

✱ Memorial Day 2022 ✱



Remembering our heroes
A large crowd gathers at Restland Memorial Gardens to pay their respects to our wartime heroes during Mendota’s Memorial Day service on May 30. The Veterans’ Memorial Council, The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 4079, its Auxiliary and American Legion Post 540 participated in the program, the purpose of which is to honor and remember all veterans resting on domestic or foreign soil for their commitment and unselfish contribution to our present way of life with liberty and freedom for all. (Reporter photo)

St. Ambrose Bee Happy Hour invading Sublette

By BRANDON LACHANCE
Staff writer

SUBLETTE – There is a high chance of a swarm of bees in Sublette anywhere from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 9.

Not a Honeybee, a Bumblebee, an Andrena, or a Colletes...but a St. Ambrose Fighting Bee.

“It started out as a joke. A few years ago, I went to the Bee Happy Hour in Davenport (Iowa) and I just wasn’t too impressed with the way it went,” said Don Dinges, a Sublette native



who graduated from St. Ambrose in 1957. “They also had one in Sterling and a woman I know went to it. She said, ‘Where were you, why didn’t you go?’ I told her, ‘I did, but just went to the one in Davenport.’

“I told her I wasn’t too happy, and she said she wasn’t happy about Sterling’s event either. We laughed and said, ‘Maybe we should just

have one in Sublette.’”

The Bee Happy Hour, which will be held at La Fiesta, is a two-hour, St. Ambrose University alumni get together for Fighting Bees to catch up, tell stories, hear stories, and network with people who are born and raised in the same area, and also went to the four-year school located in Davenport.

St. Ambrose has held the special happy hours for 14 years. But it has never called Sublette home.

“Well, we think it’s just nice to be able to bring to-

gether the alumni from this area. Then they don’t have to travel to a bigger town,” said Dinges. “I’m sure people laugh when they see the website (sau.edu) and Sublette is listed with all those major cities. Now, they have it in all the major cities, including Sublette.

“I called the school and I asked if they’d consider us hosting the event in Sublette. The woman said we would have to get the approval from

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Northbrook promotes 8th graders

107 students granted diplomas at May 26 commencement

MENDOTA–Northbrook Middle School eighth-graders received their diplomas during the commencement ceremony on May 26 at the Mendota High School gymnasium.

The ceremony began with the graduates entering the gym to the playing of Pomp & Circumstance. Ana Valdes and Spencer Kain led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. Paula Daley, principal, gave the welcome address and introductory remarks.

The next portion of the program was the presentation of awards. Megan Gatz, guidance counselor, read the recipients of the President’s Education Awards. Excellence Awards: Kate Biers, Gracie Botts, Janae Carr,

Litzy Celis, Airam Cuevas, Sara Diaz, Harlan Gallagher, Spencer Kain, Hannah Kunz, Stephanie Medina, Ramiro Palacios, Jessica Reel, Leah Stamberger, Sydney Tolley, Carlos Toribio, Talia White.

Achievement Awards: Allyssah Arteaga, JazLynn Gambrell, Vivian George, Hector Gonzalez, Sienna Gonzalez, Adilene Guzman, Luis Nunez, Edoardo Romero, Kristal Sandoval Rios, Jayden Wehrs, Madison Work-McLain.

Kylie Clary, art instructor, presented the Reed D. Rydberg Memorial Award to Stephanie Medina.

Principal Daley announced the winners of the American Legion Awards, Luis Nunez and Leah Stamberger, and also the recipient

of the James D. Hume Citizenship Award, Litzy Celis.

Other award recipients were Gracie Botts, John Ourth Award, and Talia White, Jeanne McKenzie Student-Athlete Award.

Next, Emory Burdette, assistant principal, presented the Class of 2022, after which each student was granted their certificate of promotion by superintendent K. Bradley Cox, board president Theresa Komitas and Daley.

The ceremony ended with the recessional, Chorale & Recessional.

Members of the Class of 2022 are:

Allyssah Arteaga, Osvaldo Arteaga, Paxton Bauer,

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Receiving awards at the Northbrook Middle School graduation on May 26, left to right, are Litzy Celis, James D. Hume Citizenship Award; Stephanie Medina, Reed Rydberg Memorial Award; Leah Stamberger and Luis Nunez, American Legion Awards. (Reporter photo)

Passion and talent found through injury

Kofoed illustrates children’s book

By BRANDON LACHANCE
Staff writer

MENDOTA–Finding our path in life isn’t always easy. For JoAnn Kofoed it was actually extremely painful.

When she was 10, Kofoed was diagnosed with Ehlers-Danlos Syndrome (EDS), which is a group of inherited disorders that affect your connective tissues — primarily your skin, joints and blood vessel walls.

Kofoed, Mendota High School Class of 2017 who graduated a semester early, has defective collagen in her hips, which has led to four hip surgeries including her last one in January of 2022.

Although she would much rather live life without EDS, she is thankful it helped her find her true passion and career route...art.

“I got into art when I was in high school. I always liked to create stuff. When I was in high school, I had a major hip injury that left me bed-bound for months and months on end,” said Kofoed. “I had a lot of free time. I wasn’t even allowed to sit up because of the pain. But I discovered I could lay down and draw. By the time I graduated from high school, I realized I should go to college for art.

“EDS causes a lot of health problems. The fact that the first, biggest life-changing injury was the hip injury in high school that forced me to be homeschooled for a while, a big surgery, and it led to me figuring out my career path; I look back at it and smile.

“It was a bad part of my life, but it led to what I’m doing now. I had so much free time and I was trying not to go crazy sitting at home in



After polishing her illustration talents at NIU, JoAnn Kofoed is using those talents to amuse children in the book, “What Your Clothes Would Say.”



bed all day. Art was a great way for me to escape. When I was drawing, I felt like I was somewhere else or that I was someone else. It was great and I decided I wanted to keep drawing.”

After graduating from MHS, Kofoed attended Northern Illinois University and graduated in 2021 with a Bachelor’s Degree in Fine Arts and Illustration with two minors, marketing and fashion merchandising.

Along the way, she met professors and others who would help set up her first

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LOCAL AND AREA

Bureau County holding garage sales June 17-18

PRINCETON – Bureau County Tourism presents the “More in Bureau County” countywide Garage Sales on Friday, June 17 and Saturday, June 18. This was formerly called “More on 34” and has been going for over 17 years.



Since some of the other counties aren’t participating anymore, Bureau County has decided to keep it local. Shop until you drop in Bureau County and find town-wide garage sales in Sheffield, Princeton and new this year the Village of Ladd has been added. There will still be lots of sales all around the county including a two-day garage sale at Bureau County Fairgrounds on Friday and Saturday. You can have your sale included on a sale listing that will be distributed around the county by emailing kathybctourism@yahoo.com or call 815-866-3606 after 5 p.m. Please submit your info by June 5.

Along with all of the great shopping, there will be lots of events in Princeton that weekend including Beef & Ag Days on Saturday; Jake Mauer concert on Main Street Friday night; Old Wheels Car Show at the First Lutheran Church on Saturday; and the Farmers Market on Saturday. The Z-Tour cross country bike ride will be Saturday so be careful to watch for bikes as you look for sales along the route.

Watch the Bureau County Tourism Facebook page and the More on 34-Bureau County Facebook page for a list of sale locations.



Blackstone Pizza Lunch

The May Principal Award Pizza Lunch was held May 6 at Blackstone School in Mendota. Students invited to the lunch, front row, left to right, are Greyson Rhine, Carter Stallings, Tanya Munoz, Jaxx Fromherz, Rafael Gonzalez. Middle row, Trevor Thiele, Emiliano Moreno, Grayson Dean, Liam Christmann, Jayden Chavez. Back row, Luis Granados, Lyla Trumper, Josiah Vernon, Logan Jones, Hayden Wheeler, Layla Martinez. (Photo contributed)

Graves-Hume Public Library gets ready for Summer Reading Program

MENDOTA – Graves-Hume Public Library is excited to announce its 2022 Summer Reading Program, Read Beyond the Beaten Path. The library has a fun summer full of programs for every age, birth-adult.

Research suggests that reading and visiting the library can help prevent the “summer slide,” where students lose reading and academic skills achieved through the school year. This year, the library has even more exciting things planned including many family fun outings, afternoon movies and live music. Summer Reading will also include programs for the different age and grade levels.

“This year will truly be the best year for our Summer Reading Club because we have been able to welcome back performers and host a lot of new family-packed activities like Movie Mondays and Family Fun Fridays. We are forever grateful for

our Summer Reading Club sponsors, we could not do this without their help. We’re so excited to share this with our community! Make sure to visit the library so you can sign-up,” said Carolyn Ohlendorf, Youth Services Manager.



Summer Reading registration will take place June 6-24. A Graves-Hume Public Library card is required at the time of registration and must be in good standing. Summer reading kickoff will be Friday, July 8 at 6 p.m. with Dan Gogh’s Magical Camp Adventure. Experience the great outdoors in this one-of-a-kind variety show. Wander off the beaten path and join Gogh where magic, comedy and art are all part of the adventure.

There will be many more Family Fun Events taking place during the month of July. Check out the library’s Facebook page for more details, stop in for a newsletter or call 815-538-5142.

Blackstone School Report

Stacy Kelly, Principal

□ The kindergarten students had their annual community walk on Tuesday, May 24. This was a culminating activity for their community workers unit they have studied in class. The students walked downtown and took tours of the Post Office, Mendota Museum, Sports-N-Stuff, Police Station, Fire Station and First State Bank. Thank you to all of those places for accommodating our students and explaining to them how you help to serve the Mendota community. We appreciate the time you spent with all of our students.

□ The first grade students were able to visit Lincoln School on May 26 in preparation for their transition to a new school next year. Thank you to the Lincoln staff and the second grade teachers for welcoming us to visit. It was nice for our students to meet staff, take a tour of the school and talk with current second graders about their experience at Lincoln School. I’m sad to see our first graders leave us next year, but I know they’re ready for second grade!

□ The students nominated for the principal award this past week included Abel Gonzalez, Abraham Garcia, Benjamin Loya, Mateo Escatel, Landyn Welch, Raelynn Albers, Shane Luebbing, Emily Cervantes and Carly Smith. The winners were Trevor Thiele, Grayson Dean, Rafael Gonzalez and Jayden Chavez.

□ We held the May principal award pizza lunch on May 26. The students invited to attend the lunch were Carter Stallings, Jaxx Fromherz, Greyson Rhine, Tanya Munoz, Hayden Wheeler, Emiliano Moreno, Trevor Thiele, Grayson Dean, Logan Jones, Layla Martinez, Luis Granados, Lyla Trumper, Josiah Vernon, Liam Christmann, Rafael Gonzalez and Jayden Chavez. A picture of the winners appears in this week’s Mendota Reporter.

□ The KIND KID winners for the month of May were Jace Ganther, Aubrianna Muro, Mikey Godina, Nancy Martinez, Edward Kofoed, Amy Lopez, Malia Aska, Aaron McLain, Jessica Rivera, Za’Riyah Rucker, Liam Christmann and Eastyn Pakenham.

□ The end of the school year is almost here! The last day for student attendance is Thursday, June 2. Kindergarten will dismiss at 1:20 and first grade at 1:30. Report cards will come home with students on this day.

City Ordinance

Grass clippings, etc. in streets

No person shall throw, place or leave, or cause or permit to be thrown, placed or left, any ashes, dirt, filth or rubbish, grass clippings, or foreign matter in or upon any street, alley or sidewalk of the City of Mendota.

Penalty: Any person violating this section shall be subject to the penalty of not less than \$50 nor more than \$500. Imposition of any penalty for a violation of this section shall not be construed as a waiver of the right of the City to collect the cost of removal of such nuisance where it is necessary for the City to remove such nuisance.

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Lions Club plans Kids' Fishing Rodeo

MENDOTA – The Mendota Lions Club is sponsoring a Kids' Fishing Rodeo to be held Sunday, June 12 at Lake Mendota. Registration is from 10-11 a.m. and fishing is from 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

The event is for youth 3 to 15 years of age. Every child wins a prize, and also receives a hot dog, chips and drink for lunch.

Education Briefs

Paw Paw student on college's Dean's List

MOUNT PLEASANT, Iowa – More than 200 students were named to the Spring 2022 Dean's List at Iowa Wesleyan University. Students exemplifying academic excellence represent the United States and countries abroad. Criteria to be a part of IW's Dean's List include degree-seeking students taking 12 or more credit hours per semester with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Among the Dean's List members is Jodie Penman of Paw Paw.

As Southeast Iowa's regional comprehensive university, Iowa Wesleyan University is a transformational learning community whose passion is to educate, empower and inspire students to lead meaningful lives and careers.

Mendotans on Olivet Nazarene U. Dean's List

BOURBONNAIS – Olivet Nazarene University has named its Dean's List members for the Spring 2022 semester. Among the students named to the Dean's List are Noah DeLong and Cheyenne West, both of Mendota.

To qualify for inclusion on the Dean's List, a student must have been enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student and must have attained a semester grade point average of 3.50 or higher on a 4.00 grading scale.

Olivet Nazarene University is an accredited Christian, liberal arts university offering more than 140 areas of undergraduate and graduate study, including the Doctor of Education in ethical leadership. Olivet's 275-acre park-like main campus is in Bourbonnais, Illinois, 45 miles south of Chicago. Additionally, Olivet offers online graduate and continuing studies programs with offices and meeting spaces throughout Chicagoland and the Midwest. From Oxford to Tokyo, hundreds of Olivet students also experience the global classroom each year through study abroad opportunities, internships and worldwide mission trips.

SIU names Dean's List students, graduates

CARBONDALE – Southern Illinois University Carbondale has announced its 2022 spring semester degree candidates and Dean's List recipients.

Area students named to the Dean's List include Miriam Hoffman of Earlville, Josef McKee of Earlville and Thomas Stamberger of LaMoille.

McKee also earned a bachelor of science degree in zoology. Commencement was held May 7 at the Banterra Center.

Gospel Concert planned at Princeton church June 4

PRINCETON – The Evangelical Covenant Church in Princeton will host a Gospel concert featuring The Cragun Family on Saturday, June 4 at 6 p.m. Admission is free, but a free-will offering will be collected. The church is located at 24 N. Main St.

The Craguns are a dynamic, family group, comprised of husband and wife, Jordan and Elena Cragun, Ray Cragun (Jordan's father) and Savannah Cragun (Jordan's sister). Jordan has been singing professionally since 2008. Ray was a pastor for over 25 years. In 2013 God officially brought the Cragun family together again from different ministry positions, to embark on the musical journey of a lifetime! Since that time, The Craguns have quickly

endeared themselves to national and international audiences, touring from coast to coast and different parts of the world. They are especially recognized by their warm, smooth harmony and strong spiritual emphasis.

Since officially releasing their first album in 2013, The Craguns have been honored to perform in some of the largest venues, radio stations, and television shows in gospel music, including The National Quartet Convention (Main Stage), The Blue Gate Theater, Silver Dollar City, and Daystar Television, just to name a few.

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name has become synonymous with great gospel music. The Cragun Family is absolutely committed to effectively ministering the Gospel through song. They will do this through Spirit

filled, Christ honoring, and musical excellence for people of all ages.

For more information, contact the church office at 815-875-2124 or visit www.eccprinceton.org.

OSF HealthCare welcomes new women's health provider

OTTAWA – OSF HealthCare is pleased to add a women's health provider to its staff to better serve the community of Ottawa and surrounding areas.

The addition of Dana Yednock, Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), will ensure increased access for patients in need of a women's health provider at the OSF Medical Group –

Obstetrics & Gynecology office at 1614 E. Norris Drive in Ottawa.

Yednock has many years of nursing experience and is excited to begin this new career journey as a women's health nurse practitioner. Her patient care is based on listening and discovering what goals her patients have for their health. Come ready to chat. She wants to get

to know her patients.

Yednock received a Bachelor of Science from the Mennonite College of Nursing at Illinois State University and a medical degree from the University of Illinois in Chicago, Illinois.

New or existing patient appointments with Yednock can be made by calling (815) 431-0435.

Honor Roll

Holy Cross 4th Quarter Honor Roll

8th High Honor Roll: Addyson Allensworth, Mar- en Atherton, Alex Beetz, Anna Cyrocki, Laylie Denault, Dane Doyle, Mae Hagenbuch, Brody Hartt, Alex Holland, Addisyn Jones, Grady Jones, Gabriella Lewis, Peri Manning, Breanna Martinez, Cooper Novak, Lily Soliman, Ryan Soliman, Joseph Stewart, Aden Tillman

8th Honor Roll: Josh Shakespeare, Nick Sheridan

7th High Honor Roll: Emily Diaz, Elaina Koch, Kara Miars, Alexandrew

Tillman, James Whitmore, Carter Wujek

7th Honor Roll: Daniel Garcia, Nolan Hagenbuch, Abbie Kreiser

6th High Honor Roll: Komen Denault, Hayley Diaz, Corbin Doll, Karson Doyle, Bear Fitzpatrick, Leah Henkel, Kaylee MacDonald, Gaby Martinez, Maddox Rosales, Elsie Soliman, Ross Sondgeroth, Cole Tillman, Charley Wilson

6th Honor Roll: Charlee Dankenbring, Giselle Gonzalez, Shea Kreiser, Abby Magallanes, Kamilah

Preciado, Ashlynn Rickels, Leah Schwemlein

5th High Honor Roll: Claire Atherton, Raegan Atherton, William Aughenbaugh, Eva Beetz, Joseph Cackley, Abigail Delao, Elesea Denk, Damien Dissell, Cal Doyle, Quinn Eddy, Liam Jones, Catherine Monench, Kyla Muhlstadt, Yulisia Quintana

4th Grade B.U.G. Roll: Emme Beetz, Blake Cyrocki, Leo Engels, Cale Full, Linda MacDonald, Lillee Monterastelli, Camden Pawlowski, Ellye Reppin, Molly Wilson

3rd Grade B.U.G. Roll: Mason Atherton, Brady Aughenbaugh, Eliana Escatel, Samantha Escatel, Scout Fitzpatrick, Henry Happ, Paul Hochstatter, Sofia Lemus, Brooklyn Shakespeare, Jaxson Zimmerlein

2nd Grade B.U.G. Roll: Rose Beetz, Carissa Doll, Isabel Lemus, Juliana Ortiz, Ellyn Schmidt

1st Grade B.U.G. Roll: None

Kindergarten B.U.G. Roll: Stella Beetz, Sydney Beetz, Natalia Chavez, Rory Eich, Zaden Greer, Gabriella Hernandez, Emmersen Pill- er, Karissa Weber

Mendota Weather

June 1, 2022

Seven Day Forecast

Wednesday
Few Showers
High: 73 Low: 55

Thursday
Few Showers
High: 72 Low: 52

Friday
Sunny
High: 76 Low: 55

Saturday
Partly Cloudy
High: 80 Low: 59

Sunday
Chance T-storms
High: 79 Low: 60

Monday
Cloudy
High: 77 Low: 55

Tuesday
Few Showers
High: 75 Low: 56

In-Depth Forecast

Wednesday we will see mostly cloudy skies with a 55% chance of showers, high of 73°, humidity of 53%. West northwest wind 10 to 13 mph. The record high for Wednesday is 90° set in 1988. Expect mostly cloudy skies Wednesday night with a 30% chance of showers, overnight low of 55°. West southwest wind 6 to 10 mph. The record low for Wednesday night is 38° set in 2003.

Regional Cities

City	Hi/Lo	Wx	Hi/Lo	Wx
Aurora	73/55	sh	71/52	pc
Champaign	79/58	t	76/53	t
Chicago	72/57	sh	69/55	pc
Freeport	72/53	pc	71/51	pc
Joliet	75/55	sh	72/52	sh
Moline	75/57	sh	74/54	sh
Peoria	75/58	t	74/54	sh
Rockford	72/54	pc	71/51	pc
Springfield	76/60	t	74/55	sh

Last Week's Local Almanac

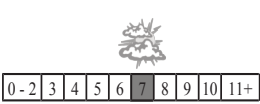
Date	Hi	Lo	Normals	Precip	Rainfall
Monday	64	47	72/50	0.00"	1.36"
Tuesday	72	57	72/50	0.03"	0.93"
Wednesday	81	59	72/50	0.25"	+0.43"
Thursday	77	63	73/51	0.53"	
Friday	64	54	73/51	0.55"	
Saturday	75	51	73/51	0.00"	
Sunday	88	63	74/52	0.00"	

Data as reported from Peru, Ill.

Local Sun/Moon Chart This Week

Day	Sunrise	Sunset	Moonrise	Moonset
First 6/7	Wednesday 5:24 a.m.	8:24 p.m.	6:43 a.m.	10:49 p.m.
	Thursday 5:24 a.m.	8:24 p.m.	7:35 a.m.	11:34 p.m.
	Friday 5:24 a.m.	8:25 p.m.	8:32 a.m.	Next Day
	Saturday 5:23 a.m.	8:26 p.m.	9:33 a.m.	12:13 a.m.
	Sunday 5:23 a.m.	8:27 p.m.	10:36 a.m.	12:45 a.m.
Full 6/14	Monday 5:23 a.m.	8:27 p.m.	11:40 a.m.	1:13 a.m.
	Tuesday 5:22 a.m.	8:28 p.m.	12:45 p.m.	1:37 a.m.

Local UV Index



UV Index

0-2: Low, 3-5: Moderate, 6-7: High, 8-10: Very High, 11+: Extreme Exposure

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National Weather Summary This Week



The Northeast will see partly to mostly cloudy skies with isolated showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 92 in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Southeast will experience mostly clear to partly cloudy skies with isolated showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 97 in Fayetteville, N.C. The central United States will see partly cloudy skies with isolated showers and thunderstorms, highest temperature of 101 in Presidio, Texas. In the Northwest there will be partly cloudy skies with the highest temperature of 86 in Medford, Ore. The Southwest will see mostly clear skies with the highest temperature of 104 in Salton City, Calif.

Weather Trivia

Why did the Greeks and Romans erect temples at sites where lightning struck?

Answer: They did this in an attempt to appease the gods.

Weather History

June 1, 1812 - Apple trees at New Haven, Conn. did not blossom until June 1, the latest such occurrence during the period beginning in 1794. Snow whitened the ground in Cleveland and Rochester, N.Y.

June 2, 1889 - Thunderstorms produced severe weather across much of the south central United States through most of the day and night. Thunderstorms spawned 12 tornadoes and there were 123 reports of large hail and damaging winds.

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OBITUARIES/LOCAL NEWS

Jerry Schultz

MENDOTA – Jerry Schultz, 75, of Mendota, passed away peacefully on Saturday, May 28, 2022 surrounded by his loving family after a three-year battle with ALS.

Funeral services will be Saturday, June 4 at 11 a.m. at Community United Methodist Church in LaMoille with Pastor David Jungnickel officiating. Burial will be in Restland Cemetery, Mendota. Visitation will be Friday, June 3 from 5-8 p.m. in the church and one hour prior to the funeral service. Merritt Funeral Home, Mendota is assisting the family. Masks are optional for all services.

Jerry was born on March 19, 1947 in Mendota to Claude and Doris (Wade) Schultz. He attended Van Orin Grade School and graduated from LaMoille High School in 1967. He married his high school sweetheart, Barbara Scriba, on Sept. 26, 1970.

Jerry is survived by his wife Barbara of 51 years of Mendota; daughter Jennifer (Jeremy) Ring of Cherry; son Bryan (Alyssa Knutson) of Wisconsin and his two granddaughters, Emma Louise and Clara Grace, of Wisconsin. He is also survived by two sisters, Barbara Hurst of Virginia and Karen (Robert) Powers of Michigan; two brothers, Donald (Sandra) Schultz of Mendota and Leslie (Patricia) Schultz of LaMoille; an uncle, Ralph Schultz of Mendota; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one niece. He was employed by Caterpillar Tractor Company for over 30 years. He served in the Illinois National Guard. He was an avid Chicago White Sox and Chicago Bears fan. He enjoyed gardening, keeping a meticulous lawn, woodworking, and reading. His lawn was awarded Lawn of the Month by the Mendota Garden Club.

His other hobby included maintaining his 1968 red Mustang convertible. He enjoyed driving it on sunny days. He was active in his church, LaMoille Community United Methodist Church, where he served on several committees, was a member of the dartball team, mentored many youth members of the church and worked on local as well as out-of-state mission projects. He was the third generation of the Schultz family to attend the Methodist Church. His biggest joys were his children and his two granddaughters. He enjoyed watching all of them grow and become the persons they have become.

Memorials may be directed to Community United Methodist Church, OSF Hospice and the ALS Association. Online condolences may be left at www.merrittfh.com.

Anna E. Prendergast

SUBLETTE – Anna Elizabeth “Betty” Prendergast, 99, of Sublette died on Tuesday, Jan. 18, 2022.

A memorial Mass will be held on Saturday, June 18 at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church followed by a Celebration of Life at the church hall from noon to 4 p.m.

A memorial has been established to the Sublette Fire Department.

Arrangements by the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home in Amboy. Full obituary can be found at www.thejonesfh.com.

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IDPH endorses COVID booster for children 5-11

SPRINGFIELD – The Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) announced that it supports the recommendation by the CDC of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 booster dose for children aged 5 to 11 years old. IDPH issued an advisory to vaccine providers throughout the state endorsing the booster for children 5 through 11 years of age at least five months after completion of a primary series with the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine, following the emergency use authorization this week by the FDA and the recommendation of the CDC.

“We encourage every parent or guardian of children 5 and older to consider a booster vaccination for their eligible child,” said IDPH Director Amaal Tokars. “And if your children have not yet received their primary dose, it’s not too late to start now. Especially with cases rising throughout the state, everyone who is eligible for vaccination should be taking advantage of the opportunity to get vaccinated and boosted. Vaccination remains the strongest way to protect yourself and your loved ones from COVID-19.”

In recommending the booster dose for children aged 5 to 11, the CDC

noted that since the pandemic began, more than 4.8 million children ages 5 through 11 have been diagnosed with COVID-19, 15,000 have been hospitalized and, tragically, over 180 have died.

As cases increase across the country, a booster dose will safely help restore and enhance protection against severe disease, the CDC said. Public health officials said that while COVID-19 tends to be less severe in children than adults, the omicron wave has seen more kids getting sick with the disease and being hospitalized. In addition, children may also experience longer term effects, such as long Covid syndrome, even following initially mild disease. These vaccines, which were authorized for children in November 2021, help protect children from both serious complications and long Covid syndrome.

Federal authorities are currently considering authorization of a COVID-19 vaccine for children under 5.

Since the COVID-19 vaccine became available to the public, millions of eligible adults and children across the state of Illinois have received their COVID-19 vaccine or booster dose. Illinois remains among the highest in the

Midwest for its vaccination rates, with more than two thirds of the population fully vaccinated.

More than 22 million vaccines have been administered in Illinois and among children 5 to 11, more than 40% have at least one dose; more than 36 percent are fully vaccinated. Of the total population, more than 76% has received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose; more than 69% of Illinois’ total population is fully vaccinated; and 52% of the vaccinated population is boosted according to data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Data indicates that the risk of hospitalization and severe outcomes from COVID-19 is much higher for unvaccinated people than for those who are up to date on their vaccinations.

To find a COVID-19 vaccination location near you, go to www.vaccines.gov.

In addition, the federal government has established a website that provides an all-purpose toolkit that provides information on how to obtain masks, treatment, vaccines and testing resources for all areas of the country at: <https://www.covid.gov/>.

Celebrate summer with fire safety tips

MOUNT PROSPECT –

The summer months often include a lot of celebrations and cookouts, often with outdoor grilling and backyard gatherings. As warmer months near, the Illinois Fire Safety Alliance (IFSA) reminds everyone to celebrate safely by following basic safety tips and precautions.

“As we head towards the summer months, many people will look to grilling, cookouts, and other outdoor gatherings to enjoy the warm weather. There are some very simple steps to ensure that family members and guests remain safe from fire or burns while enjoying everything that the warm weather brings,” said IFSA President and Barrington Countryside Fire Protection District Chief James Kreher.

“It is important to re-

view basic safety tips to ensure grillers and backyard enthusiasts are prepared to keep their family and guests safe from any unintentional burn injuries or fire-related incidents,” said Philip Zaleski, Executive Director of the IFSA. “Identifying fire safe locations for grills, firepits, and outdoor burning areas is crucial. They should be safe distances from your home and other areas that can burn.”

Outdoor Burn Prevention Tips:

- Supervise children and pets while the campfire/firepit is burning
- Make a 3-foot “Kid-Free Zone” around the campfire/firepit
- Always have a hose, bucket of water, or shovel with dirt or sand nearby to put the fire out
- Apply water to all

coals or remaining flames, making sure that there is no heat, glow, or flame remaining

• Never leave the fire unattended, even for a short period of time

Grilling Safety Tips:

- Closely monitor food cooking on the grill
- Turn the grill off promptly when done cooking and let it cool completely before returning it to its original location
- Grills should remain at least 3 feet away from anything that can burn, including deck railings, overhanging branches, and homes
- If using starter fluid to ignite charcoals, only use charcoal starter fluid – never use other flammable liquids
- Firepit and Outdoor Burning Tips:
- Check with your fire

department or local municipality for any restrictions before starting an open-air fire, recreational fire, or outdoor cooking fire

• When allowed, fires such as bonfires or yard waste fires need to be at least 50 feet from anything that can burn

• Campfires need to be at least 25 feet away from any structure that can burn

• Only use fire pits outdoors and at least 10 feet away from anything that can burn


Firepits and campfires

can add ambiance to outdoor events and can be done safely by taking these easy-to-follow precautions.

To learn more about outdoor fires and other fire safety and burn prevention information to protect your family and home, visit the IFSA website at www.ifsa.org.

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Keeping the giant slide

By Scott Reeder

Should the government subsidize nostalgia?

I’ve been thinking about that a lot recently. The Illinois State Fair was in danger of losing my favorite attraction. No, not the butter cow or Turasky’s thin cut ribeye sandwiches or the annual steer show.

We are talking about serious high-brow entertainment: the Giant Slide.

Just about any ride in Happy Hollow is vomit inducing for me. But I love that old slide. I’ve ridden down it with each of my three daughters as soon as they were old enough and brave enough to take the plunge.

The 40-foot-tall slide is for sale again, and several prospective buyers want to take the thing apart and move it out of state.

But Doug Knight, of Knight’s Action Park, wants to keep it intact and on the fairgrounds.

The Springfield City Council voted to support his purchase with a paid sponsorship of the slide, at \$30,000 a year for the next four years. For those who aren’t mathematically inclined that’s \$120,000 in taxpayer dollars.

The idea is that the attraction could be embossed with advertising and that would help promote Springfield as a destination. The slide, which was built in 1968, could be decorated with a Route 66 logo and become part of the upcoming Mother Road 100th anniversary observances.

Sorry, I’m not buying it. Advertising isn’t the goal of this project. The goal is to keep a beloved icon on the state fairgrounds and the advertising is a means to an end. While the city may get some benefit from the ad, I could point to a half dozen more cost-effective mediums.

Also, the slide isn’t in Springfield. Yes, the fair is a wonderful local institution, but the Illinois State Fairgrounds has never been annexed into the city. So, despite the subsidy the fair attraction will not contribute to city sales taxes.

Cities often subsidize private enterprises in the name of entertainment or just as a community amenity. Just think of the number of professional sports stadiums erected by tax dollars. This type of subsidy is not without precedent.

But where do you draw the line? Give money to the Giant Slide and then you are on that slippery slope of subsidizing just about anything.

But sometimes we fund things because they have historic significance.

Well, the most newsworthy thing to happen on the slide was in August of 1978 when then-Gov. James R. Thompson took his newborn daughter down the slide while holding her in his arms.

I was in junior high at the time and my mother was so outraged she mentioned it just about any time the governor’s name came up. “How could he endanger his own child that way?” she would say with a tone of bewilderment bordering on disgust.

Flash forward 21 years and I’m a statehouse reporter interviewing the now former governor about his lobbying activities. During the phone interview he was in Las Vegas with his daughter Samantha celebrating her 21st birthday.

The state fair was going on at the time of our conversation. I did the math in my head and it dawned on me that Mom wasn’t exaggerating. Samantha was fresh out of the womb when Big Jim took her plunging down 130-feet of fiberglass.

So, I asked Thompson if he remembered the controversy.

He laughed and said he still had mothers stop him on the sidewalk in Chicago and tell him he shouldn’t have taken his daughter on that slide.

After that interview, I didn’t give the Giant Slide much thought until I had children of my own.

I first went down the slide with my oldest, Gracie, when she was 3 or 4. We were on the same burlap sack together at the top ready to make the plunge. She was afraid but reassured by my presence.

We enjoyed our ride downward and have made it an annual family tradition.

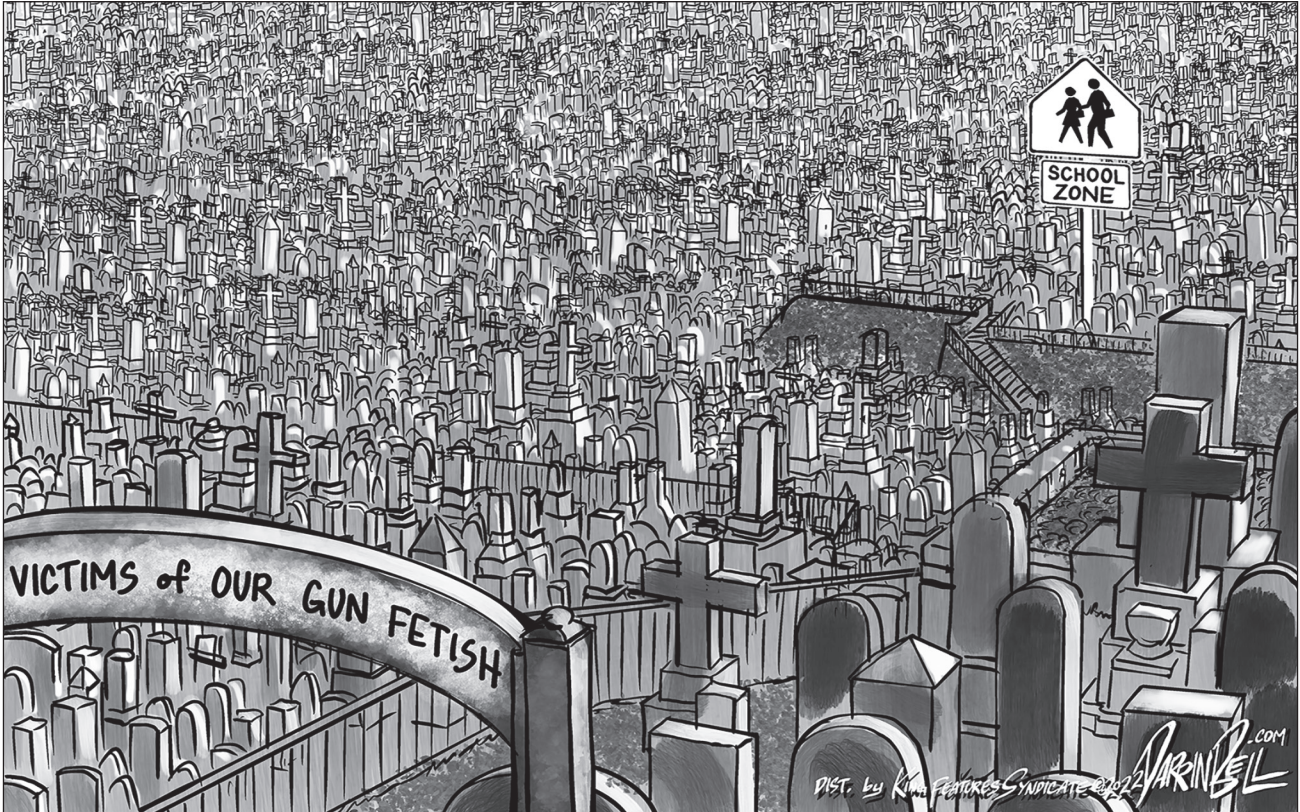
Today, my girls are 11, 14 and 16. It’s no longer cool to be seen riding the slide with your Dad even if he is a few lanes over. I find myself begging my own kids to go to the slide. I get eyerolls in response. But usually on the final day of the fair we take the plunge.

While I may think city tax dollars could be better spent, I can guarantee you when I ride down the Giant Slide this year with my three girls, I’ll be glad it’s still here.

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Another big summer storm – 1971

(The following is from Jessica Nashold’s Backtracks & Sidetracks column reprinted from June 5, 1996.)

By Jessica Nashold

Among memorable summer storms in Mendota was a major wind and downpour on June 6, 1971. It was a Sunday, and an open house in the American Legion’s new James Hume Memorial Building was in progress when high winds began to topple trees and storm sewers were unable to carry away the rain.

The open house had been intended to show what progress had been made in adapting the building at 812 Main St. to the needs of the Legion. The public was asked to use the alley entrance for access to the basement and upper room. Those who were trapped by the storm were served refreshments by the Legion Auxiliary.

At Main and Burlington, a pond quickly developed and a Reporter camera caught Carl Bliesener’s canoe afloat, with six passengers aboard: Brian Corrigan, Rich Borelli, and Jeff, Tom, Kevin and Martin Cassidy.

Commonwealth Edison had crews at work from 4 p.m. Sunday to 3 a.m. Monday restoring power. General Telephone service was disrupted from 3:30 to 4:30 Sunday, but by Monday afternoon all but 40 phones were functioning.

Mendotans were instructed to pile downed limbs along the curb where city crews would cut them up and haul them away.

It will take about a week to completely clean up the city.

The street department published a thank you note to citizens for helping clear debris following the Sunday storm.

On Memorial Day 1971, a parade formed in Library Park at 2 p.m. and marched across town for an observance at Lincoln School. Led by the police car and fire department units, the parade included the Veterans’ Memorial Council and Auxiliary units, MTHS band, Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, Blue Birds and grade school band.

The speaker was State Rep. David Shapiro, a former Mendotan. He commented on the lack of communication between generations. “Both sides are shouting, neither side is listening.”

By Rich Lowry

Populist critics have gone after the new \$40 billion in aid to Ukraine hammer and tongs. Donald Trump has complained that we are sending billions to Ukraine “yet America’s parents are struggling to even feed their children.” Republican Sen. Josh Hawley calls the assistance “unfocused globalism.”

There’s no doubt that \$40 billion constitutes a vast sum, even in Washington, D.C., circa 2022, but the expenditure is warranted.

At the end of the day, there’s no getting around the fact that it costs lots of money to support a country fighting a war in the 21st century against an advanced, if incompetent, military foe.

We would have saved tens of billions of dollars, at least initially, if we had never aided Ukraine and contented ourselves with letting Russia overrun it. But a victorious Putin would have posed a more direct threat to NATO. That would have caused an even bigger military build-up in the West than we are seeing now, and we would have been part of it, unless we were to decide to give up on our most important alliance.

The Ukraine war might be expensive, but it is the Ukrainians doing the fighting. They are degrading the military of an adversary of the United States and trying to push it away from NATO’s borders without a single U.S. or Western soldier engaged in the fight. All things considered, this is a deal.

Nearly \$9 billion of the package replenishes U.S. stockpiles after Biden sent U.S. weapons to Ukraine on an emergency basis using Presidential Drawdown Authority. It’d be perverse not to replenish our supplies of Javelins at this point in the name of economizing over Ukraine.

Likewise, several billion dollars in the package pay for the U.S. deployment of troops to NATO countries.

Part of the military aid is billions of dollars in financing for Ukraine and NATO countries to buy U.S. weapons, something that Trump has supported strongly in the past on “America First” grounds.

Indeed, it is strange that critics of the bills are invoking

Backtracks & Sidetracks

His view –

The right to dissent must be protected, but manner of dissent must be changed.

Don Carr was named assistant postmaster on May 29, 1971. He had been a postal employee since August 1948. For more of that time he had been a letter carrier in the second ward.

The Business & Professional Woman’s Club honored the memory of the late Mildred Potter as Woman of the Year. Mrs. Potter had for 10 years served as librarian at Graves Public Library before her death in February 1971. The award certificate was accepted by her sister, Ruth Guilfoyle. A contribution in Mildred Potter’s name was made to the BPW Foundation scholarship fund.

At their spring concert, the MTHS choir presented their leader, Ray Re-buck, with an unusual gift – a yellow raincoat with matching pants and boots. He was persuaded to model them and stand on stage in a huge orange tub. While being doused by choir members, he sang “Raindrops Keep Falling on My Head” to thunderous applause.

The American Legion sponsored an Explorer’s Club to provide information to teenagers on various locations. At their first meeting in June 1971, the Legion Auxiliary served a picnic lunch at the lake to 42 members, after which they attended a demonstration on radio and electronics at the airport, and enjoyed a plane ride.

At the height of Dr. Allen DeWeerth’s struggle to secure a zoning variance for his dental office on 13th Avenue, the council denied his request despite planning commission approval. Three members of the commission resigned and several Mendotans who deplored the council’s action, submitted their opinion in rhyme. It was published in

the “Our Readers Say” section of The Reporter. A sample –

So faithful to habit and unlikely to change, as conservative a council as we could arrange.

And a quote from the planning commission –

For what purpose is served, what are we for, if our recommendations you completely ignore.

After a fourth hearing in July, the variance was granted. A petition signed by 800 requested rezoning from R2 to B1.

The Senior Citizens Club enjoyed games of 500 at the Kanteen on June 8, 1971. There were nine tables and prize winners were Mark Setchell and Mrs. Leona Henkel, first; George Walzer and Mrs. Carrie Simkins, second; Jacob Henkel and Mrs. Mae Clemens, low.

Attention was directed to a huge chestnut tree in front of the Sunrise Nursing Home. In order to spare that tree, the plans for the home had been altered and it was moved 40 feet north of the intended site. The seed had been brought from Germany 80 years before by John Truckenbrod. At the time the Sunrise was built, the tree was 80 feet high with a branch spread of 50 feet. It continued to give pleasure to residents and visitors for a number of years.

Corn company officials met with State Employment Service representatives to discuss the shortage of applicants for detasseling jobs that would open in July. All companies were paying \$1.30 per hour.

It will be hot and sometimes muddy in the field, but it will be a good way to get a tan and earn money for new clothes, a stereo or whatever else you might need.

A minimum age of 13 was stipulated.

Bicycle registration was conducted at the Holy Cross playground by the Mendota Police Department on three successive Saturdays starting June 5, 1971. Owners could obtain license tags for 50 cents.

Licenses were reminded that horns or bells were allowed, but no sirens or whistles.

Don’t be penny-wise on Ukraine

nationalism in their opposition. Hawley worries that the bill doesn’t represent “a nationalist foreign policy.”

By what definition? Assisting a sovereign country in defending its borders against a nation bent on restoring its imperial glory is a broadly nationalist project. So is resisting an adversary of the United States that, together with its de facto ally, China, wants to reduce our national power and influence, and end the preeminence of the U.S.-led Western world.

It’s not as though the assistance keeps us from pursuing urgent domestic priorities. We don’t have a baby formula shortage because we’ve sent too many weapons to Ukraine, and the shortage -- in large part, a regulatory problem -- would still exist if our new level of assistance to Ukraine were \$0. The same is true with the border. Biden is not interested in the policies that might restore order there, which was true prior to the Ukraine war and will presumably be true after.

There’s certainly more Europe could do, especially regarding general support for the Ukrainian government and food assistance to Ukraine and countries most affected by war-related disruptions. Our other allies who don’t have an interest in taking sides between Ukraine and Russia should be providing food assistance, as well.

There should be no mistaking, though, that the stakes in the war are large. The outcome will profoundly affect the future of Ukraine, the robustness of the Western alliance, perhaps the nature of the Russian regime, and China’s consideration of whether or not it is too risky to try to take Taiwan by force.

“Paris is worth a Mass,” Henry of Navarre supposedly said before converting to Roman Catholicism and becoming king of France in the 16th century. Similarly, staving off Russia, and perhaps defeating it without firing a shot, is worth \$40 billion.

Rich Lowry is editor of the National Review.

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LOCAL AND AREA



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IVCC offers study abroad program

OGLESBY – A new partnership between Illinois Valley Community College's World Language program and Study Abroad program gives students the opportunity to complete two years of German or Spanish in one year and then study abroad in the summer in Salzburg, Austria; Seville, Spain; or San Jose, Costa Rica.

Study abroad is available to students through IVCC's membership in the Illinois Consortium of International Studies and Programs (ICISP). While studying abroad, students can take more classes in German or Spanish and improve their fluency. History and culture courses are also available.

Study abroad is fully accredited and its courses transfer to four-year colleges and universities. Partner colleges are English speaking so students do not need to be completely fluent to participate.

Students also take cultural excursions, including visits to museums and historical sites, volcanos and hot springs, a working coffee plantation, or even a trip to Morocco.

"Studying abroad is a great way to safely travel in summer while earning college credit, making new friends, and improving language skills," said IVCC Study Abroad coordinator Amanda Cook Fesperman. "Our language courses prepare students for the experience."

IVCC also has study abroad to England, Ireland, France, China and Ghana. West Africa is expected to be added in 2023. In most cases, students can study abroad for a 3-4-week summer program or for an entire semester.

To qualify, students need to be at least 18, have a minimum 2.75 grade point average, have completed at least 12 college credits and have passed English Composition I or II with a C. A graduating high school senior who meets the requirements could study abroad this fall.

For information, contact amanda_cook-fesperman@ivcc.edu or call (815) 224-0203. Registration for fall and summer is underway.



Paula Hallock

IVCC names support staff award winner

OGLESBY – Paula Hallock of Tonica is the 2022 winner of Illinois Valley Community College's Connie Skerston Memorial Award for Support Staff Distinguished Service.

Hallock, Human Resources administrative assistant, was nominated by Ottawa Center counselor Valery Calvetti.

"Like Connie, Paula has demonstrated service excellence to our college community," Calvetti said. "She has participated quietly and professionally on teams for the benefit of us all."

"Whenever I call Paula she makes me feel as if my time is the priority even though I know there are far more pressing matters needing her time and attention," Calvetti added.

"When an employee turns to Human Resources it typically involves a very personal need. It is refreshing to have Paula serve as the gateway in HR. When Paula picks up the phone or greets you from her desk, we all breathe a little easier. For years, Paula has served quietly and graciously – helping care for us all."

Hallock has worked at IVCC since 1998. She and husband Nolan have two sons.

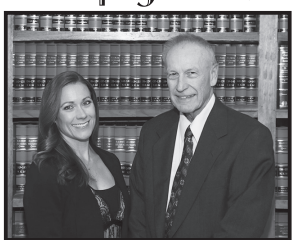
The award is named in memory of former assistant director of admissions and records Connie Skerston who died in 2015.

Hallock and the other 2022 support staff nominees: Dawn Lockwood and Mary Smith of CETLA; Gracelyn Quesse of Student Services; Donna Swiskoski of the Foundation office; and Manessa Trench of the Copy Center will be honored Friday night at IVCC's employee recognition reception at Grand Bear Resort in Utica – an event Hallock has helped coordinate with colleagues since 2000.

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ENTERTAINMENT

Hollywood

By Tony Rizzo

HOLLYWOOD -- Oscar-winner Diane Keaton's 55th film, "Mack & Rita," opens Aug. 12. The star of movie classics like "The Godfather" and "Annie Hall" has surrounded herself with three great actresses in her new comedy. First up is 91-year-old Lois Smith, who started her career on the CBS soap "Love of Life" (1951) and appeared in such classics as "East of Eden" (1955), with James Dean; "Five Easy Pieces" (1970), with Jack Nicholson; "Fatal Attraction" (1987), with Michael Douglas and Glenn Close; "Dead Man Walking" (1995), with Sean Penn and Susan Sarandon; and most recently "The French Dispatch" (2001). Also starring with Keaton are Emmy winner Loretta Devine, for "Grey's Anatomy" (2011), and "Hot in Cleveland's" Wendie Malick, most recently in nine episodes of "Young Sheldon."

Will "Top Gun: Maverick" finally push Miles Teller to superstardom?

After 19 films -- including "Footloose" (2011) and "Whiplash" (2014) -- is his time at hand? At 35, "Maverick" is his best shot to break through. Teller's personal life has come together nicely, marrying model Keleigh Sperry in 2019. His futuristic sci-fi thriller "Spiderhead" (opposite "Thor" himself, Chris Hemsworth), in which they play convicts who volunteer as medical subjects, hits Netflix June 17, and his 21st film, "The Fence," which was to have reunited him with his "Divergent" co-star Shailene Woodley, was postponed due to the death of their other co-star, William Hurt.

Oscar-winner Susan Sarandon, Bette Midler (who has three Emmys, a Grammy and a Tony) and two-time Emmy winner Megan Mullally are joining forces for the feel-good comedy "The Fabulous Four," which will shoot July through September (with a mysterious fabulous fourth?). Sarandon is lending her voice to the superhero animated film "Blue

Beetle" and stars with Trace Adkins in the Fox series "Monarch," about a fictitious country-music dynasty. Midler has completed "Hocus Pocus 2," which will drop on The Disney Channel just in time for Halloween. Mullally stars in Hulu's just-released coming-of-age film "Crush" and has the drama "Summering" due in August.

"Father of the Bride" (1950), which starred Spencer Tracy, Joan Bennett and Elizabeth Taylor, was reinvented in 1991 as a star vehicle for Steve Martin and Diane Keaton, and grossed \$129 million. It's being revived yet again, this time starring Andy Garcia and Gloria Estefan. But film buffs will hardly recognize it since it's about a Cuban family, the intended bride proposes to the would-be groom, and her parents have a dark secret to reveal ... they are getting divorced. It hits HBO Max on June 16, and since all that's left of the classic film is the title ... "Everything old is new again!"

Couch Theater

"Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore" (PG-13) -- Anyone fancying a trip to the Wizarding World? Then don't miss out on the newest installment of "Fantastic Beasts," on streaming now! Jude Law portrays a young Albus Dumbledore, who in 1932 begins recruiting folks to join the war against Gellert Grindelwald, a dark wizard attempting to assume control over the Wizarding World by becoming Supreme Mugwump. The magical-creature-whisperer Newt Scamander is, of course, one of the recruits, along with fan favorite No-Maj (Jacob Kowalski). Mads Mikkelsen gives his first performance as Grindelwald, replacing Johnny Depp, who starred as Grindelwald in the first two films. (HBO Max)

"Fire Island" (R) -- On a weeklong trip to Fire Island that's become a tradition, Noah and Howie experience one of the most unexpected adventures of their lives. Fire Island, known for being a popular gay destination spot, usually feels like coming

home for Noah and Howie, but when a group of wealthy, pretentious men begin taking over the island and switching up the dynamic, Noah and Howie's sweet escape turns extremely sour. Only when the two pals learn to find acceptance and love in themselves will their vacation get back on track. "Saturday Night Live's" Bowen Yang stars in this chaotic rom-com premiering June 3. (Hulu)

"Hollywood Stargirl" (PG) -- The eccentric Stargirl Caraway was first introduced in the Disney+ original film "Stargirl," depicting the story of how her music made a life-changing impact on a boy named Leo. In "Hollywood Stargirl," her enchanting character returns as she and her mother take on a move to Los Angeles. Stargirl continues to follow her dream of becoming a musician, which brings her an opportunity to star in a movie produced by two young filmmakers. As she gets settled in LA, Stargirl simultaneously starts forming a bond with retired

musician Roxanne Martel (Uma Thurman), who helps Stargirl to refine her direction in life. In this chapter, it's now Stargirl's turn to make a defining change in her life. Premieres June 3. (Disney+) "Interceptor" (NR) -- Army Capt. JJ Collins (Elsa Pataky) decides it's time for one last assignment. Aboard the remote Pacific Ocean interceptor platform protecting citizens from a nuclear missile attack, Capt. Collins comes face-to-face with a group of terrorists who seize the vessel and attempt to take control of the command center. With cities now in severe threat of a nuclear attack, Collins and her crew's new mission is to hold onto the command center and fight the terrorists. Can she prevail? As the tough Army captain says herself, the terrorists planned to attack, but they sure didn't plan to meet her. This action-packed nail-biter begins streaming June 3. (Netflix)

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Celebrity Extra

By Dana Jackson

Q: I just realized I haven't seen the great Jack Nicholson in any movies in a long time. Has he retired from acting? What a tremendous talent! -- **T.B.**

A: Jack Nicholson was born on April 22, 1937, and worked in the MGM Studios mailroom before landing his first major role in the movie "Cry Baby Killer." Roughly 10 years later, he would earn his first Oscar nomination with his breakout role in the film "Easy Rider." He would go on to star in movie classics like "Chinatown," "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" and "The Shining," to name just a few.

Nicholson's last acting role was in 2010 in the romantic comedy "How Do You Know," starring Reese Witherspoon. He has since retired, but presented at the Academy Awards in 2013 and appeared on the "Saturday Night Live: 40th Anniversary Special" in 2015. He also rooted for his favorite basketball team, the LA Lakers, with courtside seats in 2020 next to his son

Ray, who is also an actor.

Ray Nicholson, 30, is on his way to an impressive career himself, with recent roles in the TV series "Panic" and the critically acclaimed films "Licorice Pizza" and "Promising Young Woman."

Q: Is "The Lincoln Lawyer" on Netflix the same character Matthew McConaughey played in the movie several years ago? Is the Netflix version a series or a movie? -- **K.J.**

A: Yes, the 2022 version of "The Lincoln Lawyer" is in the form of a series on Netflix. Both the current project and the 2011 movie that starred McConaughey are based on the bestselling novels by Michael Connelly.

Produced by Ted Humphrey ("The Good Wife") and David E. Kelley ("Big Sky"), the new series stars Mexican actor Manuel Garcia-Rulfo as Mickey Haller, an idealistic attorney who takes over a law practice and the defense of a high-profile case involving a tech billionaire. Neve Campbell ("Scream") and Becki Newton ("Ugly Betty") co-star.

Garcia-Rulfo, 41, is one of those familiar faces who is about to become a household

name. He previously starred in "From Dusk Till Dawn: The Series" and "Goliath," but "Lincoln" has gained him much wider exposure with a high number of viewers tuning in to the show.

Q: When will the new season of "Yellowstone" premiere? I want to binge all the previous seasons before the new one starts up. I want to see what all the fuss is about. -- **E.S.**

A: Paramount recently announced that production for the upcoming fifth season of "Yellowstone" is now in progress. According to TV Guide, there will be "more episodes than ever," with a break halfway through the season. It all begins on Sunday, Nov. 13.

Also, brace yourself for this announcement. Another "Yellowstone" prequel series is on the horizon called "1932," starring none other than Harrison Ford and Helen Mirren. It follows in the footsteps of the first prequel spin-off series, "1883," which also was about the Dutton family and starred Sam Elliott, Tim McGraw and Faith Hill. "1932" will pick up several decades later with the next generation of Duttons.

Strange But True

By Lucie Winborne

* President William McKinley always wore a red carnation for good luck, but sometimes gave it away as a memento. When greeting a crowd in 1901, he handed a 12-year-old girl named Myrtle the bloom off his lapel, saying, "I must give this flower to another little flower." While it's not known if the gesture proved lucky for Myrtle, just minutes later McKinley was fatally shot by a man in the crowd.

* The larger an animal's brain, the longer it will yawn.

* Smoking has long been banned by airlines, but ashtrays are mandatory on every plane, for safe disposal in case someone breaks the law.

* A Chinese farmer named Wang Englin, who quit school in the third grade, spent 16 years teaching himself law in order to sue a chemical company that was polluting his village. Unable to buy all the books he needed, he paid a local bookstore with bags of corn to let him sit and read, copying information by hand and using a dictionary when necessary. He finally won his case in 2017.

* During World War II, a Dutch warship was disguised as a tropical island to escape detection by the Japanese.

* Convinced that stomach ulcers were caused by H. pylori bacteria, although no one else seemed to believe it, Dr. Barry Marshall drank the bacteria himself (testing it on humans was illegal), developed ulcers within days, treated them with antibiotics, and ended up winning a Nobel Prize.

* On average, professional soccer players run as far as 9 miles in a match.

Thought for the Day: "Life is like arriving late for a movie, having to figure out what was going on without bothering everybody with a lot of questions, and then being unexpectedly called away before you find out how it ends." -- Joseph Campbell



Nicholson

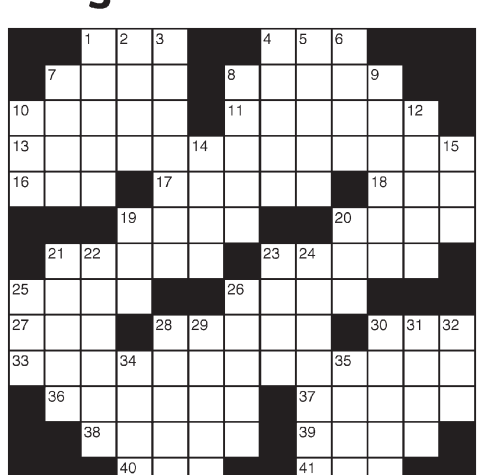
Trivia Test

1. TELEVISION: Luke's Diner is a prominent feature in which 2000s TV show?
2. MUSIC: When did The Archies' "Sugar Sugar" hit the No. 1 spot?
3. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What does the Greek translation of rhinoceros mean?
4. MOVIES: Which movie features the song "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head"?
5. LANGUAGE: What is the American English equivalent of the British English phrase "drawing pin"?
6. U.S. STATES: Which state's nickname is the Yellowhammer State?
7. HISTORY: Who is believed to be the first to draw a world map, in 6th century BC?
8. AD SLOGANS: Which company advertised its product with the one-word description

- "Fahrvergnugen"?
9. GEOGRAPHY: How many states are in Australia?
 10. LITERATURE: Which 20th-century novel starts with the line, "They're out there"?
- Answers
1. "The Gilmore Girls"
 2. 1969
 3. Horned nose
 4. "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid"
 5. Thumb tack
 6. Alabama
 7. Greek academic Anaximander
 8. Volkswagen. It's German for "driving enjoyment."
 9. Six
 10. "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest"
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King Crossword

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 - 7 Ashen
 - 8 Ridicule
 - 10 Director
 - 11 Forman
 - 11 Seek, as office
 - 13 Breakfast order
 - 16 Simile center
 - 17 Four-star reviews
 - 18 FDR project
 - 19 107, to Cato
 - 20 Actor Johnny
 - 21 Velocity
 - 23 Apple centers
 - 25 And others (Lat.)
 - 26 French cheese
 - 27 Plopped down
 - 28 Pink hue
 - 30 Insult, slangily
 - 33 Steakhouse order
 - 36 Eucalyptus eaters
 - 37 Start of a supplication
 - 38 Move furtively
 - 39 Smile
 - 40 Trail the pack
 - 41 Thesaurus wd.



- DOWN
- 1 Island south of Sicily
 - 2 Oodles
 - 3 Set aside
 - 4 Bea Arthur sitcom
 - 5 Littlest litter-mates
 - 6 Data
 - 7 Name of 12 popes
 - 8 Fountain of Rome
 - 9 Precisely
 - 10 CEO's deg.
 - 12 Answers an invitation
 - 14 Incursion
 - 15 Phone bug
 - 19 Cartoon frame
 - 20 Rap's Dr. —
 - 21 Desolate
 - 22 Cookout spots
 - 23 Beach crawler
 - 24 Drilling platforms
 - 25 Mentalist's claim
 - 26 Invigorating
 - 28 Salsa singer
 - 29 Borneo ape, for short
 - 30 "Mack the Knife" singer
 - 31 "This — outrage!"
 - 32 Pigs' digs
 - 34 Teen hangout
 - 35 Grand Ole —
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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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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.

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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Answers

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D&D Antiques

Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors welcome D&D Antiques as a new member of the Chamber. Left to right, are Luke O'Brien, Chamber ambassador; Lee Stocking, Chamber Ambassador; Shelby Weide, Chamber President/CEO; D&D co-owner David Hollis; Linda Hessenberger, Chamber ambassador; D&D co-owner Don Baker; Chamber ambassadors Christin Atherton, Erin Lauer and Brad Cox. (Reporter photos by Brandon LaChance)

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Thank you to everyone – friends, neighbors, relatives – for your prayers, phone calls, visits, etc. upon Allan's passing and my health issues. Everything you have done and are continuing to do is greatly appreciated.

Charlene Zimmerman

POLICE BLOTTER

WARRANT ARREST

Asia L. Cordova, 26, of 907 Monroe St., Mendota, was arrested at 9:48 p.m. May 26 on a valid LaSalle County arrest warrant for failure to appear/driving while license suspended. The subject posted bond and was released with a court date.

Mendota woman, 39, dies in UTV crash in northern Wis.

MERCER, Wis. – A Mendota woman died in a UTV crash in Mercer, Wis., on Sunday, May 29. Lyndsey Delao, 39, was pronounced dead at the scene after being involved in a single-vehicle crash, according to the Iron County Sheriff's Department.

The Iron County Emergency Dispatch received a call of a UTV crash in the town of Mercer at approximately 5:20 p.m. The reporting party stated the UTV had gone off the road and was upside down under the water. Responders were immediately dispatched to the scene.

According to an Iron County Sheriff's Department report, the UTV was traveling southwest on Popko Circle West with six occupants. It appears the UTV operator lost control negotiating a curve, crossed the center line and

rolled into the Turtle Flambeau Flowage. Four of the occupants were able to get out relatively quickly and two were trapped under the water. Efforts began immediately to remove the trapped occupants. Once freed, they were taken ashore and life-saving efforts began immediately.

Resuscitation efforts for Delao were unsuccessful and she was later pronounced dead on scene by the Iron County Coroner.

Additional responders arrived and tended to the injuries of the other individuals. Several medical helicopters were called to the scene to transport the more severely injured, and landing zones were set up. Two of the occupants were transported by helicopter and three by ground ambulance. One occupant was in critical condition at the time of transport.

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SPORTS



Mendota's Logan Brandner gets in position for a volley during the IHSA State Tennis Tournament.



Mendota's Andrew Stamberger smashes a serve during the IHSA State Tennis Tournament.

MHS doubles team goes 2-2 in state tennis tourney

ARLINGTON HEIGHTS — Mendota High School's doubles tennis team of Logan Brandner and Andrew Stamberger won two of four matches in the IHSA Class 1A State Tennis Tournament held May 26-28.

The MHS duo started off in winning fashion by taking down Varun Gulapalli and Jacob Marshall of Grayslake North, 3-6, 6-2 (10-4). In the second round of the championship bracket,

Brandner-Stamberger were defeated by Max Braun and James Braun of Champaign Centennial, 6-1, 6-0. The loss bumped the Trojan twosome to the consolation bracket where they were victorious over Andrew

Carter and Tanner Vosholler of Troy Triad, 9-8, 7-4. Brandner and Stamberger were eliminated from the tournament when they fell to Cole Curtis and John Nester of Belleville Althoff Catholic, 8-3.

Little 10 announces top baseball players for '22

EARLVILLE—The Little Ten Conference baseball coaches have selected 16 players to the 2022 Little Ten All-Conference Baseball Team. This year's all-conference players include:

Newark (16-0) — **Lucas Pasakarnis (Sr...C) — .506/.574/.741, 41 hits, 2 HR, 38 RBI, 38 runs; Three-time unanimous selection; **Jake Kruser (Jr...OF) — .390/.490/.402, 32 hits, 16 RBI, 31 runs; Repeat unanimous selection; **Joe Martin (Jr...P/3B) — 7-1 with .47 ERA and 101 Ks in 45 innings; .425/.554/.616, 31 hits, 2 HR, 27 RBI, 33 runs; Repeat unanimous selection; Tegan Kruser (Sr...SS/P) — .300/.440/.388, 24 hits, 11 RBI, 37 runs; 3-0 with 34 Ks in 29.2 innings; Repeat selection, Mitchell Kruser (Sr...1B) — .400/.463/.450, 32 hits, 28 RBI, 26 runs

Somonauk (13-2) — **Brendan Roberts (Sr...P/IF) — 7-2 with 2.18 ERA and 83 Ks in 41.2 innings; .344/.512/.547, 22 hits, 15 RBI, 30 runs, 31 SB; Repeat unanimous selection; **Broc Slais (Jr...P/OF) — 4-3 with 1.72 ERA and 80 Ks in 44.2 innings; .271/.397/.458,

16 hits, 17 RBI, 15 runs; Carson Bahrey (So...OF) — .368/.507/.456, 21 hits, 13 RBI, 22 runs, 11 SB

Serena (12-4) — **Cole Shannon (Sr...C) — .444/.512/.542, 32 hits, 23 RBI; **Tanner Faivre (So...2B/SS) — .397/.459/.425, 29 hits, 12 RBI, 28 runs, 16 SB

Indian Creek (9-7) — **Sam Genslinger (Jr...P/Util) — 2-1 with 3.92 ERA in conference games; .373/.512/.448, 25 hits, 19 runs, 13 SB; Nik Nelson (Fr...P/IF) — 2-2 with 4.04 ERA in conference games; .429/.487/.529, 30 hits, 14 RBI, 22 runs, 12 SB

Hinckley-Big Rock (8-8) — **Martin Ledbetter (Fr...P/C) — 2.02 ERA and 37 Ks in 17.1 innings; .507/.621/.955, 34 hits, 6 HR, 32 RBI, 35 runs; Ben Jourdan (Sr...Util) — .343/.459/.400, 24 hits, 13 RBI, 16 runs

Hiawatha (7-9) — Austin Thomas (Sr...OF) — .352/.417/.629, 19 hits, 22 runs, 2 HR, 12 RBI, 11 SB

Earlville (2-14) — **Bryar Keller (Sr...SS) — .479/.569/.750, 23 hits, 21 runs; Repeat unanimous selection

(**Denotes a unanimous selection)

Amboy's Dinges in all-star game

PONTIAC — The Illinois Basketball Coaches Association has announced that its annual All-Star games will be held on Saturday, June 11 at Pontiac Community High School.

Game times will be: 1A-2A South Girls vs. 1A-2A North Girls - 11 a.m.; 1A-2A South Boys vs. 1A-2A North Boys - 1 p.m.; 3A-4A South Girls vs. 3A-4A North Girls - 3 p.m.; 3A-4A South Boys vs. 3A-4A North Boys - 5 p.m.

Olivia Dinges, a 2022 graduate of Amboy High School, is a member of the 1A-2A North Girls' squad. Other members of the 1A-2A

North team are Sophie Bedell of Brimfield, Taylor Nowaskie of Stanford Olympia, Elynn Peterson of Brimfield, Katie Baker of Serena, Miyah Brown of Winnebago, Reganne French of Regina Dominican, Brynn Haas of Stockton, Mikayla Huffine of Rockford Lutheran, Ella Lune of Brimfield, Renee Rittmeyer of Winnebago, Caitlyn Thole of Pinckneyville, Ashleigh Wackerlin of Hinckley-Big Rock, Claire Wagner of Elmhurst Immaculate Conception and Maggie Furlong of Galena.

The 1A-2A North Girls' team will be coached by Jamie Watson of Galena. Admission to the games is \$5.

Chamber golf scramble to tee of June 5

MENDOTA — The Mendota Sweet Corn Festival Golf Scramble is scheduled for Sunday, June 5 at the Mendota Golf Club.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. and a shotgun start will be at 9 a.m. The cost is \$45 for one player and \$180 for a foursome. The fee includes skins game. Entry is limited to

the first 36 teams.

Each team must include four players with a total handicap of 45 or greater. Only one player per team will be allowed a handicap of 9 or less. Proof of handicap is required. Mixed teams are welcome. Men will play from the blue tees and women from the white tees.

Highlights of the event

include cash prizes, a 50/50 raffle and Schimmer GM's hole-in-one contest for a chance to win a brand new vehicle. All participants will have the opportunity to shoot for a hole-in-one on hole #9.

Entry forms can be obtained by calling the Mendota Area Chamber of Commerce at 815-539-6507.

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Farm Bureaus plan golf outing

SPRING VALLEY – Bureau and Lee County Farm Bureaus will be hosting their 13th Annual Golf Outing for supporters of Ag in the Classroom. The outing will be held on Thursday, June 23 at Spring Creek Golf Course in Spring Valley.

The tournament will be a shot-gun start, 4-person scramble. Tee time is 9 a.m. and lunch (provided by COUNTRY Financial) will be served for all teams during the event. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit the Bureau and Lee County Ag in the Classroom programs.

Today's youth are two and three generations removed from the farm. That's why it is so important to bring agriculture awareness to local students. Supporting the Ag in the Classroom program helps provide free agriculture materials, presenta-

tions and resources to local teachers and classrooms in Bureau and Lee counties. So, whether you consider yourself "good on the green" or just want to have a fun day out, this is the tournament for you.

Polish up your clubs and support a good cause. Team fees are \$250 for Basic Registration, \$275 for Super Registration and \$300 for Premium Registration. Registration includes 18-holes of golf, ½ cart and lunch. If you are not a golfer, but would like to support this event, several sponsorship packages are also available.

Registration is suggested by June 3. Registration after the deadline will be accepted if space is available. For more information, contact the Lee County Farm Bureau, (815) 857-3531 or leecfb@comcast.net.

4-H programs offered at area locations

OGLESBY – University of Illinois Extension invites you to participate in the upcoming 4-H library programs. Programs are offered in Bureau, LaSalle, Marshall and Putnam Counties this summer, free of charge, and full of fun!

Camping 101 is a one-hour program that will teach youth how to pack a backpack for camping. They will learn about healthy snacks, staying hydrated, and basic first-aid skills to have a fun, safe, and healthy outdoor adventure. Children will participate in activities and receive the supplies to pack their own backpack.

Camping 101 is available at the following locations:

- Peru Washington Park (West Street

shelter) on June 7, 8, and 9 from 1 to 3 p.m. Please call the LaSalle County Extension Office (815-433-0707) or visit <https://go.illinois.edu/lccamp22> to register.

- Ohio Public Library on June 29 from 2 to 3 p.m. Please call the library to register.

- Graves-Hume Public Library in Mendota will hold a series of days for this camp. The first is on July 12 from 2 to 2:45 p.m. for grades 1-4 and 4 to 4:45 p.m. for grades 5-8. The other two dates are July 19 and July 26, same times and grades apply. Please contact the library for details and registration.

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IDPH warns public to watch for rabid bats

SPRINGFIELD –With the weather warming up, the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) is warning the public to beware of rabid animals, especially bats, as they become more active this time of year. IDPH has received reports of four rabid bats in the state since May 15 from Champaign, Jackson, Macon and Will counties.

"While there is a preventive treatment for rabies, it is one of the deadliest diseases we know," said IDPH Acting Director Amaal Tokars. "Bats are the most common carriers of the rabies virus in Illinois and are responsible for the vast majority of human rabies cases in the United States in recent years. But they are not the only carrier of rabies. The public should be not approach bats or any wild, unfamiliar or stray animal, and any animal that appears to be sick."

IDPH stressed that a bite from a rabid animal can be potentially fatal if not treated and that public should take precautions to keep bats out of their homes.

IDPH is also reminding the public make sure that rabies vaccinations are up-

to-date for pets and any valuable livestock and horses for whom a rabies vaccine is available. If a pet is exposed to a high-risk wild animal – such as a bat, skunk, raccoon, fox or coyote -- you should contact a veterinarian for advice immediately.

Rabies is a virus that affects the nervous system (brain and nerves). People can get rabies after being bitten by an infected animal. Rabies can also be contracted when saliva or spit from a rabid animal gets directly into a person's eyes, nose, mouth, or a wound. People usually know when they have been bitten by a bat, but bats have very small teeth and the bite mark may not be easy to see. If you find yourself in close proximity to a bat and are not sure if you were exposed, for example – you wake up and find a bat in your room, do not kill or release the bat before calling your doctor or local health department to help determine if you could have been exposed to rabies and need preventive treatment (i.e. vaccines or other products to stop you from getting Rabies). If the bat is available for testing

and test results are negative, preventive treatment is not needed.

If you have been bitten by any animal, seek immediate medical attention. Animal bites may also become infected with bacteria. Rabies preventive treatment, if needed, must begin quickly.

An animal does not have to be aggressive or exhibit other symptoms to have rabies. Changes in any animal's normal behavior can be early signs of rabies. A bat that is active during the day, found on the ground, or is unable to fly is more likely than others to be rabid. Such bats are often easily approached, but should never be handled.

The following tips can help prevent the spread of rabies:

- Do not touch, feed, or unintentionally attract wild animals with open garbage cans or litter.
- Never adopt wild animals or bring them into your home. Do not try to nurse sick, wild animals to health. Call animal control or an animal rescue agency for assistance.
- Teach children never to handle unfamiliar animals,

wild or domestic, even if they appear friendly. "Love your own, leave other animals alone" is a good principle for children to learn to reduce the risk of exposures to rabid animals.

- Maintain homes and other buildings so bats cannot get inside.

- If a bat is in your home, do not release the bat outdoors until after speaking with animal control or public health officials.

- After consulting with animal control or public health officials, the bat may need to be captured for rabies testing to determine if you need preventive treatment.

Steps you can take to capture the bat if animal control is not available are:

- When the bat lands, approach it slowly, while wearing gloves, and place a box or coffee can over it.
- Slide a piece of cardboard under the container to trap the bat inside.
- Tape the cardboard to the container securely, and punch small holes in the cardboard, allowing the bat to breathe.
- Do not come into physical contact with a bat.

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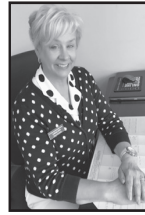
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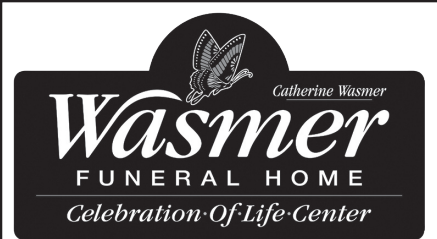


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Growing into your full potential

As a young woman, I went to church for years, but I really didn't know much about spiritual maturity. I loved God with all of my heart, but I wasn't changing—I was still as critical, judgmental and rebellious as ever. And even though I knew my life should be getting better, I was still miserable from dealing with all of the same problems.

I believe this is one of Satan's greatest strategies.

If he can't keep people from hearing the Gospel and accepting Christ, he will do everything he can to make sure they never grow spiritually so they can experience the peace and joy that's promised to them in the Bible.

You see, when we're born again, the Holy Spirit comes to live in our heart—God plants a seed of everything He is in our spirit, giving us everything we need to live a great life.

For instance, Galatians 5:22-23 (NIV) says, "The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control...."

Did you know all of these things already exist on the inside of you? You may wonder, Well, if that's the case, then why aren't I experiencing any of it in my life?

When it comes to the maturity process, we have a part to play. Our part is to cooperate with God to cultivate and develop His character in our lives so we can grow and become more like Him. How do we do that?

It all begins by spending regular time in God's Word. Hebrews 4:12 (AMPC) says, "The Word that God speaks is alive and full of power [making it active, operative, energizing, and effective]...."

When we spend time in God's Word, we are spending time with God. His Word changes us—it changes how we think and how we act. It changes how we see God, ourselves and the world around us.

Romans 12:2 is a great scripture that shows us how we grow spiritually: "Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be trans-



formed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God...."

God has a "good and acceptable and perfect" plan for our lives, but we must renew our minds with His Word before we can experience it.

It's important to remember that growing spiritually is a process. When I first began to read and study God's Word, I immediately saw things I needed to change. For a while, I felt guilty and condemned that I wasn't "measuring up."

However, God helped me to understand that He never shows us these things to condemn us and make us feel guilty. He convicts us of our behavior in order to help us grow and come up higher in that area.

For example, I was extremely rebellious in the early years of my marriage. Because my father sexually abused me when I was growing up, I had developed a distrust of men. I vowed that no man would ever again push me around.

But as I studied God's Word, I saw that my behavior toward my husband, Dave, was wrong. The Lord was asking me to walk in love with Dave in my speech, attitudes and actions. This was easier said than done! But God always gives us the grace to do what He is asking us to do. He doesn't expect us to do it all on our own.

So, little by little, by God's grace, I began to change. The Lord transformed me from being rude, critical, harsh and rebellious into someone who has real peace, love and joy. But it was a process—it didn't happen overnight.

Second Corinthians 3:18 says we "are constantly being transfigured into His very own image in ever increasing splendor and from one degree of glory to another."

This means that the Lord changes us a little at a time. None of us will ever be perfect until we get to Heaven, and that's okay. But as long as we're here on this earth, God desires for us to continually learn more about Him and grow in our faith.

As we do—as we con-

tinue to grow spiritually—we will experience the amazing peace, joy and fulfillment that only God can give us. And we will show the world what God is really like.

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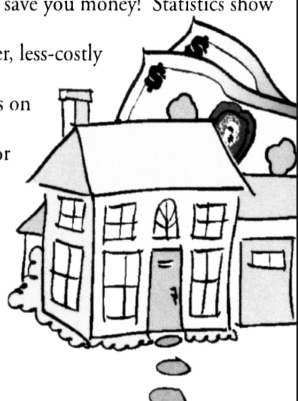
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