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Protecting bats



Magnolia Goodin and a bat box she built. She built multiple bat boxes for Better Place Forests near Oregon. (Submitted photo)

Teen builds boxes on land near Oregon to help protect endangered species

By Brad Jennings
Editor

OREGON – Not everybody loves bats.

In fact, many people are creeped out by the flying mammals that come out at night and snack on insects.

Magnolia Rain Goodin is not one of those people. In fact, the 18-year-old from Elk Grove Village recently worked on a service project aimed at creating bat habitat in Better Place Forests on the Rock River near Oregon.

Better Place Forests opened last year on 60 acres just north of Lowden State Park and the Lorado Taft NIU Campus on River Road. It creates conservation memorial forests, where remains are spread beneath a tree purchased by an individual or family.

It is also interested in conservation of all kinds, and Goodin's bat project – part of her process in earning Eagle Scout – was a perfect fit.

Goodin sat down and answered a few questions about the project.

Question: What got you interested in helping bat populations?

Answer: I have a history of speaking for those without a voice, and a passion for wildlife protection and conservation. My freshman year of high school, I petitioned and eventually worked with maintenance staff to place stickers on the large windows around my school to help migratory birds that would fly into the windows in confusion and not be able to make their journey. Since then, the window stickers are still in place and sightings of deceased birds in those areas have ceased.

Following this logic, when it came time for me to complete a requirement to earn my Eagle Scout rank, being a service project, I was informed that building bat houses to help conserve these animals during their migratory period would be greatly beneficial for their population. Brown bats, Eastern red bats, Northern long-eared myotis, and tri-colored bats are a few of the typical Illinois bat species that tend to require shelter during the warmer months as they raise their young, called pups.

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Movie shot in Ogle County

'Dandelions' filmed at Headons, Spring Lake and Helms Stadium

By Jeff Helfrich
Rochelle News-Leader

ROCHELLE – A movie crew recently wrapped up filming in the area including locations in Rochelle and Creston.

"Dandelions" stars Scott Michael Foster, Kate Cobb and Kevin Bigley and is about a writer that returns to his rural hometown filled with the friends and places that he's used as inspiration in his successful novels.

"When he comes home to pick up the pieces after his dad dies, he's faced with those people," Bigley, also the writer and executive producer of the film, said. "They're seemingly OK with his success, but what transpires is kind of this twilight zone series of events that makes him unable to leave. His car doesn't work and his phone stops working and he starts to feel like he's potentially being kept there and all of these people that are seemingly fine with his success might be harboring some resentment and a form of payback. It plays with his own perception."

Cobb, who is also the director and executive producer of the film, said it's about a hometown kid who "forgets where he came from and comes back and people have issues with the way he's portrayed them."

The "Dandelions" film was born out of a short that was shot by the group in Bigley's hometown in Northern California, which he said is similar to rural Illinois. When their production company, Dandelions Movie, LLC, partnered with executive producers Chicago Media Angels, the story was envisioned in rural Illinois.

"As we did more research and scouting, we found these towns that were kind of a perfect fit," Bigley said. "Not one town in particular was a standout. They all had their own unique buildings and personalities."

The crew set up home base at a hotel in DeKalb and did location scouting and filming around the area including in Rochelle, Esmond, Creston, Malta, DeKalb, Sycamore and Dundee.

"We fell in love with the area," Cobb said. "Everything was so beautiful. The people were incredible and so welcoming. People opened up their sweet little towns to us and it was more than we could've hoped for. We got to know a lot of the locals. We had our 15-day shoot and we now have around 10-16 weeks of

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Goodin with one of the bat boxes she built. She said they can be purchased from certain stores, or built at home. (Submitted photo)



BATS: Boxes can be built at home

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Seeing as they are an endangered species and that they keep insects like pesky mosquitoes at bay, I was more than happy to set my sights on assisting them.

Q: Bats can really freak people out. What can you tell them to let them know that bats are actually good?

A: Bats are incredibly impactful on the biodiversity of our Illinois ecosystems. Not only do they limit the insect population, but they are also pollinators! Their fur can capture and transfer pollen from plants during their time of flight which helps keep the outdoors green. Not only that, but they are also distributors

of seeds, helping different plants spread out across an area to limit the chances that specific type of growth will die out if disease strikes.

Q: What is a bat box and how do you build one?

A: A bat box is typically a slotted wooden box one can hang from a high area to house local bats. These boxes can be found in certain stores, or you can build one at home!

The particular model I built was a "rocket box" bat house, consisting of two inner layers with vent slots on the bottom and room for a pole in the middle in which it is placed on several feet off the ground. (It is more of a bat condominium, if you

will.) There are many other types of boxes one can build or buy depending on what you'd prefer specifically, and how many bats you'd like to have around in one spot.

Q: Why did you choose the Rock River Memorial Forest for a bat box location?

A: I had reached out to my local park district and forest preserve who kindly referred me to Better Place Forests, informing me of their mission to assist in the preservation of bat colonies and species as well as forest and wildlife betterment. Encouraged to dedicate my Eagle Project to a true cause, I decided to build and donate five bat houses to support their remarkable efforts.

MOVIE: Residents interact with crew

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post-production and then after that hopefully we'll have a movie."

Cobb said after post production, the movie's fate as far as distribution will be decided. It could see showings at festivals and find its way to a streaming service or theaters.

"My dream is to have a little screening of it at the Egyptian Theater in DeKalb and invite everyone from the area that made this happen for us," Cobb said.

Maryam Bitre, the movie's producer, said the locals of the area made shooting "Dandelions" possible. Locations included Lisa's Pub in downtown Rochelle, a Rochelle family's home, Helms Stadium, Spring Lake and Headons Fine Meats, which hosted the film's wrap party.

"The movie could not have gotten made without the people in those towns," Bitre said. "We don't get that treatment in Chicago or bigger towns. The energy people brought and the excitement got us thrilled and excited. It never felt like work, because we were working with people that were excited."

Cobb said when filming around the area, residents interacted with the crew and were interested to hear what they were



doing. She called those interactions "refreshing" compared to experiences working in Los Angeles and larger communities. Bigley agreed.

"In a small community, kindness and honesty goes a long way," Bigley said. "It was a lot of handshaking and introducing ourselves. It was ingratiating ourselves within the community and we were lucky enough that the vast majority of the people really embraced us."

Cobb and Bigley said a priority for their production company is making small-town stories that people can relate to.

"The vast majority of films seem to take place in cities or at the very least in suburbs," Bigley said. "When we do see a rural movie, a lot of times it's written by someone that lives in or is from a city. It was really cool to steep ourselves in a place we felt like we came from. We feel like we don't see as many movies like that as we'd like. Everyone

starts somewhere. And most people can relate to a movie like this in some form."

When Bitre needed something for the film in the area, she said she was surprised by how quickly she got responses and how gracious people were with their resources and time.

The "Dandelions" crew found a sense of community in the area. Initially, talks only involved some location shooting.

"And then we said, 'Why don't we just live in the area? Why don't we just put ourselves there and actually fully experience it?'" Bitre said. "We want to send a huge thank you to the entire area. It was definitely something special. They created something special for us and we hope when they get to see it, they feel just as much a part of it as we do."

Bigley said the shooting locations allowed the crew to "tell the story authentically," which was important to her and Cobb.

"We feel like we were, in our own way, honorary citizens," Bigley said. "We feel like we're members of all of these towns. We're looking forward to getting back whether it's to screen this movie or to shoot another one."

"Every single person we ran into in the process in those areas and those towns, we just wanted to have a beer with them," Cobb said. "It was just so fun to find like-minded people who were open to this thing we were trying to do. People were so receptive."

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LOCAL NEWS

RRC has upcoming events, activities

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.

Holiday hours

Rock River Center will be closed on Monday, Sept. 5 for Labor Day. No activities, programs or transportation will take place on September 5. Please plan accordingly. Thank you and enjoy your holiday.

Trivia Resumes at RRC Sept. 1

We are excited that Cari Berg of the Oregon Public Library is resuming Trivia at our Center Sept. 1-15 from 12:30-2 p.m.

Free Team Registration

Each Team consists of up to (4) people.

Teams may register in person at the Oregon Public Library, or by calling 815-732-2724.

Questions? Call 815-732-2724.

Register for September 1, by Aug. 30. Register for Sept. 15, by Sept. 13

Grandparents Have an Important Role in a Child's Life

In honor of Grandparents Day, we have a special program. Karla Belzer will be at RRC on Tues., Sept. 6 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. She will speak about the important role grandparents have in a child's life.

Grandparents have important gifts to offer – gifts that cost little or no money, but build character and create fond memories. Today's fast-paced lives challenge grandparents as they search for ways to show their special kind of love. It is well worth taking the time to think creatively and find ways to enrich the lives of grandchildren.

This is a free program and is

open to all. Reservations are not required, but requested. Call our Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan on attending. Refreshments will be served.

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.

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.

Blood drive, Sept. 28

The Rock River Center, located at 810 South 10th Street in Oregon, IL is hosting their annual Community Blood Drive on Wednesday, Sept. 28. The staff of Rock River Valley Blood Center (RRVBC) will draw blood between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

As the only provider of blood products and services to 13 regional hospitals in Illinois and Wisconsin, the Rock River Valley Blood Center needs to see 700 donors per week. The RRVBC service counties include Boone, McHenry, Ogle, Rock, Stephenson, Walworth, and Winnebago.

If you are at least 17 years old, (16 years old with parental consent) and are in general good health, you should be eligible to donate blood. If you're a first-time donor, please bring a photo ID. You can donate whole blood every 56 days. The process is safe and simple, and one unit can save up to three lives.

By hosting a Blood Drive, Rock River Center is helping to save lives in our community. Join us in sharing the Gift of Life.

Donors can make appointments by calling Rock River Center at 815-732-3252; Online at rrvbc.org or by calling 815-965-8751 or 877RRVBC-99. Walk-ins are

available

For more information, contact the Rock River Center or the Rock River Valley Blood Center (RRVBC) at the numbers listed above.

Annual "Pride of Oregon" Luncheon Cruise

Join us once again for our Annual "Pride of Oregon" Luncheon Cruise on Wednesday, Oct. 19

The Pride of Oregon is an authentic Paddle Wheel Riverboat, 102 feet of real river charm. She docks at the historic Maxson Riverside Restaurant and Paddle Wheel Inn. Built in 1989 as a replica of the famous Rosie O'Shea paddlewheel, her festive exterior and graciously appointed interior provides a relaxing atmosphere for memory-making cruises. She has the capacity of 149 sight-seeing passengers.

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The 15-mile river cruise will take you past Lowden State Park and under the watchful eye of Chief Black Hawk, the largest concrete monolith in the country.

Here is our schedule:

Depart RRC: 10:30 a.m.; Boarding time: 11 a.m.; Departure time: 11:30 a.m.; Return time: 1:30 p.m.

There will be a 4-course meal, with coffee, hot tea, and meal tip included. Soda and cocktails available to purchase. We will be taking your meal selections when you register for the cruise. You have your choice of two (2) lunch entrees. There will be vegetarian/Gluten free/Vegan meal options available as well.

The cost of the luncheon cruise is \$39/seniors (60+) and \$41/others.

The deadline for registration, payment and meal selection is Friday, Oct. 7.

Acceptable payment options are cash, check or credit cards.

Call Rock River Center at 815-732-3252 if you would like to join us for a relaxing "Ride on the Rock". Remember, we are available to provide transportation to and from the boat as well.

Church sale to help teachers with supplies

OREGON – The Oregon Church of God is having a benefit sale to support our local teachers Sept. 15-17.

Our teachers impact the lives of our children for the 13 years that they'll be in school, it's our turn to give back to them.

Every year our teachers are required to purchase much of their own classroom supplies. These teachers pour into our community by supporting our children, we want to give back and support them too. Teachers are not just filling a niche in our community, they are helping shape the lives of the next generation. Let's come together and invest in those who have invested so much for us. The Oregon Church of

God has been a part of our community since 1899. 123 years later we are still present, active and wanting to back the people in our wonderful city.

Come join us during the benefit sale: Thursday, Sept. 15th from 3-7 p.m.; Friday, Sept. 16th from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; or Saturday, Sept. 17th from 8 a.m.-noon at 860 West Oregon Trail, Oregon.

We also want to invite you to join us for church service on Sundays starting at 10:30 a.m. We have classes for all ages starting at 9:30 a.m. as well as children's church available for students 3rd to 5th grade during the regular church service. There is also a nursery available for parents with young children.

Dr. Jeffrey Cates acknowledged by scientific commission

Dr. Jeffrey Cates was acknowledged by the Scientific Commission of the Council on Chiropractic Guidelines and Practice Parameters (CCGPP) for his Delphi process work updating the "Chiropractic management of low back pain in adults: a clinical practice guideline."

The 2016 guideline was co-authored by Dr. Cates and has been updated for 2022. The CCGPP searches, identifies, interprets, and compiles scientific evidence related to chiropractic care and collaborates on the development, publication, dissemination, and utilization of guidelines and care pathways.

LBP is the leading cause of disability worldwide. With the recent rising costs of health-care expenditures and the misuse of opioids,

the use of conservative chiropractic care has become a viable solution to address both acute and chronic low back pain.

According to a 2019 study, chiropractic care provides better outcomes at lower cost, a reduction in cost of spinal surgery, and chiropractic care leads to cost savings from reduced use and abuse of opioid drugs. Evidence supports a shift toward chiropractic care as the first choice for common musculoskeletal conditions.



Denny Jacobs, a guitarist and singer, appears at most First Friday Open Mics.



First Fridays Open Mic event is Sept. 3

OREGON – The First Fridays Open Mic returns on Sept. 3 to K's Sports Bar in Oregon.

The monthly event attracts many talented performers, but musicians and singers of all skill levels find acceptance from

its supportive audience. Each performer is allowed 15 minutes, and everyone can also join in on a jam session at the end of the show.

The show starts at 7 p.m. Admission is free, although a jar is available

for donations. Sign-up for performers is at 6:45 p.m.

K's Sports Bar is located at 408 East Washington (Rt. 64) in Oregon, close to several restaurants. Interested parties who have questions can contact Jerry Tice, at 815-449-2660.



Oregon Rotary

On Aug. 3, the guest speaker was at the Oregon Rotary Club meeting was Kim Stahl, Ogle County Circuit Court Clerk. She gave a brief presentation of the duties of the office. Pictured from left are: Stahl, Christy Eastman and Rotary President Erin Folk

"We would like to express our appreciation to Pastor Doug Forsberg, the Fellowship Committee and our church family for helping with Lyle's service. As well, we would like to thank everyone who has sent cards, flowers, food, gifts and support in this time of loss.

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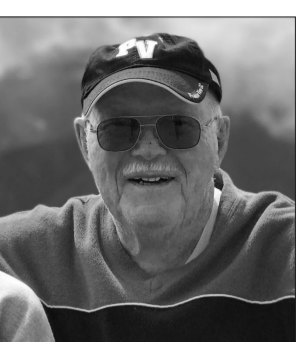
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LOCAL NEWS

Obituaries

Philip Houston

STILLMAN VALLEY – On Tuesday, July 19, 2022 Philip Houston, loving father, grandfather, and great-grandfather, passed away peacefully at the age of 87. Phil was born Sept. 16, 1934 to Edna and Kenneth Houston.



(wife Debbi), daughter Tina (husband Mike), grandsons Jacob, Colin, Jon, Joel, and Brandon, and great-grandchildren Kyle, Andrew, Autumn and Rosie.

A graveside service was held on Aug. 27 at 10 a.m. in the Stillman Valley Cemetery in Stillman Valley. A celebration of life will be held at the All Saints Lutheran Church in Byron, immediately following the service so that everyone can have a chance to remember the fond times they had with Phil. Also, the family requests that in lieu of flowers, a memorial donation be sent to the Village of Progress, located in Oregon. To leave an online condolence please visit www.farrellhollandgale.com

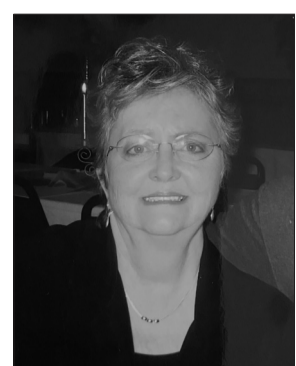
where he spent time with his family and friends. Wherever he went however, he quickly made easy conversation with anyone sitting next to him. He cared greatly for his family, his friends and his community.

Phil has gone on to reunite with his Mother and Father, brothers Kenny and Al, and sisters Barb and Bonnie.

He will be fondly remembered here by his wife Carol, son Brad

Helen P. Sheridan

Helen P. Sheridan, age 83, of Ohio, Ill., died on Monday, Aug. 22, 2022 at her home. She was born on Oct. 28, 1938 in Marseilles, Ill., the daughter of Reuben and Margaret (Gribbins) Thomas.



Haylie Rorbeck, Jason Godawski, Abby Godawski, one sister Yvonne "Bonnie" (Jack) Price of Ottawa and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were on Saturday, Aug. 27, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at Immaculate Conception Church in Ohio, Ill. Burial followed at St. Mary Cemetery in Ohio. Following the burial there was a luncheon at the Sheridan's Walton Tap in Walton, Ill. Visitation was on Friday, Aug. 26, 2022 from 4-8 p.m. at the Jones Funeral Home in Dixon, with a saying of the rosary at 7:30 p.m. Memorial donations can be made to Serenity Hospice and the Alzheimer's Association. Online condolences can be left at www.thejonesfh.com.

Helen was a beautician from 1958 to 2002 in Dixon, and owned and operated The Bon Ton Beauty Salon in Dixon and then worked out of her home salon for many years. Helen always said, "Her clients were always friends first." She was a member of the Lee Co. Democratic Central Committee serving as a precinct committee person for many years. Helen was also a member of Immaculate Conception Church in Ohio, and the Ohio Catholic Women's

Club. She married Jack Sheridan on Aug. 20, 1960 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Maytown.

She is preceded in death by her parents, and sisters Marlene Polancic, and Elizabeth Gaaney.

Helen is survived by her husband Jack, children Gerianne (Jeff) Rorbeck of Lockport, Ill., Kelly (John) Godawski of Palatine, Ill., Shelly (Brian) Welty of Oregon, 3 grandchildren

Alice F. Schaefer

ROCKFORD – Alice F. (Gibbs) Schaefer, age 100, passed away on Aug. 20, 2022 at Fair Haven Retirement Center in Rockford. Born Jan. 10, 1922 in rural Byron. Daughter of Oscar F. and Grace (Berends) Snyder.



of Pecatonica; 10 great grandchildren, 1 great grandchild, and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

She is preceded in death by her daughter, Joyce Towns, her parents, 2 brothers, and 5 sisters.

Funeral services were held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Aug. 26, 2022 at Farrell Holland Gale Funeral Home in Stillman Valley with Pastor Janet Wold of All Saints Lutheran Church of Byron officiating. Visitation was held from 10-11 a.m. prior to the service. Burial in Stillman Valley Cemetery. Memorials are established for The Alzheimer's Association. To leave an online condolence please visit www.farrellhollandgale.com

She graduated from Byron High School in 1939. She married Robert "Bub" Gibbs in Stillman Valley in 1947. He died in 1978. She lived in Stillman Valley for 35 years. Alice was employed for 23 years by the Meridian School District and 5 years by Carlson Transport in Byron. She married Burnett J. Schaefer in 1982, moved to Janesville, Wis., and then to Rockford. She was a member of Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran

Church of Rockford, and former member of Stillman Valley Congregational Church. She was a member of the Blackhawk Trail Club of Rockford.

Survivors include her son, Jeffrey (Susan) Fustin of Rockford; grandchildren, Thomas Towns, Jr. of Belvidere, Tara (Jason) Kochheiser of Rockton, Scott (Dana) Fustin of Rockford, and Sarah (Ryan) Hathaway

Donna Leamanczyk

MOUNT MORRIS – Donna Mae Leamanczyk (née Klann), age 90, passed away peacefully on Aug. 14, 2022, and is now reunited with her beloved husband, Leonard.

Donna was a long-time resident of Mt. Morris. She was well-known for her "All Are Welcome" 4th of July

open houses. Donna loved traveling to the Northwoods of Wisconsin with her friends during the summers and enjoyed cooking, bowling, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Donna was a loving and devoted mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She is survived by her sister,

Barbara Knier, and children; Michael (Julie) Jack (Jeanne) Karen (Lee) and Scott, her grandchildren: Brittany, Chad, Lauren, Joseph, Melissa, Lindsay, Taylor, Sidney, Alana and great-grandchildren: Alexandra, Sean, Isabella and Dylan.

Services will be private.

Isabelle Krol

MOUNT MORRIS – Isabelle Krol, age 92, went to be with our Lord Jesus on Tuesday, Aug. 23, 2022, at Pinecrest Manor Nursing Home, Mt. Morris. Isabelle was born on June 4, 1930, in Dour, Belgium; the daughter of Nicolas and Rose (Fleurant) Duez. She graduated from high school in Belgium.



Isabelle met her future husband at a Christmas Eve dance, and married Zenon Krol on Dec. 6, 1952, in Dour, Belgium. They came to the United States in 1953 and made a good life for their family. They both took classes to become American Citizens. When they became naturalized citizens of this wonderful country, they said it was one of the happiest days of their lives. Zenon preceded Isabelle in death on Sept. 12, 2008.

She was a home maker, taking care of their three children. She also worked as a governess to many other fortunate babies and children throughout her

working years. Isabelle was a volunteer for several years with Serenity Hospice of Oregon, Illinois. One of her favorite past times was visiting with and doing all kinds of crafts, card making, and cookie baking with her grandchildren. She was an excellent cook and brought many wonderful recipes from Belgium to share with her family. Isabelle was a long-time member of the Mt. Morris Church of the brethren, Mt. Morris.

Isabelle is survived by her children: Catherine (Robert) Geiger, Elburn, Bruce (Joanne) Krol, Sparta, N.J., and Rose Marie (William) Diedesch, Ormond Beach, Fla.; grandchild-

dren: Melanie (Wes) Dafler, St. Charles, Mo., Caroline (Fred) Meighan, Vancouver, Wash., Eric (Natalie McDonald) Geiger, Memphis, Tenn., Michelle and Rebecca Krol, Sparta, N.J., Steven Diedesch, DeKalb, Roy Diedesch, Oswego, Laura Diedesch, Port Orange, Fla.; 3 great grandchildren: Eve-Marie, Spencer, and Bennett Dafler, St. Charles, Mo.; and her beloved God child: Annie Martin, Belgium.

Isabelle is preceded in death by her parents; husband: Zenon; brother: Louis; and sister: Henriette.

Memorial services will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2022 at 11 a.m. in the Mt. Morris Church of the Brethren, with Pastor Rodney Caldwell officiating. Burial will be in held in Silver Creek Cemetery, Mt. Morris. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2022 from 10 a.m. until service time in the Brethren Church.

Milton C. Scott

Milton C. Scott passed from this life on Aug. 16, 2022 with his beloved wife and daughter by his side.

Milt was born in Louisville on Jan. 29, 1941 and retired from the University of Kentucky after 33 years. He also served in the United States Air Force and was an Air Force weatherman at various sites around the

country including remote locations in Alaska. He treasured his time serving the country and it made a lasting impact on his life.

His favorite times were spent traveling around the world, having the special privilege of visiting about 77 countries and territories, and coaching golf to improve his daughter's game. He was also an avid UK fan of both football

and basketball.

Milt leaves his wife, Krielene, daughter Patty Burke (Tom), and granddaughters, Annie and Emma Burke. Milt leaves a legacy of goodwill and gentleness that will be missed.

Services are private, but tributes can be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research.

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Polo Senior Center schedules upcoming activities, support group

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

LOCAL NEWS

Polo Police report

Aug. 2
 TIME: 5:19 p.m.
 REPORT: Kenneth Huckabee, 48, Polo, was cited for Unlawful Use of a Cell Phone. Huckabee was released on an I-Bond.

TIME: 6:50 p.m.
 REPORT: Matthew Beintema, 25, Freeport, was cited for speeding 43 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Beintema was released on an I-Bond.

Aug. 3
 TIME: 4:47 p.m.
 REPORT: Shane Hitchcock, 29, Polo, was cited for Operating An Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Hitchcock was released on an I-Bond.

TIME: 7:33 p.m.
 REPORT: Tristen J. Tate, 24, Forreston, was arrested for Driving With a Suspended License. Tate was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

TIME: 5:06 p.m.
 REPORT: Allison Sandison, 22, Rock Falls, was cited for Unlawful Use of a Cell Phone. Sandison was released on an I-Bond.

TIME: 6:01 p.m.
 REPORT: Renae A. Johnson, 33, Polo, was cited for Unlawful Use of a Cell Phone. Johnson was released on an I-Bond.

Aug. 5
 TIME: 5:25 p.m.
 REPORT: Sheyana Hughes, 23, Forreston, was cited for the Unlawful Use of a Cell Phone. Hughes was released on an I-Bond.

Aug. 6
 TIME: 5:05 p.m.
 REPORT: Albert W. Kelchner, 68, Shannon, was cited for the Unlawful Use of a Cell Phone. Kelchner was

released on an I-Bond.
 General Calls for Service for the weeks of July 25, 2022 thru August 7, 2022

Citizen Complaints/Assist	4
Animal Complaint	1

Disturbance/Domestic	1
Fire/Medical Assist	9
Lock Out	2
Traffic Stops	20

Aug. 9
 TIME: 8:46 a.m.
 REPORT: Frank R. Nasca, Rochelle, was issued a City Citation Violation for Grass Height Regulation (more than 8").

Aug. 14
 TIME: 9:25 p.m.
 REPORT: James C. Kanas, 65, Kings, was cited for speeding 43 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Kanas was released on an I-Bond.

Aug. 21
 TIME: 3:15 p.m.
 REPORT: Shayne H. Kraucunas, 28, Mount Morris, was cited for speeding 45 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Kraucunas was released on an I-Bond.

TIME: 5:30 p.m.
 REPORT: Gama R. Sanchez, Jr, 28, Hanover Park, was cited for speeding 44 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Sanchez was released on an I-Bond.

General Calls for Service for the weeks of August 8, 2022 thru August 21, 2022

Citizen Complaints/Assist	22
Animal Complaints	3
Disturbance/Domestic	1
Fie/Medical Assist	4
Lock Out	3
911 Hang Up	1
Traffic Stops	7
County Assists	1

Oregon Police report

Aug. 8
 At 8:59 a.m., Oregon Police responded to a disturbance call in the 900 block of S. 4th Street resulting in the arrest of Samantha M. Metzger, 28, Oregon. Metzger was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

At 9:48 a.m., Oregon Police responded to the 100 block of S. 8th Street where a parked 2012 Volkswagen belonging to Steven M. Gruenberg, 50, Oregon, was struck by an unknown vehicle at some point that same morning. Anyone having any information, please contact the Oregon Police Department at 815-732-2162.

At 9:48 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Michael J. Allen, 27, Polo, for driving while license suspended. Allen was transported to the Ogle County Jail. This violation occurred in the 400 block of W. Washington Street.

At 11:03 p.m., Oregon Police observed a disturbance in the 200 block of S. 7th Street resulting in the arrest of Chet L. Harrolle, 39, Chana, for domestic battery. Harrolle was transported to the Ogle County Jail.

Aug. 9
 At 12:39 p.m., Oregon Police responded to the South 4th and Washington Street intersection for a two-vehicle traffic crash involving a 2008 Toyota driven by Cheryl A. Parnell, 62, Leaf River, and a 2010 Ford driven by Danny S. White, 58, Rochelle. No citations were issued.

Aug. 10
 At 10:24 a.m., Oregon Police arrested Terrance B. Harris, Jr., 18, Oregon, on an outstanding Ogle County warrant. Harris, Jr., was transported to the Ogle County jail.

Aug. 11
 At 9:24 p.m., Oregon Police arrest-

ed Brittany M. Fasulo, 28, Ashton, for driving while license suspended. Fasulo was also issued a citation for operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Fasulo was transported to the Ogle County jail. These violations occurred in the 300 block of W. Washington Street.

Aug. 12
 At 9:29 a.m., Oregon Police responded to the 900 block of Jefferson Street where a City of Oregon employee, Josiah R. Flanagan, 26, Oregon, was driving the 2020 Freightliner Street Sweeper and struck a parked 2014 Ford belonging to Todd Voth, 53, Stillman Valley. No citations were issued.

At 8:03 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Ryan D. Holifield, 32, Rockford, for felony aggravated driving while license revoked, and on an outstanding Winnebago County warrant. Holifield was also issued citations for illegal transportation of alcohol as a driver and speeding, 41 mph in a 30 mph zone. Holifield was transported to the Ogle County jail. These violations occurred in the 500 block of Gale Street.

Aug. 14
 At 1:16 a.m., Oregon Police arrested Manjit Singh, 35, Oregon, for driving under the influence of alcohol. Singh was also issued a citation for improper lane usage. These violations occurred near the intersection of Webster and S. 4th Streets.

At 12:50 p.m., Oregon Police issued Chad Veitch, 31, Oregon, a city citation for the ordinance violation of allowing his property to have grass more than six inches tall. This violation occurred in the 200 block of Jefferson Street.

8 parking citations and 14 verbal warnings issued during the week of 8/8/2022 through 8/14/2022.



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LOCAL NEWS

Mt. Morris Senior Center sets upcoming events, activities

Alzheimer's Support

More than six million Americans are living with Alzheimer's Disease. One in three seniors die with Alzheimer's or another form of Dementia. This disease kills more people than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined. Over eleven million Americans provide unpaid care for people with Alzheimer's or other Dementias. If this disease has not affected you yet, someday, in some way, it will. So, what can we do?

Something they are doing at the Mt. Morris Senior Center is hosting an Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group. This group is led by Kathy Heid and it will meet on the first Thursday of each month from 6-7 p.m. This is a great opportunity for those who are taking care of their loved ones with this horrible disease to connect and support one another. Sometimes it helps to hear that you are not alone and that someone else is in a similar situation.

To join this group simply come to the Mt. Morris Senior Center at 9 East Front Street on Thursday, Sept. 1 at 6 p.m. If you have any questions or would like more information just call Melissa at 815-734-6335.

Mt. Morris Senior Center 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

Hike with Melissa - Take a hike with Melissa on Tuesday, Aug. 30. We will be meeting at the Mt. Morris Senior Center at 10 a.m. to set out for our hike. The hike will depend on the skill level and ability of those who are there to hike.

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group - Join us on Thursday, Sept. 1 at 6 p.m. at 9 East Front Street in Mt. Morris to receive support and encouragement from others who are taking care of their loved ones with Alzheimer's or Dementia.

Book Club - This month our book club is reading *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel* by Deborah Moggach. We will discuss the book on Tuesday, Sept. 6 at 11 a.m. and then we will have lunch and watch the movie together. You are welcome to join us even if you do not have a chance to read the book. To sign up 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, Sept. 7, 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 pm. 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 Sept. 13 at 5:30 p.m.

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LOCAL NEWS

New dance studio now open in Rochelle

By Jeff Helfrich
Rochelle News-Leader

ROCHELLE—After starting Studio C Dance on her own last fall, Cecillia Stover expected to have 20 dancers.

Her first season finished in May with over 100 dancers on stage at a recital.

A ribbon cutting for Studio C Dance was held earlier this month by the Rochelle Chamber of Commerce. The business, located at 101 Eighth Ave. (Teen Town), offers dance classes for ages 3-18 in different styles and has competitive and recreational environments for anyone that wants to participate.

Stover has danced her entire life and has spent the past seven years teaching for other studios. Once she started teaching dance, she realized that was her passion, rather than dancing herself.

"I was probably put into dance by my mom just for something to do when I was about three. But it ended up being my passion," Stover said. "When I was 16, I went and stayed out in New York by myself and trained with Joffrey and then I went to school at Columbia for dance. There's a huge group of people in Rochelle who love to dance like I do. They deserve somebody who's passionate about it to teach it to them and a program that is actually going to serve them whether they want to just do it for fun or do something with it after high school."

Stover said that Rochelle doesn't have much in terms of

spaces for dance studios, but the Teen Town space is the perfect size and has needed amenities like a mirror and floor. The Flagg-Rochelle Community Park District has been "wonderful and accommodating" and Stover said she was thankful to be able to find the space.

Studio C's recreational program is for students that just want to do recitals, which take place in December and May. The company program for competition competes all spring long and then goes to nationals.

Stover said Studio C tries to perform at local events whenever it has the chance. It performed at Tuesday night's National Night Out event at Atwood Park.

Studio C and dance can help kids to learn socialization, how to present their feelings when they're dancing, how to work in groups, basic motor skills when they're little, and confidence, Stover said.

"We have something for everybody," Stover said. "Whether you're a boy or girl or if you want to tumble or dance or just stay fit. You can find anything here. I think we always need more things for the youth to do. That's how they stay active and stay out of trouble. Even when things were shut down, dance gave them something to do instead of sitting around or being quarantined at home. It's just important that they have something. They come in and it's not just about dance."

Stover thanked her family for helping her to bring Studio



C to fruition.

"I couldn't do it without them," Stover said. "I navigated my entire first year with a newborn and literally had my daughter days before a recital. They made sure I didn't miss a beat. Not only do they encourage me, but they make it all happen."

Chamber Executive Director Tricia Herrera welcomed Stover and Studio C to the chamber on Tuesday. She said the chamber has seen "a good streak" recently of young entrepreneurs like Stover opening businesses in town.

"When I sat down with Cecillia and we talked about the chamber and what it does, she was ready and knew what we could do and what the com-

munity needed," Herrera said. "I've been fortunate to see her dance for many years and she's a much-renowned local dancer. We're very excited for her to teach all of her students and continue to be a part of our community."

Mayor John Bearrows welcomed Stover on behalf of the City of Rochelle.

"When you open a business here, you may not have a partner in reality, but you do have partners in the chamber and the city," Bearrows said. "I knew Cecillia when she was three years old. Her great grandfather was one of my very best friends. He would be extremely proud. We're proud to have you as a part of the city

and the chamber. You have all of us to reach out to. Whatever you need, we're here for you."

Tuesday also served as registration day for Studio C. Stover said she was overwhelmed by the turnout, much like she was at the end of her studio's first season.

"Because we're growing, which is wonderful," Stover said. "I can't wait to see all the things that we get to do. Anybody can dance. It's for everybody. This is only our second year, and we have over 100 dancers registered already. I'm excited for season two. I thought there would be around 20 people here tonight. I guess I should stop underestimating everything."

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tues., Aug. 30

Hike with Melissa from the Mount Morris Senior Center. Meet at the center at 10 a.m. to set out for the hike. The hike will depend on the skill level and ability of those who are there to hike.

Thurs., Sept. 1

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group, 6 p.m. at 9 East Front St. in Mt. Morris. Receive support and encouragement from others

who are taking care of their loved ones with Alzheimer's or Dementia.

Fri., Sept. 2

The First Fridays Open Mic returns to K's Sports Bar in Oregon at 7 p.m. The monthly event attracts many talented performers, but musicians and singers of all skill levels find acceptance from its supportive audience. Admission is free, although a jar is available for donations.

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. 3

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On Sept. 11, 1857, Mormon guerillas, stoked by a deep resentment of decades of public abuse and federal interference, murder 120 emigrants at Mountain Meadows, Utah. The conflict apparently began when the Mormons refused to sell the emigrants any supplies.

* On Sept. 10, 1897, a 25-year-old London taxi driver named George Smith becomes the first person ever arrested for drunk driving. A true breath test didn't come along until 1931 with a device called the Drunkometer. It involved a blow-up balloon and a tube filled with a purple fluid (potassium permanganate and sulfuric acid). Alcohol on a person's breath changed the color of the fluid from purple to yellow; the quicker the change, the drunker the person.

* On Sept. 7, 1936, Charles Harden Holley is born in Lubbock, Texas. Performing under the name Buddy Holly, he left behind a rock 'n' roll legacy that includes "That'll Be the Day" and "Maybe Baby" after his death in 1959 at the age of 22.

* On Sept. 9, 1942, in the first and only air attack on the U.S. mainland during World War II, a Japanese floatplane drops incendiary bombs on Oregon's Mount Emily, setting fire to a state forest. The president immediately called for a news blackout for the sake of morale.

* On Sept. 8, 1965, the five-year Delano Grape Strike begins as over 2,000 Filipino American farmworkers refuse to go to work picking grapes near Bakersfield, California. Over the next five years, even American households stopped buying grapes in support of the farmworkers.

* On Sept. 5, 1972, at the Summer Olympics in Munich, Germany, a group of Palestinian terrorists, known as Black September, storms the Olympic Village apartment of the Israeli athletes, killing two and taking nine others hostage. In an ensuing shootout at the Munich airport, the nine Israeli hostages were killed.

* On Sept. 6, 1995, Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken Jr. plays in his 2,131st consecutive game. Ripken went on to play 2,632 games in a row before ending the streak by voluntarily removing himself from a game against the New York Yankees on Sept. 19, 1998.

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We ignored crisis, now it's too late

Earlier in the summer, my wife and I and some friends did some tubing on a river in Wisconsin.

I had not been tubing since probably 1975. But the basics were the same — people, tubes, sunburns and good times. Well, we did have beer this time, because in 1975 I was 12 and was not old enough to drink. No matter what they say about the swinging 70s, my parents certainly would not let me drink beer.

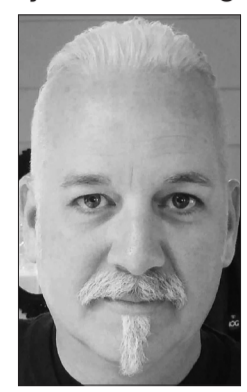
The river was a part of life in Yuma, Ariz. We fished at the river, swam in the river — although that could be dangerous in places — boated and simply hung out on the river. Yuma did not do a great job developing properties near the river, but it was the life blood of the community.

But, as we all know, the once mighty Colorado River is dying, and it is dying very quickly these days. And as I have written before, that is a major problem. Yes, it is a problem for Arizona, California, Nevada, Colorado and New Mexico. But it is also a problem for all of us.

Climate change is a major culprit here, of course. And it is a sad irony that

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



Arizona is being hit very hard by climate change, because most politicians there still probably don't believe that man has contributed to our change in climate.

As a young reporter in Prescott, Ariz., I knew many local officials who scoffed at the idea man had anything to do with climate change, even though the science was being reported at the time that it did. And this was 30 years ago. We have known this for decades and ignored it. Now we will all pay at least some price.

Arizona is going to pay by having less water. That means farmers, who worked hard to turn desert into fertile soil for winter vegetables,

citrus trees, highly profitable wheat fields and large date trees, will be getting less, or no, water. Reality is hitting them smack in the face. I do feel bad for them, although they have been warned for decades this was coming.

In fact, the federal government asked all states involved to come up with a new water-sharing agreement to replace the outdated and expiring one. They couldn't of course, so here come the cuts. That means a lot less water for these states, especially Arizona.

We have all seen the news coming from Lake Mead, not far from Las Vegas. As the water has dropped to historic lows, the bodies are starting to be found. Mob hits? Maybe, but people are sadly focusing on the wrong thing. This isn't about mob bodies; this is about people's livelihoods and our future.

Less acre feet of water in Arizona and Southern California will mean less winter vegetables. That means, you guessed it, prices for these items are going to soar.

We can expect inflation after a pandemic, as we are now seeing. They go hand

in hand. But these higher prices will be of our own doing. Sure, weather can be cyclical, but we have been warned by scientists about climate change for ages and have done next to nothing. The federal government did recently pass environmental legislation, and it is a step in the right direction. But I fear it is simply a case of too little too late.

But what about the rain? The little is seeing? Again, too little too late. A couple of downpours just leads to flooding and more deaths.

As the West dries up, here we will see possibly more rains and severe weather along with soaring temperatures. Laugh about electric cars and hippies hugging trees all you want. Your children and grandchildren will feel the lack of action.

Climate change is here, and we will all start feeling it. My home state of Arizona is in for a very rough future, and seems not poised to act at all. Even if the state government finally does something, it is too late.

We ignored the coming crisis for too long. Now it is here.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.

Christian Nationalism a danger to democracy

A new term is seeping into the American lexicon called "Christian Nationalism."

It's a misguided belief that the United States was founded as a Christian nation.

I've read the original writings of many of our founding fathers and this notion is just nonsense.

Thomas Jefferson used his razor to redact portions of the Bible that he disagreed with. Thomas Payne was an atheist. Skirt-chasing Benjamin Franklin's autobiography would make Bill Clinton blush.

Our second president John Adams said, "The Government of the United States of America is not, in any sense, founded on the Christian religion."

And yet, we keep hearing many of our contemporary leaders claim just the opposite.

While some of our nations' founders, such as George Washington and Alexander Hamilton, subscribed to orthodox Christian beliefs, many if not most would best be described as "deists" who believed in God but did not nurture a personal relationship with the Almighty.

During the American Revolution, British troops in New York, New Jersey and North Carolina regularly burned churches or turned them into stables or military hospitals. It was an expression of the crown's contempt for faiths other than Anglicanism, the state religion of England.

It was in that post-revolutionary environment that our Constitution was drafted with a clause prohibiting the establishment of a state religion but also protecting the people's right to worship freely. Benjamin Franklin spoke of his desire for Muslims and Jews to worship as freely as Christians in the new nation.

For those of you who are wondering about my own religious beliefs, I'll tell you I'm an evangelical married to a Catholic. We send our kids to faith-based schools and are active in our

churches. Our faith is important to us.

But I don't believe—and never have believed — our government should promote a particular religion.

For example, if government were to mandate prayer in school, who would write the prayer? It wouldn't be possible to write an invocation that reflected the diverse religious views of those in any classroom.

And my cynical libertarian view is government doesn't do anything particularly well. Why let it make a mess of religion, too?

Unfortunately, we live in a society where Christian Nationalism is entering into the mainstream of political discourse.

So, just what is Christian Nationalism?

Here is how Georgetown University political science professor Paul D. Miller, described it in Christianity Today:

"Christian Nationalism is the belief that the American nation is defined by Christianity, and that the government should take active steps to keep it that way. Popularly, Christian Nationalists assert that America is and must remain a 'Christian nation'—not merely as an observation about American history, but as a prescriptive program for what America must continue to be in the future."

When I was covering a Donald Trump rally in June, I saw plenty of t-shirts that said, "Jesus Christ is my Savior and Donald Trump is my president." That's an example of Christian Nationalism.

Adolf Hitler hated Christianity, but he was able to coopt many of Germany's church leaders into supporting his regime. Swastikas had prominent display in sanctuaries and Hebrew words such as "hallelujah" were excised from church hymns as part of the Nazi anti-Semitic efforts.

Such examples are not an indictment of Christianity but of how its powerful images can be misused by

tyrants.

When a government endorses a particular religion, it inevitably results in persecution. Jews, Jehovah Witnesses, outspoken Catholic priests and others were killed by the Nazis.

Today, I see politicians wear cross lapel pins painted red, white and blue and see the same misuse of religious imagery. That cross represents something a whole lot bigger than a government or political movement.

"I found January 6 reprehensible, people charging the Capitol carrying crosses," said Dr. Shaun Lewis, who for 12 years served informally as the chaplain of the Illinois Legislature.

Lewis' evangelical credentials are strong. He worshiped at Southern View Chapel, a fundamentalist church in the Springfield area. And he holds a doctorate from The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville.

But he doesn't subscribe to this Christian Nationalist nonsense.

It would be easy to assume that Illinois is far removed from this notion of Christian Nationalism. After all, we are a moderate to liberal state with a Jewish governor. Sadly, this malignancy has infected the Land of Lincoln.

Just look at the words U.S. Rep. Mary Miller tweeted after the U.S. Supreme Court ruled that a public high school football coach could kneel and pray on the field after a game:

"A huge win for religious liberty in the Supreme Court thanks to PRESIDENT TRUMP! Coach (Joseph) Kennedy set a wonderful example for young men by praying after each game. We need God back in our schools to save our culture from the sick agenda of the radical left!"

I can't help but wonder if Coach Kennedy was a Muslim who spread out a prayer rug after each game if she would be so supportive.

I kind of doubt it.
Scott Reeder is a staff writer for Illinois Times can be reached at sreeder@illinoistimes.com.

Mount Morris Library gives thanks for program help

Dear Editor,

The Mount Morris Public Library Board and staff would like to thank the community for helping to make our 2022 Summer Reading Program a success. We received financial support as well as in kind gifts from so many individuals, businesses, and organizations. The U of I extension also helped us by providing programs and activities, including for the final party.

I am going to try to list

them all here, but ask for forgiveness if I miss anyone. Richard Montavone/ Country Financial, Kandu LLC., MMSuper wash LLC., Allen & Jill Millhouse, Rat Worx, Custom Seal & Rubber Products, R.E. Wolber & Sons, PEO Chapter CU, Stillman Bank, Mount Morris Senior Citizen Council, Oregon Rotary Club, Sterling Federal, Gesin Inc., Stan's Performance Inc., Plum Electric, Mount Morris Volunteer Fire Department, Spectrum

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Eighty individuals participated in our Summer Reading Program. We had regular story times each week with our regular reader, Donna Wells, but

we also had a couple of guest appearances from Mr. Huels, and Peggy Doty. We also had weekly carry out activities for busy families.

We hope that everyone enjoyed the program as much as we did. We couldn't have done it without the help and support of all the sponsors and the community. Thank you to all of you!

Sincerely,
Mary Cheatwood, Director, Mount Morris Public Library

LOCAL NEWS

Oregon Lions



Members of the Oregon Lions Club were busy on Tuesday, Aug. 16 cleaning roadside garbage north of Oregon on Route 2. Oregon Lions who participated in the cleanup effort were: Lion Jerry Hinrichs, Lion Ed Smola, Committee Chairman Lion Grant Afflerbaugh, Lion Lori Peterson, Lion Ray Farrey and Lion Jim Hoff (not pictured).



Earlier this summer, Oregon Lions held their annual meat raffle and drew the tickets for the 85 winners. The prizes included: Five \$50 gift certificates, 20 turkeys, 20 hams, 20 steak package and 20 pork chop packages. Oregon Lions wish to thank everyone who purchased a ticket and supported Lions' charities. Pictured from left: Lion Dr. Tom Champey, Lion Dave Stenger and Lion Jim Hoff.

Local Air Force member promoted

WEST POINT, N.Y. – James Hughes, of Mount Morris, was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Air Force in a ceremony on July 29 officiated by Col. Mark Read head of Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering.

Lt. Col. Hughes is currently assigned as an instructor in the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering at West Point, where he has taught Meteorology and Physical Geography for the past three years.

Hughes holds a Master of Science degree in Meteorology from the Naval Postgraduate School and has served as an active-duty Air Force Weather Officer for the past 19 years, including multiple overseas assignments and two combat deployments to Iraq.

The mission of the Department of Geography and Environmental Engineering is to enhance the intellectual, character, and military development of all cadets within the context of a core course in physical geography, a three-course engineering sequence, four distinct majors, and a diverse offering of elective courses and to support the continued development of faculty and staff.

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The Oregon Park District recently opened two new pickleball courts located at Mix Park. The new courts are located at the south end of Mix Park and are open from dawn to dusk. Racquets are available to check-out at Nash Recreation Center if you are new to the game and want to try it out! For more information contact the Oregon Park District, 815-732-3101.



NEW AGENT!



Kierra Moore
Kierra Moore is a lifelong resident of Ogle County, residing in rural Oregon with her husband and two young boys, she has a passion for service and helping residents in the Rock Valley area. Whether you're a first time home buyer, or purchasing a retirement home, Kierra educates her clients and helps them navigate the often-changing waters of the homebuying and selling process. Kierra always works tirelessly to promote her client's best interests and looks forward to serving the region with her expertise in all things real estate.

NEW LISTING



12510 Locke Ln., Winnebago
\$399,000 Call Jenn
WATER FRONT, LAKE VIEW! WEST-LAKE VILLAGE! Ranch home with a beautiful great room with lots of natural light and room to grow! Hardwood floors through out the main level. Gorgeous eat in kitchen overlooking the lake with granite counter tops and a double oven. Large master is on main floor overlooking the lake. Master bathroom includes a shower and jacuzzi tub. Main floor also includes an office (can be used as a family room), open concept dining room, 2 bedrooms connect with a Jack and Jill bathroom. Laundry room is on main floor for easy access. Full basement includes a bar overlooking a family room, 2 bedrooms (one being used as a gym currently), office and full bath. The stunning backyard includes a large deck for entertaining over looking the lake with a private dock. West Lake Village provides a pool, park, beach and walking trail. Don't miss this move in ready home!

NEW LISTING



626 Cranbrook Ln., Mt. Morris
\$220,000 Call Jamie
This lovely ranch home has it all! From the open-concept kitchen and living space to the private backyard, there is plenty of room for the whole family to enjoy. Recent updates include a gorgeous kitchen renovation (22). Windows on main floor (22), Sliding glass door (22), Stove and Microwave (22), Vinyl Fencing (21), Refrigerator (20), Both Fireplaces (19), Roof (17), Composite Deck (17), Water Softener and Reverse Osmosis System (16). Situated in a family friendly neighborhood in the heart of Mount Morris, this home is sure to go fast!

NEW LISTING




9215 N. Oak Leaf Ct., Byron
\$325,000 Call Lori
This gorgeous ranch sits on just over an acre North of Byron. Featuring spacious living areas with tall ceilings, master bedroom with tray ceiling, jetted tub in the beautiful master bathroom, and an enormous finished walk-out basement. All that and more with a brand new deck off the main floor overlooking well manicured yard, patio from the walkout basement, and 2 cozy fireplaces. First floor laundry just off the 3-car garage means no tromping up and down stairs to wash clothes. The kitchen also features all stainless steel appliances and granite countertops. A beautiful ranch like this in a quiet neighborhood won't last long, so take a look while it's still here!

NEW LISTING



410 Shelden Dr., Winnebago
\$230,000 Call Rebecca
RANCH ON A CORNER LOT! 3 bedroom, 2.5 bathroom ranch home situated on a large .31 acre lot in a great neighborhood is being offered for sale! Oversized living room with soaring ceilings, laminate flooring and gas fireplace leads to your deck overlooking your fully fenced yard. Kitchen is off of the living room area with an eat in island, new dishwasher and tile backsplash. In addition to the eat in island, there is a formal dining room. Larger master with roomy walk-in closet and en suite bathroom. Main floor laundry is also a bonus feature of this home. Finished lower level with rec room that has a wet bar, pool table that is included, half bathroom and an additional family room. Many updates in 2019 including: roof, siding, garage doors. New Central Air unit in 2022. 3 car attached garage. You better move quickly, this one won't last long!

NEW LISTING



2072 III Route 26, Dixon
\$349,900 Call JD
Wanting that 'new' home feel? Tired of all those tedious home makeover projects? Look no further. This property is practically all brand new, and move-in ready. No expense was spared. Nestled on just under 1.5 acres, this rural ranch home just north of Dixon features 4 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms, including a master suite with walk-in closet; main floor laundry, full finished basement, new deck, insulated garage, and so much more. Updates include- but are not limited to- roof, siding, exterior doors and windows, furnace, A/C, water heater, electrical, plumbing, new front porch, flooring and paint throughout, interior doors, fully remodeled/reengineered bathrooms, as well as a brand new kitchen with new cabinets, stone countertops, and stainless steel appliances. There is so much to love, and you can move right in.

NEW LISTING



1323 Maroon Dr., Elgin
\$172,900 Call Erin
PREMIERE LOCATION! This well maintained duplex on Elgin's east side is close to shopping, schools, entertainment and so much more! Passing the beautifully landscaped lawn, you enter into a large living space with vaulted ceilings. Continue to the massive kitchen with a wall of windows that let in the sunshine from the fully fenced, low maintenance backyard. Both bedrooms are good sized and have a ton of natural light as well. No HOA fees! New water heater (2021). Call today to make this your next home!

NEW LISTING



410 E. Brayton, Mt. Morris
\$135,900 Call Mark
Move in ready with AWESOME curb appeal, this 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath BRICK & STONE home in Mt. Morris is waiting for you! This property features beautiful woodwork & doors, 2 built-in vintage dining room china cabinets, cute black & white tiled bathroom, nice outdoor deck with gazebo and rose bushes! Walk up large attic area has potential for more rooms. Central air & gas forced air heat. Basement has multiple rooms. You'll enjoy the fenced in yard for the kids & pets and a garden shed to store your tools! The 1 car detached garage was recently upgraded. Appliances will stay including washer and dryer. Refrigerator will be replaced with a white one. Water softener is "as is".

NEW LISTING



104 W. School St., Winnebago
\$99,000 Call Rebecca
YOU BETTER MOVE QUICK! 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom move in ready home located near downtown Winnebago and schools. Many updates including: newer roof, gutters, siding, windows, furnace and central air. Flooring and interior painting were updated in the last 3 years. Window World Lifetime Warranty on windows as well. Kitchen area features and eat in space. Main floor laundry. Detached and insulated 1 car garage. This home is a great starter, downsizing or investment property. Call today!

NEW PRICE



2237 N. River Rd., Oregon
NOW \$154,900 Call Carla
New Listing in Oregon school district! This 2-3 bedroom farmette offers newer carpeting throughout, new furnace, nice sized living room. Spacious eat in kitchen and screened-in porch. There's a barn on the property as well as a 1.5 car garage. This 3.72 acre farmette has room for animals and pasture with AG1 zoning. Conveniently located between Oregon and Byron. AGENT RELATED.

NEW PRICE



621 Cranbrook Ln., Mt. Morris
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Aug. 18
Stillman Valley 168, Sterling 169

Aug. 24
Oregon 187, Rockford Christian 165, North Boone 183

Stillman Valley 186, Rockford Lutheran 156

Girls Varsity Golf

Aug. 17
Stillman Valley 236, Byron 192

Aug. 18
Stillman Valley 211, Sterling 286

Aug. 24
Oregon 183, Rockford Christian 214, North Boone 215

Stillman Valley 221, Rockford Lutheran 225

Girls Varsity Volleyball

Aug. 23
Oregon 25-16, Eastland 25-14

Stillman Valley 0, Dakota 2



Farmer's Market

Society of St Vincent DePaul Church, Byron, sells House plants, Fairy gardens, Folded books, and vegetables. Stop by Byron Hairy Cow Farmer's Market on Saturday mornings from 8 a.m. to noon next to the Hairy Cow Brewery. 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.

Forreston Library News

Library Card Sign-up Month
September is National Library Card Sign-up Month! A library card not only gives you access to books, dvds, and magazines here in Forreston, 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.

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

Community Room
Looking for a place to hold an 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. Please make sure bags are free from debris and remove all paper/sticker labels. We can't accept hard plastic.

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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, Sept. 6.

Board of Trustee Vacancy

The Oregon Public Library District is currently seeking applicants to fill a board vacancy. Interested persons should submit a resume and letter of interest to board@oregonpubliclibrary.com. For more information about serving on our board of trustees, please visit our website at www.oregonpubliclibrary.com.

Letterboxing - only 6 kits left-stop by now!

Did you know that the Oregon Public Library is a letterbox location? Letterboxing is similar to geocaching and is a fun way to get active and explore your community. The Library has Letterboxing Take & Make kits available for ages 12-17. Limited supplies, first come, first serve. To learn more about letterboxing and to find locations near you, visit www.letterboxing.org.

Preschool StoryTime (18 months- 5 years)

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

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 pm to discuss The Four Winds by Kristen Hannah. Cocktails & Crimes meets Friday, September 15th at 7:00pm (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 pm 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, Sept. 12 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, Sept. 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 Keds 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 p.m.

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 long-time 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.oregonpublicli-

brary.com.

Blackhawk's Final Resting Place - Friday, Sept. 16 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, Sept. 19 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. Registration required for this in-person program, please visit [http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.com or call (815) 732-2724.] http://www.oregonpubliclibrary.com or call (815) 732-2724.

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!

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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.

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Polo Library News

2022 Outdoor Concert Series

Join us at the Polo Library pavilion on Saturday night, September 17th, for the final concert of the 2022 season as we welcome back The Beaux - playing your favorite classic rock songs from the 60s-90s. Grab a friend and bring your chairs to enjoy the music! The concert will start at 7 p.m. and will last approximately two hours. The 2022 Outdoor Concert Series is funded by a grant from the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois.

Community Conversations

Wednesday, Sept. 14 - 10:30 a.m. Head down to the Library for conversations about the things happening in our community. This month's guest will be Dana Chacon from Sauk Valley Community College. Registration is not required.

Craft Night at the Library

Thursday, Sept. 15 - 5:30 p.m. Join Tiffany, from Weathered & Warren, for a monthly craft night at the Library! Every third Thursday of the month. Space is limited, call 815-946-2713 or email library@pololibrary.org to register

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ting an air fryer, but would like more information before investing? Join Erica and Beth as they share with you how to use an air fryer and taste some delicious foods you can make with an air fryer. Recipes will be available for all attendees. Please register by calling 815-234-5107 or visiting Byron.evanced.info/signup.

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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.

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!

Online Catalog - Did you start a series and can't find the next book? Are you wanting to watch a specific movie? If we don't have what you're looking for at Polo Library, visit our online catalog to search other libraries and have it delivered right to Polo Library for pick up! Visit pololibrary.org and click on "Books/Media" and "Your Account" to access the online catalog.

Library newsletter - Our newsletter is full of information on library services and programs. Print copies are available at the library, Lifeline Food Pantry, Polo Senior Center, Polo Fresh Food Market, and Polo Laundromat.

Genealogy Assistance - Are you interested in researching your ancestors but don't know where to start? Do you have a start and need help with your research? Stop by the first Wednesday 5-7 p.m. or the third Saturday 10 a.m. - noon and let Donna help with your project. Polo Library is now a FamilySearch Affiliate Library which allows access to more digital records when you're researching at the library.

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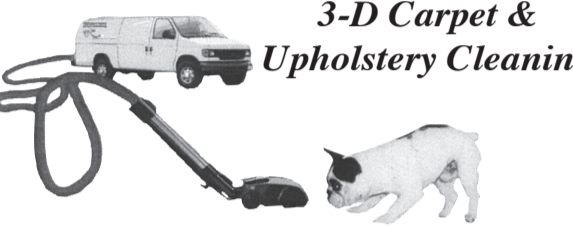
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LOCAL NEWS

Drive Time

What's behind noises your car might be making

Few things can be as unsettling when behind the wheel as a sudden noise. Noises coming from a car can indicate a host of issues, and that's one reason why such sounds tend to be so different. Quickly identifying what's behind car noises can make for safer driving and potentially save drivers substantial amounts of money.



Noise: Rattling coins
Problem: Loose lug nut in a hub cap

This noise can be loud and unsettling, but the good news is that it's often a simple fix if addressed immediately. The automotive insurance experts at Geico note that a noise that sounds like coins rattling around in a dryer is likely a loose lug nut in a hubcap. The lug nut might have become loose if a wheel was not tightened sufficiently after a recent maintenance appointment or even if drivers changed a tire on their own. The longer drivers wait to address this, the more dangerous and costly it could become, as it could have an effect on the wheel bearings. If addressed promptly, the damage is likely minimal.

Noise: Squealing on start-up
Problem: Issue with the serpentine belt

A squealing noise at start-up is among the more annoying noises a driver

can hear. This sound is often indicative of a worn or damaged serpentine belt, which connects the crankshaft to the alternator, power steering and additional components. Thankfully, a worn down serpentine belt is a relatively inexpensive repair, though it's important that it be addressed promptly. Squealing at start-up also could indicate a loose tensioner, which is designed

to keep the serpentine belt at a certain tightness and tension, or wear and tear to the belt due to parking outside. These issues can be addressed by readjusting or replacing the tensioner or replacing the serpentine belt, particularly if the part is old.

Noise: Engine knocking

Problem: Various issues

A knocking noise from the engine typically sounds like repeated tapping. The noise will often become louder as the vehicle accelerates. Various issues can be behind the knocking sound, and drivers should avoid self-diagnosing the problem, even if they've experienced it in the past with the same or a different vehicle. Some drivers hear knocking because they're using 87

octane fuel instead of the high-performance and more expensive fuel the owner's manual recommends (this could be a common problem in recent months given the meteoric rise in fuel prices). Another potential cause of engine knock could be problems with the pistons or crankshaft. Regardless of what's causing engine knocking, drivers are urged to take their vehicle

to a mechanic promptly, as the cost of repairs is likely to rise the longer knocking goes untreated.

No one wants to hear noises coming from their vehicles. However, such noises should be addressed promptly, as the quickness of drivers' responses could make the difference between a simple, less costly fix and a more time-consuming, expensive repair.

Conserve fuel with vehicle maintenance, other tips

Motorists know that 2022 has been a record-breaking year for fuel prices. Data from AAA indicates gas prices jumped 55 percent between June 2021 and June 2022. All 50 states now have an average fuel price that exceeds \$4 per gallon, with many even surpassing the \$5 mark. The fuel cost comparison resource Global Petrol Prices reports that, as of May 2022, gas in Canada was on average \$2.17 CAD per liter, which comes to roughly \$8.22 CAD a gallon, or \$6.52 USD per gallon.

The pinch at the pump is being felt by commuters, casual drivers and weekend warriors alike. People across North America are taking whatever steps necessary to conserve fuel. One of the considerations they may have overlooked is vehicle maintenance. Poor vehicle performance adversely affects fuel economy, so here's how to maintain a vehicle with an eye toward conserving fuel.

DOE says drivers can improve gas mileage by 1 to 2 percent simply by using the recommended grade of motor oil. In addition, look for motor oils that list "Energy Conserving" on the label.

Change the air filter
According to Auto Zone, an engine's ability to produce power is directly related to its ability to draw air in. A clean air filter assists with that function, whereas a dirty filter will reduce engine power and fuel efficiency.

Get a tune-up
Additional mechanical issues may affect vehicle performance and lead to excessive fuel consumption. A mechanic can run diagnostics on the vehicle and make recommendations on things to repair or replace, such as spark

plugs, ignition coils or faulty oxygen sensors.

Treat fuel occasionally
Debris and moisture in the fuel tank can compromise combustion and impact performance. A fuel treatment product can clean out debris and dry up moisture to restore function and improve miles per gallon.

Use the air conditioning sparingly
The air conditioning

unit in a vehicle uses power directly from the motor of the car. This means the vehicle consumes extra gas to keep the AC unit running, thereby reducing fuel efficiency.

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LOCAL NEWS

Park District has upcoming events, activities

Youth Fall Basketball Camp
This is an introduction to the fundamentals of basketball for both boys and girls ages 4-9 years old, instructed by the Oregon High School Girls Basketball Team. Youth will develop dribbling, passing and shooting skills in a positive and fun atmosphere! Location of the camps will be at the Blackhawk Center and it will be held on 4 consecutive Monday evenings starting September 12th. Camp t-shirt is included in price. Please bring a water bottle.
Registration Deadline: 9/1. Cost is \$25R/\$30NR.

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 boules 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 expectation 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 6-8pm at the Blackhawk Center. All proceeds will benefit the OHS Boys Basketball program. Cost is \$15R/\$18NR and deadline for registration is September 18th.

No School Day at the Rink
Join "The Rink" for a fun mini-camp and skate on September 5. Your child will arrive at The Rink at 8 am to begin the fun. During this program, your child will be grouped with other Beginner, Medium or Intermediate skaters to learn to skate, improve their skills and learn tricks with each level of progression! Lunch and a souvenir water bottle are included in each of these programs. Parents are not required to stay and skaters can bring extra money for concessions and the arcade. Pickup is at 12 pm. Cost \$45R/\$50NR and the deadline for participation is August 29th.

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.

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VISITORS WELCOME

LEAF RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Billy Hardy
Live Sermon Streaming: Sundays at 10:00 AM at www.facebook.com/LEAFRIVERBC/
Archived Sermons on our YouTube channel: Leaf River Baptist Church (Until further notice)
9:30 Church Service. Nursery available, 11:00 Sunday school for all ages. Nursery available
6941 N Mt Morris Rd, Leaf River, IL 61047
815-738-2205 leafriverbc@gmail.com

LINDENWOOD

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH - LCMS
immanuel-lindenwood.org (for sermons, events, etc.)
16060 E. Lindenwood Road, Lindenwood, IL 61049
815-393-4500 • office@immanuel-lindenwood.org
Sunday Mornings: Divine Service @ 9am; Food & Fellowship @ 10am; Sunday School and Adult Bible Study @ 10:30am
Food Bank: 1st and 3rd Saturdays, 9am-12pm
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Matthew Rosebrock
pastor@immanuel-lindenwood.org

LINDENWOOD UNION CHURCH
101 N Galena st, P.O. box 67
Lindenwood IL
815-393-4658
Worship: 10:00 am
Coffee Fellowship following service

KINGS

ELIM REFORMED CHURCH
140 S. Church Road, Kings, IL 61068 • Pastor Marv Jacobs
Phone 815-562-6811 E-mail: goelimchurch@gmail.com
Website: www.goelimchurch.org
Sunday morning worship 10:00 am

MOUNT MORRIS

DISCIPLES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
"By God's grace in Christ, we LIVE, LOVE, and SERVE"
All are welcome here!
9:30 am - Sunday Worship with Communion open to all
10:45 am - Sunday School (Sep - May)
www.disciplesumc.org
(815) 734-4853
102 N Maple Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 61054
Rev. Julie Bunt, Pastor

EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS
102 S. Seminary Ave., Mt. Morris, IL 61054 815-734-4942 www.efcmm.org
Senior Pastor: Bruce McKanna. Sunday Schedule: 8:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. 9:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship. 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship with Childcare and Children's Church.

MT. MORRIS CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN
409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris, IL 61045 Phone 734-4573
Pastor-Rodney Caldwell. Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Worship service available online, call for details. Other activities currently suspended due to pandemic. Email: mtmcb@frontier.com

MT. MORRIS TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
308 E. Brayton Rd. Mt. Morris, IL Phone: 734-6354 Rev. Josh Ehrler
Worship Services: Saturday 5:30 PM; Worship Sunday 9:30 AM.
Sunday Church School - follows Worship Service (Sept.-May) Chime Choir Wednesday 6:00 PM;

OREGON

EBENEZER REFORMED CHURCH
2997 N. German Church Rd., 815-732-6133
3 miles east of Oregon on Rt. #64 then 2 miles north on German Church Rd.
• Rev. Josiah Youngquist
www.EBENEZERREFORMED.com • Sunday school 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m.

LIGHTHOUSE UNITED METHODIST
Pastor Matthew J. Smith 4962 S. Daysville Rd., Oregon, IL 61061 815-732-7683
Worship at 9:00 a.m. Holy Communion celebrated the first Sunday of each month. Lighthouse will live up your life!

OREGON CHURCH OF GOD
860 W. Oregon Trail Road Oregon, IL Phone: 732-6847 or 732-2604 Pastor Michael Hoffman; Sunday School, 9:15 a.m.; Morning worship, 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday activities: Adult, Children, and Youth Groups 7 p.m. At the church.

OREGON FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
505 Hill St. Oregon, IL 61061 Phone: 732-2642
Pastor: David Snow "A Christ-centered, Bible-believing, family-oriented ministry" Sunday School 9:30 a.m.; Sunday Morning Service 10:30 a.m.; Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

OREGON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
200 S. 4th St, Oregon, IL 61061 • 815/732-2994
www.oregonumc.org • Pastor Rev. Megan Smick
9:00am Fellowship/Sunday School; 10:00am Worship with music, meditation & Fellowship; 10:15am Announcements begin.

RIVERSTONE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
609 S. 10th Street, Oregon, IL 61061
Pastor Craig Arnold ~ 812-236-1213
Sunday Service @ 10:45 AM ~ contemporary style worship with coffee and doughnuts in our cafe! Online worship is also available via Facebook.
We believe in sharing Communion every Sunday as an act of worship.
RiverKids Service @ 10:45 AM for nursery-6th grade ~ provides a safe and fun environment where kids can learn about who God is and who they are because of Him.
Encounter Youth Ministry for kids in 7th-12th grade meets on Sunday afternoons. Please see our Facebook page for scheduled dates and times.
For complete ministry info and events, visit us online at Riverstonecc.com or on Facebook at facebook.com/RiverStoneChristianChurch

ST. BRIDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
1000 Highway 64, West (Hwy 64 W & Mongan Drive on Liberty Hill), Oregon • 732-7211 - Office Rev. Eldred George
Webpage: saintribides.org • E-mail: saint.bride.church@gmail.com •
Worship Services: Sunday 10 am Holy Communion with Hymns Christian Education Available

ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH, NALC
114 S. 5th St. Oregon, IL Phone: (815) 732-2367
Website: stpaulnalcoregoin.weebly.com
10:15 a.m. Fellowship/Education hours
11:30 a.m. Worship

POLO

ST. MARY CHURCH
Rectory/Office: 211 North Franklin Ave., Polo, IL 61064
PHONE: 815-946-2535 • Rev. Joseph P. Naill
Masses: Sun 10:30am, Tuesday Mass 8 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: First Sunday of each month after 10:30 mass
OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
www.stmarypolo.org

CHURCH OF THE OPEN BIBLE
302 S. Franklin Ave., Polo, Illinois • 815-946-2848 • Luke N. Schier, Pastor
Sunday Worship: 9:30am We include our children in our Sunday Worship Experience. "THE GRAND Kids Class" Ages 3-10 are then dismissed right after Praise & Worship. Blended Services. "Passion for God" "Compassion for People" Visit our website: PoloOpenBible.org

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH ~ POLO CAMPUS
Meeting Sundays @ 10AM Service
205 N. Jefferson Avenue, Polo ~ 815.837.5255
polo@crossroadsccn.com
We offer contemporary worship and relevant Bible teaching through engaging messages and powerful video. Join us after services for coffee, snacks & fellowship. Kidzlink Children's Ministry (nursery-5th grade) during 10AM service
Crave Youth Group (6th-12th grade) ~ Wed. 6:30PM - June 1st.
Visit our website: www.crossroadsccn.com

FAITH DISCOVERY CHURCH
801 W. Oregon St., Polo • 815-946-3588 • Jeremy Heller, Pastor
Sunday School 9:00 a.m., Worship Service 10:00 a.m., Nursery Available, Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m. We are an independent non-denominational Christian church. Visitors are always welcome.

FAITH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
702 E. Dixon Street, Polo, IL 61064 • Tel:815-946-3212
Sunday School for all ages 9am followed by Worship at 10am
Pastor Brian LeBaron
Website: www.faithumpolo.com • [facebook.com/Faithumpolo](https://www.facebook.com/Faithumpolo)

STILLMAN VALLEY

RED BRICK CHURCH OF STILLMAN VALLEY (CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH)
Pastor Rev. Dr. Chris Brauns | Associate Pastor David Bogner
207 W Roosevelt Road (Rte 72), Stillman Valley.
815-645-2526 | www.thebrickchurch.org
Sunday: Worship at 9:00 and 10:30 am. Sunday School at 9:00 am.
Wednesday: AWANA (Sept - April) from 6:00 to 7:15 pm.
Men, women, youth Bible Studies throughout the year.
See website for all activities or contact the church office.

KISHWAUKEE COMMUNITY EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
8195 Kishwaukee Road, Stillman Valley, IL 61084 / 815-965-1940
Rev. Nick Garner, Pastor
www.kishchurch.org
815-645-8872 | www.valleycov.org
Sunday Schedule: Discipleship Hour 9:00 AM, Coffee Fellowship 11:15 AM
Gathered Worship 10:00 AM
For complete ministry schedule check out our website or call the church office.

VALLEY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH
Interim Pastor Lisa Orris, Pastor Chuck Potts Minister to Students and Children
103 S Maple St, Stillman Valley, IL
815-645-8872 | www.valleycov.org
Sunday Morning 9:15am 'Gather' for learning & conversation, 10:15am Worship both onsite and online at facebook.com/VECCSV
Home of Valley Covenant Preschool 815-645-8882 Director Jill Huber
Bible Studies, Youth Group, Bread of Life Food Pantry
Please visit website for more information or contact the church office

GRACE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH DAVIS JUNCTION
Pastor Brad Pittman
www.graceisforyou.com
10479 E. High Rd., Stillman Valley, IL 61084 • 815-973-1369
Worship Service: Saturday at 5pm

WINNEBAGO

MIDDLE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
12473 Montague Road, Winnebago, IL 61088
Located West of Tower Road on Montague Rd.
Sunday: Worship Service at 9:30 am.
Office Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., & Friday 9am-2pm.
Phone: 815-335-2609. Email: middlecreekchurch@gmail.com

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www.stillmanbank.com

OGLE COUNTY LIFE
211 Hwy. 38 E. Rochelle, IL 61068
Ph: 815-732-2156
Fax: 815-562-2161
ROCK VALLEY SHOPPER

LOCAL NEWS

Mount Morris Library News

Masks are optional
Thank you!

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!

Story Time!

Join us for a 'letter' tastic time as we learn about the alphabet this Wednesday, 8/31. It will be an A+ 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 p.m.

Display Case Showings

Stop in to see our new display for August! Local artisan, Rod Avey, will once again be showcasing his wooden duck collections. They are meticulous, hand-crafted creations that will make you feel like you are outside at a pond! 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.

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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 mmlib@mtmorris-il.org or call 815-734-4927.

Curbside Service is available!

We want to remind everyone that you still have the option of having your materials delivered to your vehicle. If you have holds waiting for you, call us to tell us you are on your way, and we will bring them out to your vehicle when you arrive. Call us if you need more information.

Additional Services Offered

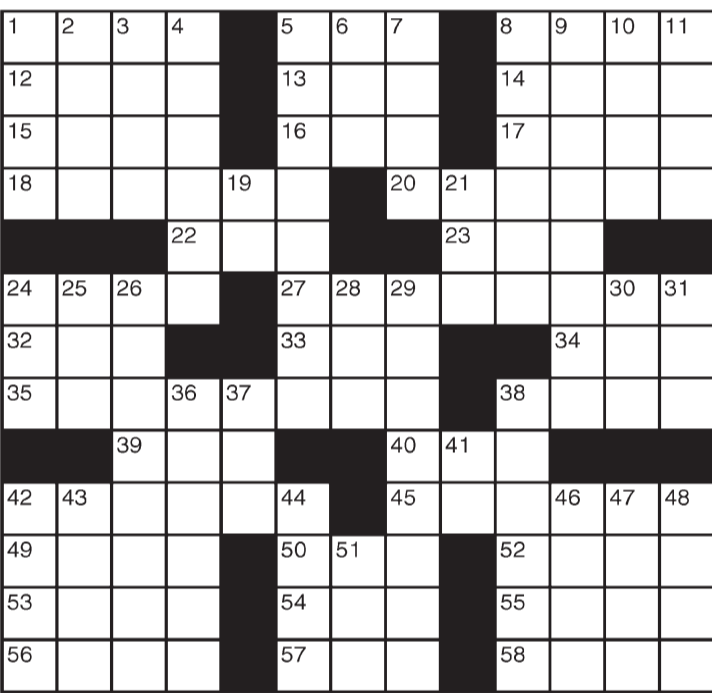
We make copies (\$0.25 per black and white page). We fax (\$2 for the first page and \$0.50 each additional page). We can scan a document and send it to email (\$2 per document). You can use a computer without a library card for \$1.

Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Red Planet
- 5 Dandy guy
- 8 Espy
- 12 Part of Q.E.D.
- 13 Lennon's lady
- 14 Frau's mate
- 15 Mater lead-in
- 16 Old Oldsmobile
- 17 Notion
- 18 Head honcho
- 20 Desolate
- 22 Presidential nickname
- 23 Dol. fractions
- 24 "Toodle-oo!"
- 27 Shun liquor
- 32 Actress Thurman
- 33 Hostel
- 34 Pie — mode
- 35 Gifted
- 38 "Roots" author Haley
- 39 Altar affirmative
- 40 Sushi fish
- 42 Demand
- 45 Zealous
- 49 Gestation location
- 50 Gun the engine
- 52 Black-and-white cookie
- 53 Spoken
- 54 "As I see it," to a texter
- 55 Cold War ini-



- 7 Crawl space?
- 8 Japanese faith
- 9 Statue base
- 10 Baseball's Hershiser
- 11 Tea carrier
- 19 Letters of approval?
- 21 Calendar abbr.
- 24 Boy king
- 25 Docs' org.
- 26 Amulet
- 28 Away from WSW
- 29 Try
- 30 Pub order
- 31 Remiss
- 36 Safe to consume
- 37 Refusals
- 38 Novelist Huxley
- 41 Hectic hosp. area
- 42 Victor's cry
- 43 Sushi wrapper
- 44 Half a sextet
- 46 Gaelic
- 47 Tree home
- 48 Afghanistan's — Bora region
- 51 Outback bird

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MAGIC MAZE

MOON CRATERS NAMED FOR PEOPLE

S I F C Z W T Q N K N I F C Z
 W U R P M H J H E C O Z X U S
 Q M C A U L I F F E T N L J G
 E C Z B E X N V L L W T R P N
 L J B D H A K I R T E E C A Y
 W L N V T R L I E O N M P N L
 E E L K I A O D N T T G I I E
 M C B Z G L X W R S S C E N U
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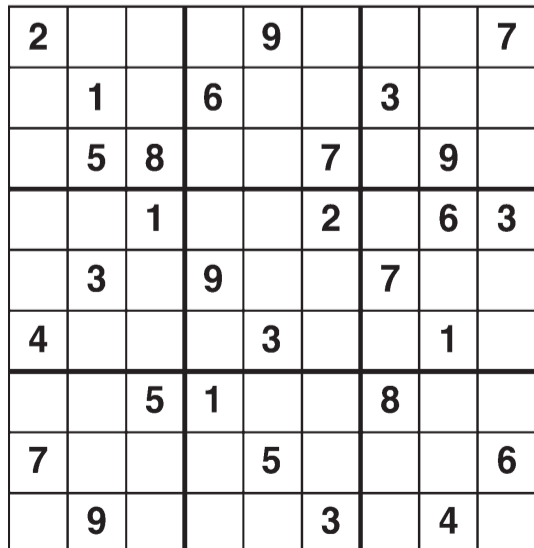
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
 Unlisted clue hint: — ARMSTRONG

- Aldrin
- Faraday
- McAuliffe
- Proctor
- Aristotle
- Fleming
- Mendel
- Resnik
- Curie
- Galileo
- Newton
- Tesla
- Einstein
- Hubble
- Polo

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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.

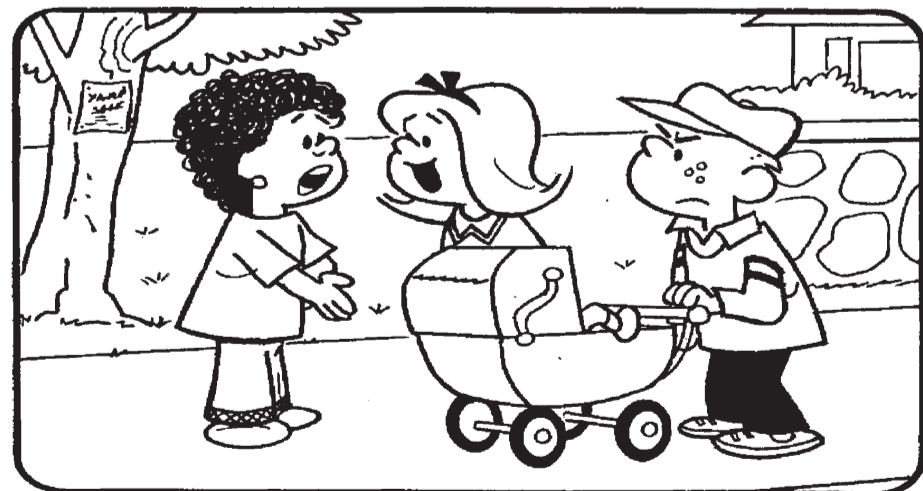
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

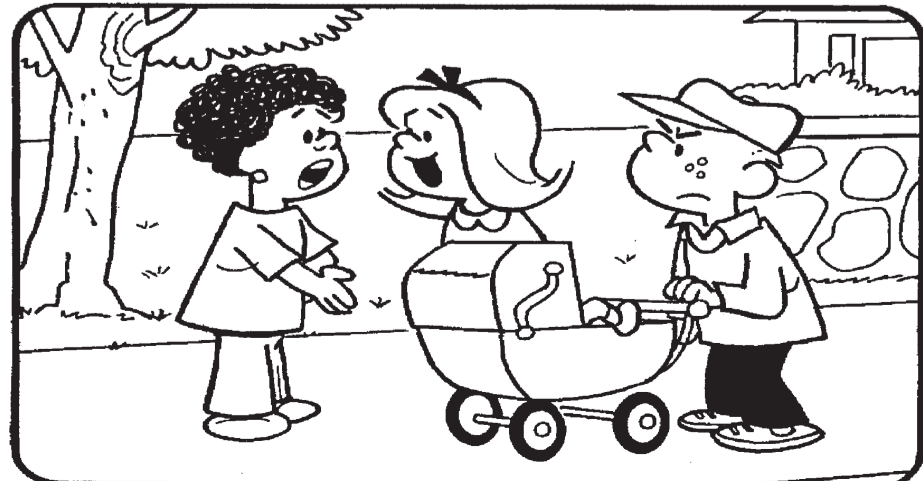
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



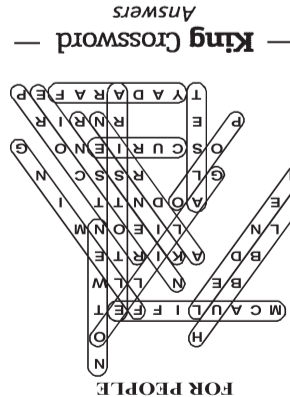
Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Poster is missing. 2. Hair is different. 3. Cuffs are missing. 4. Collar is different. 5. Wheel is missing. 6. Stripes are missing.



Solution time: 25 mins.



Answers

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

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

Classified Marketplace

FREE!

Sell your household items for free.
Total value of item must be \$200 or less. (15 words - one week - 7 publications - price must be listed)



OGLE COUNTY • OGLE COUNTY • OGLE COUNTY • OGLE COUNTY

PUBLIC NOTICE
PUBLICATION
NOTICE OF COURT
DATE FOR REQUEST
OF NAME CHANGE
(ADULT)
STATE OF ILLINOIS
CIRCUIT COURT
OGLE COUNTY
CASE NUMBER
2022-MR-15
Request of Cynthia
Sue Ennenga.
There will be a court
date on my Requests to
change my name from
Cynthia Sue Ennenga
to the new name of
Cynthia Sue Tillett.
The court date will
be held on Sept. 16,
2022 at 10:30 a.m.
at 106 S. 5th Street,
Oregon, Ogle County in
Courtroom #204.
/s/ Cynthia Sue
Ennenga
No. 0813 (Aug. 15, 22,
29)

TOWNSHIP FIRE
AND AMBULANCE
P R O T E C T I O N
DISTRICT OF OGLE
COUNTY, ILLINOIS:
Section 1: That the
fiscal year of said
District for the purpose
of this Ordinance shall
be from June 1, 2022 to
May 31, 2023. Section
2: That the following
Annual Budget
containing an estimate
of corporate receipts
and expenditures
contained therein
be and the same is
hereby adopted as the
Annual Budget and
Appropriations of said
District for the above
fiscal year and shall be
in full force and effect
from and after this date,
to-wit: ESTIMATED
RECEIPTS: Cash on
hand at the beginning
of the fiscal year:
\$79,000.00; Estimated
receipts from all
sources: 2021 Levy
for Fire Corporate
Purposes \$117,367.00;
2021 Levy for
Ambulance Service
Corporate Purposes
\$117,367.00; 2021
Levy for Insurance
\$26,773.00; 2021
Levy for Workman's
C o m p e n s a t i o n
Fund \$8035.00;
Homeland Security
Assist. to FF/ FEMA
Grant(s) \$385,000.00;
Reserve Account for
replacement, repair
and/or purchase of

building or equipment
and site improvement
\$ 3 3 5 , 0 0 0 . 0 0 ;
Ambulance Fees
\$25,000.00; Interest
Income \$1,000.00;
Miscellaneous
\$4,000.00; Total
Estimated Receipts
\$ 1 , 0 9 8 , 5 4 2 . 0 0 .
E s t i m a t e d
E x p e n d i t u r e s :
P e r s o n n e l
C o m p e n s a t i o n
\$80,000.00; Insurance
\$25,000.00; Fire/EMS
Training \$40,000.00;
Trustee Training/
Expenses \$8,000.00;
Office Expenses &
Supplies \$12,000.00;
Utilities \$30,000.00;
Vehicle Gas, Fuel & Oil
\$10,000.00; Building &
Grounds Maintenance
\$30,000.00; Fire
Equipment & Supplies
\$125,000.00; EMS
Equipment & Supplies
\$ 3 5 0 , 0 0 0 . 0 0 ;
E q u i p m e n t
M a i n t e n a n c e
\$30,000.00; Vehicle -
Reserve \$150,000.00;
A c c o u n t i n g /
Audit \$30,000.00;
Legal Expenses/
Retainer \$25,000.00;
Miscellaneous -
Reserve \$153,542.00;
Total Estimated
E x p e n d i t u r e s :
\$1,098,542.00. Section
3: That the sum of
\$1,098,542.00 in
money, or so much
thereof as may be
deemed necessary and
as may be authorized by
law to defray all of the
expenses and liabilities
of the MONROE
TOWNSHIP FIRE
AND AMBULANCE
P R O T E C T I O N
DISTRICT in the County
of Ogle and State of
Illinois, be and the same
is hereby appropriated
for all corporate
purposes for the said
District for the fiscal
year commencing June
1, 2022 and terminating
May 31, 2023, and

said total being divided
among the purposes
and amounts specified
as "ESTIMATED
EXPENDITURES",
which section is hereby
incorporated herein by
reference as a part of
this Section 3 as though
set forth, and which
shall be and is the
annual Appropriation
Ordinance of said
District for the fiscal year
declared in Section 1 of
this Ordinance. Section
4: All unexpended
balances of any items
or items appropriated
by this Ordinance may
be expended to cover
any deficiency as to
any other item of the
foregoing items set
forth in Section 3
hereof. Section 5:
There being no
newspaper published
in said District, this
Ordinance, after the
adoption thereof, shall
be published in the
Ogle County Life, a
newspaper of general
circulation within said
District within thirty
(30) days after its
passage and shall take
effect ten (10) days
after it is so published.
Adopted and approved
this 4th day of August,
AD. 2022. BOARD
OF TRUSTEES
OF THE MONROE
TOWNSHIP FIRE
AND AMBULANCE
P R O T E C T I O N
DISTRICT
specified as
"ESTIMATED
EXPENDITURES",
which section is hereby
incorporated herein by
reference as a part of
this Section 3 as though
set forth, and which
shall be and is the
annual Appropriation
Ordinance of said
District for the fiscal
year declared in Section
1 of this Ordinance.
Section 4: All
unexpended balances
of any items or items
appropriated by this
Ordinance may be
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any other item of the
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE MONROE
TOWNSHIP FIRE
AND AMBULANCE
P R O T E C T I O N
DISTRICT
No. 0836 (Aug. 29)

Department, Oregon,
Illinois, until 2:00 P.M.
September 9, 2022:
2022-2023 Ice
Abrasives.
Proposals are available
on the Ogle County
Highway Department
website and in person
at 1989 South IL Rte.
2, Oregon, IL between
the hours of 7:00 A.M.
and 3:30 P.M. Monday
- Friday.
The Road and Bridge
Committee reserves the
right to accept or reject
and or all bids.
No. 0829 (Aug. 22, 29)



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ORDINANCE NO.
2022-2
COMBINED ANNUAL
BUDGET AND
APPROPRIATION
ORDINANCE OF
THE MONROE
TOWNSHIP FIRE
AND AMBULANCE
P R O T E C T I O N
DISTRICT
June 1, 2022 AND
ENDING May 31, 2023
BE IT ORDAINED
BY THE BOARD
OF TRUSTEES
OF THE MONROE

103
AUCTIONS

Forreston Real Estate Auction
SAT., SEPT. 10th - 1:00 P.M.
308 N. Maple St., Forreston, IL 61030
Nice 3-BR Single Level Home. Expandable At-
tic, Full Basement w/ Extra Kitchen & Finished Rec
Room. Newer Furnace & Roof. 1.5 Car Garage. Gar-
den Shed. Shade Trees & Landscape. Please Call for
Details or a Private Showing.
PERSONAL PEOPERTY AUCTION at 10 A.M.
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VIRTUAL ONLINE
**LEE COUNTY, ILLINOIS
LAND AUCTION**
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2022 AT 10:00 AM^{CDT}

154.518 SURVEYED ACRES • 1 TRACT

The Bernice Whitford Family Farm LLC real estate is located approximately 4 miles southwest of Franklin Grove, IL, or 8 miles east of Dixon, IL, or 20 miles southwest of Rochelle, IL. The land is located in Section 16, T21N•R10E, Nachusa Township, Lee County, IL.

The farm contains a total of 154.518 surveyed acres, will be sold in 1-tract and represents nearly all-tillable, highly productive farmland with Class A soils.

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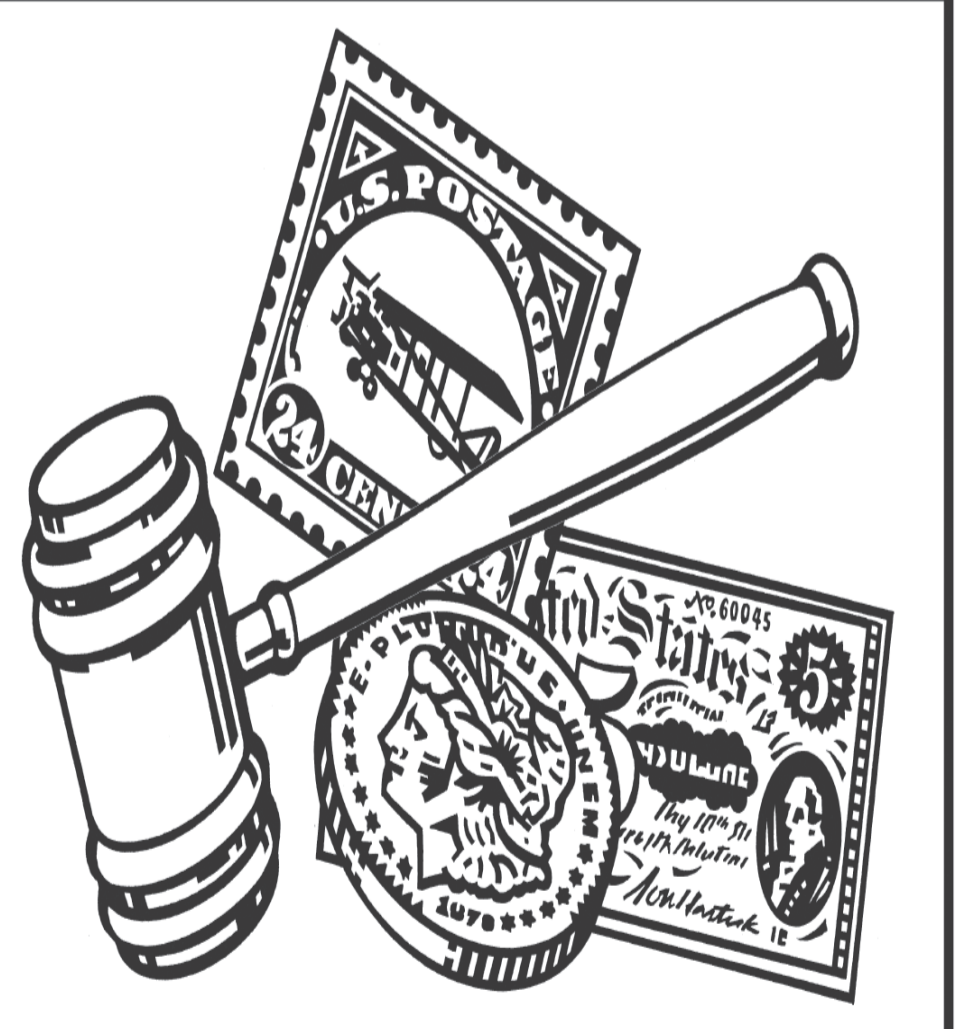
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LOCAL NEWS

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, September 19th, 5 p.m.

Bring the kids for a fun evening with great prizes!

Big Kids, Big Art: Tuesday, September 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. 24 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 doc-

uments 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:

Our take and make craft for August takes us back to the beach. Wrap up summer by making a seashell coaster to remind us of the beach all year long. All craft materials

are provided in the kit, which can be picked up at the circulation desk.

Create-a-Card: Saturday, September 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

The Homewreckers by Mary Kay Andrews
Second Chance Pass by Robyn Carr
The Challenge by Danielle Steel

Juvenile Books

Trick-Shot Triumph by Jake Maddox (Graphic Novel)
One Kid's Trash by Jamie Sumner

Board Books

The ABCs of the American Revolution by Connor Boyack
The ABCs of Economics by Connor Boyack
The ABCs of Liberty by Connor Boyack

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.

Tween Scene: Figure It Out Game-show

Have you ever wanted to be on a gameshow? Well, here's your chance! Tweens will get to be both contestants and panelists in this fun game of figuring out secrets. Ages 10-12. Tuesday, September 6, 6-7 p.m. Registration required. 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, Sep-

tember 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

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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!
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SEP 30	Farm Toys & The June SchAAF Doll Collection	10am
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OCT 1	Tractors & Trucks	1:30 pm

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Low Income Housing
Ogle County Housing Authority
200 W Washington, Oregon **732-1301**

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P.) Box 628
Oregon, IL 61061 **732-6855**

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