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Church gets new officers

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Polo installs group of new officers. **2A**

O'Brien named county treasurer

By Brad Jennings
Editor

OREGON – The Ogle County Board appointed Tiffany O'Brien as Treasurer/Collector at its June 21 meeting.

O'Brien was appointed to replace Linda Beck, who is resigning the office effective June 30 because she is moving to Florida.

Board Chairman John Finfrock read a proclamation declaring June 30 Linda Beck Day in the county. Board members gave her a standing

ovation after the presentation.

"During my time as treasurer, I have had many rewarding experiences and have had to overcome many challenges due to COVID," Beck said in a separate interview. "I will cherish the friendships with county employees that I have made over the years and appreciate the support from the County Board during my time as Treasurer. I want to thank the citizens of Ogle County for the great opportunity they have given me as their county treasurer."

O'Brien will take over the

position on July 1. She is running unopposed in Tuesday's Republican primary.







In other action:

The Board approved a \$42,500 grant to the Mount Morris Fire Protection District. The money will be used for planning costs as the district moves toward building a new firehouse. The overall projected cost is \$3.5 million for the new building. The district is currently using a building that was built when Calvin Coolidge was president, according to Fire Chief Rob Hough.



County Board Chairman John Finfrock reads a proclamation honoring Treasurer/Collector Linda Beck. (Brad Jennings photo)

WEATHER

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Keeping cool



Kids cooled off at the splash pad in Oregon Park West last week, on a day when the heat index was more than 100 degrees. (Brad Jennings photos)

Adults can enter fair open show too

OREGON – The show competition at the Ogle County Fair isn't just for kids.

Adults are encouraged to show off their talents and expertise in the annual Open Show and maybe win a cash premium in the process.

Residents of Ogle County and surrounding counties who are age 21 and older are eligible to enter the Open Show. Categories include Fruits & Vegetables, Floriculture, Beekeeping, Clothing, Craft, Photography, Quilting, Painting & Drawing, and Foods, as well as the Open Horse Show.

The 168th Ogle County Fair will be held from Wednesday, Aug. 3 through Sunday, Aug. 7 at the fairgrounds, 1440 N. Limekiln Rd.

The site is one mile west of Oregon just north of Ill. 64.

The deadline to enter the Open Show is midnight on Sunday, July 24. For more information go to the website at www.oglecountyfair.com.

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LOCAL NEWS



Officers were installed for the Altar and Rosary Society of St. Mary's church in Polo on Monday, June 6 at the White Pines Restaurant. From left: Kay Tyne, secretary; Connie O'Brien, vice-president and Kris Clothier, treasurer. Kathy Bickford, the incoming president, was unable to attend.

St. Mary's Catholic Church installs officers

POLO – On Monday, June 6, members of St. Mary's Altar and Rosary Society gathered at the White Pines Restaurant for lunch and the installation of new officers.

The new officers included Kathy Bickford as president, Connie O'Brien as vice president, Kay Tyne as secretary and Kris Clothier as treasurer. All of the new officers were able to attend other than Kathy Bickford. Mary Williams conducted an installation service of candle

lighting for the new officers. The newly elected officers have consented to "Keep the Flame Growing" as many previous generations have done in the past.

Rev. Joseph P. Naill has been the pastor at St. Mary's in Polo since 2014. He had been the pastor at St. Mary's in Oregon and also took on the responsibility of St. Mary's in Polo when there was a vacancy.

The Altar and Rosary Society has been very active at St. Mary's

Church in several areas for decades. Activities declined during the pandemic but are now returning to prior levels. The biggest event of the year is the luncheon and Chinese auction that is always held in October. Other activities of the society include helping with funerals, sending cards to the sick, items during Holy Week, Christmas and other dates as well as a kitchen committee for serving food at special events. Membership is open to all women of the parish.

Ogle County Fair Board looking for pageant contestants

The Ogle County Fair Board is seeking contestants for its 2022 Queen Pageant.

The pageant includes four divisions: Little Miss & Mr., Junior Miss, Young Miss, and Miss Ogle County Fair. It will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 3, opening night of the fair, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The 168th Ogle County Fair will be held from Wednesday, Aug. 3 through Sunday, Aug. 7 at the fairgrounds, 1440 N. Limekiln Rd., one mile west of Oregon just north of Ill. 64.

The Little Miss & Mr. Division is open to children ages 5-8, Junior is for ages 9-12, Young is for ages 13-15, and Miss is open to ages 16-21.

Winners in each division will participate in events at this year's fair and throughout the coming year.

For more information on how to enter, forms, fees, and pageant guidelines send an email to ocfqueen@gmail.com or go to www.oglecountyfairpageant.wordpress.com.

Mobile food pantry will be in Mount Morris June 30

MOUNT MORRIS—Loaves & Fish Food Pantry alongside Northern Illinois Food Bank is hosting a Mobile Food Pantry on Thursday, June 30, from 10-11:30 a.m.

The truck will be located at Mt. Morris Church of the Brethren, 409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris. This mobile pantry is open anyone in Ogle County.

Loaves & Fish Food Pantry is located on the lower level of the Mt. Morris Church of the Brethren, 409 W. Brayton Road, and is open on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays from 4:30-7 p.m. and 2nd and 4th Mondays from 2-4:30 p.m. Anyone experiencing food insecurity is eligible to receive food. You do not need to have a referral, and no proof of income is required. If you have any questions, call 815-613-8776 and leave a message.

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MOUNT MORRIS – Numerous old Oregon/Mt. Morris junior high trophies will be on display and available for any interested community members to pick up and keep on Friday morning, July 1 from 9 a.m.-noon outside the main doors of the former Mt. Morris Jr. High gym lobby area.

Many of these were from 7th and 8th grade athletics events from 1995-2018. If you or a family member participated on any of these teams and would like to permanently keep a trophy, they will be available free of charge for community pickup.

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LOCAL NEWS



Brewery expanding

The Ogle County Brewery recently announced that it is expanding operations and has purchased the Oregon Theater. The purchase will allow the to brew more beer, can, and distribute its beer brewed in Oregon all across the country.



Fair offering commemorative basket

The 2022 Ogle County Fair and Ogle County Fair Queen Pageant are fast approaching.

This year the Queen Pageant Committee is pleased to offer our sixth commemorative basket, handcrafted, by Judy Hodgins of Apple River. Some of you may have visited her booth at Autumn On Parade.

The basket she has crafted for the Ogle County Fair is rectangular, 14 inches long, 5 inches wide and 3 inches deep. It has a woven base, is stained in a medium brown with blue accent pieces, and gold rivets surrounding the top and leather handles. Each basket comes with a plastic liner making it a very useful: to place guest towels, snacks, etc. Each basket will be numbered and has a commemorative tag.

We are selling the basket for \$35 this year. All profits go to the new Ogle County Fair Queen, to help defray costs for the state convention in January 2023.

We wanted to let those that have ordered baskets in the past, know about the basket first and give you the opportunity to order now. If you are interested, please send the number of baskets you wish to purchase, and a check made out to the Ogle County Fair Association, to Sharon Alderks, 907 N. Skare Rd., Chana, IL 61015. If you have any questions, contact Sharon at 815-262-8977.

Once again, thank you for your valued support of the Ogle County Fair, and the 2022 Fair Queen Pageant. The Ogle County Fair is August 3rd thru August 7th. Please visit us online at www.ogle-countyfair.com, and like us on Facebook.



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Forreston district names annual award winners

On Tuesday, May 31, Forrestville Valley C.U.S.D. #221 held its annual end of year awards and recognition ceremony. The following staff were recognized:

Nona Forster Announced as Teacher of the Year

Señora Forster taught Spanish at Forreston High School and began teaching in the district in 2002. Forster is retiring after teaching at Forrestville Valley for 20 years. During her time here, she was also as a Sophomore Class Advisor. Forster developed positive relationships with the staff, students, and community, while holding her students and self to the highest expectations. She demonstrated a tremendous ability to model a love of Spanish and learning new things for all her students, by using current best practices and a never give up approach. Forster has been a true servant leader for all staff and students, always putting their needs ahead of her own.

"We were very fortunate to have Mrs. Forster, who truly cares for the success of all her students. She does a wonderful job of providing multiple opportunities for the parents and community members to partner with her and her students," said Forreston Junior Senior High School Principal Travis Heinz. "She is always willing to go the extra mile to get her students excited about learning Spanish. She is a true leader in the region when it comes to building the necessary relationships with students, parents, and community members. We wish her nothing but the best in her retirement and hope she can stop in and visit when she is in the area."

Former students described Forster as a "teacher who always cared about the kids" and "she always looked for ways to help you with anything in class that was difficult."

Jennifer Nelson Announced as Outstanding Support Staff Member of the Year

Also, during the end of the year recognition, Jennifer Nelson was announced as the 2021-22 Support Staff Member of the Year. Nelson is the District Nurse. Nelson plays a vital role in the district and her leadership and direction were greatly appreciated during the pandemic conditions. Nelson consistently goes above and beyond to help protect the Forrestville Valley students and staff. Forrestville Valley Elementary Schools Principal Jonathan Schneiderman said Nelson, "is a sounding board, problem solver, true professional that always puts our students' welfare above anything else. Nurse Nelson is always willing to stop and check in no matter what is going on, she always remains calm

during the storm, and has a focus that is always on the students and what is best for their needs."

Morgan Thomson Announced as Newcomer of the Year

Morgan Thomson was named Newcomer of the Year. Thomson is a Special Education and Title I Reading teacher at Forreston Grade School. Forreston Grade School Principal Jonathan Schneiderman said, "Whether it's working with our 1st or 2nd graders directly, or teaming with staff and families to best help our students, Mrs. Thomson's preparation, poise, and professionalism are just a few of the great characteristics she possesses."

Northwest Division Illinois Principal Association – Principal of the Year

On May 18, the Northwest Division of the Illinois Principal Association attended the Board of Education meeting and awarded Jonathan Schneiderman with their Principal of the Year award. Schneiderman was recognized during the board meeting as well as during the annual end of the year awards and recognition ceremony. Schneiderman has been instrumental in the Illinois Principal Association, facilitating the student leadership brunch each year for students in the Northwest Region. Mr. Schneiderman has served as the elementary building principal since 2015 and was instrumental in implementing full-day kindergarten, new reading and math curriculums, and social emotional learning. Superintendent Smith states: "Mr. Schneiderman is a true example of providing excellence in every aspect of his position. He is a remarkable example of leadership to both Forrestville Valley School District and the Northwest Region."

Seven Retirees Recognized

The district also recognized and honored seven retirees from the district.

Vikki Anderson, Forreston Junior Senior High School Head Cook, 24 years of service

Bobbi Bull, Forreston Grade School Paraprofessional, 37 years of service

Nona Forster, Forreston High School Spanish Teacher, 20 years of service

Lynn Genandt, Forreston Grade School Paraprofessional, 16 years of service

Rod Genandt, Forreston Grade School 4th Grade Teacher, 43 years of service

Jan Myers, German Valley Grade School Paraprofessional, 46 years of service

Cindy Wilcox, Forreston Junior Senior High School Cook, 25 years of service

Pegasus sets annual picnic for July 23

OREGON – Pegasus special riders Annual picnic July 23 at 1 p.m. in Oregon.

There will be a pork chop dinner by Ralphie and Lulu's. Tickets are \$15 per person. Kids ages 5 and under are free,

and a family of 5 or more is \$50.

The event will feature music by Jim kanas.

People can buy tickets by calling 815-973-3177, or our Facebook page Pegasus Special Riders.

POLO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #222

JUNE 2022 ELECTION

Polo community Unit School District # 222
PROPOSITION TO ELECT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS AT LARGE
Shall the members of the Board of Education of Polo community Unit School District Number 222, Ogle, Lee and Whiteside Counties, Illinois, be elected at large and without restriction by area of residence within said School District rather than in accordance with provisions of Section 10-10.5(a) of the School code of the State of Illinois, as amended, which require mandatory board representation according to congressional townships?

☐ YES

☐ NO

THIS IS NOT A TAX REFERENDUM

- Currently the provision is set up so that NO MORE than 3 candidates can be elected to any given township.
- Polo Community Unit School District #222 has 9 Townships.
- No candidates have run in 6 of the 9 townships in the last four elections.
- The 2021 election had 3 candidates run for election, 2 were seated through the election process but because of the provision the other 1 had to be appointed. The other person who ran didn't qualify under the current provision. Three people inquired about the open seat but also did not qualify due to the provision.
- Since 2007, 9 board members have had to be appointed.
- In the 2020 election 2 townships voted against the provision with no representation.

PROPOSITION TO ELECT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS AT LARGE

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LOCAL NEWS

Obituaries

Mary Lou Mead

LOVES PARK—Mary Lou Mead, age 83, of Loves Park and formerly of Byron passed away at her home on June 16, 2022. She was born on Nov. 2, 1938 in Salem, Ill., the daughter of Verl and Velma (Akes) Lenington. She enjoyed working at K-Mart for 25 years where she made many friends who became like a second family to her. She leaves her family with cherished memories of Saturday night popcorn and movie nights when her children were growing up, always keeping a refrigerator stocked with her famous sweet tea and potato salad and making every moment a memorable one. She loved to cook and bake for anyone and everyone and would make sure nobody ever left her house hungry. She enjoyed traveling with her family and



friends and having big family gatherings. Mary Lou would spend time antique shopping and she always had an eye for spotting the perfect piece. She enjoyed gardening in her younger years. She loved to go gambling and was good at picking the winning machine which always brought a big smile to her face. But, more than anything Mary Lou lived for her family. Her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren were the highlight of her life. She is survived and

missed by her children, Pam (Troy) Turvold of Roscoe, Debbie Crabb-Schultz of Rockford, Tim (Marina) Schultz of Ridgeville, S.C., Scott (Teri) Schultz of Oregon, Gene (Susan) Mead of Belvidere, Larry (Helen) Mead of Oregon, and Gary Mead of Oregon; sister, Evelyn (Leroy) Jourdan of Rock Falls; 10 grandchildren and 23 great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents and a great granddaughter. A service was held at noon at the pond in Oak Knoll Cemetery in Sterling on June 21, 2022 with Pastor Lance Mitchell officiating. In lieu of flowers memorials are established for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. To leave an online condolence please visit www.farrellhollandgale.com

Strauda L. Wyatt

OREGON—Strauda L. "Stu" Wyatt, age 96, of Oregon, died Sunday, June 19, 2022 at home following a long illness. He was born Aug. 25, 1925 at Chrisman, Ill., the son of Earl and Ruth (Newlin) Wyatt. He attended Ashton High School in Ashton. He served 3 years in the Seabees during WWII and did 2 overseas tours of duty. Stu served as Tow Barge and Security Guard. He lived in Oregon and surrounding area most of his life. Stu married Lucille Jones in 1950. He later married Carole Martin in 1983. He was a member of the Scarboro Methodist Church and a life member of the Oregon VFW. He was employed by Quebecor Printing Company, retiring after 35 years in the Maintenance Department. He worked as

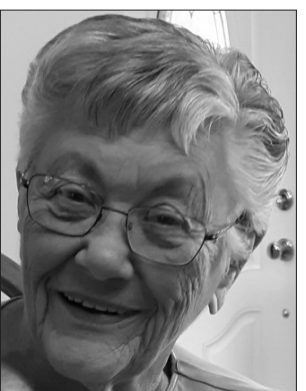


a part-time police officer for Leaf River (2 years) and Mount Morris (4 years). He was a reserve deputy, part-time deputy and volunteer for the Ogle County Sheriff's Department for over 25 years. He loved to play Lotto every day. Strauda was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Helen Stone; and brothers Allen Wyatt, Hobert Wyatt and Kelly Wyatt. Survivors include his wife, Carole; a daughter, Marilyn Meier, of

Palm Coast, Fla.; two sons: Steven Wyatt of Oregon, and Ronald (April) Wyatt of Palm Coast, Fla.; 2 step-children: Lorraine (Thomas) Ferris and Douglas (Kimberly) Martin, all of Oregon; 4 grandchildren, 2 step-granddaughters, 3 great grandchildren, 9 nieces and nephews. Funeral services were held Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at the Farrell-Holland-Gale Funeral Home at 110 S. 7th Street in Oregon with Rev. Carl Rasmussen officiating. Visitation was held prior to the funeral service from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Burial will be at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Dixon. A memorial has been established in Strauda's name. Visit www.farrellhollandgale.com to leave a condolence or memory of Stu.

Phyllis A. Hagemann

Phyllis A. Hagemann, age 87, passed away at OSF Saint Anthony in Rockford on Jan. 5, 2022. She was born in Mt. Morris on Jan. 9, 1934 the daughter of Marlin and Ruby (Angle) Carr. She married Jimmy Hagemann on July 9, 1954. He preceded her in death on Sept. 12, 1981. Phyllis worked for the USDA Farm Service Agency for many years until her retirement. She was a member of the United Church of Byron, co-founder of a family powersports business, and a life member of the Forest City Riders M.C., Phyllis had a love for traveling, genealogy and a developed interest in the regional farming community. In her spare time, she enjoyed sewing, crafting, and gardening. However,



the most important thing in her life was her family. She is survived and missed by her children, Janet (Marc) Burwell of Boulder City, Nev., Gary (Valerie) Hagemann of Byron, Douglas (Terry) Hagemann of Harriman, Tenn., Kayla Cunningham of Fenton, Mo., and Dean Hagemann of Byron; loving companion of 37 years, James Zuidema; grandchildren, Garon Burwell, Alyssa

(Nathan) Lasoff, Danielle (Sean) Lynch, Ariel (Lyle) Pratt, Jason Crabtree, Justin (Tina) Hagemann, and Kysa (David) Boll; and great grandchildren, Wesley, Vivian, Fabian, Johanna, Annabelle, Gideon, and Tamzyn. She is preceded in death by her husband, Jimmy and son-in-law, Jeff Cunningham. In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorial donations directed to the United Church of Byron in Phyllis' name. A celebration of life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday July 2, 2022 at the United Church of Byron, 701 W 2nd Street, Byron, IL 61010 with Pastor Tyler Spellious officiating. A time of fellowship will follow the service. www.farrellhollandgale.com

Kable Band performance on June 29 will feature oboist Ben Crosby

MOUNT MORRIS—The Kable Concert band will be performing the third concert of its 126th season, on Wednesday night, June 29, at 7:30 pm. The band, directed by Andy Eckhardt, performs a variety of music from crowd-pleasing marches, show tunes, classical, etc. There will be something for everyone. Special performance on June 29, will

be the band's own oboist, Ben Crosby. Crosby, an Ogeon resident, has played with the kable Band for 5 years, and also has played for the Illinois Valley Symphony for 10 years. Concerts are held on the Mt. Morris campus in the Reckmeyer Band shell. Benches are provided or bring a lawn chair. Come early and enjoy the ice cream social served by local organizations.

Report policy

Any arrests listed in this paper are merely charges and the defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law. Please note that all police reports received from the Oregon Police, Byron Police, Polo Police, Mt. Morris

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RRC has upcoming events, activities

Rock River Center is a resource center located at 810 S. 10th Street, Oregon. 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 for anyone planning to attend a scheduled program or class at Rock River Center. It helps us plan enough seating. Just give us call 815-732-3252. Thank you for your support in this matter.

July Holiday Hours

Rock River Center will be closed on Monday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. No activities, programs or transportation will be scheduled on that day. Please plan accordingly. Thank you and enjoy your holiday.

"Timeless" Music July 11

The local musical duet "Timeless" featuring Denny Jacobs and Mike Bratt will perform at Rock River Center on Monday, July 11, at 10 a.m. Denny is a regular on the "Pride of Oregon" Paddleboat. He enjoys performing at various local facilities as well. Denny will share a wide variety of guitar music and has an easy listening voice. Denny is a solo regular at RRC, and never disappoints his audience. Mike Bratt, from Stillman Valley, has been performing for many years. He plays 6-string guitar and bass, and sing vocals. Currently, Mike is in two bands; Backroads Trio and Bluegrass Reunion Bands. His specialty is 50's, 60's and cowboy range music. Reservations are required to accommodate seating. Please call the Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan attending.

"Pictionary" on July 12

Join us for a game of "Pictionary" July 12, at 1 p.m. Becky Anderson of Momentum Healthcare will lead the game. Players will pull a clue and draw a picture from the clue. The others in the group will try to guess what they are drawing. All materials provided. A fun game with lot of laughs. Advance reservations requested to accommodate seating. Please call the Center at 815-732-3252 if you plan attending.

Ready...Set...Grow...Hardy Perennial Fruit Plants
The Heritage Woods/Illinois Extension Office will present their Summer Program on Tuesday, July 12, at 10 a.m. at Rock River Center. This program will be:
Hardy Perennial Fruit Plants for the Midwest:
Strawberries/Blueberries
Presented by Phil Bratta, Ogle County Master Gardener, Master Naturalist
Join Phil Bratta, retired educator and Master Gardener, for summer's most tasty fruits, Strawberries and Blueberries
Learn how to grow and harvest your

own berries and get ideas on how to have a successful growing season. This is a FREE program. Advance registration (by July 7) is requested to accommodate seating. After the program, please join us for the following:
Lifescape Congregate Dining at 11:30 a.m. Lunch reservations required before 10:30am on Thurs. July 7.
Bingo following lunch at 12:15 p.m.
To sign up for any or all of the above, call 815-723-3252.

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- Byron/Jarrett Prairie Center: July 11 from 11 a.m.-noon.
- Forreston/Faith Lutheran Church: July 20 from 11 a.m.-noon.
- Mt. Morris Library: July 14 from 11 a.m.-noon.
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Time: Noon-1:30 p.m.
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LOCAL NEWS

Mount Morris Police

May 6
At approximately 11:40 a.m., Mt Morris Police responded to the 300 block of W Hitt St for the report of a domestic disturbance. After an investigation, Cha E. Keller, 33, Mt Morris, was arrested on an outstanding Ogle County warrant for failure to appear. Keller was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

At approximately 9:40 p.m., Mt Morris Police responded to the 300 block of W Hitt St for the report of a domestic disturbance. After an investigation, Cha E. Keller, 33, Mt. Morris was arrested for Disorderly Conduct, Unlawful Possession of a Controlled Substance, and Resisting a Peace Officer. Keller was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

May 8
At approximately 2:30 a.m., Mt Morris Police located Jessica C Engelkens, 37, Mt. Morris, in the 10 block of W Main St. Engelkens was arrested on a Lee County warrant for failure to appear. Engelkens was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

May 12
At approximately 3:55 p.m., Mt Morris Police responded to a single vehicle accident in the 200 block of S Mckendrie Ave. A vehicle driven by, a male juvenile, 16, Mt Morris, crashed into a utility pole. Miller was issued a citation for Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident. Miller was given an I-Bond.

May 15
At approximately 10:10 a.m., Mt Morris Police conducted a traffic stop in the 200 block of E Rt 64. The driver, Jason W Yorton, 47, was issued a citation for speeding, 50 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Yorton was given an I-Bond.

At approximately 12:15 p.m., Mt Morris Police conducted a traffic stop in the 500 block of W Hitt St. The driver, Colin T Gudella, 18, Hanover Park, was issued a citation for speeding, 45 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Gudella was given an I-Bond.

May 16
At approximately 4:42 a.m., Mt Morris Police conducted a

traffic stop in the 300 block of W Hitt St. The driver, Jacob B Williams, 20, was issued a citation for speeding, 55 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Williams was given an I-Bond.

May 18
At approximately 9:35 a.m., Mt Morris Police located a female subject walking in the area of the 100 block of Emily St. After a brief investigation, Victoria Gonzalez, 37, Mt Morris, was arrested on a Lee County warrant for failure to appear. Gonzalez was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

May 24
At approximately 12:32 a.m., Mt. Morris Police were sent to an activated burglar alarm in the 100 block of E Hitt St. After an investigation, Jacob U. Feiden, 28, Mt. Morris, was arrested and charged with Burglary and Criminal Damage to Property. Feiden was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

At approximately 9:50 a.m., Mt. Morris Police were sent to the area of the 300 block of W Hitt St for the complaint of loud music. After an investigation, Cha E. Keller, 33, Mt Morris, was arrested on an Ogle County warrant for failure to appear. Keller was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

May 27
At approximately 6:10 a.m., Mt. Morris Police issued Richard Haan, Jr, 59, Mt. Morris, a city ordinance citation for Trash/Container violation. This violation occurred in the 10 block of E Front St.

At approximately 9:03 a.m., Mt. Morris Police conducted a traffic stop in the 100 block of W Hitt St. The driver, Adedotun E. Bello, 34, Chicago, was issued a citation for speeding 64 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Bello was given a notice to appear.

At approximately 10:35 a.m., Mt. Morris Police conducted a traffic stop in the 100 block of E Rt 64. The driver, Michael D Fini, 28, Canton, MI, was issued a citation for speeding 54 mph in a 30 mph speed zone. Fini was given an I-Bond and released on scene.

At approximately 11:35 a.m.,

Mt. Morris Police issued Brent Burright, 31, Mt. Morris, a city ordinance citation for Grass/Weeds violation. This violation occurred in the 400 block E IL Rt 64.

At approximately 12:21 p.m., Mt. Morris Police were sent to the 10 block of W Center St for the report of a disturbance. After an investigation, Bradley A. Boyd, 42, Mt. Morris, was arrested and charged with Disorderly Conduct, Resisting a Peace Officer, Aggravated Assault to a Peace Officer, and Aggravated Battery to a Peace Officer. Boyd was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

June 3
At approximately 12:36 a.m., Mt. Morris Police were sent to the 400 block of S Ogle Av for the report of a disturbance. After an investigation, Shyanne N Mills, 21, Mt. Morris, and Debra L Erickson, 42, Mt. Morris, were arrested and each were charged with Battery. Both Mills and Erickson were transported to the Ogle County Jail where they were held in lieu of bond.

June 11
At approximately 10:54 p.m., Mt. Morris Police were sent to the area of the 400 block of S Ogle Av for the report of a disturbance. After an investigation, Kristopher C Mockovak, 21, Mt. Morris, was arrested and charged with Aggravated Assault and Resisting a Peace Officer. Mockovak also had a Winnebago County warrant for failure to appear. Mockovak was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

June 12
Mt. Morris Police conducted a traffic stop in the 200 Blk of E Rt 64. The driver, Salo S Dogic, 29, Dubuque, Iowa, was issued a citation for speeding, 52 mph in a 35 mph speed zone. Dogic was given a notice to appear and released on scene.

June 15
Mt. Morris Police responded to a two-vehicle accident in the 100 block of S Mckendrie Av. After an investigation, driver, Karen S. Larimore, Mt. Morris, was cited for Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident and Operating an Uninsured Motor Vehicle. Larimore was given a Notice to Appear.

Oregon Police

May 23
At 9:00 a.m., Oregon Police responded to a two-vehicle traffic crash in the 300 block of S. 5th Street involving a 2017 Dodge driven by Eyerusalem B. Lenth, 20, Oregon, and a parked 2017 Buick belonging to Kathy J. Owen, 67, Stillman Valley. No citations were issued.

At 4:23 p.m., Oregon Police issued Montreace A. Martin, 33, Dixon, a citation for disobeying a stop sign. This violation occurred at the intersection of 3rd and Madison Streets.

At 7:10 p.m., Oregon Police issued Erna M. Erlenbach, 58, Dixon, a citation for speeding, 46 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 600 block of N. 4th Street.

At 7:30 p.m., Oregon Police issued Ashley N. Hubbard, 25, Sterling, citations for operating a vehicle with a suspended registration and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. These violations occurred in the 100 block of N. 4th Street.

May 24
At 7:37 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Robert D. VanDyke, 41, Oregon, on an outstanding Ogle County warrant. VanDyke was transported to the Ogle County jail.

May 26
At 1:56 p.m., Oregon Police issued Franky L. Martinez, 44, Rochelle, for operating a vehicle with an expired registration. This violation occurred near the intersection of E. Washington Street and Daysville Road.

May 27
At 9:27 p.m., Oregon Police issued Jerry M. Mufarreh, 45, Rockford, for speeding, 50 mph in a 30 mph zone. This violation occurred in the 600 block of N. 4th Street.

May 28
At 11:50 a.m., Oregon Police arrested Billy J. Byvick, 45, of Leonore, IL, for no valid driver's license. Byvick was transported to the Ogle County jail. This violation occurred in the 300 block of S. 4th Street.

May 29
At 7:58 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Dominic L. Barker, 24, Rockford, for driving while license suspended. A passenger in the vehicle, Jadarius L. Hardy, 19, Rockford, was also arrested for aggravated unlawful use of a weapon.

Both Barker and Hardy were transported to the Ogle County jail. These violations occurred in the 100 block of S. 4th Street.

7 parking citations and 8 verbal warnings issued during the week of 5/23/2022 through 5/29/2022.

May 30
At 10:52 a.m., Oregon Police responded to a two-vehicle traffic crash that occurred in the 100 block of N. River Road involving a 2005 Ford driven by Jacob J. Werner, 30, Oregon, and a 2014 Chevrolet driven by Beverly A. LaFleur, age 77, Byron. Werner was issued a citation for improper lane use.

May 31
At 10:32 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Scott A. Ghibellini, 27, Oregon, for driving while license revoked, fleeing or attempting to elude a peace officer, and reckless driving. These violations occurred in the 600 block of N. 4th Street. Ghibellini was transported to the Ogle County jail.

June 1
At 9:05 a.m., Oregon Police arrested Shundell D. Brown, 25, Rockford, for driving while license suspended. Brown was also issued citations for operation of a vehicle when registration suspended and operating an uninsured motor vehicle. Brown was transported to the Ogle County jail. These violations occurred in the 100 block of W. Washington Street.

At 9:34 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Jean M. Vaval, Jr., 42, Chicago, for no valid driver's license. Vaval, Jr., also had a valid warrant out of LaSalle County for failure to appear. Vaval, Jr., was transported to the Ogle County jail. These violations occurred in the 600 block of N. 4th Street.

June 2
At 3:54 p.m., Oregon Police arrested Gregory A. Lints, 62, Oregon on an outstanding Ogle County warrant for failure to appear. Lints was transported to the Ogle County jail.

At 5:05 p.m., Oregon Police issued Shannon L. Kirking, 45, Byron, a citation for possession of medical cannabis in a motor vehicle outside approved container by cardholder. This violation occurred in the 100 block of S. 4th Street.

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LOCAL NEWS

Flower show is Aug. 6

POLO – Gardeners – it's finally happening again and you won't want to miss it.

All you need is your green thumb, maybe a trowel or a little pruning shear and time in the sunshine, to actively participate in an upcoming flower show sponsored by the Polo Woman's Garden Club.

This year's theme is "Bee-Utilful Blooms." It will be held on Saturday, Aug. 6 from noon-4 p.m. at the Polo Area Senior Center, 101 E. Mason Street, Polo.

If you attended the flower shows the club organized in past years, you should remember what successful and fun events they were. Over 80 entries were submitted in different classes of flowers and/or vegetables at the very first show. Gardeners exhibited a variety of their favorite home-grown plants, earning recognition and ribbons awarded by area judges.

In addition, over 200 spectators attended to view the "fruits," actually flowers or veggies, of someone else's labor.

Now, once again, happy gardeners are invited to "sign up" to display their plantings, for their own enjoyment, and for any onlookers out for a pleasant afternoon. The variety of categories people may enter include "cut flowers," "wildflower arrangements," "outdoor container plantings," "not house plants," "floral bouquets," "single specimen of flower," and a "horticulture category for vegetables."

There is a special class for children under the age of 12 to enter that include some of the adult categories plus one called "ditch display" which means "any plant growing in a ditch" so probably not grown by choice. All children entering will receive a participation ribbon and other recognition.

There is no entry fee for either adults or children exhibiting items and all may enter as many Flower show categories as they would like.

First, Second and Third place ribbons will be awarded in each adult class plus a "People's Choice" award will be given. Judging will be done between 10 a.m. and noon by three area judges experienced in gardening and/or working as

professionals in the field. Exhibitors need to set up between 8-10 a.m. the morning of the show.

Entries must remain on display until the end of the show at 4 p.m. that day. No exhibitors will be allowed in the building during the judging.

In addition to the main exhibits, there will be other demonstrations and presentations going on during the afternoon. Master Gardener, Leah Patapack from Oregon will be giving a talk called "Buzz on Pollinators" with handouts on the importance of pollinators and how to attract them. Gardener, Pat Kuhn from Polo will be showing the "Many things you can do with dried and preserved flowers."

Bri Kuhn, also from Polo, will demonstrate and explain about creating "Fresh Floral Designs."

There will be drawings for door prizes, donated through the generosity of businesses with in the city of Polo and surrounding towns. Those contributing to the flower show from Polo are Country Floral, Fresh Foods Grocery Store, Polo Pharmacy, and Knie's Appliance Store. Door prizes from Dixon are being donated from Flowers, Etc. and Britni Dvorak, owner of the Hallmark Store. Door prizes from Oregon will be donated by Merlin's Greenhouse and Floral and also from A.M. Floral Co. flower shop in downtown Oregon.

There will also be a drawing to win a Garden Club gift basket or a special "Bear, Bee and Butterfly" gift basket for children under 12 who participate or attend the flower show with an adult.

To exhibit the day of the flower show, official entry forms must be obtained and returned by mail or in person by July 15th to the contact person listed on the form. Forms are available in Polo at Knie's Appliance, Country Floral, Polo City Hall, Polo Pharmacy, Polo Library, Polo Senior Center or from Polo Woman's Garden Club members. Forms are available in Oregon at Merlin's Greenhouse and A.M. Floral Co., flower shop. Forms available in Dixon can be obtained at the Hallmark Store and at Flowers, Etc.

Admission to attend the show is \$1 per adult. Children under age 12 are free. The show opens to the public at noon.



Town & Country Days

Polo Lions Club members and volunteers walked and rode in the Polo Town & Country Days parade on Sunday, June 19.

First Fridays Open Mic is July 1

OREGON – The First Fridays Open Mic returns on July 1 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.

Lions hosting brat drive thru lunch on July 9

LEAF RIVER – The Leaf River Lions will be having a Drive Thru Brat and Beef Hot Dog Sandwich lunch on Saturday, July 9 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Serving will be in the old fire station next to the Bertollet Memorial building at 103 West Second St. The lunch will

consist of your choice of either a Brat or Beef Hot Dog sandwich with chips, cookie, and a drink.

Cost of the meal is \$5, and proceeds will go toward Lions projects. Enjoy a delicious sandwich and support your local Lions Club.

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Thank you to KSB – Oregon for sponsoring Heartache Tonight at the Oregon Park District Concert in the Park series. Everyone enjoyed the Eagles tribute band. KSB provided a treat, beach balls and fans to keep cool at the concert. The next Concert in the Park is Tuesday, June 28 from 6:30-8 p.m. Join us for Blue Steel sponsored by The Harvard State Bank. Enjoy an evening at Park West with music and enjoy food from one of the many food vendors.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Mon., June 27

There will be a blood drive at Valley Covenant Church, 103 S. Maple St. in Stillman Valley, from 2-6 p.m. To schedule a donation, call the Rock River Valley Blood Center at 815-965-8751.

Weds., June 29

The Kable Concert band will be performing the third concert of its 126th season at 7:30 pm. The band, directed by Andy Eckardt, performs a variety of music from crowd-pleasing

marches, show tunes, classical, etc. There will be something for everyone. Concerts are held on the Mt. Morris campus in the Reckmeyer Band shell. Benches are provided or bring a lawn chair. Come early and enjoy the ice cream social served by local organizations.

Fri., July 1

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supportive audience. The show starts at 7 p.m. Admission is free. K's Sports Bar is located at 408 East Washington (Rt. 64) in Oregon

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., July 2

Byron's Hairy Cow Farm-

er's Market is 8 a.m. to noon, Sunshine Park, IL Route 2 and Peru St, Byron. Featuring local seasonal produce, plants, area crafters and more. For information contact Diane Pearse at 815-914-7384, dianepearse69@yahoo.com or through the Byron Hairy Cow Farmer's Market Facebook page.

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On July 9, 1777, New York elects Brigadier Gen. George Clinton as the first governor of the independent state of New York. Clinton would go on to become New York's longest-serving governor, as well as the longest-serving governor in the U.S., holding the post until 1795.

* On July 7, 1852, according to Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's stories, Dr. John H. Watson is born. Coincidentally, the Sherlock Holmes author died on this day in England at the age of 71.

* On July 4, 1911, record temperatures are set in the northeastern U.S. with the arrival of a deadly heat wave that would go on to kill 380 people. On July 13, New York alone reported 211 people dead from the excessive heat.

* On July 10, 1925, in Dayton, Tennessee, the so-called Monkey Trial begins with John Thomas Scopes, a young high-school science teacher, accused of teaching evolution in violation of a Tennessee state law. The law made it a misdemeanor to teach any theory that denied the story of man's Divine Creation.

* On July 5, 1946, French designer Louis Reard unveils a daring two-piece swimsuit at a popular swimming pool in Paris. Reard dubbed the swimsuit a "bikini," inspired by a U.S. atomic test that took place off the Bikini Atoll earlier that week.

* On July 8, 1950, the day after the U.N. Security Council recommended that all U.N. forces in Korea be placed under the command of the U.S. military, Gen. Douglas MacArthur is appointed head of the United Nations Command. When MacArthur later publicly threatened to escalate hostilities with China, President Harry Truman fired him.

* On July 6, 1971, Louis "Satchmo" Armstrong, one of the most influential musicians of the 20th century, dies in New York City at the age of 69. Armstrong pioneered jazz improvisation and the style known as swing.

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A patriot stands with all Americans

Once again, people are taking the word "patriot" and ruining it.

A word that was never meant to be political is now being used by a variety of people and groups to show how much they supposedly love America. Well, their actions tell a very different story.

American is a warm, welcoming and open country. We will take your tired and your hungry. We are all in favor of everyone having and enjoying freedom.

Isn't that right?

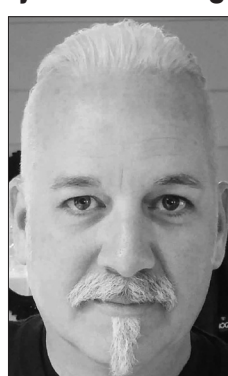
Well, many who wrap themselves in the flag in the name of "patriot" these days don't seem to understand that. In fact, many seem bent on voicing hate and division and a wide variety of anti-American ideals.

The latest group to do so is the Patriot Front. You have probably heard of these whiny children because they were recently arrested for planning to riot at a gay pride event in Idaho.

If you didn't know, June is Pride month. This is when the LGBTQ community celebrates the freedom to be themselves. Freedom, celebration –

Living the Life

By Brad Jennings



very American things, if you ask me.

Look, I realize there are many people who, for a variety of reasons, do not want to celebrate gay people or gay culture. Fine, no one is asking you to.

But rioting and harming those who do is not only illegal, it is not what America is all about.

So, this Patriot Front – which sounds like a real jackboot organization, if you ask me – is a white nationalist group made up of young men who apparently don't want everyone to have the same freedoms they enjoy.

Thirty-one of these wannabe storm troopers were recently arrested before they could actu-

ally cause the havoc they planned, thankfully. And as always seems to be the case with these hate groups, they were dressed like some kind of military force.

Please, stop with the dress up. Our military is better than you and your small-minded friends will ever be. Please feel free to actually join the military and protect ALL Americans.

Sadly, right now in our country extreme right-wing hate groups are a serious threat. And that not only goes for gay Americans, but for many minority groups and others. Hating others because of their color or religion or sexual orientation is not at all American if you ask me.

Sadly, the Internet has made spreading the message of hate and recruiting much easier. It is hard to understand how this many Americans are so full of anger and rage.

Look, there are people who have a different sexual orientation than you everywhere. You don't have to like it, just like they don't have to like you. But every American has the right to life, liberty

and pursuit of happiness.

I have many gay friends, some from childhood. I have written before about one guy in particular, who I have known for as long as I can remember. He is a realtor living in the West and has been with his now husband for more than 30 years. They got married, when the law changed, decades into their committed relationship.

To me, that is something to celebrate. I don't find people loving each other wrong. I am glad when people find others they love and commit too. It's awesome.

Some people seem to have a hard time with others enjoying their freedom, especially if it goes against their beliefs. Well, that's tough.

I celebrate with my friends this month and am thankful that in 2022 they can more openly celebrate who they are and those that they love. That is an America I want to live in – an American which is truly equal for all.

And if you really are a patriot, you understand that.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.

You cannot legislate morality or civility

Dear Editor,

Re: Bonnie Mueller, Oregon (Dear Gun Owners...)

First of all, yes ma'am, I am certainly with you on all the needless mass killings, this has to stop. You asked gun owners for help in solving this matter, so I will give you my input.

I am a Life Member of the NRA and I served almost 24 years' active duty military. I am familiar with firearms and the responsibilities that go along with ownership.

To date myself, when I went to high school, many kids drove trucks to school and had rifles or shotguns on gun racks in the back window. Firearms stayed in place and nothing bad ever happened. Skip ahead a few decades and now these times. Firearms have pretty much stayed the same, pull the trigger and it fires. Typically, nobody leaves their vehicles unlocked, so the vehicles are about the same. What's different? Could it be how these "kids" now are raised, or should I say not raised.

And since you say you are not a gun owner, I will try to help you understand. In your reference to the "assault style weapons." The "assault style weapon" you refer to, is a semi-automatic rifle, which means you pull the trigger once for each shot. There is no automatic fire (meaning hold trigger once

and the magazine empties).

Please understand there are literally thousands of different rifles that fire on the same principle as the "assault style weapon." Each and every one fires the exact same way. One trigger pull, one shot. There is absolutely nothing different in the way these others fire, except, maybe, they are not all black and look scary.

And there are background checks. The U.S. Department of Justice (ATF) requires an ATF Form 4473 when purchasing a any firearm from a dealer. Please take a look at the questions. In Illinois, a further citizen requirement for owning a firearm, you must possess a Firearms Owner Identification Card (FOID) issued by the Illinois State Police. And the Illinois State Police do check the background of applicants. Funny how that is not ever mentioned.

You asked me to convince my legislators to address this appalling situation. I would love to do this. However, legislators have passed hundreds, if not thousands, of gun laws that do absolutely nothing to prevent tragedies. It is merely a feel-good piece of paper that does not prevent anyone from doing anything, ever.

Now, a few of my thoughts on the solution.

* Re: Defund the Police. Seri-

ously, is there absolutely anyone in their right mind that thinks getting rid of the police is going to result in less crime? Nothing more to say.

* Learn how to take care of yourself and family. I am absolutely pro-police, but the boys (and girls) in blue are minutes away when seconds count.

* You will never legislate morality and civility.

* Probably the most important, how about you ask mom and dad to do a better job of raising their children. You know, not be a mass murderer. Get off your smartphone or video game. Grow up, grow a pair and raise your children to be responsible and contributing citizens.

I have many more suggestions, but I'm running out of room.

Now, Ms. Mueller, please do not construe this in any way as a personal attack on you or your letter. I absolutely feel the pain and sadness you do, as I have children and grand-children myself. That being said, I will not sit idly by while people who bear absolutely no responsibility for the events are continually vilified when the obvious answer stares you right in your face...

Raise your children properly!

Grant Sketo, Forreston

Denying a person's identity is a heinous act

Dear Editor,

To my neighbors,

June is Pride month. This month was chosen to recognize LGBTQ+ issues because of the Stonewall Uprising in 1969. Police raided a known LGBTQ+ bar in New York, beating and killing patrons. This hateful raid led to uprisings in New York that spread across the US. LGBTQ+ advocacy is a fascinating, tragic, empowering aspect of our American history. My neighbors, you are loved.

LGBTQ+ identity is human identity. And identity is who we are as we reflect the image of our God who made us. Denying a person's identity

(even our own), degrading it, outlawing it, or at our worst, trying to kill it, is a heinous act against our neighbor and God. Those of us who claim our identity as Christian know that it was Christ who died for our sins, so that we may know forgiveness, new life, the fullness of our personhood, and the depths of God's love for humanity.

My Christian congregation celebrates Pride because we celebrate God's love. It is a messy love, marred by our humanness that strives to be greater than God. And yet, God does not break promises (shown

in rainbows), God does not deny forgiveness, and God does not stop loving. You, my neighbors, are loved.

Since the Bible is an oft-used resource in identity conversations, let's remind ourselves that there are many verses to choose on the topic of identity and love. For instance, Genesis 32:28, Jacob's identity (name) is changed by God to Israel. Psalm 139, God declares that God knows the real you from the beginning. John 13:34, Jesus commands his followers to "love each other as I have loved you." Acts 10:15, Peter is shown by God that what was once

considered unclean is clean. Revelation 21:5, Jesus again, "Behold, I am making all things new!" One could fill a book with verses from God about the depths of God's love for all people.

Take some time this month to speak love, divine or otherwise, over words that deny life. You, my LGBTQ+ neighbors, are loved. You are worthy. You are as God designed you, even if it is not how someone assigned you. Child of God, this promise of love cannot be taken from you. Happy Pride Month!

Trust in God's Grace!
Pastor Josh Ehrler, Mount Morris

LOCAL NEWS

Let Freedom Ring

Spend Independence Day in Mount Morris

MOUNT MORRIS – Celebrate our independence “as a great anniversary festival.” So urged John Adams, the second president of the United States and a member of the committee which helped Thomas Jefferson draft the Declaration of Independence.

Commemorate it with acts of devotion to God. Solemnize it with Pomp and Parade, Games, Bells, Bonfires, and “Illuminations from One End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more.” (John Adams’ letter to Abigail Adams, 3 July 1776)

Come to Mt. Morris July 4th. Attend many events during the Let Freedom

Ring Festival, June 29 through July 4. www.LFRMTMorris.com Celebrate Independence Day. Bring family and friends to a breakfast of pancakes, eggs, sausage, and pastries from 7-11 a.m. at the Firehouse on the corner of McKendrie and Center, or out at the Airport on Route 64 during the same hours.

Love a good walk to help benefit others? Register at ‘Pound the Pavement’ at 8 a.m. in Dillehay Park. Visit the Silent Auction and Bake Sale at the Senior Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., or the Craft and Vendor Fair on Campus from noon- 6 p.m. Encore’s Old Sandstone Art Gallery on campus is open from 11

a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Browse through the gallery and explore its Regional Showcase of Area Artists exhibit.

Let Freedom Ring’s Patriotic Program at noon features the ‘return’ and reminiscences of President Ronald Reagan, who delivers his speech dedicating the first Freedom Bell in 1963 during the Cold War Era. Reagan is portrayed by Mark Tremble of the Performing Arts Guild. Reagan arrives at the campus by motorcade.

The program includes a greeting by Village President Phil Labash, and moments of prayer and special patriotic music. It is immediately followed by the

annual Independence Day ringing of the Official State of Illinois Freedom Bell. The Grand Parade steps off at 2 p.m.

Enjoy Bagshot Row at the bandstand from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Shooter and Northside BBQ are at Mullarkey’s from 1-5 p.m. The Mt. Morris Kable Concert Band entertains with festive music behind the Brayton Road school at 8 p.m. Hector’s Food Truck shares the field from 7-10 p.m. Fireworks and Illuminations, as insisted upon by John Adams back in 1776, begin at dark. Come celebrate Independence Day at the Let Freedom Ring Festival in Mt. Morris.



Fun for everyone

Let Freedom Ring has plenty of events and activities to entertain people of all ages – even kids! (Brad Jennings photo)

Reagan’s 1963 bell dedication speech will be re-visited

MOUNT MORRIS – President Ronald Reagan, portrayed by Mark Tremble of the Performing Arts Guild, will ‘return’ to Mt. Morris and reminisce about his 1963 visit to the village to dedicate its first Freedom Bell at the Veterans Memorial Fountain.

His speech was delivered before he became governor of California in 1967 and the 40th president of the United States in 1981.

Come enjoy *Let Freedom Ring*’s July Fourth Patriotic Program at noon on the Campus. Bring a sun hat, sunscreen, water, and a lawn chair.

Reagan’s motorcade will arrive at the campus shortly after the program begins. Reagan will be joined on stage by

choir and band members from the junior and senior high schools of the Oregon Community Unit School District. The students are from both Mt. Morris and Oregon. The former president will deliver his 1963 Mt. Morris speech which is reminiscent of the Sixties but reverberates throughout the years. The program finale will be performed by a barbershop quartet singing the Star-Spangled Banner.

The Official State of Illinois Freedom Bell adjacent to the bandshell will be rung immediately following the Patriotic Program. All are invited to participate in ringing the giant bell. The Let Freedom Ring grand parade begins at 2 p.m.

Reagan’s bell dedication transitioned

the theme of the Mt. Morris July Fourth Festival in the late 1950s from ‘An Old Fashioned Fourth’ to today’s ‘Let Freedom Ring.’ Our 2022 campus celebration will combine past and present traditions including an invocation, the Pledge of Allegiance, speeches, a choir, band, barbershop quartet, bell ringing, and the Star-Spangled Banner. Come join us in the Village of Mt. Morris, Illinois, to celebrate the Fourth of July.

StingRays to play July 1

MOUNT MORRIS – The Mt. Morris Jamboree is pleased to announce the highly anticipated return of Chicago’s oldie’s rock and roll band, The StingRays, to our band shell for a free two-hour concert on July 1st from 7-9 p.m.

Everyone fortunate enough to see previous shows by this exciting and engaging act will fondly remember the dynamic stage presence of this wonderful band and will attest to the ‘do not miss’ grade level of their show.

The StingRays play the greatest music ever written and they play it with the energy, passion and authenticity of the artists whose music they love. Their music, great rapport with audiences, their look and the famous StingRay moves have made them repeated favorites at festivals, concert series, and parties throughout the Midwest.

The StingRays love interacting with audiences through trivia, dance contests and joining people in the audience. The StingRays always get the crowd dancing and singing to songs from Rockabilly, tons of 60’s, through the 70’s.

Concessions for the evening will be provided by the Ogle County Beef Producers and Hector’s Corn Roaster. The Let Freedom Ring Committee will be serving root beer floats. All from 6-8 p.m. It’s opening night of the four day Let Freedom Ring Festival, adding to the already festive atmosphere.

The Jonas Fultz Memorial Car Show will be happening on the North end of the Campus that night, from 5-8 pm, signup at 4pm. There will also be a 50’s and 60’s costume contest with winners announced at 8pm and the craft fair will be happening at the North end of the Campus from 5-9 p.m.

Please bring a blanket or chair, or enjoy the new benches and join the fun on our beautiful, historic campus in the center of Mt. Morris, two blocks south of Rt. 64 on Wesley Ave and enjoy the free Rock & Roll concert.

In the event of rain, the whole show moves to the Pinecrest Grove Community Center, located at 500 Evergreen Ln., 7 blocks south of Rt. 64 on McKendrie St. at the same times.

Enjoy Let Freedom Ring, June 29 - July 4 in Mount Morris!

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Let Freedom Ring



A weekend of great music

Local duo, Acoustic Axis (top photo) opens an afternoon of free live music on the Campus on Saturday, July 2, from 4-5 p.m. Guitarists and singers, Kevin Remrey and Larry Ubben perform Blues and Classic Rock from Leadbelly and Jimmy Reed through the Who and Tom Petty with passion and style. Closing out Saturday's lineup of free live music on the Campus from 7-8 p.m. is local musician, Chris Kolling, (middle photo) a guitar player and a song singer. The music he performs includes some familiar classic rock and roll as well as original material. Chris teaches guitar and other instruments at Aireloom Music Studio in Mt. Morris. Mt. Morris' newest hometown band, Bang Zoom and the Whamo's make their debut on our Campus Band Shell for a free concert on July 3, from 7-9 p.m. Anchored by local musicians, guitarist, Kevin Remrey, trumpet ace, Terry Connell and drummer Chuck Manola, this 8 piece Classic Rock and Pop Band featuring vocalist Stacy Graaff play 60's-80's classics from Chicago, The Pretenders, Procol Harum, The Zombies and many more. Come join us on the Campus and enjoy this high energy trip down memory lane! And Retro Pop/Rock Band, Bagshot Row (bottom photo) make their debut on the Mt. Morris Band Shell on the 4th of July from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Performing the fun sounds from the fifties through the seventies, Bag-shot Row adds their own identities to the best music of all time, including favorites from The Beatles, The Monkeys and The Rolling Stones all the way up to Cheap Trick. If you enjoy catchy, bouncy melodies with power pop chords and three-part harmony, all driven by a powerful back-beat, you'll love Bagshot Row!



Let Freedom Ring

A Big, Small Town Festival with Family Fun and Entertainment for Everyone!

June 29 - July 4

"Rockets Red Glare"

Wednesday, June 29

Come to the Bandshell!

5:30 pm — 6:30 pm

Beat Feet @ Bandshell

6:15 pm — 7 p

Little Miss & Mister Firecracker @ Bandshell

7 pm — 8:45 pm

Gallery K-12 Show @ Sandstone Gallery

7:30 pm — 8:30 pm

Kable Band @ Bandshell

7:30 pm — 8:30 pm

Ice Cream Social @ Bandshell yard

Friday, July 1

4 pm

Car Show Sign Up @ Wesley St.

5 pm — 8 pm

Jonas Fultz Memorial Car Show & Costume

Contest 50s & 60s

5 pm — 8 pm

Silent Auction and Bake Sale @ Mt. Morris

Senior Center

5 pm — 9 pm

Craft/Vendor Fair @ Square Yard

5 pm — 8 pm

Beef Production @ Bandshell Yard

6 pm — 8 pm

Rootbeer Floats LFR @ Bandshell Yard

7 pm — 9 pm

Sting Rays @ Bandshell

7 pm — 9 pm

50s & 60s Dress-up Contest @ Bandshell

6:30 pm — 9 pm

EnCore Art Show opening night - Regional

Artist Showcase

Saturday, July 2

8am — 12 pm

Berryview

9 am — 6 pm

Tractor & Small Engine Show

11 am — 2 pm

Pork Chops and Burgers LFR

Noon — 8 pm

Silent Auction and Bake Sale @ Mt. Morris

Senior Center

Noon — 8 pm

Craft/Vendor Fair @ Square Yard

4 pm — 8 pm

EnCore Art Show - Regional Artist Showcase

5:30 pm — 8:30 pm

Venomous Hearts @ Bandshell

6:30 pm

Watermelon Eating Contest @ Bandshell Yard

Sunday, July 3

10:30 am — 11:30 am

Living Hope Church @ Bandshell

Noon — 8 pm

Silent Auction @ Mt. Morris Senior Center

Noon — 5 pm

Crafter/Vendor Fair @ Square Yard

Noon

Kiddie Parade Registration

12:30 pm

Kiddie Parade

1 pm

Water Fight Registration

1:30 pm

Water fights

4 pm — 5 pm

Fred & Friends Kidshow @ Bandshell

5 pm — 8 pm

Alumni Gathering @ Mt. Morris Senior Center

6 pm — 8 pm

Bang Zoom & the Wammos @ Bandshell

Monday, July 4

7 am — 11 am

Firemen's Breakfast @ Firehouse

7 am — 11 am

Fly-In/Drive-In Breakfast @ Mt. Morris Airport

8 am — 9 am

Pound the Pavement registration

9 am

Pound the Pavement @ Dillehay Park

10 am — 2 pm

Silent Auction and Bake Sale @ Mt. Morris

Senior Center

Noon — 6 pm

Craft/Vendor Fair @ Square Yard

Noon — 1 pm

Patriotic Program @ Bandshell

1 pm

Bell Ringing

2 pm

Parade

Noon — 1:30 pm

EnCore Art Show - Regional Artist Showcase

5:30 pm — 7:30 pm

Bagshot Row @ Bandshell

8 pm

Kable Band

8:30 pm

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Oregon tumbling team does well at national championships

OREGON – The All The Wright Moves tumbling team from Oregon competed at the USTA National Championships in Lakeland, Fla., June 13-18.

Twelve girls qualified to compete most in all three events which is Rod Floor, Double Mini, and trampoline. This led them to having four National Champion titles. Team All the Wright moves took home some big team titles as well 2nd place over all on trampoline and 3rd place over all on double mini.

Head Coach Mary Wright started off the team with five little girls with big dreams 5 years ago. Now they have all of the tools needed to take this team to the top. Assistant Coach Lillie Doss has been with Wright from the start as a competitor and a coach. She will soon start her journey to college in Spain.

Over All Scores: MaKyla Larson 5th place Rod Floor, 8th place Double Mini, and 2nd place Trampoline; Kendra Spangler 2nd place Rod Floor, 2nd place Double Mini, and 2nd place Trampoline; Two Time National Champion Kyla Edmonson 1st place Rod Floor, 1st place Trampoline, 5th place Double mini; National Champion Isabel Jackson 1st place Rod Floor, 5th place Trampoline; Ashley Potter - 4th place Rod Floor, 17th place Double Mini, 2nd place trampoline; Emma Wissinger 16th double mini, 17th trampoline; Olivia Moser - 11th place Rod Floor; Gracie Duich 4th trampoline and fourth place double mini; Allyson Williams 2nd place double mini, 3rd place trampoline, 4th place



rod floor; National Champion Ava Berke 15th Floor, 1st double mini, 4th

trampoline; Georgia Schabacker top 40 in nation on Rod Floor; Previous


National Champion Alex Neece 6th Place on Rod Floor.




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1765 Melbourne Lane, Aurora
\$359,900 Call JD
Look no further!!! Beautiful 2 story home nestled in a lovely neighborhood just south of Ogden Ave & I-88. This property features 3 bedrooms (including a master suite w/ jacuzzi tub), 2.5 bathrooms, main floor laundry, a full basement just waiting to be finished, attached 2 car garage and fenced in yard. The kitchen is to die for- featuring stainless appliances, stone countertops, motion faucet, moveable island, and much more. The most recent updates include but are not limited to: gutter guards, furnace, A/C, water heater, & radon mitigation (all 2020/21). The roof is also only 6 years old! Move right in and call this place home. Schedule a showing before it's too late.




Woods and Smith Drive Oregon
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2826 Lark Rise, Rockford
\$315,000 Call Jamie
Curb Appeal Alert! Come check out this beautiful 6-bedroom 3.5 bath well-maintained colonial style brick home located in Spring Creek Meadows. This spacious home includes a formal dining room, family room, living room with a charming brick fireplace. The entertainer's kitchen comprises a large breakfast nook, a lovely granite island, tile backsplash, full pantry and elegant dry bar. Prefinished Hand Distressed American Walnut floors, oak trim, 6 panel doors and main floor laundry complete the main level. The upper level boasts an expansive, freshly updated primary suite with walk-in closet, brand new walk in shower, jacuzzi tub, new skylight and double vanity. 3 large secondary bedrooms and an additional full bath round off the upper level. The lower level has a finished rec room, large, remodeled bedroom and loads of storage space. The backyard is a true sanctuary. Lush landscaping surrounds the lavish tiered composite deck and pergola. Windows in the back of house (22) Furnace (22) Roof (20). This location is ideal! Plenty of shopping, restaurants, golf courses and easy interstate access. This is the home you have been waiting for!



102 5th St., Leaf River
\$90,000 Call Lori
This charming move-in ready home features a nice big family room with gas fireplace, eat-in kitchen, and a large fenced-in back yard. The attached 2-car garage has built in work benches and a big cement driveway leading to the house. This house is a real gem and is much larger than it appears from the street. Come on in for a surprise!



311 Emily St., Mt Morris
\$129,000 Call Mark
Looking for a 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath RANCH home on a very desirable street in Mt. Morris? 311 W. Emily St. has just become available! Spacious kitchen has nice oak cabinets, double stainless sink, nice vinyl flooring, eat-in area and pass through to the dining room. Large dining room has 2 built in china cabinets with vintage charm and laminate flooring. Living room has large front window letting in tons of light and you will love the open floor plan! Both bedrooms are on the main level and have hard wood flooring as does the living room. Beautiful glass sunporch off the kitchen is a great place to fill with plants or hang a hammock and do some reading. The newly stained large deck off the back invites you into the well manicured, fenced backyard with stone firepit. A great place for evening dinner parties! This home has a new furnace as of Dec. of 2020, attached 1 car garage, central air and a 12 year old roof. Ready for you to move right in!

If you own a home, your net worth likely just got a big boost thanks to rising home equity. Equity is the current value of your home minus what you owe on the loan. And today, based on recent home price appreciation, you're building that equity far faster than you may expect – here's how it works.

Because there's an ongoing imbalance between the number of homes available for sale and the number of buyers looking to make a purchase, home prices are on the rise. That means your home is worth more in today's market because it's in high demand. As Patrick Dodd, President and CEO of CoreLogic, explains: "Price growth is the key ingredient for the creation of home equity wealth. . . . This has led to the largest one-year gain in average home equity wealth for owners. . . ."

Basically, because your home value has likely climbed so much, your equity has increased too. According to the latest Homeowner Equity Insights from CoreLogic, the average homeowner's equity has grown by \$64,000 over the last 12 months.

While that's the nationwide number, if you want to know what's happening in your area, look at the map below. It breaks down the average year-over-year equity growth for each state using the data from CoreLogic.

The Opportunity Your Rising Home Equity Provides

In addition to building your overall net worth, equity can also help you achieve other goals like buying your next home. When you sell your current house, the equity you built up comes back to you in the sale. In a market where homeowners are gaining so much equity, it may be just what you need to cover a large portion – if not all – of the down payment on your next home.

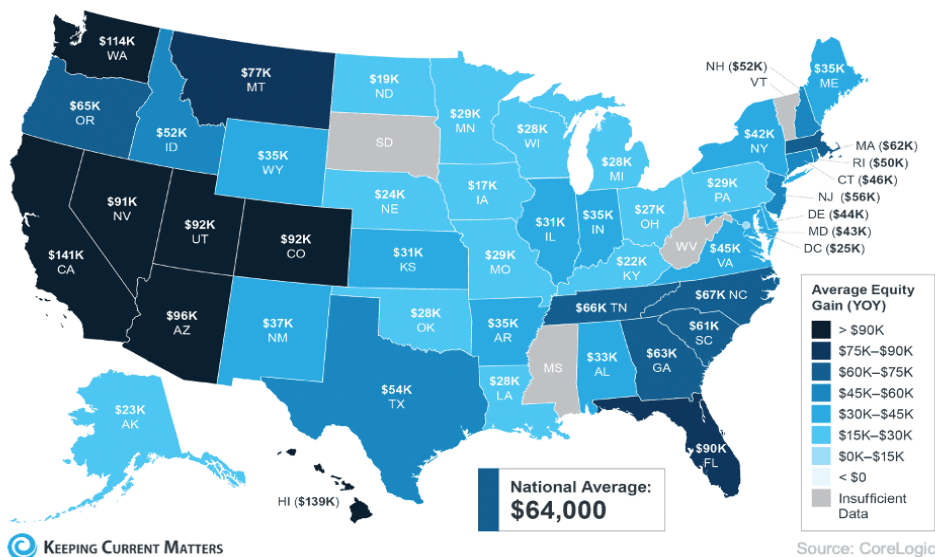
So, if you've been holding off on selling or you're worried about being priced out of your next home because of today's ongoing home price appreciation, rest assured your equity can help fuel your move.

Bottom Line

If you're planning to make a move, the equity you've gained can make a big impact. To find out just how much equity you have in your current home and how you can use it to fuel your next purchase, connect with a trusted Realtor at RE/MAX of Rock Valley!

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Ley back to perform in Mount Morris

MOUNT MORRIS – Aireloom Music Studio owner, Mary Ley, will be performing after a two and a half year hiatus with her Native American flutes, classical and acoustic guitars, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on July 2.

Mary will share some folk, kids songs, Spanish, French and patriotic tunes.

Concessions for the evening will be provided by the Ogle County Pork Producers, who will be serving their famous butterfly pork chop sandwiches, chips, drinks and dessert, from 5-7 p.m. on July 2, just South of the Band Shell.

LFR's watermelon eating contest will happen on the Campus at 6:30 p.m., after Mary Ley's show.

Univ. of Dubuque announces Dean's List

DUBUQUE, Iowa – The University of Dubuque congratulates the following students on being appointed to the Spring Semester 2022 Academic Dean's List.

Full-time students in good academic standing (registered for and having earned 12 or more letter grade credits for the term) who earn a term grade point average of 3.5 or above and who do not have any grades of Incomplete for the term are named to the Dean's List. Once grades have been submitted for any Incompletes, the Office of Academic Affairs will review eligibility again for possible placement on the Dean's List for the given term.

Byron:

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Polo:

Kaylene Hess

Dean's List is awarded for the fall and spring semesters only and may be awarded retroactively.

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July 9
9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
&
July 10
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Join us for our 4th annual event. Stop in to view the bigger and better Ellison memorial daylily garden and let us dig you a one of a kind daylily. Stroll through the display gardens and find some beautiful plants in the garden center. We will have a great selection of vendors and food choices. Door prizes and raffles. Come enjoy the day at Hidden Timber Gardens!

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LOCAL NEWS

Byron Library News

Special Hours
In observance of the July 4th holiday, the Byron Public Library will be closed on Monday, July 4. We will reopen at our regular time on Tuesday, July 5. We wish all of our patrons a safe and happy Independence Day!

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

Did you know... that the Byron Public Library offers free notary services? Several of our staff members are registered notaries, and can notarize documents during most library hours. Please call the library at 815-234-5107 for notary availability or to set up an appointment.

StoryWalks at the Byron Forest Preserve
New StoryWalks® are up at the Byron Forest Preserve! Stroll the 1/2-mile Indigo Trail while reading «Camp Tiger» by Susan Choi, or read «Pie is for Sharing» by Stephanie Parsley Ledyard while walking to the Heritage Farm Museum. 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.

National BINGO Day
Monday, June 27, 1-2 p.m.
Come and enjoy an afternoon of BINGO as we celebrate National BINGO Day at the Byron Public Library. We will be switching up ordinary BINGO to make for a fun afternoon. Everyone is guaranteed a prize! Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/signup to register.

Polo Library News

Children's Programs
Summer Reading Program "Reading Beyond the Beaten Path" Saturday, June 11th - Saturday, July 30th. Introducing Beanstack as our new reading challenging website and app to help you kiddos achieve your reading goals while earning badges in fun exciting ways!!
REGISTER for Summer Reading by calling 815-946-2713, emailing melaniew@pololibrary.org, or clicking the Google form link on the Polo Library Facebook for the program.

Wild Times Exotics - Monday, June 27th - 4pm-5pm - Join Ms. Melanie for this free event for all ages! Learn about, and meet, some exciting animals when they visit Polo Library!

Adult Programs - Retirement Open House - Celebrating Library Director, Ellen Finckley - Stop by the Library on Friday, July 15th between 10am-4pm and share memories, well-wishes and refreshments.

2022 Outdoor Concert Series - Join us at the Polo Library pavilion on Saturday, July 16th for Project Nostalgia playing classic rock and oldies. 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. Save the date for the rest of the series: August 13th - The Lone Canary (Folk/Americana), September 17th - The Beaux (Classic Rock 60-90s). The 2022 Outdoor Concert Series is

Healthy Living
Thursday, June 30, Noon-1 p.m.
Watch the Alzheimer's Association LIVE interactive program. This program will continue to discuss healthy living and will include a cooking demonstration on how to make a Fourth of July delectable treat! Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/signup to register.

Plant Swap
Thursday, July 7, 6-7:30 p.m.
Bring your unwanted indoor/outdoor plants to the library and exchange them for new ones! Be ready to talk about your plant's requirements with others. Please register by visiting Byron.evanced.info/signup or calling 815-234-5107.

Blueberry Muffins and More!
Tuesday, July 12, 6-7 p.m.
Did you know that July is Blueberry Muffin Month? It is! Come join Beth as she shares a delicious blueberry muffin recipe. Beth will walk you through the steps of figuring out how many calories are in one muffin. She'll also share with you how you might cut those calories by using a simple ingredient in place of another. See if you can taste the difference. Everyone will go home with the staple ingredients and recipe for these yummy blueberry muffins. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/signup to register.

Explore Mexico
Friday, July 15
1-2:30 p.m.
Mike Vondruska, a respected authority on Mexico travel, has invested several months each year for over 15 years to explore the country of Mexico by traveling to its colonial cities, small towns, and rural villages to learn about its history, traditions, and many cultures. Come and meet Mike to hear some of his entertaining travel stories, learn about interesting off-the-beaten-path locations you can visit outside of the coastal beach resort areas, and gather some good tips about what you should know before you go.

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!

funded by a grant from the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois.

Yoga with Becka - Monday, June 27th - 6 p.m. - To register, call 815-946-2713 or visit pololibrary.org

Coffee & Community Conversations - Wednesday, July 13th - 10:30 a.m. - Head down to the Library for conversations about the things happening in our community. Coffee will be provided, registration is not required.

What we're reading and discussing in July -

Friday Discussion Group, July 8th at 1:00 p.m. Meeting at Polo Senior Center to discuss Without You, There Is No Us by Suki Kim.

Wednesday Books 2 Movies, July 20th at 5:00 p.m. Meeting at Polo Library to talk about the book and movie The Orchid Thief by Susan Orlean.

Monday Afternoon Book Club, July 25th at 1:30 p.m. Meeting at Polo Library to share our opinions of The Maidens by Alex Michaelides.

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

Summer Reading Challenge: Dive Into Reading

Sun. Sand. Surf. Join us on the beach as we *Dive Into Reading*. From sea-inspired stories, STEM and crafts, we'll engage in fun challenges and activities, track our reading, and earn badges online using Beanstack: a FREE and user-friendly mobile app. (Don't worry: you can also use Beanstack on your desktop.) You can register as an individual, family, or organization/class/school! For more information visit our website: <https://www.juliahull.org/summer-reading-2022>.

Adult Craft Night: Beach Texture Painting
The beach is calling and we must go! Join Joanna as she walks participants through the process of making a texturized beach painting that will have you dreaming of sand and surf year-round. Monday, July 11 at 6 p.m. Adults only. Registration

required. 815-645-8611.

Short & Sweets
Join us at the library Wednesday, July 13 at 10 a.m. for an engaging discussion of Claire Keegan's short story, "So Late in the Day." Copies of reading available at the circulation desk. Adults only.

Super Stolie
Dive into summer with ¡Sea, See, Si! - a bilingual show with Super Stolie! Super Stolie makes a big splash with original songs and popular nursery rhymes in both English and Spanish. We'll dive into numbers, letters, animals and opposites while we dance away the day. Join us Friday, July 15, at 1 p.m. All ages. Registration required: 815-645-8611.

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Teen Beach Party
Life's a day at the beach when you're at a great party! Teens will enjoy music, games, snacks and crafts inspired by sun, surf and sand. Friday, July 22 at 1 p.m. Ages 13-18. Registration required. 815-645-8611.

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Adult Summer Reading Program - June 1 through Aug. 1
Join others who are “too old” for the Children’s Summer Reading Program (yes, that includes 18 and up!) for a low-key stress-free Adult Summer Reading program. Oregon Public Library has two ways to record your reading progress. Give the library a call or stop by for more information. NEW - We have brain game packets available this year. Brain game packets completed will be entered into the drawing for the Adult Summer Reading prizes at the end of the program. Follow us on Facebook, join our e-newsletter and visit our website for more information about programs. All brain game packets and book logs must be turned in by the end of the business day on August 1, 2022.

2022 Summer Reading Program- Read Beyond the Beaten Path! June 6- July 29
It’s here! Programs began the week of June 6. Free to residents, 3 – 17 years old of the Oregon Public Library District. Registration is required. Come in, call or check our Facebook page or website to find out how you can register.

Week of June 27
Monday, June 27 **Story Time 10 a.m.** (18-months -6 yrs.)
Monday, June 27 **Teen Advisory Board Meeting**, 6 p.m. (ages 13 & up)
Tuesday, June 28, **Tails Are Not for Pulling!** 1:30 p.m. (ages 6 & up)
Wednesday, June 29, **Afternoon Movie at the Library**, 2 p.m. *Honey, I Shrunk the Kids*, rated PG
Thursday, June 30, **River’s Edge Farmer’s Market**, 5:30 -7:30 p.m. The Library & Jason Kollum with Bubbles!

Week of July 4- Only 4 weeks left of youth summer reading program!
Monday, July 4, Closed for Fourth of July
Wednesday, July 6, Activity Time- Paper Lanterns, 1:30 pm (grades 1st & up)
Thursday, July 7, Bison Safari, 10 am (1st grade & up w/parent)
Ongoing activities: Mystery Letter Hunt, Solve the Mystery Quote and I Spy Hunt in the Library!

Tails Are Not for Pulling!- Tuesday, June 28, 1:30 p.m., Ages 6 & up
Learn about Tails Humane Society-their mission, how to adopt & how you could help. There may even be a few furry visitors!

River’s Edge Farmer’s Market- Thursday, June 30, 5 -7:30 p.m. Bubbles & Books!
Join the Library at the Farmer’s Market ! We will have information about the Library, free books and of course..., BUBBLES! Jason Kollum, bubble extraordinaire will be bringing his special bubble mixture with a collection of wands for everyone to participate in hands-on bubble making starting at 5:30pm!

Bison Safari, Thursday, July 7, 10 a.m. (1st grade & older w/parent)
Take a vehicle tour inside the fence of The Nature Conservancy’s Nachusa Grassland. See the bison in their natural habitat & experience the beauty of Nachusa. Led by Susan Kleinman, Environmental Educator. This activity requires mobility to be able to climb in and out of a truck. Meet at the Visitor Center Pavilion. Registration required.

Book Clubs
Books On Tap will meet Thursday, June 30, at 6 p.m. at Cork N Tap to discuss The Cactus by Sarah Hayward. Teen Book Association will meet Saturday, June 25 at 10 a.m. to discuss Legendborn by Tracy Deonn. Cocktails and Crimes will meet on July 10 at 2 p.m. (grab a book to find out where).The 2WBC Book Club meets Wednesday, July 13 at 12:30 pm to discuss Every Heart A Doorway by Seanan McGuire. The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, July 20 at 1 p.m. to discuss The Rose Code by Kate Quinn.

Preschool StoryTime (18 months- 5 years)
Join us on Mondays at 10 am for stories, games, crafts and playtime! Registration is required.

Ink With A Friend Monthly Card Club- Monday, June 27th at 6:30 p.m.
Registration Deadline June 20th
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.
Healthy Living for Your Brain & Body AND a Cooking Demonstration to make a Fourth of July Delectable Treat!-Thursday, June 30th at noon - WATCH PARTY
For centuries, we’ve known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. But now, science is able to provide insights into how to make lifestyle choices that may help you keep your brain and body healthy as you age. Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging. You can watch this live virtual presentation at the library, register online www.oregonpubliclibrary.com or (815) 732-2724, or in the comfort of your own home.

An Evening with Michelle Zauner- Thursday, June 30th - 7:00pm VIRTUAL Program
Join us for an evening with musician and author Michelle Zauner as she discusses her music career and her beloved bestselling memoir, “Crying in H Mart.” Jessica Hopper joins her in conversation.
Michelle Zauner is best known as a singer and guitarist who creates dreamy, shoegaze-inspired indie pop under the name Japanese Breakfast. She has won acclaim from major music outlets around the world for releases like Psychopomp (2016) and Soft Sounds from Another Planet (2017). Critically acclaimed Jubilee (2021) is currently nominated for two Grammy awards. “Crying in H Mart” is her first book.

Jessica Hopper is a music critic, producer and author based in Chicago. In a career spanning more than twenty years, Hopper has earned acclaim as a provocative, fearless music journalist. She has written for, among others, GQ, Rolling Stone, The New York Times Magazine, The Guardian, Elle, and the Chicago Reader. She is the author of “The First Collection of Criticism By A Living Female Rock Critic” and co-founded Golden Teapot, a production company specializing in music and culture documentary work.
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Oregon Public Library StoryWalk®
StoryWalk® was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT in 2007, and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle & Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg Hubbard Library.
Current story is Down by the River by Andrew Weiner.

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An Evening with Michelle Zauner; *Crying in H Mart*
****New Date**Thursday, June 30, 7 p.m. CST -**
 Musician and author Michelle Zauner discusses her music career and her beloved bestseller *Crying in H Mart*. Her memoir about growing up Korean American, losing her mother, and forging her own identity was a *New York Times* notable book of the year. Best known as a singer and guitarist who creates indie pop under the name Japanese Breakfast, Grammy Award-nominated Zauner has won acclaim from major music outlets around the world.

For more information on this speaker please visit prhspkrs.com.

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Summer Reading Program
 Let’s keep the summer reading going by “Reading Beyond the Beaten Path” at your local library! This week our theme will be “Harnessing the Wind”! We will have an awesome craft-gliders- for the take-n-make. Just stop by to grab your kit, then post a picture on our

Facebook posting or stop by to compete with other patrons to see how far your glider or paper airplane can fly for the weekly badge. Don’t forget to keep reading and reach those goals!

Storytime-Wednesday’s at 11:15 a.m.
 This Wednesday, 6/30, we fly into our story time! We will glide with our young patrons through some windy books and create a breezy craft to take home! Join us to hear airy stories and flutter a path through the library, at your Mount Morris Public Library!

Lego Club!
 Lego night on Thursday, July 15, from 6-6:45 p.m. Bring a friend and build some fun with Lego bricks! All Children and parents are invited – ages 4 and up. Children under 8 need to bring a parent with them.

Adult Book Club
 The June book is *Birdseye: The Adventures of a Curious Man* by Mark Kurlansky. Copies are available at the library. This group will meet in-person at the library on Monday, June 27th at 3:30 p.m.

Display Case Showings
 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!

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 \$1.00. Resume software is available on our computers. Come visit us and let us help you!

AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

BYRON

ALL SAINTS LUTHERAN CHURCH
 624 Luther Drive, Byron IL 61010 815-234-5277
 Pastor: Janet Wold
 Sunday Worship Service held at 9:00 am. A recording of each Sunday’s worship service is available on our Facebook page and our website later in the day. Communion is served every Sunday. Sunday School for ages 3 through Adult is held at 10:00 am September through May. Confirmation studies for 7th and 8th grade students are held each Sunday morning at 10:00 am. Monday afternoon Bible Study is held at 1:30 pm via Zoom. In person Bible Studies are held Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm and Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 pm. Book Club and The GATHERING meet monthly; quilters meet twice monthly. Visit our website <http://www.AllSaintsByron.org> or call the church office for further information.

CORNERSTONE FAMILY CHURCH
 205 N. Peru St., Byron IL 61010- Phone 815-234-8737 cornerstonefamilychurch.org
 Sr. Pastor: Randy Snider, NextGen/ Family Pastor: Collin Nicholls
 Children’s Ministry Director : Lori Martin
 Worship Service on Sundays at 10am with Children’s Worship Service and Nursery Available
 Sr High Youth Ministry Sundays at 6:00pm, Jr High Youth Ministry Wednesdays at 6:30pm
 Numerous Small Groups Available for All Ages throughout the week . Please call our Church Office or visit our website for more details .
 Office Hours: 8:00am -4:30pm Mondays-Thursdays

BYRON ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
 226 E. Second St, Byron, IL 61010 - Phone 815-234-7431 – Fr. Richard Rosinski. Weekday Masses: Tuesday – Friday 7:30am, Weekend Masses: May – August Sat. 5:00 pm, Sun. 8:00 am and 10:00 am, September – April Sat. 5:00 pm, Sun. 8:00 am and 10:45 am, Reconciliation: Fri. 8:00 am – 8:30 am; Sat. 3:30 pm – 4:30 pm or by appointment

SHEPHERD EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
 NEW LOCATION! Jarrett Prairie Center 7993 N. River Rd., Byron Phone 963-5216 Rev. Michael Axmark, Pastor.Discover Time 9:30 a.m., Fellowship 10:15 a.m., Worship 10:30 a.m.
 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 838, Byron, IL 61010

UNITED CHURCH OF BYRON
 A Member of the United Church of Christ
 701 W. Second Street; PO Box 927, Byron IL 61010, 815-234-8777
 Email: ucb@comcast.net
 Website: unitedchurchofbyron.org
 Pastor: Rev. Tyler Spellious
 Youth Ministry Coordinator: Richard Simpson
 Sunday Schedule & Worship opportunities:
 Service of Meditation & Prayer: 8:15am- 8:45am
 Adult Sunday School Hour: 9am
 Kids Sunday School: (for ages 3 thru 5th grade) 9:30 -10:15am
 Coffee & fellowship time: 9:30am - 10:30am
 Main Worship: 10:30am
 Spark Youth Group (for ages 6th grade thru 12th grade) - Sundays, 5pm-7pm
 For complete ministry schedule and other activities, please check our website or Facebook page or contact the church office.
 Whoever you are or wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome here!

CHANA

CHANA UNITED METHODIST
 Pastor Matt Smith, 606 Main Street, Chana, IL 61015. Church office 815-732-7683. (E-mail address: chanaumc@gmail.com) Adult & Children’s Education 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion celebrated the first Sunday of each month. At Chana Church you will find Open Hearts-Open Minds-Open Doors.

DAVIS JUNCTION

DAVIS JUNCTION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 Open Minds, Open Hearts, Open Doors • “God’s Heart in Our Community”
 Located in town on Rt. 72 • Our Pastor is Rev. Keith Kelsey-Powell **Sunday Services:** Worship 10:30am, Childrens time during Worship Service. Fellowship following the Worship Service each Sunday. Communion the first Sunday of the month. Potluck luncheon following Worship every 4th Sunday, except in the summer months of June, July and August. Various small groups meet throughout the month. For more information about the small groups please call 298-2310. AA meets Wednesdays at 5:30pm and Saturdays at 9am. For more information please visit our website WWW.DJUMC.ORG

FORRESTON

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH
 402 2nd Avenue, Forreston, IL 61030, Phone 815-938-3203Pastor Scott Ralston
 Sunday Worship 9:00 am; Sunday School 10:00 am

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
 402 First Ave., Forreston, IL Phone: 815-938-2380
 Pastor Sung-Eun Kim
 OPEN HEARTS, OPEN MINDS, OPEN DOORS
 Worship at 9:00 a.m. (childcare provided) with coffee and fellowship immediately following. Sunday School Age 3-Adult, 10:15 am.
 AA meets Mondays, 8:00 AM. Monthly United Methodist Women’s meetings. God is Good, All the Time, All the Time, God is Good!

ST. JAMES LUTHERAN CHURCH
 Pastor Karen Tews
 West Grove Rd. At Columbine Rd.
 Worship Service 10:30 am. Communion is served every Sunday.
 “Singing the Song of Christian Faith in Worship, Service, Learning, Outreach and Welcome” in a beautiful rural setting.
 Everyone is cordially invited to be with us.

LEAF RIVER

ADELINE ZION EVANGELICAL CHURCH
 9106 Cedar St. in Adeline, Leaf River, IL 61047 • Ph:815-541-4863 Sunday Services: Sunday School 9:00 am, Worship Service 10:15 am
 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 Mary 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-Radney Caldwell. Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Worship service available online, call for details. Other activities currently suspended due to pandemic. Email: mtmcob@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;

EBENEZER REFORMED CHURCH

2997 N. German Church Rd., 815-732-6313
 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 of month. Lighthouse will lite 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: saintbrides.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: stpaulnalcoregonil.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. Nail
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.faithumcpolo.com • facebook.com/Faithumcpolo

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.theredbrickchurch.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
 Pastor Tom Cox, Interim Pastor
www.kishchurch.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.valleyecv.org
 Sunday Morning 9:15am ‘Gather’ for learning & conversation, 10:15am Worship both onsite and online at facebook.com/VECCFSV
 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 • 815-723-1369
Worship Service: Saturday at 5pm

WINNEBAGO

MIDDLE CREEK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
 Connect with People, Connect with Christ
 12473 Montague Road, Winnebago, IL 61088
 Located near the intersection of Montague and Tower roads; Phone: 815-335-2609; e-mail: middlecreekchurch@gmail.com
Sunday mornings: Family Communion Worship 8:30 a.m.; Communion is first Sunday of each month. Blended Worship 9:30 a.m. (Sept. – May) and 10 a.m. (June – Aug.); Sunday School Sept – May 9:15 a.m.
 For more information call the church office 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., Mon-Fri.

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www.stillmanbank.com

OGLE COUNTY
LIFE
ROCK VALLEY SHOPPER

211 Hwy. 38 E.
Rochelle, IL 61068
Ph: 815-732-2156
Fax: 815-562-2161

LOCAL NEWS

Bertolet Library News

Closed: Monday, July 4th
We will be closed Monday, July 4th in observance of Independence Day.

Microsoft Excel Fundamentals: Monday, July 18th, 5 p.m.
Learn the basics to get started using Microsoft Excel. This class will include a hands-on overview of the Excel workspace and creation of a basic inventory spreadsheet where you will apply formatting and complete calculations using formulas and functions. Please bring a laptop if you have one. Registration is required: 815-738-2742. Presented by HCC Lifelong Learning.

Oceans of Possibilities: Thursdays, June 16th - July 14th:
10-10:45 a.m.: Pre-K thru 5th graders are invited to join Miss Jana for stories, crafts, and games as we learn about everything that goes on under the sea!
10:45-11:30 a.m.: 1st thru 5th graders are invited to stay for a project geared to their ages. Miss Jana will have a more in-depth, hands-on project just for you!

Water Is Water: Thursday, July 21st, 10 a.m.
Join Miss Melinda from Ag In The Classroom as she takes us through Miranda Paul's book, "Water Is Water." Participants will travel the water cycle. They will conduct a science experiment, make a water cycle bracelet, and create their own water cycle in a bag. Participants will discover the importance of water to agriculture. And, of course, we will have a yummy snack demonstrating the water cycle.

Adult Summer Reading Program:
Once again Bertolet Memorial Library will be offering an Adult Summer Reading Challenge. Reading is its own reward, but by signing up for our

adult summer reading program, you have a chance to win prizes! All that is required is to register for the program and keep a reading log of titles read over the summer. For every five titles logged, you have a chance to win one of three grand prizes. Kick off and registration for teens and older readers begins June 13th. You may register at the library or call 815-738-2742. The program runs through July 30th. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the program.

Seed Catalog
We have garden vegetable seeds available for you to plant. Browse our Seed Catalog and get planting!

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:
Dreaming of a beach vacation? Bring the beach to you with this rope-wrapped candle holder. They are available at the Checkout Desk.

Create-a-Card: Saturday, July 16th, 9:30 a.m.
Summer is upon us. Stay cool at the library while you create a one-of-a-kind card for that bridal shower or wedding. All supplies are provided for your use.

New Releases:
Adult Books
A Face To Die For by Iris Johansen
The Investigator by John Sanford
Summer Love by Nancy Thayer
Picture Books
Ocean Meets Sky by the Fan Brothers
Field Trip to the Ocean Deep by John Hare
Otis and Will Discover the Deep by Barb Rosenstock
Jules Vs the Ocean by Jessie Sima

Forreston Library News

Summer Reading Special Program
Wednesday, July 6th, 11:15 a.m.
Join Miss Melinda from Ag In the Classroom as she teaches us all about the importance of bees. She will share a stories, crafts, and a snack that all involve bees. This program is for children from preschool through 5th grade. Please call the library to register or for more information.

Healthy Living & Chef Christo
Thursday, June 30th, noon
Watch from home or join us at the library for this virtual program. For centuries, we've known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. But now, science is able to provide insights into how to make lifestyle choices that may help you keep your brain and body healthy as you age. Join us to learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity and social engagement, and use hands-on tools to help you incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging. Followed by Chef Christo teaching how to make a delectable healthy treat for the upcoming Fourth of July Holiday. Follow along and take notes as we use healthy ingredients to make a dish that will wow all your guests for years to come. The program will conclude with a live special question and answer session. Please contact the library to register or for more information.

Library Hours
The library is open: Monday 10am-1pm, 2-7pm, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday 10am-1pm, 2-6pm, and Saturday 9am-12pm. We may be reached by phone at (815)938-2624, email at forrestonpubliclibrary@gmail.com, or through Facebook messaging. Of course, we always love to see you in person, too!

Weekly Brain Busters

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 "Dream on!"

5 Clothing protector

8 Greet

12 Well-read folks

14 Celestial bear

15 Beatles drummer before Ringo Starr

16 Algeria's neighbor

17 Occupation, for short

18 Straw hat

20 Young horses

23 Printer's blue

24 New York canal

25 Talkers' marathon

28 Bankroll

29 North African capital

30 Josh

32 Doctor's order

34 Trellis climber

35 Missing

36 Mature, as fruit

37 Small porches

40 Spelldown

41 Ms. Brockovich

42 Oater setting

47 "— Lang Syne"

48 Pokey

DOWN

1 Swiss peak

2 "Sprechen — Deutsch?"

3 Addams cousin

4 Weak

5 Folk singer Joan

6 TGIF part

7 Gradually

8 Compassionate

9 "I smell —!"

10 Cruise stop

11 Hideaway

13 Baseball stats

19 Lummoxes

20 Hardly any

21 Verbal

22 Opera set in Egypt

23 Is able to, old-style

25 "Recognize my voice?"

26 Omit

27 Fork prong

29 Sporty car roof

31 Lion's home

33 Light-headed folks?

34 TV audience member

36 Some wines

37 Line of fashion?

38 Verifiable

39 Monet's supply

40 Inky stain

43 Charged bit

44 Id counterpart

45 "Mayday!"

46 Former Delta rival

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MAGIC MAZE ● INDEPENDENCE DAY

Y I F C A X V S Q O L J H E C

A X L V T R P N C S S S L S U

Y R O L G D L O A R E R J N H

C F D B A Y X V R I H E C O T

R Y T R E B I L N A C L O I R

O P O M K I E O I F E K N N G

W E D B Z X M S V S E R C U W

D U E U C E B R A B P A E E T

S E D A R A P M L B S P R R R

F I R E W O R K S Q O S T N L

J S C I N C I P I G F D S C A

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
Unlisted clue hint: U.S. FLAG NICKNAME

Barbecue	Concerts	Liberty	Sparklers
Baseball	Crowds	Parades	Speeches
Carnivals	Fairs	Picnics	Uncle Sam
Ceremonies	Fireworks	Reunions	

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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8			4			1		
		7		8			4	
	3				6			5

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. Arm is different. 2. Boat string is missing. 3. Cloud is different. 4. Sail is different. 5. Camera is missing. 6. Log is missing.

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King Crossword

Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

INDEPENDENCE DAY

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

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
 IN THE CIRCUIT
 COURT OF THE
 FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL
 CIRCUIT
 OGLE COUNTY,
 ILLINOIS
 CASE NO. 2022TX18
 To: Patrick Dixon f/k/a
 Patrick Brunner; Sherry
 Dixon; Byron Bank;
 OneMain Financial
 of Illinois, Inc.; Laura
 Cook, Ogle County
 Clerk; Persons in
 occupancy or actual
 possession of said
 property, unknown
 owners or parties
 claiming any right,
 interest or title in the
 described real estate:
 Property located at:
 713 Golden Prairie Dr,
 Davis Junction, IL
 Property Index No.
 11-22-452-010
 Tax Sale Certificate No.
 2018-00092
 This property was sold
 on November 5, 2019
 for delinquent general
 taxes for the year of
 2018. A Petition for Tax
 Deed for this property
 was filed on April 22,
 2022.
 Your right to redeem the
 property from the sale
 will expire on October
 18, 2022. If you fail to
 redeem by that date,
 the court may enter a
 judgment granting
 petitioner a tax deed.
 This matter is set for
 hearing in the Circuit
 Court of this county
 in Oregon, Illinois on
 November 10, 2022
 at 9 AM before Judge
 Roe, or whomever may
 be sitting in his or her
 stead.
 JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
 Angela L. Tucker, Esq.
 JICTB, Inc.
 1701 Broadmoor Dr.
 Ste 100
 Champaign, IL 61821
 No. 0602 (May 20, 27,
 July 4)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 TAKE NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT
 COURT OF THE
 FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL
 CIRCUIT
 OGLE COUNTY,
 ILLINOIS
 CASE NO. 2022TX19
 To: Estate of Dorothy
 Broege, deceased;
 Becky Jones; Teresa
 Thompson; Arlen
 Broege; Nelson Broege;
 Marty Broege; Scott
 Broege; Clark Broege;
 Unknown Heirs/
 Devises of Dorothy
 Broege, deceased; Tom
 Myers; Laura Cook,
 Ogle County Clerk;
 Persons in occupancy
 or actual possession of
 said property, unknown
 owners or parties
 claiming any right,
 interest or title in the
 described real estate:
 Property located at:
 208 N Franklin Ave,
 Polo, IL
 Property Index No.
 14-16-202-003
 Tax Sale Certificate No.
 2018-00117
 This property was sold
 on November 5, 2019
 for delinquent general
 taxes for the year of
 2018. A Petition for Tax
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 was filed on April 22,
 2022.
 Your right to redeem the
 property from the sale
 will expire on October
 18, 2022. If you fail to
 redeem by that date,
 the court may enter a
 judgment granting
 petitioner a tax deed.
 This matter is set for
 hearing in the Circuit
 Court of this county
 in Oregon, Illinois on
 November 10, 2022
 at 9 AM before Judge
 Roe, or whomever may
 be sitting in his or her
 stead.
 JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
 Angela L. Tucker, Esq.
 JICTB, Inc.
 1701 Broadmoor Dr.
 Ste 100
 Champaign, IL 61821
 No. 0603 (June 20, 27,
 July 4)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 TAKE NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT

COURT OF THE
 FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL
 CIRCUIT
 OGLE COUNTY,
 ILLINOIS
 CASE NO. 2022TX20
 To: Bridgette Falk;
 Spouse of Bridgette
 Falk; Tabitha Falk;
 Laura Cook, Ogle
 County Clerk; Persons
 in occupancy or actual
 possession of said
 property, unknown
 owners or parties
 claiming any right,
 interest or title in the
 described real estate:
 Property located at:
 508 E Mason St, Polo,
 IL
 Property Index No.
 14-16-230-008
 Tax Sale Certificate No.
 2018-00126
 This property was sold
 on November 5, 2019
 for delinquent general
 taxes for the year of
 2018. A Petition for Tax
 Deed for this property
 was filed on April 22,
 2022.
 Your right to redeem the
 property from the sale
 will expire on October
 18, 2022. If you fail to
 redeem by that date,
 the court may enter a
 judgment granting
 petitioner a tax deed.
 This matter is set for
 hearing in the Circuit
 Court of this county
 in Oregon, Illinois on
 November 10, 2022
 at 9 AM before Judge
 Roe, or whomever may
 be sitting in his or her
 stead.
 JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
 Angela L. Tucker, Esq.
 JICTB, Inc.
 1701 Broadmoor Dr.
 Ste 100
 Champaign, IL 61821
 No. 0604 (June 20, 27,
 July 4)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 TAKE NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT
 COURT OF THE
 FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL
 CIRCUIT
 OGLE COUNTY,
 ILLINOIS
 CASE NO. 2022TX21
 To: Eric Messenger;
 Robyn Messenger;
 Johnathon Wilson;
 Shane Imel; Laura
 Cook, Ogle County
 Clerk; Persons in
 occupancy or actual
 possession of said
 property, unknown
 owners or parties
 claiming any right,
 interest or title in the
 described real estate:
 Property located at:
 209 N Hastings Ave,
 Oregon, IL
 Property Index No.
 16-03-277-007
 Tax Sale Certificate No.
 2018-00145
 This property was sold
 on November 5, 2019
 for delinquent general
 taxes for the year of
 2018. A Petition for Tax
 Deed for this property
 was filed on April 22,
 2022.
 Your right to redeem the
 property from the sale
 will expire on October
 18, 2022. If you fail to
 redeem by that date,
 the court may enter a
 judgment granting
 petitioner a tax deed.
 This matter is set for
 hearing in the Circuit
 Court of this county
 in Oregon, Illinois on
 November 10, 2022
 at 9 AM before Judge
 Roe, or whomever may
 be sitting in his or her
 stead.
 JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
 Angela L. Tucker, Esq.
 JICTB, Inc.
 1701 Broadmoor Dr.
 Ste 100
 Champaign, IL 61821
 No. No. 0605 June 20,
 27, July 4)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 TAKE NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT
 COURT OF THE
 FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL
 CIRCUIT
 OGLE COUNTY,
 ILLINOIS
 CASE NO. 2022TX22
 To: Robert Leddy,
 Jr.; Spouse of Robert
 Leddy, Jr.; Laura Cook,
 Ogle County Clerk;
 Persons in occupancy
 or actual possession of

said property, unknown
 owners or parties
 claiming any right,
 interest or title in the
 described real estate:
 Property located at:
 501 S 2nd St, Oregon,
 IL
 Property Index No.
 16-03-330-012
 Tax Sale Certificate No.
 2018-00150
 This property was sold
 on November 5, 2019
 for delinquent general
 taxes for the year of
 2018. A Petition for Tax
 Deed for this property
 was filed on April 22,
 2022.
 Your right to redeem the
 property from the sale
 will expire on October
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 redeem by that date,
 the court may enter a
 judgment granting
 petitioner a tax deed.
 This matter is set for
 hearing in the Circuit
 Court of this county
 in Oregon, Illinois on
 November 10, 2022
 at 9 AM before Judge
 Roe, or whomever may
 be sitting in his or her
 stead.
 JICTB, Inc., Petitioner
 Angela L. Tucker, Esq.
 JICTB, Inc.
 1701 Broadmoor Dr.
 Ste 100
 Champaign, IL 61821
 No. 0606 (June 20, 27,
 July 4)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 Public Notice is hereby
 given that on May 31,
 2022, a certificate was
 filed in the Ogle County
 Clerk's Office setting
 forth the names and
 post office address
 of all of the persons
 owning, conducting
 and transacting the
 business known as:
 Ry Rentals, 7992 W.
 Judson Rd., Polo, IL
 61064.
 Dated: May 31, 2022
 Laura J. Cook, Ogle
 County Clerk
 No. 0614 (June 13, 20,
 27)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT
 COURT OF THE 15Th
 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 OGLE COUNTY,
 ILLINOIS
 IN THE)
 MATTER)No.
 OF THE)2022
 ESTATE OF:)PR 44
 STEVAN C.)
 BRANTNER,)
 Deceased.)
 CLAIM NOTICE
 NOTICE IS GIVEN of
 the death of Stevan
 C. Brantner, of Byron,
 Illinois. Letters of office
 were issued on May
 31, 2022 to Martin D.
 Brantner of Byron,
 Illinois, whose attorney
 is Douglas P. Floski,
 of Floski Law Office, LLC,
 at 220 W. Third Street,
 P. O. Box 1007, Byron,
 Illinois, 61010-1007.
 CLAIMS against the
 estate may be filed
 in the office of the
 Ogle County Clerk
 of the Circuit Court
 at 106 S. 5th Street,
 #300, Oregon, Illinois
 61061, or with the
 representative, or both,
 within 6 months from
 the first publication of
 this Notice, or within
 three months from the
 date of mailing or
 delivery of Notice to
 creditors, if mailing
 or delivery is required
 by Section 18-3 of the
 Illinois Probate Act,
 1975, as amended,
 whichever date is later.
 Any claim not filed
 within that period is
 barred.
 Copies of claims filed
 with the Clerk must
 be mailed or delivered
 to the estate legal
 representative and to
 the attorney within 10
 days after the claim
 has been filed.
 MARTIN D.
 BRANTNER,
 Independent
 Administrator

COUNTY OF OGLE-IN
 PROBATE
 IN THE)
 MATTER)No.
 OF THE)2022
 ESTATE)PR 48
 OF IOLYN)
 J. BEERS,)
 Deceased)
NOTICE TO
CREDITORS AND
CLAIMANTS
 Notice is given
 to Creditors and
 Claimants of the death
 of IOLYN J. BEERS, of
 Davis Junction, Illinois.
 Letters of Office were
 issued on June 9, 2022,
 to EDWARD BEERS,
 as Executor of the
 Estate of Iolyn J. Beers.
 The attorney for the
 estate is Attorney
 CHERYL RUSSELL-
 SMITH, 519 So. Main
 Street, Belvidere, IL
 61008.
 Claims against the
 estate may be filed
 in the office of the Ogle
 County Clerk, Probate
 Division, 601 N. Main
 Street, Belvidere, IL
 61008, or with the legal
 representative, or both
 on or before December
 20, 2022, that date
 being at least six (6)
 months from the date
 of first publication or
 within three (3) months
 from the date of mailing
 or delivery of notice
 to creditors, if mailing
 or delivery is required
 under 755 ILCS 6/18-3,
 whichever date is later.
 Any claim not filed on
 or before that date is
 denied.
 Copies of a claim filed
 with the clerk must be
 mailed or delivered
 to the attorney for the
 estate within ten (10)
 days after it has been
 filed.
 EDWARD BEERS,
 Executor
 Cheryl Russell-Smith
 Attorney for Estate
 519 S. Main Street
 Belvidere, Illinois 61008
 (815) 544-0911
 Printed in the Ogle
 Paper, 06/20; 06/27;
 07/04, 2022.
 No. 0623 (June 20, 27,
 July 4)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 LEGAL NOTICE /
 PUBLIC NOTICE
 OGLE COUNTY
 REQUEST FOR
 PROPOSAL NOTICE
 Ogle County is soliciting
 proposals from qualified
 solar PV providers to
 construct a turn-key
 installation of a 130
 kW DC rooftop solar
 photovoltaic (PV)
 project at the Ogle
 County Judicial Center
 Annex located at 601
 W. Washington Street
 in Oregon, IL 61061.
 All RFP submissions
 must be in the form
 prescribed by Ogle
 County, and must be
 made in accordance
 with the RFP. The RFP
 is available at the Office
 of the County Clerk
 at 105 South 5th St –
 Suite 104, Oregon, IL
 61061 Monday through
 Friday between the
 hours of 8:30 A.M. and
 4:30 P.M. at the address
 above, or may be
 downloaded from the
 Ogle County website,
 www.oglecounty.org.
 Sealed submittals
 for this contract must
 be received before
 Monday, July 11, 2022
 at 1:00 pm at the Office
 of the County Clerk, 105
 South 5th St – Suite
 104, Oregon, IL 61061.
 Cost proposals and
 associated paperwork
 must be submitted in a
 sealed envelope clearly
 marked "Judicial Center
 Annex – Rooftop Solar
 Proposal".
 There is a scheduled
 site walk-thru for
 qualified bidders on
 Wednesday, June 29,
 2022 at 10:00 A.M.
 Questions regarding
 this RFP shall be
 submitted in writing
 to Jeremy Ciesiel via
 email at highway@
 oglecounty.org. No
 oral clarifications or
 amendments to this
 RFP shall be binding

on the county. Any
 amendments, addenda
 or modifications shall
 be sent in writing to
 all firms that have
 registered as a plan
 holder.
 June 20, June 27
 No. 0628 (June 20, 27)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 Forrester Fire
 Protection Distrkt's
 budget and
 appropriations
 2022/2023
 The following
 websitesw mb e used o
 display our budget,
 ForresterFPO.coimnd
 village of forrester.org.
 The budget can also
 be viewed on display
 at the Forrester Fire
 Department, Village of
 Forrester Town Hall,
 and Koeller Hardware.
 The budget will be
 discussed and voted
 on at the July 11th
 Trustee's meeting. The
 meeting will be held
 at the fire Station In
 Forrester, at 7:00P M.
 Richard Runte
 No. 0631 (June 27)
PUBLIC NOTICE
 IN THE CIRCUIT
 COURT OF THE 15TH
 JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
 OGLE COUNTY,
 ILLINOIS
 In The)
 Matter)In
 of the)Probate
 Estate of:)No.
 LINDA L.)2022
 SZPEKOWSKI,)PR
 Deceased.)49
CLAIM NOTICE
 NOTICE IS GIVEN of
 the death of LINDA
 L. SZPEKOWSKI
 of Rochelle, Illinois.
 Letters of office were
 issued on June 9,
 2022, to SCOTT
 SZPEKOWSKI of
 Plymouth, Indiana as
 Independent
 Administrator, whose
 attorney is Jennifer
 L. Birkholz of SMITH,
 BIRKHOLZ &
 MORROW, P.C. at 129
 S. Fourth Street, P. O.
 Box 10, Oregon, Illinois,
 61061.
 Claims against the
 estate may be filed
 in the office of the clerk,
 or with the representative,
 or both, on or before
 December 27, 2022,
 or within 3 months
 from date of mailing
 or delivery of notice
 to creditors, if required
 by Section 18-3 of the
 Illinois Probate Act of
 1975, as amended,
 whichever date is later.
 Any claim not filed on
 or before that date is
 barred.
 Copies of claims filed
 with the Clerk must
 be mailed or delivered
 to the estate legal
 representative and to
 the attorney within 10
 days after the claim has
 been filed.
 Jennifer L. Birkholz
 SMITH, BIRKHOLZ &
 MORROW, P.C.
 129 S. Fourth Street,
 P.O. Box 10
 Oregon, IL 61061
 (815) 732-6124
 Scott Szpekowski,
 Independent
 Administrator
 No. 0632 (June 27,
 July 4, 11)

PUBLIC NOTICE
 INVITATION FOR
 BIDS
 The Village of Mt.
 Morris, Illinois, will
 receive sealed bids
 for PFM Series 700
 Screening Bucket,
 Skid Steer Design,
 until 11:00 o'clock A.
 M. on the 5th day of
 July, 2022, at Village
 Hall, located at 105
 West Lincoln Street, Mt.
 Morris, Illinois 61054, at
 which time and place
 all bids will be publicly
 opened and read aloud.
 Vehicle may be viewed
 at Village Hall, 105 W
 Lincoln Street, Monday
 through Friday from
 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM.
 There is no warranty
 expressed or implied.
 Said equipment is
 being sold as is, with a
 starting bid of \$800.00.
 The Village of Mt.
 Morris, Illinois reserves
 the right to reject any
 or all bids or to waive
 any informalities in the
 bidding process.
 Bids may be held by the
 Village of Mt. Morris,
 Illinois for a period not
 to exceed NINETY
 (90) days from the
 date of the opening of
 bids for the purpose
 of reviewing the bids
 and investigating the
 qualifications of bidders,
 prior to awarding the
 contract.
 BY ORDER OF
 VILLAGE OF MT.
 MORRIS, ILLINOIS
 By: Paula Diehl, Village
 Clerk
 DATE: June 16, 2022
 No. 0633 (June 27, July
 4)
103
AUCTIONS
 Ogle County,, IL
REAL ESTATE &
HOUSEHOLD AUCTION
 206 S Maple Ave Byron, IL 61010
Saturday, July 9th, 2022
Household Sale Starts at 10:00 A.M.
Real Estate & 2001 Ford Ranger at 1:00 P.M.
 Real Estate Selling in 2 Parcels
 Parcel # 1 HOUSE, Parcel # 2 LOT
 FURNITURE, TOOLS, HOUSEHOLD ITEMS,
 COINS, 2001 FORD RANGER
 go to www.lennybrysonauctioneer.com
 to view FULL SALE
 BILL, PHOTO's and terms & conditions.
 For information or to view property contact:
 Mark Ebert- Auctioneer 815-440-2183
 Lenny Bryson- Auctioneer 815-946-4120
 Harold M Book Trust, Owner
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PUBLIC AUCTION
 To settle the Estate of Arnold and Alfhild Stangeland we will offer the following
 items at public auction to be held onsite at **3440 Hermann Rd. Lee, IL 60530.**
Directions: From the town of Lee, IL go North on W. County Line Rd 1/2 mile to
 Hermann Rd, then west 1 ½ miles to auction site. From I-39: Exit 93, Perry Rd
 East 3 ½ miles to W. County Line Rd, then South 3 miles to Herrmann Rd, then
 West 1 ½ miles to the site. The auction will be held on
Saturday, July 9th 2022
10:00 a.m.
Auctioneers Note: This auction features some **very** clean, modern, household
 items and furniture along with like new, late model vehicles, tractor, and lawn
 & garden. Everything is super clean and in good working order. There will
 be a comfort station and lunch available onsite. Visit bearrows.com for more
 information and pictures. There will also be online bidding available for this
 auction on select items at bearrows.hibid.com. **Don't miss this auction!!**
A full household of furniture, and housewares will be offered.
Tractor, Mower, Lawn & Garden: John Deere 5101E Loader Tractor with JD
 H260 quick tach loader with joystick control and 6' bucket, cab with A/C and
 heat, MFWD. Tractor has only 336 hours and is like new! **Frontier RB 2296** rear
 blade, 8' wide with hydraulic angle; **2019 John Deere X730** garden tractor 60"
 high-capacity deck, only 219 hours. Generac GP15000E gas powered portable
 generator; John Deere JS 60 push mower; A large selection of other lawn and
 garden items, tools and related items will be offered as well.
Vehicles: **2020 Chevy Malibu Premier**, 29,620 miles, 2.0L EcoTech engine,
 auto, leather interior with front heated/cooled seats, PW, PL, Power seats and
 mirrors, dual climate control, 8" touch screen media and navigation display,
 sunroof, back-up camera, Bose sound, car is fully loaded and looks great! **2011**
Chevy Colorado LT, 44,500 miles, extended cab, Z71 4x4, 5.3L V-8 gas, PW,
 PL, Power mirrors, cruise, A/C, am/fm/cd, nerf bars, tow package, sliding rear
 window, great condition! Vehicle mileage may go up before the auction. Mileage
 will be announced day of sale.
Terms: Cash or Check, with driver's license I.D., VISA, MasterCard, Discover,
 American Express- 3% fee for card transactions. Electronic Clerking System
 used. All items sold AS-IS. All announcements made day of auction take
 precedence over all printed material. Not responsible for accidents or items after
 sold. Online bidding available at bearrows.hibid.com on select items with full
 internet terms posted online.
Stangeland Trust- Owners
Attorney for sellers: Kaycee Chadwick
Fearer, Nye, & Chadwick- Rochelle, IL
BEARROWS
REAL ESTATE & AUCTION CO.
 (815) 562-5113
 Visit our website www.bearrows.com
AUCTIONEERS:
 JOHN BEARROWS, Rochelle, IL
 (815) 739-9150
 IL Lic. #440000243
 JOSH HICKEY, Steward, IL
 (815) 739-1030
 IL Lic. #441001092

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Service, Inc.
 Auctions – Real Estate
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 Now Available
Pecatonica, IL
815-239-1436
 Hacksauction.com
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Auction

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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)



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305 GARAGE SALES

Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale
Garage sale
F July 1st 10-4; Sat July 2nd 8-1
 Lionel trains, McCoy, books, LP's, pen knives, perennials, fishing equipment, dog crates, frames, quilts, hurricane lamps, Disney music figurine, Xmas items, and much more
6465 German Church Road, Byron.
Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale Sale

Garage Sale
OREGON 1413 N Daysville Rd ESTATE
SALE Friday July 8th, 7 am – 6 pm & Saturday July 9th 7 am – 4 pm.
Entrance on the Corner of Daysville Rd and Park Rd.
 ANTIQUES – Oak Dressers, Shelves, Chairs, Mirrors, Milk and Depression Glass, Collectable Dishes, Chamber Pot, Silver Items, Doilies, Cast Iron Fire Starter, Cast Iron Cauldron, Candle Mold, Coffee Grinder, Tins, Formica Table, Chairs, Hat Boxes, Anvil, Much More.
 HOUSEHOLD – Kitchen Items, Pots and Pans, Sewing Machine, Craft Items, End Tables, Desk, TV Stand and TV, Lamps, Games, Toys, Tools, Garden Tools, Farming and Oregon Memorabilia, Longaberger Baskets, Holiday Décor, Low Vision Aids, Handicap Aids and Walkers. Tool - EVERYTHING MUST GO. PIA#38

101 LEGAL NOTICE

This publication does not knowingly accept fraudulent or deceptive advertising. Readers are cautioned to thoroughly investigate all ads, especially those asking for money in advance.

105 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

"This publication does not knowingly accept fraudulent or deceptive advertising. Readers are cautioned to thoroughly investigate all ads, especially those asking for money in advance."

113 FINANCIAL

NOTICE Advance Fee Loans or Credit Offers
 Companies that do business by phone can't ask you to pay for credit before you get it. For more information, call toll-free 1-877-FTC-HELP. A public service message from your hometown newspaper and the Federal Trade Commission.

119 ANNOUNCEMENTS

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127 SERVICES AND REPAIRS

JNJ JUMPERS Indoor/Outdoor Bounce House
 Rentals Available Year Round. Please Call 815-784-4256 For Availability or Visit us on Facebook.

201 DOMESTIC/CHILD CARE

NO INDIVIDUAL, unless licensed or holding a permit as a childcare facility, may cause to be published any advertisement soliciting a child care service. A childcare facility that is licensed or operating under a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services may publish advertisements of the services for which it is specifically licensed or issued a permit. Your Hometown Newspaper strongly urges any parent or guardian to verify the validity of the license of any facility before placing a child in it's care.

303 APPLIANCES

NEW MILFORD REFRIGERATION

NEW, USED SCRATCH & DENT
 • Refrigerators • Freezers
 • Washers/Dryers • Stoves

We also carry a large selection of refurbished appliances with a warranty.

6331 11th Street, Rockford
815-874-2257

203 HELP WANTED

People needed mostly weekends take animals to events. Not necessary to be available each Sat & Sun. Drivers \$20/hr. Have a clean license and experience with pickup and trailer. Crew help \$15/hr. No experience necessary for people 15yrs and up. Please call the farm before you come by to fill out an application. 815-756-7773. www.friendlyfarmsltd.com. DeKalb. (07-03-22)

ASHTON - Bartenders and Waitresses Needed, Apply in Person at Ralphie and Lulu's. 812 Main Street in Ashton or call 815-453-2103. (TFN)

Class-A CDL Drivers Wanted
 \$500 Sign on bonus
 Local Trucking Company seeking full time, year- round driver to haul grain.
815-938-3644
 Please leave message.

301 ANTIQUES

WANTED TO BUY:
 Vintage Metal and Wood Signs, Milk Bottles & Local Advertising, Oak Icebox, Iron Door Stop and Antique Lighting... Call Dick Harms at 815-562-2928 or email dickharms@hotmail.com

ANTIQUES WANTED: I pay cash for antiques; furniture, glassware, pottery & crocks, tin & iron toys, sterling silver, decoys. If it's antique, I'm interested in looking! Call 815-562-2928 or email dickharms@hotmail.com

307 MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Hay for Sale, Mostly Grass, \$4/bale Oregon
 815-440-4940. (06-26-22)

FOR SALE Blue Electric Lift Chair, \$50 call 815-732-2895. (06-26-22)

12,000 BTU Window A/C New in box \$100. Total Gym XLS \$50. Full Mirror w/Stand \$20. Rhino Ramps \$20. Folding Aluminum ATV Ramps \$50. 815-677-8195 Mt. Morris (06-26-22)

BUNDLED Newspaper - \$3 per Bundle. End Roll- Cost Depends on Weight of Roll. Available Monday-Friday 8AM-NOON ONLY. Rochelle News-Leader.

309 PETS AND SUPPLIES

Free kittens to give away to good homes. Very friendly & good mousers. Call Mike at 815-993-2234. (06-26-22)

405 HOUSES FOR SALE

ALL REAL ESTATE advertised herein is subject to the Federal Fair Housing Act, which makes it illegal to advertise any preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status, or national origin, or intention to make any such preferences, limitation or discrimination. We will not knowingly accept any advertising for real estate which is in violation of the law. All persons are hereby informed that all dwellings advertised are available on an equal opportunity basis.

501 APARTMENTS FOR RENT

OREGON/ MT. MORRIS
 Newer 1, 2 & 3 BR APTS. Water, sewer, garbage inc. w/most units. HOUSES some w/garages, all in like new condition. Starting at \$295/mo. 815-734-4348 or 815-590-2302

511 STORAGE UNITS

K&P SELF STORAGE
 1563 Kysor Drive, Byron (next to D&W Garage)
815-247-8518
OUTSIDE STORAGE NOW AVAILABLE
 Storage Unit Sizes:
 5' x 10' 10' x 10'
 10' x 15' 10' x 20' 10' x 30'

CAROL'S SELF STORAGE IN OREGON
 Reasonable Rates
 Sizes 10'x24' & 6'x10
 Call 732-2466



203 HELP WANTED

La Vigna RESTAURANT
 LaVigna is looking for wait staff, kitchen help, prep work, dishwashing & cooks. Please call us at **815-732-4413** or email at LaVignarestaurant@comcast.net

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 text **SKIP** to 97779



LOCAL NEWS

Oregon Park district has upcoming activities, events

Flamingo Bingo

Join us on Mondays this summer at the Reading Nook across from Nash Recreation Center for Lemonade in the Shade & Flamingo Bingo at 10:00 a.m. Only \$1 for unlimited lemonade and \$1 per bingo sheet (2 cards). Bring your daubers or buy one at Bingo. Winners choose a gift from the prize table. Fun for all ages drop-in activity. No advanced registration required. Proceeds benefit the Oregon Park District Youth Scholarship Fund.





Farm to Table Dinner

Get your tickets now for the Farm to Table Dinner Curbside Pick-Up on Friday, July 29, 2022. This year's Old Fashioned Summer Picnic will be a wonderful meal prepared by 10 local celebrity chefs. Pick it up and enjoy dinner in one of the beautiful parks, at Cork & Tap, or in the comforts of home. You won't be hungry after this fabulous meal which includes BBQ chicken, Pork Kabob, Sweet Corn, Toasted Southern Potato Salad, BarbaQ Baked Beans, fresh watermelon, 7 layer salad, fresh bread and a dessert sampler that will satisfy your sweet tooth. This event is a fundrais-er for the Oregon Park District Youth Scholarship Fund. Meals are \$35/person. A limited number of meals will be prepared, so purchase yours today!



CURRENTLY SEEKING host families in Northern Illinois and surrounding areas for several **"2022-23" Foreign Exchange Students!**

If you have a spare bed, can provide meals, occasional rides, and have an open heart, then you can host! Here are a few of our students:

- | | |
|---|---|
|  LEILA from Italy age 17-
She loves art & design. |  DANIEL from Spain age 16 -
His interests include swimming & travel. |
|  LAURA-MARIE from Germany age 15 - She's into tennis. |  Pufar from Thailand age 16 - He's into swimming & soccer. |

For more information email at t.pierson@international-experience.net or visit our web site at www.iE-USA.org

06272022

OHS Volleyball Camp

Join Oregon Hawks Volleyball Coach Farrell Cain, her coaching staff and the OHS Lady Hawks for a week of basic techniques, skill building and intra-team scrimmages. Camp runs from July 11th through July 15th at the Blackhawk Center. This week-long camp will either introduce your child to the sport of volleyball or build on their skills. Each player will receive an OHS Lady Hawks team shirt. Players will be divided by age levels. Younger players will learn the basics of volleyball at their level with an age appropriate net. Camp will be held at the Blackhawk Center. 100% of the proceeds from camp benefit the OHS Volleyball Team. Pre K -4th grade, 9:30am-10:30am Fee \$30/ \$36NR. 5th-8th Grade 9:30am-11:30am Fee \$60/ \$72 NR. Registration Deadline is July 1st.

HS Mini Pitch League

New- High School Mini Pitch Soccer League!

Join us for a small sided soccer league on our new Mini Pitch court at Park West, in this High School age league. 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. Matches feature two 6 minute halves with a 4 minute half time break. A tournament will be played the last week of the season. Team rosters may have up to 6 people. Players must at least be entering 9th grade in the Fall and must not have graduated High School. Season runs on Friday nights 7/15-8/5. Team Registration Fee \$100, registration deadline Tuesday July 5th

Mini Pitch Soccer Adult League!

Join us for a 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 sea-son. Players must be at least 18 and have graduated High School. Season runs on Thursday nights 7/14-8/4

Team Registration Fee \$100, registration deadline Tuesday July 5th

OHS Soccer Camp

Oregon High School Soccer Camp is back! Varsity coaches Seger Larson and Tiffany Rufer, and the Oregon Hawks team will run this fun, interactive, and informative camp at Park West! The coaches and players will teach the fundamentals of the game, various age appropriate strategies, as well as team work. Each participant will also receive a camp shirt, please bring your own practice ball. A limited number of balls will be available to borrow. Camp runs 7/25- 7/29

Registration Deadline: 7/13/22. Fee 4-8yrs- \$25/\$30 NR, 9-14 yrs- \$40/ \$46 NR



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