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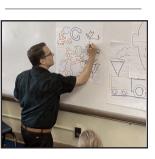
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OGLE COUNTY

Supply chain issues, fuel prices impacting Ogle County farmers

By Jeff Helfrich Rochelle News-Leader

OGLE COUNTY — Ogle County Farm Bureau Manager Ron Kern said recently that wet and cold conditions have hindered the spring work of area

Kern is unsure whether farmers in the county have finished applying anhydrous ammonia to fields and said there's likely still field work to do that's left over from last fall. He knew of a few planters running, but "not many."

"Everyone is dealing with wet and cold conditions," Kern said. "Neither are conducive to

planting. We need the fields to dry out and the weather to warm up. It looks like maybe next week temperatures will jump into the 60s and stay there. Up until now with soil temperatures, it was risky business to plant into cold soil. We're going to have to get some dryer weather. When you can only get into the fields two days a week due to weather it makes for a long planting sea-

In usual years, corn starts to get planted by May and bean planting is wrapped up by June, Kern said. The farm bureau manager said he's read stories about farmers in central Illinois



that are just getting started on planting now when they're usually finished by this time. The whole state is behind on spring work due to weather conditions.

Despite a dry year in 2021 for farmers, Kern said that crop yield turned out "pretty well." Price increases on commodities in the past 5-6 months have helped as well after those numbers had been an issue for the past 3-5 years, Kern said.

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Counselors have positive impact on youth

POLO – Twenty local teens will soon be serving as 4-H Camp Counselors for over 100 youth for the 2022 4-H Day Camp in Polo.

While camp is an amazing way to teach younger youth to make good decisions, learn to be independent, make life-long friendships, and gain new skills, the experience for camp counselors is just as impactful, if not more. Stepping in as a parent and taking on the responsibility for someone else's child is a powerful experience for our teen counselors who have been participating in mandatory trainings since February.

4-H Day Camp is set for June 14, 15, and 16 at Rock River Christian Camp, Polo. Youth may choose to participate in all three days of camp or attend the dates that work best in their schedule. 4-H Camp is open to all boys and girls, ages 8-14 by June 14.

4-H membership is not required; however, all participants will be expected to comply with the same high behavior standards expected of 4-Hers. Youth need to be interested and excited to have a day of outdoor fun,



away from television and technology.

The cost each day is \$70. All camp fees must be paid in full by May 27. Download a camper application online or register online at: https://extension.illinois. edu/bdo/northern-illinois-4h-camp.

You may also call an office near you: Jo Daviess County at 815-858-2273; Ogle County Extension at

815-732-2191; or Whiteside Counties at 815-632-3611.

Because many of our camp counselors have been campers themselves, they understand the impact they can leave on a camper, for life. These teens also gain an appreciation for volunteerism and devote over 200 hours of their time to train, plan, and participate in the counselor experience.

"It made me realize that

my actions can impact numerous people even in the smallest ways," Collin Conderman, a counselor alumnus, said about his past counselor experiences. "It showed me how 4-H brings people together to learn by doing."

The opportunity to also build life skills like employability, responsibility, character, caring, and respect

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PLANTING: Input prices for farmers are 'sky high'

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"I don't know that any farmer doesn't always think the next year will be a better year," Kern said. "It's what you have to think. Unbridled optimism."

On top of weather issues, Kern described supply chain-caused hurdles that farmers have been dealing with since the COVID-19 pandemic began. Input prices for farmers have gone "sky high." "They've shot up like a

rocket," Kern said. "Since last year, anhydrous ammonia has doubled in price. Urea fertilizer has almost doubled. It's making people very nervous. When you start looking at planting with inputs like that, you better hope it's a good crop and there's no issues getting it into the ground like we've seen. I think people are nervous."

Kern believes "a lot of" those price increases are due to supply chain issues and inputs and tariffs are partially responsible. When foreign imports were cheaper, that caused domestic producers not to invest in production. Now that some foreign supply has been cut off, there's not enough domestically, Kern said.

With supply chain impacts, Kern said there were delays in getting seed for the 2022 planting season. However, he said he hasn't heard of any issues with livestock farmers' ability to get feed or get livestock transported.

High fuel prices have negatively affected Ogle County farmers as well. A lot of farmers buy their fuel on contract, but when those contracts were renewed this year, prices had already started to get high, Kern said.

'Guys are sort of getting a double whammy in dealing with fuel prices and other things," Kern said.

To combat a multitude of issues today, Kern said it's his hope that Ogle County farmers have good marketing and management strategies and a good lender that understands the issue so farmers can manage their way through the issues.

"A lot of it is us maybe coming into a perfect storm of issues," Kern said. "Inputs are high, fuel prices are high. And input prices aren't going down. I don't know if we've ever seen supply chain issues like we are today. We've never had a pandemic. Everything that's normal isn't normal anymore. It's hard to plan for the abnormal. You can play what if until the cows come home. Things just aren't as easily managed today."

COUNSELORS: Gain skills as a result of the position

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are also take-a-ways for these teenage counsel-

"Our camp counselors are very dedicated and committed individuals, that are big believers in that 4-H camp experience for youth," said Johnna Jennings, University of Illinois Extension 4-H & Youth Development Unit Educator. "They know the joys of 4-H camp and realize that many campers are looking forward to that one week this summer. The counselors work hard to make sure the youth are safe, healthy, and having a good time. These teen counselors are not getting paid to serve in this role, but instead, they are volunteering their time and talent to be trained to be the best possible counselors. What the teens do get in exchange for their time is the development of tremendous leadership skills, the ability to work well with others, enhanced communication skills, and the admiration from our 4-H campers and camp staff for a job well done. We are thrilled to have so many wonderful teen counselors on our team for this

year's 4-H camp."

A study conducted by the 4-H Camp staff with counselors and counselor alumni indicated that the top five skills counselors develop as a result of their training and on-the-job experiences are: 5) to work with others as a team; 4) to act as leaders by setting an example; 3) how to make real, life-long friends; 2) the importance of being prepared, and 1) to be responsible for the care

of children. The 2022 4-H Camp Counselor Team is ready for a fun-filled camp! Counselors include Armando Batista (Pecatonica), Carson Conderman (Byron), Grace Costello (Stillman Valley), Allison Duggan (Thomson), Paige Dykstra (Fulton), Katie Eggemeyer (Morrison), Jenna Haas (Stockton), Carissa Hinderman (Warren), Quinn James (Morrison), Ashton Miller (Galena), Lucas Odle (Paw Paw), Maggie Penate (Sycamore), Gracie Prose (Oregon), Sarah and Ellie Rothermel (Durand), Campbell Russo (Rockford), Dawson Stache (Rock City), Logan Tessendorf (Freeport), Haley Thies (Baileyville), and Hannah Zinke (Morrison).









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Annual Chana School rummage sale is June 4

OREGON - The Chana School Foundation will have its 24th Annual Rummage Sale to support the 1883 Chana School Museum at the Oregon Coliseum in the lower level on Friday, June 3 from 8-5 p.m. and Saturday, June 4 from 8 a.m.-noon.

The Chana School is the

only wooden two room wooden schoolhouse in Illinois on the National Register of Historical

Gather your unwanted items to support this event. Your unwanted items can make a difference with this not-for-profit organization. The historical 1883 Chana School Museum is funded entirely by donations, grants, and fundraisers.

You may drop off your items at the coliseum on Wednesday, June 1 from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Thursday, June 2 from 8 a.m.noon. We cannot take large entertainment centers, large

appliances, mattress/springs, and pianos.

If you have questions concerning your items, please call Ray at 815-979-2903. Mark your calendar for this huge sale at the Oregon Coliseum. All money raised at the fundraiser will benefit a National Register

site, the Chana School Museum This museum is totally supported by donations, grants, and volunteers.

If you would like to become a volunteer for this year's sale or for other events, please call Connie at 815-732-2447. Thank you for your continued support



Forreston egg basket winners announced

Thank you to the Forreston Lions Club and to the Forreston Area Business Assocation for sponsoring the 2022 Easter

Special thank you goes out to The Easter Bunny, Mobile Electronics who donated the stuffed bunnies, HBG Custom Embroidery- who donated the t-shirts for the stuffed bunnies, and Forreston Mutual Insurance Company and Solutions Bank for donating the candy. We ask the community to thank each of these business with your support.

The 2022 Easter Egg Basket winners are as follows:

0-2 years -Winner: Eastyn Lachchik, donated by HBG Embroider and Custom Apparel 3-4 years – Winner: Hadlee Sieber, donated by Forreston Mutual Ins. Company 5-6 years -Winner: Onalee Sieber, donated by Koeller Forreston Hardware 7-8 years – Winner: Isaac Wiliams,m donated by Forreston Car Care. 9 – 10 years – Winner: Kelly Stauffer, donated by Forreston Veterinary Clinic

Jamboree returns June 10

MOUNT MORRIS – Summer's just around the corner and that means the time for celebration with free concerts on the Campus in the center of Mt. Morris.

Marking our 10th year of doing just that, the Mt. Morris Jamboree aims to please with a full schedule of twelve free shows on Friday nights including food concessions provided by local charitable organizations and food trucks. All concerts begin at 7 p.m. with food being served from 6 pm until midway through the show. Please mark your calendars and plan to join us on our beautiful and historic village square for a night of family friendly entertainment. Here's your list of fantastic performers for 2022:

June 10th – The Neverly Brothers, Elvis through the Beatles

June 17th - Generation, Classic Rock and Soul

June 24th – Grass Attack, Bluegrass July 1st – The StingRays, Oldies Classic Rock

July 8th – SHiNDiG!, Oldies R&R

July 15th – Fortunate Sons, Creedence Clearwater Revival Tribute July 22nd - Jonny Lyons and the

Pride, Classic Rock July 29th - The Harmans, Blue-

August 5th – The Jimmys, Blues, Funk, Soul and R&B August 12th - Howard and the

White Boys, Blues August 19th - Dirty Fishnet Stock-

ings, Rockabilly August 26th - Chicago Tribute Anthology, Music from the band Chicago and more

Pork chop sandwich lunch May 14

For the Kiwanis Pork Chop Sandwich Lunch, please stop by the Byron St. Mary Church parking lot on Saturday, May 14 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

The \$8 meal includes grilled Eichman's pork sandwich, chips, cookie and bottle of water. This is a drive-thru event, so press the "easy button" and treat your family with a Pork Chop Sandwich Lunch to go.

All proceeds benefit programs in our community. Kiwanis is a mosaic of ordinary people doing extraordinary things to uplift our communities and serve children around the world. The Byron Club was founded in 1988 and Service is at the heart of every member, united in our commitment and compassion for others.

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ron Kiwanis sponsors "K-KIDS" at Mary Morgan Elementary, "Builders Club" at Byron Middle School and "Key Club" at Byron High School We collaborate with other area service organizations and businesses... because together we reach more people and have a greater impact on our community. Some of the programs we support include Mary Morgan Family Reading Night, youth education & sports, high school college scholarships, Byron School PBIS: Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports. Free Breakfast with Santa, benefitting Operation Santa, Crossroads Blues Society, People Helping People Food Pantry, Pegasus Riders, Village of Progress, and Neuroscience Research



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Obituaries

Jean L. Marcks

BYRON - Jean L. Marcks, 59, of Byron, passed away on Thursday, April 28, 2022 at SwedishAmerican Hospital. Born Sept. 23, 1962, in Milwaukee, Wis., the daughter of John H. Marcks and Carol (Dolley) Cory. Graduate of Hoffman Estates High School. Jean was an Awanas Leader, voracious reader, enjoyed watching and reading murder mysteries, and was an avid Green Bay Packer and Chicago Blackhawks fan. She was a very caring woman who loved writing letters and cards to family and friends. Jean loved



spending time with her nieces and nephews. She was a beloved nanny for several families. Jean truly loved the Lord, and completed many Bible studies throughout the

Survived by her mother, Carol; siblings, Maxine Lindell, Randy (Gail) Marcks, and Tim Marcks; nieces and nephews, Crystal Lindell, Mark (Alicía) Lindell, Steven Lindell, Monica Barracks, Michelle (Demetrius) Payton, and Elizabeth Marcks; and great-niece, Mya. Predeceased by her father, John. Memorial Services

were held at Valley Evangelical Covenant Church, Stillman Valley, on Wednesday, May 4, 2022. Burial in Wisconsin Memorial Park, Inc. Memorials may be made to the family. To share a memory or condolence, visit olsonfh.com

Beverly A. Knox

Beverly A Knox, 81, passed away on April 9, 2022, at Anam Care in Rockford. Bev was born on July 7, 1940 in Stephenson, Michigan to Roland and Veneda (Theander) Freeberg. In 1945, the family moved back to their hometown, Stillman Valley. Bev graduated from Stillman Valley High School in 1958. She and her first husband, Ellsworth "Butch" Terviel, had three children: Scott, Kathleen, and Steven. Bev raised her children in Rockford, Illinois. She moved to Camdenton, Missouri in



1979, retired to Leesburg, Florida in 2004, and returned to Rockford in 2020. Bev enjoyed caring for her flowers and plants. She excelled in shuffleboard, becoming a Florida State Champion. Her faithful dog Max was her constant companion.

Bev was predeceased by her parents and brother-in-law Jack Powell. She is survived by her children, Scott, Kathy, and Steve; grandchildren Tiffany Avila and April Terviel; five great grandchildren; siblings Janice (Donald) Corbin, Curt (Norma) Freeberg, and Lucille Powell.

Cremation rights have been afforded. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to Serenity Hospice or a charity of your choice.

Pinecrest hosting play

The Performing Arts Guide will present "The One-Act Play That Goes Wrong" to be held May 13-15 and May 20-22 at the Pinecrest Grove Theatre. For ticket information call 815-734-2103 or order tickets online at performingartsguild.com. Pictured are Zaden Vande-Sand, Montana Larson, Hannah Sheely, Alexander Cremeans and Dennis Cheatwood.



Annual Class of '57 breakfast is May 27

MOUNT MORRIS - Annual breakfast for the Mt. Morris High School class of 1957 will be held May 27th at the Campus Cafe.

Come early and stay as long as you can bringing photos of your grands and greats and all your latest health news. Official time is 9 a.m., but if you move around a bit slower now in the morning come when you can.

Plans for our forthcoming milestone 65th class reunion are in the works, sobring your ideas. "Where DOES the time go" will be a working theme and we can plan from there. Tentative date for our 65th reunion is a noon luncheon on Oct. 7.

Mt. Morris Class of 1957 has held an annual breakfast since 1958, forming especially caring and close friendships.

Church hosting spaghetti fundraiser

BYRON – There will be a Spaghetti Fundraiser at the United Church of Byron on May 12, between

The church is located at 701 W 2nd St., Byron.

People can dine in or pick up a spaghetti dinner.

Our spaghetti is served with a red sauce, with or without meatballs, with sides of garlic bread, salad and desert. We are accepting freewill donations at the suggested amounts of \$8, ages 13 and older; \$5, children ages 4-12; no cost

for children 1-3. All proceeds from the dinner will be used to purchase school kits for Byron's elementary school children who receive free or reduced-price lunches. This year, the Byron PTA will match dollar-for-dol-

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Kathleen Gentry

Kathleen "Kathy" Joan Gentry, age 63, passed away April 27, 2022, at Swedish American Hospital after a long illness. Kathy was born Sept. 18, 1958, to John and Harriett Bennett in Rockford. She graduated from Stillman Valley High School in 1976.

She married Gary Gentry in 1977 and they loved each other unconditionally for almost 45 years. Kathy and Gary were blessed with a daughter in 1978, they didn't think they could make a better child, so they stopped at one. She is survived by her



and daughter, Christina Dover, as well as two grandchildren, Ryan and Melanie Dover, whom she helped raise. Kathy loved spending time with her grandchildren, taking trips with her husband, and caring for her home. She was a loving mother and grandmother. Kathy is also survived by her sisters, Gayle Bennett, Ida Sprague, Peggy (Scott) Conderman, and Nancy (Dana) Carr, and her brothers Larry (Sherry) Townsend and Jim Bennett . Her brother John (Patty)Bennett preceded her in death. All her siblings and extended family members were greatly cherished by Kathy, and she will be truly missed by her whole family.

A celebration of life is scheduled for May 14 in the shelter house of Mactown forest preserve in Rocton at noon.

RRC sets 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.

MaGee returning to RRC May 16 Clare MaGee will be at Rock River

Center, 810 S Tenth Street, Oregon from 10-11:30 a.m. on Monday, May 16. For several years, Clare MaGee has

driven from New Market, Ontario, Canada to visit friends in Oregon and provided an upbeat musical program at Rock River Center. Join Clare with his guitar and banjo for a sing-along of oldies, folk songs and an array of tunes, along with stories and laughter. Please call Rock River Center at 815-

732-3252 if you plan on attending this free program. Registration requested by May 12 to accommodate seating.

Senior Information Services

Do you need help with Benefit Access Application, Medicare, housing, personal care, homemaking, heating assistance or other things? Rock River Center's Information & Assistance Specialists are available at various locations throughout Ogle County. We are at: Byron/Jarrett Prairie Center: No

Forreston/Faith Lutheran Church: May 18 from 11 a.m.-noon.

meeting in May

Mt. Morris Library: May 12 from 11 a.m.-noon. Polo Public Library: May 25 from

10 a.m.-noon. Rochelle/Hub City Senior Center: May 4, 11, & 25 from 9:30 a.m.-noon.

Benefit Access Program

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

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Your 2020 annual income must be less than: \$33,562 for a 1 person household

\$44,533 for a 2 person household \$55,500 for a 3 person household You must live in Illinois at the time you file your application.

Center hosting pancake supper

MOUNT MORRIS - All are welcome for a Pancake Supper Fundraiser at the Mt. Morris Senior Center.

The center will be raising funds for programs and services for seniors in Mt. Morris and the surrounding communities. This pancake supper will be in person with to-go options available at the Mt. Morris Senior Center (9 East Front Street) on Friday, May 13 from 5-7 p.m.

The cost for this meal will be \$10 and will include all you can eat pancakes, 1-2 patties of Eickman's whole-hog sausage, applesauce and

The center will also be holding its annual rummage sale on Friday, May 13 from noon-7 p.m. and Saturday, May 14, 8 a.m.-noon. Items can be donated to the rummage sale on or before Wednesday, May 11.

All are welcome to come to shop and enjoy a wonderful meal.

If you have any questions, please contact Melissa at 815-734-6335.

Ogle County 4-H members earn honors

CHAMPAIGN, III.

– 4-H youth across the state were honored for their career achievements in the 4-H program at the 4-H Celebration of Excellence held April 9.

The State 4-H Experience Award offers recognition for members who took part in activities and events in the categories of Participation, Community Service, Leadership, and Project Mastery.

In order to qualify for the top levels of the award, 4-H members must have expanded their experience beyond just the county level.

The Emerald Level award recognizes youth who completed eight or more experiences in one of the three dimensions, with at least four of those experiences beyond the county level and at least two at the state, national, or international level. The Emerald Level awards are sponsored by Patricia Clickener, Dr. Lloyd Shaw, Jim and Cheryl Wormley and Pete Hasel-

Ogle County had one Emerald Level Award Winners in Project Learning which included Lauren Carlson, By-Y-Bad-

State 4-H Award winners were also celebrated at the event. Forty-five young adults were chosen as scholarship winners in one of nine divisions of the State 4-H Award. Each winner receives a \$1,000 scholarship. The Creative & Performing Arts & Communications award recognizes youth that have focused their 4-H work on the arts and the art of communicating with others. Ogle County is proud of Clare Montavon, Mighty Clovers 4-H Club for receiving a scholarship.

Bread of Life has May 10 distribution

STILLMAN VALLEY-The Bread of Life distribution will be on Tuesday, May 10th, from 3-5 p.m.

Bread of Life located in Stillman Valley at the Valley Covenant Church, on the corner of Maple St. and Highway 72. Groceries are offered to all residents of Byron, Davis Junction, Monroe Center, Leaf River, Stillman Valley and everyone in Meridian School Dist. #223. Please bring you own bags and plan on shopping inside to select your own groceries.

If you are unable to shop, please ask for a prepared box by calling Bonni before noon on May, 10th by noon at 815-298-5035. June distribution will be on June 14.

Author visit



John Steven Gurney, an author and illustrator from Vermont, visited the Oregon Elementary School on April 25 and 26. Each grade level had their own presentation with Gurney. He talked about his work as an author and illustrator and did some whole group drawing lessons with the students. He went into the Pre-K classrooms to read his book Dinosaur Train to the classes and he also drew fun pictures for them. There was also a family event on the 26^{th} in the evening. Gurney talked a little about his work so that the parents knew what he did during the day and then he led the families in different drawing activities than he did during the day. A grant from the Etynre Foundation paid for the author's visit. The Oregon and Mt. Morris Library Boards helped to fund the event by donating enough money to purchase 150 books, illustrated by the author, to give away to students.



Forreston sets graduation events

FORRESTON – Forreston High School will be holding its annual honor's night for graduating seniors on Wednesday, May 11 in the FHS gymnasium.

The program will begin at 7 p.m. with a welcome from Principal Heinz. This will be followed by presenting earned scholarships and awards to the class of 2022.

Baccalaureate service for graduating

seniors will be held on Sunday, May 8 in the FHS gymnasium. The service will begin at 7 p.m.

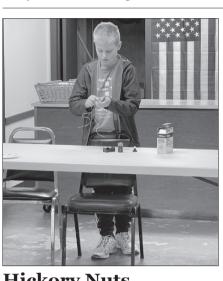
The Forrestville Valley School District and Board of Education will be presenting diplomas to the 2022 graduating class of Forreston High on Sunday, May 15 in the FHS gymnasium beginning at 2 p.m.

Students, families, and community members are invited to attend.

Church offers free Medicare program May 18

BYRON – A free educational and informational presentation on the Medicare insurance program will be presented for the community at 6-7:30 pm on Wednesday, May 18, at the United Church of Byron, at 701 West Second St.

The emphasis will be on the eligibility and enrollment periods, benefits, and options concerning all parts of Medicare. All are welcome. Presenter will be Greg Wills for the program. This will be the last program for the summer and will resume in October. This program is sponsored by the Legacy and Endowment Committee of The United Church of Byron as a community service.





Hickory Nuts

The Hub Hickory Nuts 4-H Club met for their monthly meeting on April 4th. We had a few demonstrations by club members. Preston Taylor showed how to make a light bulb work by connecting a battery and Lillian Kennedy demonstrated how to fold and pack clothes for a trip. For information about joining our club, please contact Trisha Vaughn at 815-751-6667. - Submitted by Grace Manning, Club Reporter



We remember those who have passed away and are especially dear to us.

On Monday, May 30th The Ogle County Life will publish a special Memorial Day page devoted to those who are gone but not forgotten. The memorials will be similar to the sample below



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- 7. Though out of sight, you'll forever be in my heart and mind.
- 8. The days may come and go, but the times we shared will always remain.
- 9. May the light of peace shine on your face for eternity. 10. May God's angels guide you and protect you throughout time.
- You were a light in our life that burns forever in our hearts. 11.
- 12. May God's graces shine over you for all time.
- You are in our thoughts and prayers from morning to night and from year to year. 13.
- 14. We send this message with a loving kiss for eternal rest and happiness.

15. May the Lord bless you with His graces and warm, loving heart.

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Riders compete at State Horse Bowl

URBANA – In 4-H, learning about horses means much more than learning to ride.

Young people with a passion for horses participated in recent statewide educational contests related to the equine industry. University of Illinois Extension's 4-H educational programs enhance members' knowledge of horse health, breed characteristics, management, and feeding. That knowledge and skills were tested during the State Horse Bowl Contest April 23 and 24 on the University of Illinois Urbana campus. Horse Bowl functions much like a scholastic bowl in a school setting, with an emphasis on equine knowledge with youth competing both individually and on teams. Horse ownership is not a pre-requisite in the either the educational programs or contests. Local top finishers in the Senior

Division include:

- * Desiree Reid, Ogle County, 2nd
- * Natalie Johnson, Ogle County, 5th * Grant Johnson, Ogle County, 8th
- In Senior Teams Division, the Carroll County team took 1st; Marion County, 2nd; Ogle County, 3rd; and McLean County, 4th.

Oregon Rotary

State Representative Tony McCombie of the 71st District, left, spoke with the Oregon Rotary Club on April 20. She is pictured with Oregon Rotary President Julie Mann and Chris Tennyson, regional superintendent of education for Lee, Ogle, and Whiteside counties.



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Reaching out with treats

St. Paul Lutheran Church in Oregon recently recognized the teachers and staff in OCUSD 220 and the Oregon Fire and Police Departments with trays of cookies. They also welcomed Little Explorers daycare to the neighborhood with cookies.

Mount Morris Police

On Thursday, April 14, Mt. Morris Police responded to a disturbance in the 100 block of S Wesley Av. After an investigation, Shane E Cardott, 39, Mt. Morris, was issued a village ordinance citation for Battery. Cardott was released on scene.

On Friday, April 15, Mt. Morris Police responded to the 400 block of S Ogle Av for the report of a disturbance. After an investigation, Kristopher M Mockovak, 21, Mt. Morris, was arrested for Disorderly Conduct. Mockovak was transported to the Ogle County Jail for bonding procedures.

On Sunday, April 17, Mt. Morris Police located a subject sleeping in their vehicle in the 10 block of N Wesley Av. After an investigation, Terry L.

Newcomer, 65, Mt. Morris, was arrested for DUI. Newcomer was transported to the Ogle County Jail for bonding procedures.

On Wednesday, April 20, Mt. Morris Police met with Bradley A. Boyd, 41, at the Mt. Morris Police Department. It was learned that Boyd had an Ogle County warrant for failure to appear. Boyd was taken into custody and transported to the Ogle County Jail in lieu of bond.

On Thursday, April 21, Mt Morris Police responded to the 200 block of S Wesley Av, where Rhonda E. McComas, 47, was located. McComas had an Ogle County warrant for failure to appear. McComas was taken into custody and transported to the Ogle County Jail in lieu of bond.



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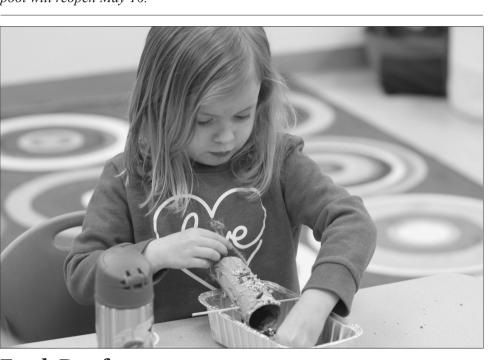
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Nash pool reopens May 16

The Children's Center students had fun exploring the Nash Recreation Center Pool during the pool closure. The students had fun exploring the empty pool. The pool will reopen May 16.



Earth Day fun

The Oregon Park District Children's Center celebrated Earth Day on Friday, April 22 by building bird feeders. The students built them out of toilet paper rolls, screwers, peanut butter and bird seed. Annabelle Drozd works on her bird feeder.

Byron Police report

March 22

Vanessa Swaab-Scheer, 51 of Byron, was issued a citation for Failure to Report Accident to Police Authority.

March 26

Byron Police arrested Tiffany Fabish, 37 of Stillman Valley, for Driving While License is Revoked. Fabish was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond. Fabish was also issued a citation for Operating a Motor Vehicle When Registration is Suspended.

April 1

Byron Police arrested Angela Ludens, 43 of Dixon, on a Whiteside County warrant. Ludens was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

April 4 DaShaun Hennings, 19 of Rockford,

No Passing Zone. April 5 Brandon Artz, 29 of Byron, was

issued citations for No Proof of In-

surance and Driving While License is

was issued a citation for Disobeying a

Suspended.

April 8 Byron Police arrested Jeffrey Fillmore, 68 of Park Falls, Wis., for Driving While License is Suspended. Fillmore was transported to the Ogle County Jail and held in lieu of bond.

Byron Police investigated an accident with no injuries that occurred at the intersection of Union and Blackhawk. Involved were Shana Engelkes, 46 of Oregon, and Sydney Denton, 24 of Sycamore. Denton was issued citations for Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident and Possession of Adult Cannabis in a Motor Vehicle. Denton's passenger, Kyle Mantsch, 24 of Glen Ellyn, was issued a citation for Possession of Medical Cannabis in a Motor Vehicle.

April 12

Byron Police investigated an accident with no injuries that occurred in the 700 block of W. Blackhawk. Involved were Miguel Gonzalez, 25 of Oregon, and Amy Ringler, 40 of Sterling. Gonzalez was issued a citation for Failure to Reduce Speed to Avoid an Accident.

Natasha Castanon, 30 of Richmond, Va., was issued a citation for Disobeying a No Passing Zone.

April 13

Jacob Smith, 23 of Rockford, was issued a citation for Speeding 53 mph in a 30 mph Zone.

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 Police, the Ogle County Sheriff's Department and the Illinois State Police, will be printed without exception.

Requests to omit particular reports will not be considered or honored at any time.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Tues., May 10

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

Thurs., May 12

Lunch Group will meet at The Campus Café, 101 S Wesley Ave, Mt. Morris at 11:30 a.m. Please call 815-732-4111 by 10 a.m. to register.

There will be a Spaghetti Fundraiser at the United Church of Byron between 5-7 p.m. The church is located at 701 W 2nd St., Byron.

Fri., May 13

C.A.F.E. will meet from 9-10 a.m. at The Serenity Home, 1658 S IL RT 2, Oregon. This group is open to all adult bereaved in the community. Please call 815-732-4111 by 4:00 p.m. on May 12 to register.

Diamond Art will meet from 9-11 a.m. at The Serenity Shed, 131 N 3rd Street, Oregon. Please bring your own supplies. Please call 815-732-4111. By 4 p.m. on May 12 to register.

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., May 14

Storytime Saturdays *LIVE* with Ms. Melanie at the Polo Library, 10:30 a.m. There will be a special guest from the Polo Fire Department.

Please send your items for the weekly Community Calendar to bjennings@oglecountylife.com. Deadline for all items is 3 p.m. Wednesday.

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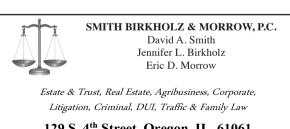


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VIEWPOINT

"Congress shall make no law. . . abridging the freedom of speech or of the press"

Published every Monday Mike Feltes, General Manager Brad Jennings, Editor

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MOMENTS IN TIME

* On May 24, 1883, after 14 years and 27 deaths during construction, the Brooklyn Bridge in New York is opened, the largest suspension bridge ever built to that date.

*On May 27, 1894, Dashiell Hammett, author of "The Maltese Falcon," is born in Maryland. He worked as a Pinkerton detective for eight years and turned his experiences into fiction. The novel was filmed three times, the last in 1941, starring Humphrey Bogart.

* On May 28, 1902, Owen Wister's "The Virginian" is published. It was the first serious Western and one of the most influential in the genre. The book became a sensation and inspired four movies and a Broadway play.

* On May 29, 1932, the so-called Bonus Expeditionary Force, a group of 1,000 World War I veterans seeking cash payments for their veterans' bonus certificates, arrives in Washington, D.C. One month later, that number had swelled to nearly 20,000 strong.

* On May 26, 1940, President Franklin Roosevelt makes a radio appeal for the support of the Red Cross. Belgian and French civilians were "running from their homes to escape bombs and shells and machine gunning, without shelter, and almost wholly without food," FDR told Americans.

* On May 23, 1960, a tsunami caused by an earthquake off the coast of Chile travels across the Pacific Ocean and kills 61 people in Hilo, Hawaii. The massive 9.5 magnitude quake had killed thousands in Chile the previous day. The Pacific Tsunami Warning System, established in 1948, worked properly and warnings were issued to Hawaiians six hours in advance, but some people ignored the warnings and others actually headed to the coast to view the wave.

* On May 25, 1977, the communist government of China lifts its decade-old ban on the writings of William Shakespeare. Mao Tse-Tung's 1966 revolution had banned any cultural work that did not have the required ideological content.

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Distracted drving is a growing problem

I sure love a good Russell Crowe movie.

And that means pretty much every Russell Crowe movie. The Australian actor has been in some great ones: "L.A. Confidential," "Gladiator," "A Beautiful Mind,""Cinderella Man." The list goes on and on.

So, when I saw there was a new (well, new last year) Russell Crowe movie streaming on Amazon, I had to give it a shot. It was a movie called "Unhinged," where a very heavy Crowe (he apparently gained weight - a lot of weight – for the role) plays a man who goes nuts after a road rage incident.

I don't want to give away too many details, but this is a tense, brutal movie and Crowe plays a man who has come completely unglued very, very well. If you aren't put off by violence and language, it is a intense film, but an entertaining watch.

But no, I am not here to write a movie review. It is the topic of the film that is so relatable - road rage. The encounter in the movie which sets off

Living the Life By Brad Jennings



events isn't even that bad. But you never really know how people are going to react to being honked at or yelled at or have an obscene gesture thrown in their direction.

There are many moments in the movie when you see drivers barely paying attention to the road. They are on cellphones, mostly, but also doing things like putting on make-up in heavy traffic.

Those things really hit home for me. Like everyone, I am amazed by the distracted driving these days. It is scary as hell. People staring at their

phones weaving around the road or missing lights and generally making the road unsafe for everyone. Yes, scary. As a motorcycle rider,

it is especially frightening to see people around you in larger, deadlier vehicles not paying attention to what is going on. I am incredibly cautious but have too many near misses because people in cars are simply not paying attention to their surroundings. Distracted driving

causes about 3,000 deaths per year in the U.S., according to the Department of transportation. And that doesn't include the injuries and repair costs.

Yes, there are laws against texting while driving, and you are supposed to use a hand's free device. But we all know that many people, if not most, simply ignore those laws. If you aren't sure that's true, the next time you pull up to an intersection, just look at the people around you. I guarantee you some will be staring at their phones.

I don't blame the police here. Yes, their job is to

enforce the laws, but I am sure they hand out tickets for these offenses as often as they can. But let's be honest, it is such an epidemic, and a few tickets are a tiny ripple in the

ocean distracted driving. This starts at home. If you have teen learning to drive, make sure that understand that they need to be hand's free so they can drive. Texting while driving is not only illegal but also potentially deadly

And we need to remind our friends we are driving with to be safe and keep their hands on the wheel and eyes on the road.

for them and others.

This is not complicated stuff, people. We all need to work to end distracted driving and stop with the road rage. Flipping people off doesn't solve anything, even if it makes you feel better in the moment. I don't want anyone having a guy like the character Russell Crowe played in "Unhinged" to be on their bad side.

Brad Jennings is Editor of The Ogle County Life.

When in doubt, side with free expression

Our society has developed quite a bit of consternation over folks who kneel on football fields.

First there was quarterback Colin Kaepernick kneeling during the National Anthem in protest of police brutality.

Donald Trump's response: "Get that son of a bitch off the field."

On April 25, the U.S. Supreme Court heard the case of Joseph Kennedy, a Bremerton, Washington, high school football coach who was suspended from his job after repeatedly kneeling on the football field

It made some school officials uncomfortable.

and praying after games.

But here's the rub; the only speech worth defending is that which makes people uncomfortable.

Writers at the left-of-center publication Slate are wringing their hands over the prospect of a praying coach. They have conjured up some vast right-wing conspiracy that would turn public schools into religious indoctrination zones if the high court rules in Kennedy's favor.

While I do identify as an Evangelical Christian, there is something about these types of public prayers that make me uneasy. I think of Jesus' admonition in the book of Matthew: "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you." So, if someone were to ask me if

I believe this is an effective way for Coach Kennedy to share his faith, I'd say "No." But if I were asked if he should be allowed to express himself in this way, I'd say, "Yes." I feel much the same about

Kaepernick. I personally can't see myself kneeling during the National Anthem. But I fully acknowledge racism and brutality remain enormous problems in law enforcement. I've uncovered many such instances during the past 35 years.

That said, I support Kaepernick. He and other athletes should be able to peacefully petition their government in the manner they see fit.

Sadly, varying factions in our society on both the left and the right want to silence those who they don't agree with. That approach is the antithesis of a free society.

When in doubt, side with free expression.

I began my journalism career covering the University of Texas Medical Branch for the Galveston Daily News. Shortly before I took over the beat, a university cop arrested a Muslim person for kneeling and praying on campus.

My reaction at the time was that was stupid. Why would the government interfere with that man's ability to pray?

Some might say that the difference is that Coach Kennedy is in a position of authority and his actions violate the separation of church and

But the problem with that argument is that we don't live in an antiseptic society. A math teacher wearing a yarmulke, a principal with an Ash Wednesday cross on his forehead or a history instructor donning a hijab also are expressing their faith in state-sanctioned environments.

Would we really want to prohibit such acts? I think not.

One anonymous athlete said he felt compelled to kneel with Kennedy because he feared if he didn't he would lose playing time.

But Virginia Tech University soccer player Kiersten Hening claims she was booted from the team last year when she refused to kneel during the National Anthem.

No one should ever feel coerced to express themselves in a manner untrue to their conscience. But no one should be barred from freely expressing their beliefs either.

Figuring out where to draw the line between the two; that's the

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

Jim Barnes did many good things for Oregon

Dear Editor,

On Dec. 5, Oregon lost a great man, Jim Barnes. He played a special part in Oregon. This letter is a belated tribute to him.

A month prior to his death, I read the Letter to the editor written by Jim, and I was touched by it. I was going to send him a note about it in a Christmas card because I wanted him to know how much he was appreciated. But sadly, he passed away before I could send it, so I am going to share my thoughts with your readers.

Jim Barnes was a great

man who did great things for Oregon. He owned and ran a shoe business in Oregon for 30 years. He was once the mayor. He served two terms on the city council. He was on the Ogle County Board for six years and was chairman for two of those years.

He served on the Oregon Ambulance Service for 20 years. He was one of the original founders of Autumn on Parade and was on the committee for years. He also worked at the Sinnissippi Christmas

He fought tirelessly for

the restoration of the old courthouse to its original splendor. And he fought to have the (jail) built outside of the city and prevent the desecration of our beautiful, charming downtown area. Unfortunately, we lost that battle. But all in all, he did so much good for Oregon.

And Jim was the kind of person who made you feel like a good friend, even if you were just an acquaintance. I was glad to see him honored in the AOP parade and receive the recognition he so richly deserved.

In his letter, Jim thanked Oregon for adopting him. I feel like Oregon should be the one thanking him! He helped it become the great city it is. I would love to see a permanent memorial to him (like a steppingstone or park bench on the courthouse lawn, on something at the train depot or even better, a park named after him.) I am certainly thankful

for him. I feel blessed to have known him and I will miss him very much. God bless you, Jim!

Linda Lynch, Mount

Thanks to all who made recent Art Dash a success

Dear Editor,

Thank you to everyone who made the inaugural ART DASH for Serenity Hospice and Home a success. It was great to see the community come together, interact and support such a worthwhile organization. Fifty artists, the business community, corporate and individual sponsors

and volunteers contributed to this memorable evening.

The fun-filled evening included "dashers" going home with an original piece of art while spectators watched them dash. Everyone enjoyed culinary delights during the art preview and at intermission the guests were treated to desserts from

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Regards,

Karen Virnoche and James Brown, event organizers, Oregon

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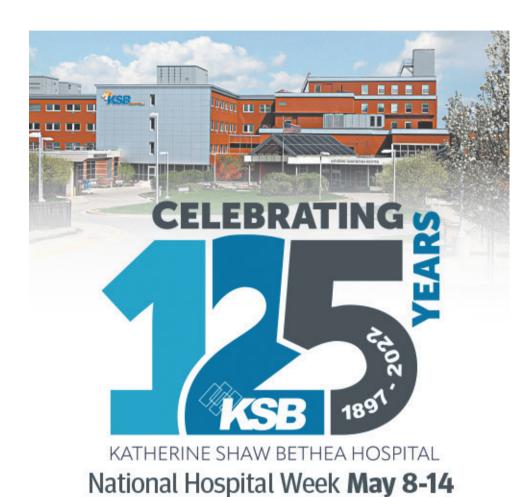
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Life Skill Program holding prom for students this month

April is now called Autism Acceptance Month. In 2021, the name was changed from Autism Awareness Month to Autism Acceptance Month.

The Autism Society of America suggested that this change in terminology, while simple, is significant. Instead of being aware that someone has autism, acceptance means that we work together to create connections, empowering everyone in the Autism community to live fully. It also means that everyone in the Autism community is connected to the support they need, when they need it.

The CDC estimates that 1:44 people are autistic*. *The use of the term autistic is aligned with Identity First Language. We have chosen to use identity first language (autistic person) rather than person first language (person with autism) based on input from the autistic community, e.g, Autistic Scholar and Autistic Self Advocacy Network. Awareness is critical, acceptance is important, but can we do more? Dr. Amy Laurent, PHD, OTR/L and Dr. Jâqûelyn Fede have written The Essential Guide to Leveling Up for Autism to help us do just that. Their guide helps us identify our own level of Autism knowledge, which includes Awareness, Acceptance, Appreciation, Empowerment, and Advocacy. Once we find our own level, the guide provides us with ideas on how to "level up" to the next step of Autism knowledge. "Wherever you are, take the next step" toward Autism Advocacy year round.

Of the 12-member school districts of Ogle County Education Cooperative, data shows there are 121 students who have a special education eligibility of Autism. Twenty-seven of 69 students in our Life Skills PLUS Programs have Autism, as well as, 4 out of 49 students at Chana Education Center. The OCEC continues to support, train, educate and advocate for students with all disabilities.

In May, the Life Skill Program will be hosting an OCEC Prom for all students within the program to be held at Oregon High School. OCEC plans to add three classrooms to the overall program next year to serve the continued need in Ogle County.

As Autism Acceptance Month 2022 has come to a close, we encourage you to continue support for our autistic students.



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1025 10th Street, Lasalle \$112,500 Call Merri

Buyers LOSS is your GAIN! BACK ON MARKET! Freshly Updated Bungalow conveniently located in LaSalle is ready for its new owners! This home has been updated from top to bottom so all that's left to do is MOVE IN! Updates include: New Roof (2019), Gutters (2021), Furnace and Venting (2020), Water Heater (2022), Flooring throughout entire home (2021), Brand New Kitchen and Bathroom (2021). The layout of the home offers a spacious living situation to where you won't feel overcrowded. The front wrap-around front porch is perfect for entertaining or relaxing in the warmer weather. First floor laundry for convenience with secondary hookup available in basement along with plumbing for a second bathroom. This home has so much to offer! AGENT OWNED



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908 Leroy Avenue, Rock Falls \$114,900 Call JD

Affordable riverfront property! Within walking distance to the high school & downtown- this 5 bedroom 2 bathroom home features tall ceilings, natural woodwork, an office space, and a ton of opportunity. This home can truly fit a family of any size, or else make a great addition to your rental portfolio Make it yours today!



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SPORTS/LOCAL NEWS

Scores

Girls Varsity Softball

April 28 Stillman Valley 1, North Boone 4

April 29 Oregon 12, Rochelle 1

April 30 Stillman Valley 12, Win-1ebago 4

May 2 Oregon 5, Stillman Valley 4

May 3 Oregon 9, Genoa-Kings-

Boys Varsity Baseball

April 28 Stillman Valley 5, Winnebago 12

April 30 Stillman Valley 12, Genoa-Kingston 4

May 2 Stillman Valley 7, Winnebago 4

Stillman Valley 1, Oregon 0

Girls Varsity Soccer

April 28 Stillman Valley 0, Men-

May 2 Stillman Valley 2, Winnebago 4

May 3

May 4

Oregon 2, Genoa-Kings-

Stillman Valley 2, Rockford Lutheran 1

Forreston Library News

Preschool Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.

Preschool Storytime has moved to Tuesdays! Join us for a fun-filled time of stories, activities, and crafts each week! Please call the library for more information or to preregister.

An Evening with Michelle Zauner - Virtual Wednesday, May 18th, 7 p.m.

Join us online as 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. She will be joined by Jessica Hopper, Chicago-based music critic, producer, and author. This event is made possible by Illinois Libraries Present, a statewide collaboration among public libraries offering high-quality events. Funded in part by a grant awarded by the Illinois State Library, a Department of the Office of Secretary of State, using funds provided by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services, under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA). Advance registration is required! Please call the library or visit our website, forrestonlibrary.org, for more information or to register.

Plastic Recycling

We are collecting film-type plastic for recycling. This includes plastic bags, zipper type baggies (with the zip portion removed), cereal/ snack bags, bubble wrap, and other soft plastic . Please make sure bags are free from debris and remove all paper/sticker labels. We cannot accept hard plastic, such as water bottles, milk cartons, etc., for this program. Thank you!

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!

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Madeline Prax of Byron, majoring in Nursing

Shelby Dean of Forreston, majoring in Advertising & Public Relations

Kaylee Benton of Oregon, majoring in International Business

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Students make Loras College Dean's List

DUBUQUE, Iowa -Loras College has announced the names of students who achieved Dean's List status for the

2021 fall semester. A student must earn a 3.5 grade point average and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours to be recognized.

The local students are:

Byron – Destani Rakowski, Junior

Stillman Valley—Madison Doss, Junior

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Save the Date! - Read Beyond The Beaten Path Summer Reading Program Kickoff Party - Thursday, May 19th, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Join us for the start of your summer on the Library lawn. Rain date May 20th, same time. This is an "open house" type event. Come and meet some incredible birds of prey, participate in activities, crafts and lots of fun. Come start your summer off right at the Oregon Public Library. Registration is recommended, the first 20 families registered will get to build a birdhouse (one per family). Registration begins May 5th at Oregon Public Library.

Library Book Clubs The 2WBC Book Club

meets Wednesday, May 11 at 12:30 p.m. to discuss Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens. The Cocktails & Crimes Book Club will meet on May 15 at 2 p.m. at Breakers Saloon Eatery to discuss? -stop by the Library and get the book to find out the title. The Afternoon Book Club meets Wednesday, May 18 at 1 p.m. to discuss Moonlight in Odessa by Janet Skeslien Charles. Books On Tap will meet Thursday, May 26 at 6 p.m. at Cork N Tap to discuss The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave. Teen Book Association will meet Saturday, May 28 at 10 a.m. to discuss Truly Devious by Maureen Johnson. The

Preschool StoryTime (18 months- 5 years)

TBA will meet the last

Saturday of each month

at 10 am.

StoryTime now meets on Mondays at 9:30 a.m., now through May 16th. Registration is required and masks are recommended.

Yoga on Mondays at 9:30 a.m.

Krystal Casey will be teaching a Monday morning yoga class at the library. Registration is required, at www.oregonpubliclibrary.com.

We now have a SEED

LIBRARY! To add seeds that you to the collection, bring them to the Circulation Desk and request a seed envelope for each plant. Please fill out as much of the information on the envelope as you can, put in enough seeds to grow at least five plants, and return the envelope to the Circulation staff. You do not need to have a library card to donate seeds or 'borrow' seeds. Our intention is to make wholesome food available to our community members. Through this seed library, we hope to foster a culture of sharing and abundance. In the spring, the Seed Lending Library will be up and running for community members to be able to take seeds and grow their own plants. If you have ideas about how you'd like to see the Seed Lending Library develop, or have any questions, please email us at carib@oregonpubliclibrary.com with the subject "Seed Lending Library."

Try It Tuesday – Tuesday, May 10th (while supplies last)

No-Sew Rope Bowl. Need a decorative piece to hold your fruit, keys, or clutter? And let your guests know you made it yourself and didn't pay his designer prices? Crafting is a great reliever of stress. Pick up your rope basket/ bowl kit, all you need is a good hot glue gun. All other supplies provid-KITS ARE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE for Oregon Library Card Holders.

"The Office" TRIVIA at Cork N Tap - Wednesday, May 18th at 6:30 p.m.

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

Ink With A Friend Monthly Card Club- Monday, May 23 at 6:30 p.m.

Registration Deadline

May 18th 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

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The First and Third Thursday of the Month at 12:30 pm at Rock River Center

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Puzzle Library

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

Oregon Writers Group -2nd Tuesday each month at 10:00 am.

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

New Children/Youth Releases

John's Turn by Mac Barnett

Forty Winks: A Bedtime Adventure by Kelly DiPucchio

The Magical Yet by Angela DiTerlizzi

Amira's Picture Day by Rema Faruqi

Bodies are Cool by Tyler Feder

The Tide Pool Waits by Candace Fleming

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Jessica Meserve

I'm Terrified of Bath Time by Simon Rich

Would You Come Too? by Liz Garton Scanlon

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That's Betty: The Story of Betty White by Gregory

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Byron Library News

Special Hours

In observance of the Memorial Day the Byron Library will be closed on Monday, May 30. We will re-open at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, May 31. We wish all of our patrons a safe and happy Memorial 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 Library has a large collection of LPs available to check out? Vinyl records have grown in popularity again, and the library has a wide selection of records to choose from. If you don't have a player at home to listen to them on, don't worry! The Byron Library also has a portable turntable available for checkout in our "Library of Things"! Do you have LPs that you don't want to keep, but can't bring yourself to throw them away? Bring them to the library and we'll give them a new home.

Egypt Travelogue

Friday, May 13, 1-2 p.m.

Julia Hull Library News

Storytime at the Library!

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

Craft Bomb: Crafts In Bloom

What will it be? You'll find out when it drops on Friday, May 13! Watch our FB and Instagram feeds for a video tutorial. Then, follow the directions for placing your order. While supplies last. One kit per person. Adults only.

Andy & Judy: New England Folk **LIVE In Concert**

Join us on the library lawn Monday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. for an evening of live music with folk singer-songwriters Andy & Judy. Using the combination of their beautiful vocals and an eclectic array of instruments, they perform positive and uplifting songs in different styles, including traditional folk, roots music, country swing, and bluegrass. Learn about the tradition of folk singing with a contemporary twist—as they sing their songs in the spirit of community. Contact the library to register: 815-645-8611. All ages welcome. BYO chair.

Young Critics Book Club

Join us on Tuesday, May 17 at 6 p.m. for a book discussion and hands-on craft/activity all about Little Robot, by Ben Hatke. Copies of the reading

influence on us today. Learn a little history, and see photos of some incredible monuments while hearing about the speaker's travels through the country. Pyramids, temples, tombs, obelisks. the Sphinx, and the Nile: you'll see it all. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/signup to register. **DIY Denim Planters**

Egypt was the first large organized

society in human history, and still exerts

Thursday, May 19, 6-7 p.m.

Come join Cathy for another DIY craft project at the library. We will be creating a recycled Denim Planter. These are a great use of old jeans for a whimsical garden decor! All materials will be provided. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced. info/signup to register. We are unable to make take-home kits for this project. Please call the library to let us know if you are unable to attend the program so that we can try to fill your seat.

DIY Butterfly Puddler

Thursday, May 26, 6-7 p.m. Attract more butterflies to your yard by creating your very own Butterfly Puddler! All materials will be provided. Please call 815-234-5107 or visit Byron.evanced.info/signup to register. We are unable to make take-home kits for this project. Please call the library to let us know if you are unable to attend the program so that we can try to fill your seat.

available at the library upon registra-

tion. Ages 7-9.

Short & Sweets Join Joanna at the library on Wednesday, May 18 at 10:00 AM for an engaging discussion of Yoon Choi's short story, "The Art of Losing." Copies of the reading available at the Circulation Desk. Adults only.

Let's Build A Kite!

Join Miss Kelly on Saturday, May 21 at 10 a.m. for this STEM challenge as we explore the forces that keep kites in the air. We'll build our own unique kites, then send them soaring on the library lawn. Ages 5-9. Registration required: 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, updates, and program links, visit our website: https://www. juliahull.org/summer-reading-2022. May 23-July 31. Ages 0-109.



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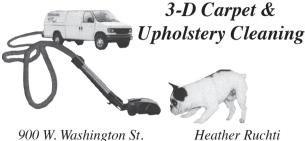


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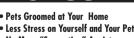
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Mount Morris Library News

Illinois Libraries Present: An Evening with Michelle Zauner

Crying in H Mart

MONDAY, MAY 9, 2022

Wednesday, May 18, 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.

Visit our website, Facebook, or Instagram for the link to sign up for this mem-

Storytime-Wednesday's at 11:15 a.m.

Beautiful Butterflies! This week, 5/11, we will be reading books to gear up for the arrival of butterflies! After learning about mariposas, children will create a craft to take home! Flutter in to hear colorful stories and create a craft at your Mount Morris Public Library!

Newspaper Available!

We will now be receiving the Dixon Telegraph daily! We currently have the Ogle County Life, Sauk Valley, and Mt. Morris Times. If you want to keep up with the local news-stop on by!

Lego Club!

Lego night on Thursday, May 19, 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 May book is Educated: A Memoir by Tara Westover. Copies are available at the library. This group will meet in-person at the library on Monday, May 23rd

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.

Explore More Illinois

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

Rock River Center

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

Adult Programming

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

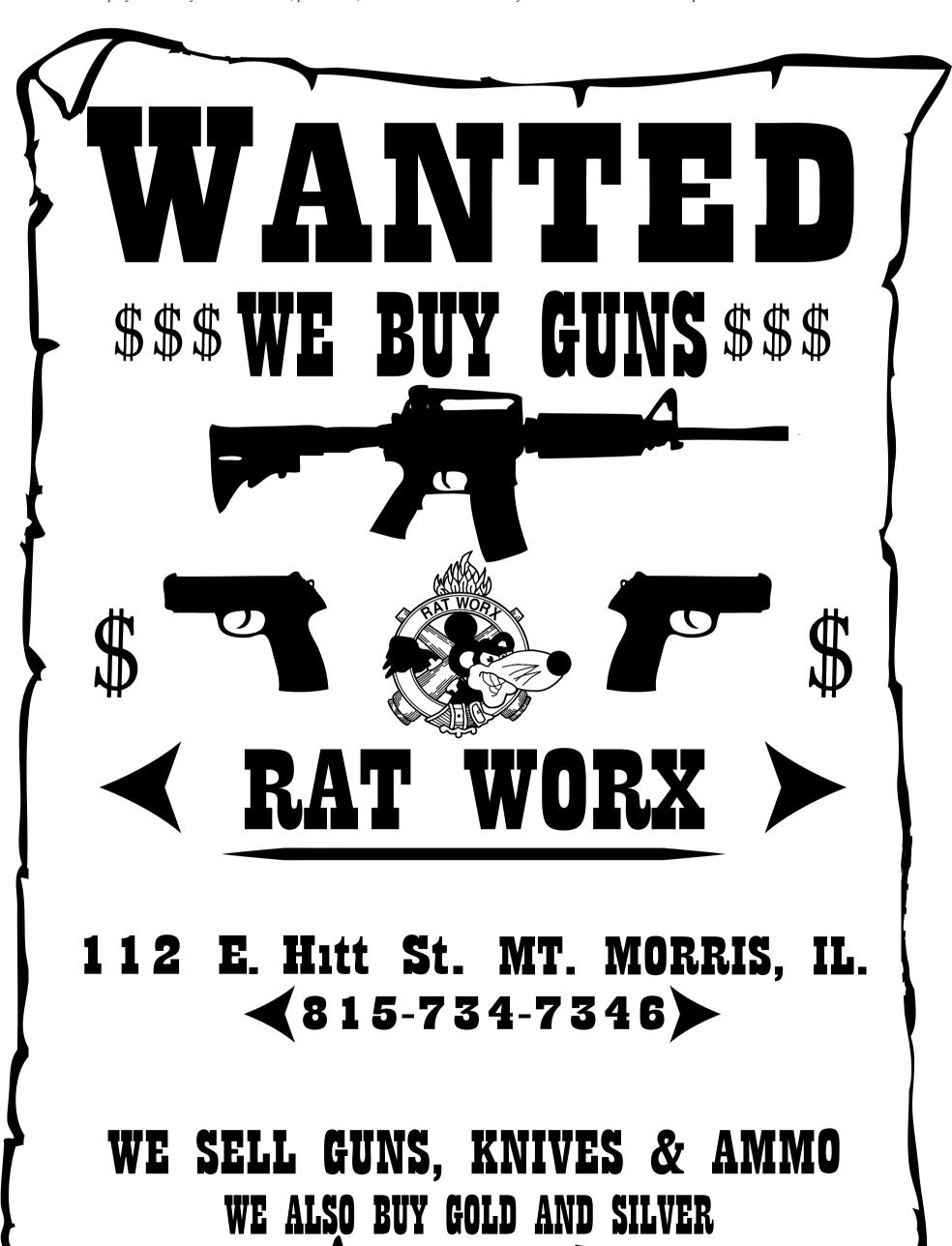
Curbside Service is available! We want to remind everyone that you still have the option of having your materials

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!

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



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Polo Library News

Children's Programs

May Clay Days dates are Mondays, May 2nd and 9th, from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Lego Days in May are the 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Storytime Saturdays *LIVE* with Ms. Melanie is Saturday, May 14th, at 10:30 a.m., we will have a special guest from the Polo Fire Department.

REGISTER for any of the programs by calling 815-946-2713, emailing melaniew@pololibrary.org, or clicking the Google form link on the Polo Library Facebook for the program.

Book Woman of Troublesome Creek by Kim Michele Richardson. Wednesday Book 2 Movie group will meet on May 18 to discuss *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak. Monday Afternoon Book club will meet on 5/23 to talk about *The Beautiful Forevers* by Catharine Boo.

Adult Programs - Friday Discussion Group will meet on 5/13 to discuss The

Music in the Pavilion - Just 4 Fun Band on Saturday, May 21 from 7-9 p.m.

Lighthouses of Lake Michigan - Join Laura Keyes as she shares the history, beauty, and surprising stories of some of the over 120 lighthouses on Lake Michigan on Thursday, May 19th at 6:30 p.m. Seating is limited so don't hesitate to call 815-946-2713 or email library@pololibrary.org to reserve your spot!

Rock River Valley Mobile Blood Drive - Help meet the needs in our community! Tuesday, May 24 1-6 p.m. To schedule an appointment email Ellen Finfrock at ellenf@pololibrary.org or call 815-946-2713.

Library newsletter - Our April/May newsletter is chock full of information on library services and programs. Print copies are available at the library, Lifeline Food Pantry, Polo Senior Center, Polo Fresh Food Market, and Polo Laundromat. If you prefer to receive it electronically visit our website and subscribe.

Special Procedures - Masks are optional for staff and visitors to the library. If you require an access service to fully participate in a program or have any questions about accessibility, please contact Ellen Finfrock at 815-946-2713.

Library Services - Converting VHS to DVD - With VHS and other videotape formats disappearing fast now is the perfect time to preserve your videos and other important memories. This new service will allow us to convert your VHS tapes measuring approximately 7x4x1to DVD for you. For \$5 per tape library staff will convert your memories to a more manageable format. Tapes may be dropped off during regular library hours. Unfortunately, our convertor does not accommodate VHS-C (compact videocassette) or mini DV tapes...

Genealogy Assistance - Are you interested in researching your ancestors but don't know where to start? Do you have a start and need help with your research? Stop by the first Wednesday 5-7 p.m. or the third Saturday 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and let Donna help with your project. Polo Library is now a FamilySearch Affiliate Library which allows access to more digital records when you're researching at the library.

New books expected in May

22 Seconds by James Patterson Aunt Dimity and the Enchanted Cottage by Nancy Atherton When She Dreams by Amanda Quick Overboard by Sarah Paretsky The Summer Place by Jennifer Weiner This Time Tomorrow by Emma Straub Thrill of the Hunt by Rita Mae Brown Secrets by Fern Michaels Every Cloak Rolled in Blood by James Lee Burke War of Two Queens by Jennifer Armentrout

Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo by Taylor Jenkins Reid

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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 815-234-8737 cornerstonefam ily.church 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 Min istry 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 Church of the United Church of Christ

701 W. Second Street ~ PO Box 927. Byron IL 61010-0927, 815-234-8777 Email:ucb@comcast.net Website: unitedchurchofbyron.org Pastor: Tyler Spellious Youth Ministry Coordinator: Richard Simpson

Adult Sundat School 9:00am-10:00am, Kids Sunday School (ages 3 thru high school) 10:00am-10:40am, Coffee & Fellowship time: 10:00am-10:25am Sunday Schedule and Worship Opportunities: Service of Meditation and Prayer: 8:15am - 8:45am Adult Christian Education Class: 9am

Main Worship with Chancel Choir: 10:30am For complete ministry schedule and 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.

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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

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FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH 402 2nd Avenue, Forreston, IL 61030, Phone 815-938-3203Pastor Scott 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.

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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 nastor@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: office@goelimchurch.org Website: www.goelimchurch.org Sunday morning worship 10:00 am • Sunday School 9:00 am

MOUNT MORRIS

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EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH OF MT. MORRIS

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

MT. MORRIS CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN 409 W. Brayton Road, Mt. Morris, IL 61045 Phone 734-4573

Pastor-Rodney Caldwell. Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Worship service available online, call for details. Other activities currently suspended due to pandemic. Email: 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. www.EBENEZERREFORMED.com • Sunday school 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00

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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 $^\sim$ provides a safe and fun environment where kids can learn about who God is and who they are

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. Naill Masses: Sun 10:30am, Tuesday Mass 8 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation: First Sunday of each month after **OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesday-Friday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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 ~

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205 N. Jefferson Avenue, Polo ~ 815.837.5255 polo@crossroadscn.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) ~ Sunday nights 6PM,

Visit our website: www.crossroadscn.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 nondenominational 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

RED BRICK CHURCH OF STILLMAN VALLEY

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

VALLEY EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH Interim Pastor Lisa Orris, Pastor Chuck Potts Minister to Students and

103 S Maple St, Stillman Valley, IL 815-645-8872 | www.valleycov.org Sunday Morning 9:15am 'Gather' for learning & conversation, 10:15am Worship both onsite and online at facebook.com/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

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

WINNEBAGO

GRACE FELLOWSHIP CHURCH

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 Pastor: Rev. Dr. Anita Stuart-Steva

Sunday mornings: Family Communion Worship 8:30 a.m.; Blended Worship 10:20 a.m. (Sept. - May) and 10 a.m. (June - Aug.); Sunday School

Sept - May 9:15 a.m. Other activities include: Bible studies: Praise Band: Social/Service Groups; Kindred Heart Stitchers For more information call the church office 9 a.m. - 2 p.m., Mon.-Fri.



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Bertolet Library News

"Hoo" Haven: Saturday, May 14th, 9:30 a.m.

On Saturday, May 14th at 9:30 a.m., Bertolet Memorial Library will welcome presenters and animals from "Hoo" Haven Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center

During this educational program, children and adults alike will learn about some of the animals that are rescued and how they are nursed back to health and prepared to return to their natural habitats. The presenters will also be bringing an owl, a red-tailed hawk, and a tortoise for participants to see and learn about. In conjunction with this event, the library is collecting supplies for "Hoo" Haven through May 14th. Because the organization is not government funded, they rely en-

tirely on donations and volunteers to rehabilitate the animals. Donations may be brought to the library in advance of the program or on May 14th. A wish list is available on their website: www.hoohaven.org or for you to pick up at the library.

Monetary donations are also appreciated and are used for special food, medicine, and other items for the animals. Please visit www.hoohaven.org for more information and volunteer opportunities, and plan to join us for this interesting and informative program. Book of the Month for April: The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes

Set in Depression era America, The Giver of Stars is the story of five extraordinary women who run a traveling library in rural Kentucky. Based on the true story of the

Packhorse Librarians, this band of women face multiple hardships as they bring books to those who never had any. Pick up a copy of the book at the Bertolet Memorial Library, and discover how these women from different backgrounds forge a friendship that overcomes adversities, both from natural disasters and from those opposed to their courageous efforts to share the gift of learning with those in need.

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! Story Hour: Thursdays at 10 a.m.

Join Miss Jana for Story Hour and learn about animals and letters on Thursdays at 10:00AM. Registration requested but not required.

Craft Kits for Adults:

Butterflies signal spring has arrived, and what better way to celebrate the season than to pick up our May adult and family craft kit--a clothespin butterfly! They are vailable at the Checkout Desk.

Create-a-Card: Saturday, May 21st, 9:30 a.m.

Spring is in the air! High School graduation season is just around the corner. Create a one-of-a-kind card for that special graduate!

New Releases:

Adult Books

Hope Creek by Janet Dailey

Country Born by Linda Lael Miller

22 Seconds by James Patterson

When She Dreams by Amanda Quick

Juvenile Books

Wings of Fire: The Dark Secret by Tui Sutherland (Graphic Novel) **Picture Books**

Family Fun Day by Katharine Holabird

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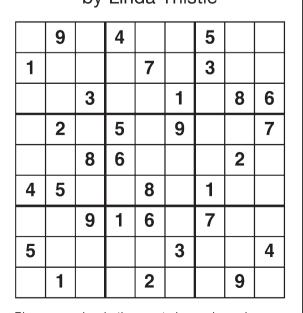
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by Linda Thistle

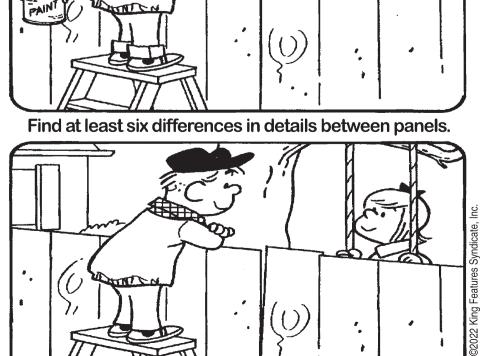


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Claims

MARKETPLACE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, ILLINOIS)NO MATTER)2022 OF THE)PR32 ESTATE OF:) VIRGINIA

A. HOUGH.) deceased. **CLAIM NOTICE** NOTICE IS GIVEN of the death of VIRGINIA A. HOUGH of Oregon, Illinois. Letters office were issued on April 18, 2022, to R. GERALD HOUGH, III of Mt. Morris. Illinois-. Smith, of Smith,

whose attorney is David Birkholz & Morrow, P.C. at 129 South Fourth Street, P. 0. Box 10. Oregon, Illinois, 61061-0010. CLAIMS against the estate may be filed in the office of the Clerk

of the Court at Ogle

County Judicial Center, 106 South 5th Street, Illinois, Oregon, 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

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.

not filed within that

period is barred.

R. Gerald Hough, III Independent Executor No. 0502 (May 2, 9)

PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT **COUNTY OF OGLE**

In the Matter NO.)2022 of the)PR Estate of RALPH E.)000028 LARSON. deceased

CLAIM NOTICE Notice is given of the death of RALPH E. LARSON, of Byron, Illinois on December 24. 2021. Letters of office were issued on March 30th, 2022, to 226 N. Franklin St.. Byron, IL 61010, as independent executor, attorney TOBIN & RAMON, 530 South State Street:

Suite 200, Belvidere, IL

61008-3711. The estate will be without administered supervision. court unless under 5/28-4 of the Probate Act ILCS 5/28-4), (755 an interested person terminates independent administration at any time by mailing or delivering a petition to terminate to the clerk. Claims against the

estate may be filed in the Office of the Ogle County Circuit Clerk -- Probate Division at the Ogle County Courthouse, at 106 S. 5th Street, Suite 300, Oregon, IL 61061, or with the representative, or both, on or before October 26, 2022, which date is not less than six (6) months from the date of the first publication of this notice, or, if mailing or delivery of a notice from the representative is required by section 5/18-3 of the Probate Act, the date stated in that notice. Any claim not filed on or before that date is barred.

Copies of any claim

filed with the Clerk must

be mailed or delivered

to the representative

the attorney within 10

days after it has been

DATED: April 22, 2022.

No. 0503 (May 2, 9, 16)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby

given that on April 19,

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

Jeanine S. Larson

and to

filed.

conducting and transacting the business known as: DJ Mini Storage 15629 E. Eddy Rd. Monroe Center, 61052 Dated: April 19, 2022 Laura J. Cook, Ogle County Clerk No. 0504 (May 2, 9, 16)

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLICATION NOTICE OF COURT DATE FOR REQUEST FOR NAME CHANGE (ADULT)

STATE OF ILLINOIS, CIRCUIT COURT **OGLE COUNTY** CASE NUMBER 2022MR000003 Request of:

Rachel Lynn Raak There will be a court date on my Request ot change my name from Rachel Lynn Raak to the new name of Rachel Lynn Baker. The court date will be

held on June, 10, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. at 106 S. Fifth St., Oregon, IL, Ogle County in Courtroom #204 Rachel Raak No. 0505 (May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, June 6)

PUBLIC NOTICE TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE Shannon S. Chavez

Spouse of Shannon S Occupant Margaret A Sweeney Joel A Sweeney Village of Mt Morris Ogle County Clerk Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested

said land or lots. A Petition for Tax Deed on premise described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of OGLE County, III. as Case No. 2022TX9 The Property is located

MORRIS, IL 61054 Property Index Number: 08-27-405-013 Said Property sold on 11/5/2019 for Delinquent Real Estate Taxes and/or Special

Assessments for

302 W FRONT ST, MT

the year 2018. period redemption will expire 9/1/2022. On 09/15/2022 at 9:00 AM the Petitioner will make application to such JEANINE S. LARSON, Court in said County for an Order for Issuance of a Tax Deed. Realtax

Developers LTD, Petitioner No. 0506 (May 2, 9, 16)

PUBLIC NOTICE TAKE NOTICE **CERTIFICATE** 2018-00091 TO:

Richard V. Masso Melissa L Masso Occupant Brandon Masso U.S. Bank N.A. Ogle County Clerk Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property;

Unknown owners or parties interested in said land or lots. A Petition for Tax Deed on premise described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of OGLE County, III. as Case No. 2022TX10 The Property is located

at: Harvest Glenn 118 Dr., Davis Junction, IL Property Index Number:

11-22-428-003 Said Property was sold on 11/5/2019 for

NOT APPLICABLE

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AUCTIONS

LIVE AUCTION!

Carol Babb Estate Auction' SAT., MAY 14th -10 A.M. 1255 Oakhill Dr., Freeport IL 61032

Carol has Passed Away and Her Home and Personal Property are being Sold. Structo & Other Steel Toys; Antiques & Collectibles; Household Furniture and Furnishing; China & Glassware; Hand & Power Tools & Related; Small Appliances;, Local Historical Books; Huge Selection of Cookbooks; Figurines; Many Crafting Items; Rooster Collection; Fenton Glassware; Vintage Pyrex Pieces; Primitives; Lawn & Garden; Holiday Decorations; Costume Jewelry; Adv.; Much More!

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Sealed proposals will

be opened and read

publicly at the office of

Byron Forest Preserve

River Road, Byron, IL

61010 at 3:00 PM on

Byron Forest Preserve

Proposed Improvement

improvement consists

of new HMA pavement

at the Byron Forest

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Building (8059 N. River

Road, Byron, IL 61010).

1. Plans and proposal

forms will be available

in the office of Fehr

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IL 61068 for a non-

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available electronically

for a

refundable fee of \$25.

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to reject any or all

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Conditions for Contract

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Proposal (BLR 12200)

b. Schedule of Prices

c. Proposal Bid Bond

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period NOTICE TO BIDDERS Sealed proposals for redemption will expire on 9/1/2022 the project described On 09/15/2022 at 9:00 AM below will be received the Petitioner will make at the office of Byron Forest Preserve District, Court in said County for 7993 North River Road, an Order for Issuance Byron, IL 61010 until 3:00 PM on of a Tax Deed. 05/13/22

Developers Realtax LTD, Petitioner No. 0507 (May 2, 9, 16)

PUBLIC NOTICE TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE 2018-00115 TO: Gary Severns

Spouse Severns Occupant Ogle County Clerk Persons in occupancy or actual possession of

said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said land or lots. A Petition for Tax Deed

on premise described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of OGLE County, III. as Case No. 2022TX11 The Property is located

207 S. Barber Ave., Polo, IL 61064 Property Index Number: 14-16-176-008 Said Property was

sold on 11/5/2019 for Delinquent Real Estate Taxes and/or Special Assessments for the year 2018. of The period redemption will expire 9/1/2022. On

09/15/2022 at 9:00 AM the Petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Issuance of a Tax Deed. Developers Realtax

LTD. Petitioner No. 0508 (May 2, 9, 16)

PUBLIC NOTICE TAKE NOTICE CERTIFICATE 2018-00242 TO:

Helaleh Abdallah Spouse of Helaleh Abdallah Hiba Fawaz Hanan

Spouse of Hiba Fawaz Occupant Usama Abdallah Ogle County Clerk

Persons in occupancy or actual possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in

said land or lots. A Petition for Tax Deed Forms shall be returned on premise described below has been filed with the Circuit Clerk of

OGLE County, III. as Case No. 2022TX12 The Property is located 343 Irene Ave., Rochelle, IL 61068

Property Index Number: 24-25-330-019 Said Property was sold on 11/5/2019 for Delinquent Real Estate Taxes and/or Special Assessments for the year 2018.

The period of redemption will expire on 9/1/2022. On 09/15/2022 at 9:00 AM the Petitioner will make application to such Court in said County for an Order for Issuance of a Tax Deed.

Realtax Developers LTD, Petitioner No. 0509 (May 2, 9, 16)

PUBLIC NOTICE Local Public Agency Byron Forest Preserve District County Ogle

Section Number

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received after time specified will be returned to the bidder

PUBLIC NOTICE

farmland

There will be a meeting

of the Ogle County Farmland Assessment Committee on Thursday May 19, 2022 at 9:00AM in the Courthouse Room 100, First Floor The committee will discuss the Illinois Department of Revenue's proposed

305 **GARAGE SALES**





review and adopt the values for Ogle County. The proposed 2023 farmland assessments are 10% above the 2022 values. This meeting is held pursuant to the Illinois Property Tax Code (35ILCS200/10-120) and is open to the public. No. 0514 (May 9)

PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OGLE COUNTY, **ILLINOIS**)No.

MATTER)2022 OF THE **PR36** ESTATE OF) **RICHARD** M. SHORT,) Deceased. CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the death of RICHARD M. SHORT, of Mt. Morris, Illinois. Letters of Office were issued on April 25, 2022 to PHILIP T. SHORT, whose address is 6762 W. Lowell Park Road, Mt. Morris, IL 61054. and whose attorneys are Fearer, Nye & Chadwick, 420 4th Avenue, PO Box

Estate may be filed office of the in the Circuit Clerk of the Court at Ogle County Courthouse, Oregon, IL 61061, or with the representative, or both, no later than October 25, 2022, and any claim not filed within that period is barred. Copies of a claim filed with the Clerk must be mailed or delivered to the representative and to the attorney within 10 days after it has been FFARFR NYE CHADWICK, Attorneys for PHILIP T. SHORT, Executor of the Estate RICHARD SHORT, deceased No. 0516 (May 9, 16,

117, Rochelle, IL 61068.

against the

PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTEENTH JUDICIAL **CIRCUIT** OGLE COUNTY, **ILLINOIS**)No.

)2021P MATTER OF THE)0000072 ESTATE OF) GABRIEL E.)

305 **GARAGE SALES**

> Garage Sale **DOWNSIZING SALE! MONROE CENTER 214 Clark St.** Friday May 13th, 8:30am-5pm &

Saturday May 14th, 8:30am-2pm. 45 PLUS YEARS of TREA-SURES. Something for Everyone. PIA#77

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Girl Clothing, Boys' Size 4-7, 2 Flat Screen TVs, Household, Bedding Sets, Toys, Games, and China Dish Set. PIA#74

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103 **AUCTIONS**

Upcoming Auctions:

"Bill & Shannon Akins Personal Property" Saturday, May 21, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. 12502 N. Springfield Rd., Baileyville, IL 61007

"Less Lovett Antique Tractor Collection" Saturday, June 11, 2022 @ 10:00 A.M. 3076 Alworth Rd., Winnebago, IL 61088 "Bob & Marcene Meeks" ON-LINE ONLY

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RESTAURANT



OGLE THORNTON)

CLAIM NOTICE

Notice is given of the

death of GABRIEL

Chana, Illinois. Letters

of Office were issued

on April 27, 2022 to

CASEY A. KELLOGG,

whose address is 7812

E. Flagg Road, Chana,

IL 61015, and whose

attorneys are Fearer,

420 4th Avenue, PO

Box 117, Rochelle, IL

Estate may be filed

in the office of the

Court at Ogle County

IL 61061, or with the

representative, or both,

no later than October

27, 2022, and any

claim not filed within

that period is barred.

Copies of a claim filed

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mailed or delivered to

the representative and

to the attorney within

10 days after it has

CHADWICK, Attorneys

for PHILIP T. SHORT,

Estate of GABRIEL

No. 0517 (May 9, 16,

PUBLIC NOTICE

provisions in rental

Rob Espinosa Unit

101, this storage unit

property will be sold

or otherwise disposed

of on or after May 23,

2022 at White Eagle

Storage, 11627 Rt 72,

Forreston, IL 61030.

made by May 23, 2022

to prevent this sale.

No. 0518 (May 9, 16)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Budget Notice for Pine

Rock Township and

Road & Bridge Budgets

Pine Rock Township

Building for Inspection.

The Budget Hearings

will be held on June 14,

Gerald Beck Pine Rock

Township Supervisor

815-732-7387 for any

Please contact

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COUNTY OGLE

LEGAL NOTICE The Village of Stillman will hold a Valley Public Hearing before why business Commission Thursday, 26. 2022 at 6:00 pm at the Stillman Valley Village Hall located at 120 N Walnut Street, Stillman Valley, IL. The

the Zoning Ordinance. That the said requests 1) Christine M. Johnson, owner/applicant. requesting to rezone from B-1, Business to classification R-1,

purpose of the public

hearing is to hear the

proposed request for

Map Amendment and

for text amendment to

property described as: ADDRESS: 124 E Main Street, Stillman Valley LEGALLY DESCRIBÉD

Single Family, said

Rng/Blk: Twp:0 Sect/ Lot: Lots 3-4-9&10 & Alley Adj Same Ex W 22ft Lot 4 & S77 Lots 9&10 BLK 9 Vil Stillman Valley, situated in the township of Marion and the County of Ogle, in the Recorder's Office in Ogle County, Illinois **PARCEL** NUMBER: 10-01-308-005

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HELP WANTED

2) A proposed revision Section 5B-6-3. to "Sign Regulations" Stillman Valley Village Code. "Ordinance Amending "Zoning 5B. Title Regulations", Chapter "Sign Regulations", Section "Business District". of the Stillman Valley Village Code". The Village is proposing a change to Section 5B-6-3 which will "permit signs not relating only to the name and use of buildings or premises upon which they are Advertising placed. and sians outdoor billboards advertising are available at the products or matters not related occupancy and use of

the premises Dated this 5th day of May, 2022 Submitted by Yvonne Dewey, Village Clerk Village Stillman of

Valley

No. 0522 (May 9)

No. 0521 (May 9) 203

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Employment Opportunity The Village of Mt. Morris is seeking a fulltime position for Public Works Laborer. Qualified candidates must have a high school diploma or GED and should possess working knowledge of operating and maintaining equipment and good public relations. The Candidate must be 18 years or older. A CDL license is required upon hire. This position includes a competitive salary and benefits. You will be required to clear a background check prior to employment.

Applications are available in the Village Clerk's Office located at 105 W Lincoln Street Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm., or on our website www.mtmorrisil.net through May 15, 2022. Mt. Morris is an equal opportunity employer.

OPENINGS 2.75 hour per day

Elementary Special Education Paraprofessional (2022-23 School Year)

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INFORMATION

Responsibilities include checking items in and out for phones, faxing, etc. application at the library.

Anyone interested can pick up an

The deadline to receive

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Bertolet Memorial Library has an opening for a part-time librarian.

patrons, shelving items, answering

applications is May 16, 2022. Please include a resume with three references.

Byron CUSD #226

3rd Shift Custodian Lunchroom Supervisor

Please apply online at www.

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- · Ability to work in a safe and efficient manner and work independently
- Good communication skills both verbal and
- written with minimal supervision • Driver must be safety minded and perform re-
- quired DOT pre and post trips on equipment daily • Must be a team-player, and have a "can do" atti-
- tude and assist customer whenever needed
- Most loads will be loaded / unloaded by driver • Forklift certification (or obtain certification with-
- in 3 months of employment) • Medical DOT Card (or obtain one upon hire)
- Clean DMV Driving Record

Driver Benefits Package:

- Medical, Dental, Vision, 401k and more • Holiday Pay
- Paid time off
- Driver Referral Program
- Home Daily!
- Paid Weekly!

Qualifications:

- Minimum of 22+ years of age or older
- Valid CDL Class C license • Valid Medical Certificate (or ability to obtain)
- Must have 1 year or more Class C driving experience within the last 5 years • No DUI's/DWI's or Reckless Driving in the past
- No License suspensions, revocation, or cancel-
- lation of driving privilege as result of a moving violation within the past 5 years
- Driver must have a good safety record
- Ability to provide valid driver's license

Please stop by to apply 222 Centerpoint Dr, Rochelle, Il 61068

to apply or call 630-401-2647

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When Mark Twain was editing a newspaper in Missouri, one of his subscribers wrote in, saying that he had found a spider in his newspaper and wondered whether it was a sign of good or bad luck. Twain's response: "Finding a spider is neither good luck nor bad. The spider was merely looking over our newspaper to see which merchant was not advertising, so that he could go to that store, spin his web across the door, and lead a life of undisturbed

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