Wednesday of the month at 7pm at the library unless otherwise noted. The public is welcome to attend.

Weekly Brain Busters

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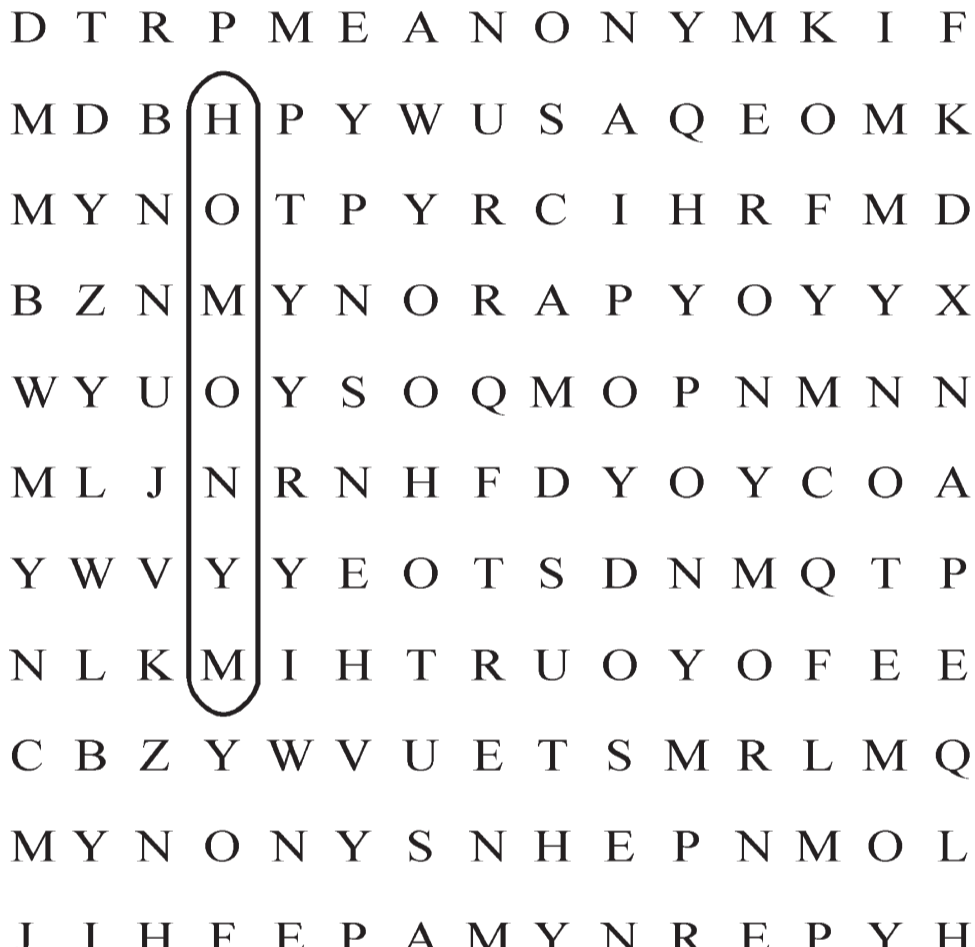
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- 24 Party beverage
- 25 Unforeseen problem
- 27 Say
- 29 Elk's horn
- 31 Wheel cover
- 35 Playful sea critter
- 37 Only
- 38 Barber's tools
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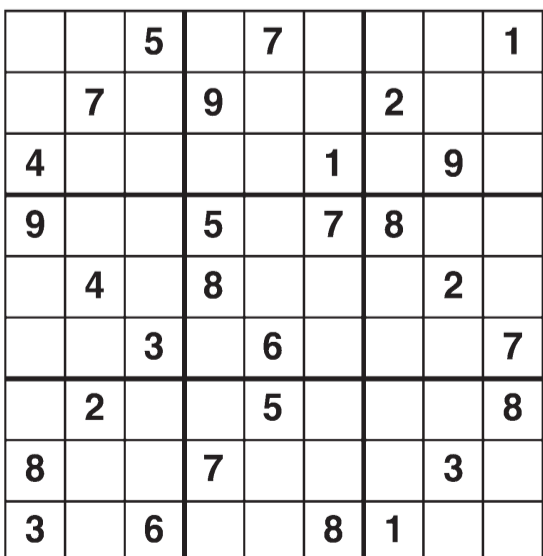
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle



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

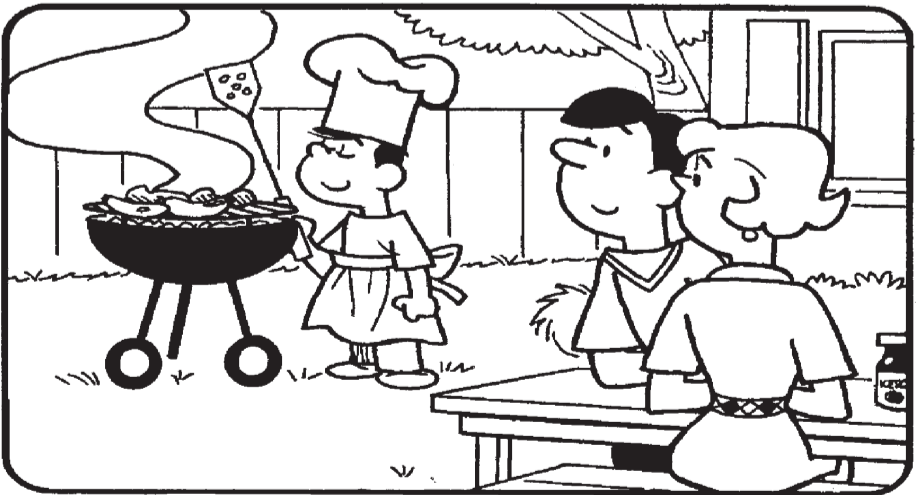
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

- ◆ Moderate
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BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



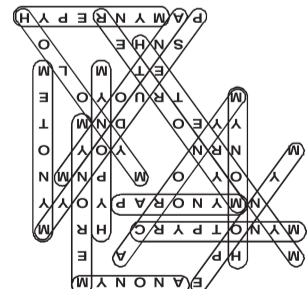
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Hot dogs are missing. 2. Spatula is smaller. 3. Apron is shorter. 4. Neckline is different. 5. Belt is different. 6. Bottle is missing.



Solution time: 26 mins.



Answers

3	5	6	2	4	8	1	7	9
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Answer

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LOCAL NEWS

Oregon Library News

The Oregon Public Library will be closed on Monday, September 5 for Labor Day. We will be open normal hours on Tuesday, September 6.

September is National Library Card Sign Up Month

With a library card you can discover new and exciting worlds! Access to technology, innovative programming, educational resources, borrowing books, audiobooks, DVDs & more. There is so much you can access with a library card. Pursue your passions and dreams through your library's resources and programs. Visit the library's website, Facebook page or call 815-732-2724 to find out more about your library.

Preschool StoryTime (18 months- 5 years)

We're taking a break, but will be starting back on Monday, September 12 at 10 am. Go online or call to register.

We Need Your Assistance!

The Library would like your help in finding summer reading program t-shirts from over the years. Some of them we have, but 1987-1993, 1995-2006, 2010, 2011 & 2020 are the years we are missing. So take a look in those overcrowded drawers, closets or storage containers and help us fill in those missing years. We only need 1 or 2 from each year, so be the first to donate yours back to the library. Any questions, just send an email or call Debbie at the Librar.

Local OHS Graduate, Pulitzer Prize Winner Eli Murray – September 6th at 4 p.m.

2012 graduate of Oregon High School, Eli Murray and teammates Corey G. Johnson and Rebecca Woolington received the Pulitzer Prize for their investigative journalism series, "Poisoned." The Tampa Bay Times exposé tells the compelling story of highly toxic hazards inside Florida's only battery recycling plant. In the WIFR news piece, Murray "credits several of his teachers at OHS as early influences in his career, saying Cheryl Bunton, the art teacher, taught him how to convey messages visually and his math teacher, Danyel Larsen, taught him to break down formulas into their logical components." Eli will be at the library to discuss his journey to the Pulitzer.

Book Clubs

The 2WBC Book Club meets Wednesday, September 14 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss The Four Winds by Kristen Hannah. Cocktails & Crimes meets Thursday, September 15th at 7 p.m. (grab a book to find out where). The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, September 21 at 1:00 pm to discuss Homegoing by Yaa Gyasi. Books on Tap meets on September 22, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss The Secrets We Kept by Lara Prescott. Teen Book Club Association meets on September 24 at 10 am to discuss Cinderella is Dead by Kalynn Bayron .

Ink with A Friend Monthly Card Club- Monday, September 12th at 6:30 p.m.

Sending personal cards to your friends and family is a way to let them know you care and are thinking about them. Creating these cards makes it even more special. Come join us for Ink with a Friend. You will be provided a pre-cut kit along with personal instruction on how to create the wonderful cards while learning a variety of card making techniques. All designs include beautiful colored cardstock, gorgeous designer series paper, detailed stamped images, die cut pieces, matching ink, ribbon, and embellishments. This month, Liz has designed two (2) cards for you to make. All cards come with matching envelopes. Whether you're a new card maker or a seasoned pro, our kits are suited to every skill level. Don't wait! Sign up today to reserve your spot. *Registration required (815) 732-2724 or www.oregonpubliclibrary.com.*

Try It Tuesday – Tuesday, September 13th at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. (Choose your time slot)

Custom Fall Shoes. This is NOT a Take and Make. Bring a pair of Ked type shoes (preferably white) and make a customized sunflower fall shoe. All supplies, except the shoes, are provided. Registration required, www.oregonpubliclibrary.com.

An Evening with Marlee Matlin: From Oscar to West Wing and Beyond- Wednesday, September 14th at 7:00pm

This program can be viewed in the Library or virtually.

In celebration of Deaf Awareness Month, Marlee Matlin joins Illinois Libraries Present to share the highs and lows of her Hollywood career and journeys as an activist. The youngest recipient of the Best Actress Oscar, Matlin's acting career recently achieved another milestone as her 2021 film CODA swept every category it was nominated in at the 2022 Academy Awards. A longtime advocate for deaf rights, Matlin continues to break down barriers for herself and others through her acting, awareness, and writing. As she has so aptly stated, "The only thing I can't do is hear. The rest is there for the taking." This program will be offered in ASL and translated through an interpreter. Registration required, (815) 732-2724 *or* www.oregonpubliclibrary.com.

Blackhawk's Final Resting Place – Friday, September 16th at 1 p.m.

Ma-Ka-Tai-Me-She-Kia-Kiak, the Sauk war leader known to the American settlers as Chief Black Hawk, fought and lost a war in 1832 as he tried to retake his homeland. The history books say his stolen remains were destroyed in an 1853 museum fire in Burlington, Iowa. The history books are wrong. Russ Fry, MA, is a historian from Burlington, Iowa. He has written several books on local history and directed several documentaries. Registration required for this in-person program, visit www.oregonpubliclibrary.com or call (815) 732-2724.

Tom Golden, Meet the Author – Monday, September 19th at 6 p.m.

STORIES INSPIRED BY TRUE CRIMES

Tom Golden was not your average accountant. He began his career as one, but after uncovering a massive leasing fraud on his first public company audit he had found a new career. That was his first and last audit. He became a Forensic Accounting Investigator devoting his career to uncovering financial fraud and never looked back. Thirty some years later he now writes novels inspired by the many investigations he has conducted around the globe. His journey and that first fraud discovery were the inspiration for SUNDAY NIGHT FEARS, his first novel. A little closer to home, Tom was the fraud expert and appeared in the film All the Queen's Horses documenting how Rita Crundwell deceived the town of Dixon for twenty years while she embezzled nearly \$54 million—the largest municipal fraud in US history.

Using the Dixon fraud Tom will discuss how easy it could be for YOU to become a fraudster's next victim. Visit his website for more information [tomgoldenbooks.com](http://www.tomgoldenbooks.com). Registration required for this in-person program, please visit [<http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.com%20or%20call%20%28815%29%20732-2724./>]<http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.com> or call (815) 732-2724.

Christine Geaschel, Meet the LOCAL Author – Tuesday, September 20th at 6 p.m.

I'm a wife, and a homeschool mom to 10 children. We have graduated 6 of our kids, and 3 of them are married. We are expecting our 4th grand baby in the spring. I have always enjoyed writing, but haven't always found the time to do it. When I broke my foot 8 years ago, I decided I wasn't going to waste the 8 weeks that I was going to be laid up, but to use that time to start writing. I finally published my first book in November of 2021, and am currently working on writing a few more books, including finishing some children's books that I started to write about 20 years ago. I'm looking forward to sharing stories about our Life in the Flock of Geaschels. Registration required for this in-person event, please call (815) 732-2724 or visit www.oregonpubliclibrary.com.

Stranger Things TRIVIA at Cork N Tap - Wednesday, September 21st at 6:30 p.m.

Test your knowledge of the Netflix series Stranger Things. Grab some friends and head down to Cork & Tap for Stranger Things Trivia. Teams of up to 6 can compete for prizes and bragging rights. Registration required, call (815) 732-2724 or visit www.oregonpubliclibrary.com to register your team.

TRIVIA is back at the Rock River Center!

The First and Third Thursday of the Month at 12:30 p.m. at Rock River Center

Testyourknowledgeofsports,history,moviesandmuchmore.Comealone,bringyourfriendsandmakeateamof4,orjoinateamwhenyouarrive.Registrationrequired,www.oregonpubliclibrary.com

Puzzle Library

The library has a free puzzle library. Take a puzzle, leave a puzzle. This is open to anyone in the community.

Oregon Public Library StoryWalk® @ Oregon Park West

StoryWalk® was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT in 2007, and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library. Current story is How Do Apples Grow? by Betsy Maestro.

OPLD Dial-A-Story

Need a quick story? Call 1-630-397-0912 to hear one! Current story- We Don't Eat Our Classmates by Ryan T. Higgins.

Oregon Writers Group -2nd Tuesday each month at 10 a.m.

The OWG is a gathering of writers or writer-wannabes who meet to support each other and further their own writing. The purpose of the group is to help and encourage you in your writing. If you need brainstorming ideas, we can help suggest ideas or aid with the creative process.

Passport Services

The Oregon Public Library offers Passport Application Processing. Patrons seeking Passport Services should call the Library prior to their visit to ensure that an official processor is available at that time and for a checklist of items, you will need for the appointment.

PCs for People

We are excited to announce our new partnership with Pcs for People! We will be a distribution site for this organization. PCs for People distributes low-cost refurbished computers and internet to income-eligible individuals through an easy-to-apply online application system. Every desktop includes a mouse, keyboard, power cords, and monitor cords at no additional cost. Visit our website for more information or use the links below. You can also contact Pcs for People directly at 708-843-8450 or email at info@pcsforpeople.org. Check your eligibility here: <https://www.pcsforpeople.org/eligibility/> Sign up here: <https://tinyurl.com/oregonILtech>

New Releases

The Awoken by Katelyn Monroe Howes SF HOW

Holy Chow by David Rosenfelt MYS ROS

Clause of Death by Lorna Barrett MYS BAR

Bark to the Future by Spencer Quinn MYS QUI

Round Up the Usual Peacocks by Donna Andrews MYS AND

In Too Steep by Kate Kingsbury MYS KIN

A Dark and Stormy Tea by Laura Childs MYS CHI

Libertines by J. Michael Martinez 306.7709 MAR

Things We Didn't Say by Amy Lynn Green FIC GRE

The Second Life of Mirielle West by Amanda Skenandore FIC SKE

The Burning Season by Alison Wisdom FIC WIS

When Sparks Fly by Jo McNally ROM MCN

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF OGLE)
Public Notice is hereby given to all persons in Scott Township that a Public Hearing will be held September 29, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. in the County Board Room, 3rd floor of the Ogle County Courthouse, Oregon, Illinois, to consider the request filed August 2, 2022 of Michael West, 107 Oak St., Holcomb, IL for a Variation in the B-1 Business District to allow the construction of a residential accessory building (detached garage) with 14 foot side walls in lieu of 10 foot side walls due to parcel size (0.475 acre) as required by the Ogle County Amending Ordinance on property described as follows and owned by the petitioner: Lots 9-10 and East Half (E1/2) of Lot 8, Block 14 of Sheaf's 2nd addition to Holcomb, part of the East Half (E1/2) of the Southeast Quarter (SE1/4) of Section 34 Scott Township 42 North, Range 1 East of the 3rd P.M., Ogle County, IL, 0.475 acre, more or less
Property Identification Number: 11-34-429-004; -005; & -006
Common Location: 109 W. Oak St - Holcomb
All persons in attendance at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard. Any person who also wishes to appear as an interested party with the right to cross-examine others at the hearing must complete and file an appearance form with the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department no later than five (5) business days before the date of the hearing.

The application for this variation is on file with detailed description and available for examination at the Planning & Zoning Department, 911 Pines Rd., Oregon, Illinois or at the following URL: http://www.oglecounty.org/departments/planning_and_zoning/zoning_board_of_appeals.php.
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
RANDY OCKEN, Chairman
Dated at Oregon, Illinois this 2nd day of August 2022
#004-22VAR
No. 0901 (Sept. 5)

PUBLIC NOTICE
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
STATE OF ILLINOIS)
COUNTY OF OGLE)
Public Notice is hereby given to all persons in Monroe Township that a Public Hearing will be held Thursday, September 29, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. at the Old Ogle County Courthouse, Third Floor County Board Room #317, 105 S. Fifth St., Oregon, IL, to consider the request filed July 28, 2022 of Bonnie L. & James A. Harder, 16547 E. McNeal Rd., Monroe Center, IL for a Special Use Permit in the AG-1 Agricultural District to allow a Small Rural Business (equestrian sports chiropractic clinic) on the property described as follows and owned by the petitioner(s): Part of the Northeast Quarter (NE1/4) of the Northwest Quarter (NW1/4) of Section 8, Monroe Township 42 North, Range 2 East of the 3rd P.M., Ogle County, IL, 6.77 acres, more or less
Property Identification Number(s): 12-08-100-006
Common Location: 16547 E. McNeal Rd.

All persons in attendance at the hearing shall have an opportunity to be heard. Any person who also wishes to appear as an interested party with the right to cross-examine others at the hearing must complete and file an appearance form with the Ogle County Planning & Zoning Department no later than five (5) business days before the date of the hearing. The application for this special use is on file with detailed description and available for examination at the Planning & Zoning Department, 911 Pines Rd., Oregon, Illinois or at the following URL: http://www.oglecounty.org/departments/planning_and_zoning/zoning_board_of_appeals.php.
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
RANDY OCKEN, Chairman
Dated at Oregon, Illinois this 28 day of July 2022
#00722SU
No. 0902 (Sept. 5)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Public Notice is hereby given that on July 14, 2022, a certificate was filed in the Ogle County Clerk's Office setting forth the names and post office address of all of the persons owning, conducting and transacting the business known as: M&M Creations and Boutique, 201 N. 3rd St., Oregon, IL 61061.
Dated: August 30, 2022
Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk
No. 0904 (Sept. 5, 12, 19)

305 GARAGE SALES

"Junk in the Trunk" Sale
Individuals and Organizations Selling Antiques and Collectibles, Garage Sale Items, Clothing, Arts and Crafts, etc.
From the Trunks of Their cars.
Saturday, Sept 10, 2022
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Behind the Mt. Morris Church of the Brethren PIA#91

Garage Sale
OREGON: 3628 West Camp Road.
Four Family, Extra Large Garage Sale
September 9th 8:00am-5:00pm
September 10th 8:00am-Noon
Furniture, Toys, Rugs, Tools, Clothes, Games, Puzzles, Home Décor, Window A/C, Table Saw, Antiques, Oddities, Unique Finds. Priced to Sell.
Nicholson Farm Cancelled if Rain.

Garage Sale
LEAF RIVER:
6497 N Mount Morris Rd
Friday 9/9: 8:00am-5:00pm & Saturday 9/10 8:00am-3:00pm.
Tow-Behind Lawn Sweeper, 1980s Craftsman Miter Saw, 6-Station Weider Weight Machine, Dishes, Pots & Pans, Several Time-Life Book Series, Electric Knife Sharpener, Vintage Hall-mark Ornaments, Men's & Women's Clothing, House Plants PIA#94

Estate Sale
MONROE CENTER
Sept. 8th, 9th and 10th
8am to 5pm.
Follow the signs at Mulford Road & Rt. 72.
All must go. Carpentry tools, cable saw, miter saws, antiques, household items, bedroom sets.

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SAT, SEPT. 10 9:30 AM
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Located just N. of Jct. 64/78
Auction Order: household, toys, vehicle, coins
HOUSEHOLD: 3 Century combination safes; rd.oak kitchen table/6 chairs/2 leaves; TOYS: various scale cars & pickups; JD, Fordson, AC tractors; Caterpillars;
VEHICLE: 2020 Chevy Equinox LT, AWD, cloth, approx. 8300 miles
COINS: GOLD & SILVER: some Carson City; some uncirculated; OTHER COINS & MONEY: 1934 \$500 & \$50 Federal Reserve Note; (7) 1929 \$20 National Currency; (5) 1928 I-S \$20 Federal Reserve Note; 1934 A \$10 Fed. Res. Note; (10) \$2 1976 Fed. Res. Note; 1957 B&B \$1 silver cert.; 1971-78 Eisenhower \$'s including proof-only issues; U.S. Federal Reserve notes jumbo coin collection
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308 N. Maple St., Forreton, IL 61030
Antiques & Collectibles; Furniture; New Appliances; Local Adv.; Mid-Century Items; China & Glassware; Electronics; Household Furnishings; Dolls; Art Pottery; Artwork; Textiles; Primitives; Stoneware; Lighting; Tools; JD LX176 Lawn Tractor; Lawn & Garden; Much More!
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5:30PM
DENNIS & LAURA WELLS
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WHITE ROCK TOWNSHIP ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1 APRIL, 2021 THROUGH 31 MARCH, 2022

SUPERVISORS FUND-REVENUE SUMMARY
Property Taxes- \$90,052; Property Replacement Taxes- \$17,268.; Interest- \$1,142; Miscellaneous- \$779;
TOTAL REVENUE- \$109,242

SUPERVISORS FUND, COMPENSATION SUMMARY
Range: Under-(\$25,000)- Tom Smith, Jim Milligan, Lorraine Hubbard, & Dennis Probasco, Tod Luxton, Jamie Herring..... \$25,000 to \$49,999- Heath Strohmam,
TOTAL COMPENSATION: \$54,772

SUPERVISOR FUND EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
IRS Taxes- \$11,576; IL Dept. of Revenue- \$2,543; Toirma- 2,551; Accounting Services- 2,500
All other disbursement less than (\$2,500.00)- \$6,451
TOTAL VENDORS- \$25,621

GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND-REVENUE SUMMARY
Property Taxes- \$401; Interest- \$17; TOTAL REVENUE- \$418

GENERAL ASSISTANCE FUND-EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
All other disbursements less than (\$2,500.00)- 0; TOTAL VENDORS- \$0

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND-REVENUE SUMMARY
Property Taxes- \$34,886; Replacement Taxes- \$9302; Interest- \$520; Toirma \$1,166
TOTAL REVENUE- \$45,874

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND-COMPENSATION SUMMARY
Range: Under \$25,000: Gary Harleman, Jeff Johnson, & Dylan Hopkins
TOTAL COMPENSATION- \$7,754

ROAD & BRIDGE FUND-EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
IR & IL Dept. of Revenue 1,156; Toirma- \$3,991; Canduit- \$9,942
All other disbursement less than (\$2,500)- \$11,526; TOTAL VENDORS- \$26,615

SPECIAL ROAD TAX FUND-REVENUE SUMMARY
Property Taxes- \$37,600; Interest- \$257; TOTAL REVENUE- \$37,857

SPECIAL ROAD TAX FUND-EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
Blake Oil \$9,604; Steve Benesh & Sons - \$2,666; Ogle Cty. \$2,525; All other disbursements less than (\$2,500)- \$892
TOTAL VENDORS- \$15,687

CBHB FUND-REVENUE SUMMARY
Property Taxes- \$10,657; Interest- \$356; Misc - \$2,646 TOTAL REVENUE- \$13,659

CBHB FUND- EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
Metal Culverts-\$2,266; Contech Solutions-\$4,830
All other disbursement less than (\$2,500)- \$525; TOTAL VENDORS- \$7,621

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FUND-REVENUE SUMMARY
Property Taxes- \$7,880; Interest- \$191 TOTAL REVENUE- \$8,071

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT FUND-EXPENDITURE SUMMARY
All other disbursement less than (\$2,500)- \$0.00; TOTAL VENDORS- 0

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SUMMARY STATEMENT OF CONDITION WHITE ROCK TOWNSHIP 1 April, 2021 through 31 March, 2022

	Supervisors Fund	General Assistance Fund	Road and Bridge Fund	Special Road Tax	CBHB Fund
Beginning Balance	\$204,896	\$3,189	\$96,151	\$46,823	\$70,104
Total Revenue	\$109,242	\$418	\$45,874	\$7,858	\$13,658
Less Disbursements	(\$68,773)	(0)	(\$35,697)	(\$15,686)	(\$7,621)
Ending Balance	\$245,363	\$3,607	\$106,329	\$68,995	\$76,141

	Special Equipment
Beginning Balance	\$34,276
Total Revenue	\$8,071
Less Disbursements	(\$0)
Ending Balance	\$42,375

Thomas K. Smith, Supervisor/Treasurer

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\$500 Sign on bonus
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Maintenance Position

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Seeking qualified candidates for a Maintenance Position. This is a non-exempt part-time hourly position serving our Rochelle, Oregon and Ashton branches. This individual provides general maintenance and related duties ensuring facilities are well maintained, in good working order and have a clean internal and external appearance. Completes minor plumbing and electrical repairs as needed and assists staff when requested.

The successful candidate should be a self-starter with the ability to work with minimal supervision, have a good working relationship with employees, be dependable, have the ability to prioritize duties and perform tasks on a timely basis. Reliable transportation is required.

Currently scheduled hours are Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 11:00am. Hours can be subject to change depending upon weather related needs and/or assistance with bank sponsored events.

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Rock River Center, Inc. is seeking an Assistant Director. Responsibilities include assisting with program and service development, identifying fundraising opportunities, and assisting older adults and their caregivers to provide information regarding appropriate resources related to their circumstances. Qualifications include excellent communication and computer skills and ability to multitask. Needed approximately 35 hours per week. Please submit a resume in person at 810 S. 10th St., Oregon, or via email to executivedirector@rockrivercenter.org. Job Type: Full-time | Salary: DOQ

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Skilled Parks Laborer

The Oregon Park District is accepting applications for a Full Time Skilled Parks Laborer position. Position requires approximately 40 hours weekly. Qualified applicants will have a valid driver's license, an acceptable driving record, experience using equipment and tools required for the position or similar equipment and tools; experience driving a truck and trailer; experience working in park and/or turf maintenance preferred. Salary range for position is \$43,000-\$46,000 and includes an excellent benefit package.

Building Supervisor/Janitorial

The Oregon Park District is accepting applications for a part time Building Supervisor/Janitorial position. Position hours are evenings and weekends and help with shifts during after hour private rentals. Essential responsibilities would be janitorial work at the Nash Recreation Center as well as monitoring the building for compliance issues. Apply with the information below or call for more detailed information. Applications are available online at www.oregonpark.org and accepted at Nash Recreation Center, 304 S. 5th St., Oregon. Further information may be attained by contacting Andy Egved @ (815)732-3101 or andy@oregonpark.org.

Field Supervisor

The Oregon Park District is accepting applications for a seasonal Field Supervisor. Position days/hours vary depending on the sporting season. Must be available on evenings and weekends. Must be 18 or older. Applications are available online at www.oregonpark.org and accepted at Nash Recreation Center, 304 S. 5th St., Oregon. Further information may be attained by contacting Lesley Sheffield @ (815)732-3101 or lesley@oregonpark.org.

Extended Time Supervisor

The Oregon Park District is accepting applications for part-time Extended Time instructors for the after school program at Oregon Elementary School. Perfect job for high school or college students that enjoy working with children. Shifts available after school 3-5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. Availability isn't required for every day. Must be 16 years or older. Applications are available online at www.oregonpark.org and accepted at Nash Recreation Center, 304 S. 5th St., Oregon. Further information may be attained by contacting Kelley Huston @ (815)732-3101 or kelly@oregonpark.org.



LOCAL NEWS

Oregon Park District has upcoming activities, events planned

Beer & Bread Pairing at Cork N Tap

Join us at Cork & Tap for a fun and delicious fall pairing event. Enjoy 4 great beers with four tasty boule breads with homemade butter baked fresh at Jen's Artisan Breads. Join us Saturday, September 17 from 6:30-8 p.m. Cost is \$24R/\$29NR. Deadline to register is September 10.

CPR and First Aid for your pets

Pet lovers will enjoy this 5+ hour class which includes CPR techniques, first aid skills, health care and wellness information for dogs and cats. Additionally, the class includes the PetSaver40-page handbook and upon successful completion, each participant will receive a certificate and wallet card. Certification is through Pet Tech, Inc. Instructor, Beth Wiltshire, will cover topics which include: helping your pet in a medical emergency, assessing vitals, rescue breathing, choking management, bleeding and more. After completion, you will be prepared for a medical emergency with your pet and the certification is also a bonus for those pet sitting, training, grooming, etc. This class is on Tuesday and Thursday, September 27th and 29th, from 5:30-8pm will take place at Nash Recreation Center. Cost is \$80R/\$90NR and the deadline to register is September 18th.

Boys 6th Grade Competitive Basketball

This competitive league elevates the expecta-

tion of both the players and the coaches. Games are scheduled by Oregon School District and will replicate the 7th and 8th grade schedule. All home games will be played at Nash. Transportation to all away games will be provided by OCUSD. Roster size is limited on this team and try-outs may be required. Practices are scheduled to begin the week of September 27th. A volunteer coach is needed for this league, please contact lesley@oregonpark.org if interested. Cost is \$75R/\$90NR and the deadline to register is September 15th.

Fall Mini Pitch Adult League

Mini Pitch Soccer Adult League!
Join us for an adult small sided soccer league on our new Mini Pitch court at Park West. Games will be a 4 v 4 format, with 1 goalie and 3 field players. Each week teams will play 3 officiated matches in their 1 hour time slot. Each match will feature two 6 minute halves with a 4 minute half time break. Team rosters may have up to 6 people. A tournament will be played the last week of the season. Players must be at least 18 and have graduated High School. Cost is \$100 and the deadline to register is September 15th.

OHS Boys Varsity Basketball Clinic

Get ready for basketball season! This Co-Ed basketball clinics is being run by the OHS Varsity Boys Basketball coaches

and team and will focus on fundamental skill development that will help your player be prepared for their upcoming season. The first clinic is for grades 6th-8th, and will be on Monday September 22nd from 6-8 p.m. at the Blackhawk Center. All proceeds will benefit the OHS Boys Basketball program. Cost is \$15R/\$18NR and deadline for registration is September 18th.

State Park Hike

Join former park ranger, Grant Afflerbaugh, on September 17th for a hike through the Lowden-Miller State Forest. Grant will lead the group and provide educational information throughout the hike. Hike solo or bring family and friends as we reconnect with nature! The group will meet at the forest the day of the program. All proceeds from the hike will benefit

the Oregon United Methodist Church's Wednesday night free meal program. Cost is \$2R/\$3 NR and the deadline is September 14th.

Fall Porch Pot

Create your very own Fall Porch Pot. The colors will be beautiful and compliment your outdoor decor. Join Tyler of Hagemann Horticulture at Oregon's newest event venue, River's Edge Experience, for a fun evening of design and planting. Cork 'N Tap will be on hand to provide a full bar. In this hands-on workshop you will plant a mum, flowering cabbage, and decorative grasses in a container which is provided. You will also learn about watering and care for your new fall pot. Class will be held on September 21st and the cost is \$46R/\$55NR. Deadline is September 13th, but these classes fill up fast!

Kids Pizza Party

Do you have a budding chef in your house that's looking for something fun to do after school? Why not learn to make mini pizza pies?? Kids 9 years and older are invited to join Lynnne at Nash and make two mini 8-inch pizzas from scratch. Choice of pepperoni or cheese... or one of each! Perfect to take home and bake for the family to enjoy!

Lynnne's Kitchen will provide all food supplies but you will be asked to bring a few utensils and cooking supplies to class. Cost is \$27R/\$32NR and deadline is September 13th.

Sicilian Stuffed Meatloaf

Do you love meatloaf? How about Italian style meatloaf that's stuffed and rolled to create a delicious dinner? Here's the class for you, on September 22nd at Cork And

Tap! Elegant enough for company or your family. Take home and bake. Choice of beef or turkey meatloaf. Lynn Kaufman of Lynnne's Kitchen will provide all food supplies but you will be asked to bring a few utensils and cooking supplies to class. Cost is \$36R/\$43NR and the deadline is September 15th.

Witch is in!-Canvas Painting

Grab a friend and head to Cin's Treasures for a step by step Halloween painting class. Participants aged 12 and up will trace a basic pattern and paint on a 16x20 canvas to take home. No experience is necessary. Beverages and snacks are permitted. Class is on September 24th at Cin's Treasures from 5-7 p.m. Cost \$35R/\$42NR and deadline is September 16th.

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